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This span of life was lent for lofty duties, not for selfishness; not to be whiled away in aimless dreams, but to improve ourselves and serve mankind.

—Aubrey DeVere

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Dismantle 10 Ton Crane For Transport To Danville



Two fork trucks are shown above placing the hig crane on a highway transport truck.

A 10-ton electric crane, with 40-foot span and cab control, was hauled by truck recently from the Broadway Plant to the Danville, Ill., Plant.

The project was accomplished by Plant Engineering to provide heavy overhead crane facilities for sheet steel storage at the Danville Plant. The crane was no longer in use here because of a change of occupancy in Bldg. 24.

Many Changes Made

The crane span was shortened to 38 feet by removing a two-foot piece out of the girder at a point inboard from the end and welding the remaining pieces. This was done to retain the use of the specially blacksmithed ends of the girders.

The crane was also rewired to

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G-E Cited For J-47 Jet Engine

Divisions Contribute To Establishment Of World Speed Record

WASHINGTON, D. C. — entical awards for contrib-ing to the establishment of world speed record of more an 670 miles per hour by jet fighter plane were arded to the Air Force, rth American Aviation mpany, and the General ctric Company here.

The triplicate awards were pre-ted by the National Aeronautic sociation for the Federation ronautique Internationale, offic-l international society for all onautical record trials. The Air ce received the award for spon-ng and conducting the record-shing flight; North American Av ation for designing and build-ing the F-86 jet fight and Gen-eral Electric for d ning and p ducing the plan esi engine, th TG-190 or J-47.

E. S. Thompson, manager of les of the G-E Aircraft Gas Tur-as Divisions at Lynn, Mass., ere the J-47 jet engines are produced, received the award for General Electric.

Hits 670 MPH

The certificate of award indicates that the F-86 flight, "re-

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Must Make Reservations Today For Elex Meetings

Today is the last day to make reservations for the Elex meetings to be held Thursday, Jan. 13, for both the day and night girls. Tickets are $1 and can be obtained from contact girls.

Kathryn Turney Garten will review the book "Abigail Adams" at each meeting. There will be attendance prizes of books autographed by Mrs. Garten given at each review.

Luncheon will be served for the night girls at 12 noon at the Y.W.C.A., while dinner will be served for the day girls from 4:45 until 6 p.m. at the G-E Club.

Company Prepays Half Of Five-Year Bank Loans

The Company has prepaid half of $50,000,000 of five-year bank loans, chiefly to depository banks in cities where there are G-E plants and sales offices, President Charles E. Wilson has announced.

The $25,000,000 prepayment, Mr. Wilson stated, is part of a $200,000,000 financing program undertaken two years ago to cover additional cash needed for the increasing volume of business, losses resulting from the nine-week strike in early 1946, and the post-war plant modernization and expansion program.

Of the borrowings, $150,000,000 was obtained on 20-year promissory notes from 14 investors—11 insurance companies and three trustees—at an interest rate of 2.55 per cent. Banks supplied the remaining $50,000,000 at an interest rate of 1.652 per cent, with the privilege of prepayment on 30 days' notice.

The Company used half of the sum borrowed to repay $100,000,000 short-term bank loans secured under a line of credit established in May, 1946.

In announcing the partial repayment of bank loans, Mr. Wilson

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Apparatus Revises Its Price Policy

A change in the year-old price protection policy of General Electric's Apparatus Department, reducing the amount its contract prices can be increased from 20 to 10 percent, effective Dec. 27, has been announced by W. V. O'Brien, general sales manager.

The new 10 percent ceiling applies to all apparatus lines except for large power transformers above 15,000 kvs, waterwheel generators, and synchronous condensors, effective Dec. 27.

Mr. O'Brien also announced an increase of approximately five percent in the price of motors rated 50 hp and above, and a 10 percent increase for large turbine generators rated 20,000 kilowatts and above.

"These adjustments are necessitated by increased manufacturing costs in these particular lines," Mr. O'Brien said.

Mr. O'Brien said that the 20 percent limitation on price increases established last December has been regarded as successful in keeping prices of G-E apparatus as low as possible relative to cost. He added: "We are reducing the ceiling to 10 per cent in the in-

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General Committee Grants Additional MBA Benefits

Members of the Mutual Benefit Association were granted additional benefits by the General Committee of the MBA at its meeting Friday, Dec. 31.

Changes include the following:

Payments for hospital extras on both the employee and dependent plans have been increased from up to $15 to $20.

Surgical maximum benefits for employees have been hiked from up to $150 to $175 and for dependents, from up to $112.50 to $131.25.

Children under 12 years of age formerly received up to $3 for hospital room and board, but will now be given up to $5, the same as other dependents.

Supervisors To Install New Officers

ADMINISTRATORS ELECT RINEHART TO PRESIDENCY

The Supervisors' Club will install its new officers Monday, Jan. 10, at a meeting in the Squares' club.

Elected to office recently by the Board of Administrators were:

President—I. D. Rinehart, Bldg. 8-2.

Vice President—W. H. Crouse, Bldg. 26-4.

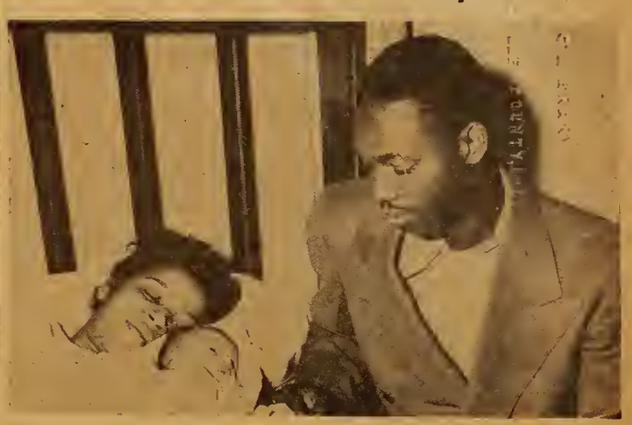
Secretary—Hubert Meyer, Taylor St.

Treasurer—A. S. Johnson, Bldg. 18-1.

[illegible] Dean of the College of Business Administration at Lehigh University, will be the main speaker, following the installation and a short business meeting.

A buffet lunch, refreshments and cards will conclude the meeting.

Pace Wins First Place In New Year Baby Race



Mr. and Mrs. John Pace, above, look proudly upon the new addition to their family, the first baby born in Fort Wayne this year.

The stork's first visit of the New Year made Mrs. John Pace, wife of an employee in Bldg. 26-1, the city's first new mother of 1949 at 2:04 a.m. in the Methodist Hospital.

Eric Wesley tipped the scales at 6 pounds, 7¾ ounces.

Mr. Pace has been an employee of the General Electric Company for six years and was at the Winter St. Plant before coming to Bldg. 26-1 three months ago. He served in the armed forces for three years.

The Paces have another [illegible] who was born Jan. 20, 194[illegible]

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Don Campbell.....Editor

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Curiosity Often Brings New Contributions To Mankind

Probably the most valuable quality with which a youngster begins life is curiosity.

If he faces all situations with a question mark in his eye or on his tongue, he should go far and contribute something to the well-being of mankind.

Nothing is now being done as well as it could be done. Less than a hundred men in a million can be expected to raise a doubt about anything. The mass takes life as it finds it.

Occasionally a man comes along who wants to know why a thing is done a particular way, or why it is done at all. For a whole generation conductors laboriously collected fares from street-car passengers. Then someone thought of the fare box.

Butter was scooped from a tub until someone thought of the pound brick, and later someone thought of dividing the brick into four sections.

Whatever we may be doing, there is a chance for improving the way we are doing it. Opportunities lie close at hand, in every shop, office, and home.

Current Standard Of Living Owes Much To Mighty Midget

Sixty years ago the kilowatt hour wasn't included in the vocabulary of the average man. Today folks who wouldn't know one if they could see it, talk as glibly about kilowatt hours as they did about the price of kerosene oil in 1878. But do they realize that the current American standard of living owes more to the powerful influence of this unit of electrical [illegible] than to any other single force? Why? Because [illegible] increase in the amount of [illegible] the United States, industry has been [illegible] to a high state of efficiency, to a plane where it can produce quality products at prices ordinary people can afford to pay.

Truly a mighty midget this kilowatt hour, this unseen unit which by the minute measures off the units of power which make America great.

Let statesmen thunder, let politicians promise, but let nothing interfere with our mighty midget . . . the kilowatt hour.

It's A Fact That 'Never In A Million Years' . . . .

WILL those toes of yours be safe, while a pair of safety shoes you're going to buy some day, stays on the shelf in the store!

WILL you ever be safe on your job, until you learn to follow the reasonable rules set up on a basis of years of sound safety practices!

WILL you wife ever think you're anything but a careless guy if you keep coming home with a tied-up finger or a couple of bent toes!

WILL your children be proud of you, if you keep on being known by other children's fathers as the chap who is always getting hurt on the job!

WILL the boss give you the breaks, when a better job is in sight, if you can't keep your fingers out of the iodine bottle in the Works Hospital!

WILL the world be safe for the rest of us until all the fools are six feet underground or in places where they make a specialty of caring for them! . . . and that would be UTOPIA!

Battle Of Ideas Keeps Business Ever Growing To New Heights

Business is a battle of ideas. That is one reason WHY we have a Suggestion System. New ideas keep business ever on top, ever searching for the Better Way, ever growing to newer heights. A business gone sterile on ideas is on the rocks regardless of how many adding machines it operates.

Changes come swiftly when ideas flow freely and the thoughts of men intermingle for the common good. Let us hear your ideas and suggestions.

WE NEVER MISS THE WATER TIL....



WHAT'S NEW IN PLANTS & LABS

SAN FRANCISCO—The entire cost of installation of G-E floodlights for Witter Field at Piedmont was borne by the high school's student body, aided by Jean C. Witter, father of former football captain, Jean, Jr. The school recently held its first night game. This is the third school field in the East Bay area to be equipped with the G-E L-69 sports light, the same as those used at the Yankee and Briggs stadiums. G-E's Lynn River Works manufactures the equipment.

BRIDGEPORT — To facilitate installation of rectangular cabinet-style electric water heaters under continuous kitchen counter tops, two models have been added to its line, the range and water heater divisions announces—a 30 and a 40-gallon model, both having the same outside dimensions. They can be installed under any counter that is 36 inches high or higher.

CLEVELAND—A new 75-watt R-30 spot lamp (reflector 3¾ inches in diameter), and a new flood lamp of the same size, designed to meet the demand for smaller, lower wattage lamps, have been announced by the Lamp Department. The new lamps have a rated life of 1,000 burning hours.

CHESTER, PA. — Powered by G-E steam turbines and gears and with two G-E turbine generator sets for auxiliary power, the first of 48 new 12,500 horsepower "supertankers," with a speed of 16 knots, the S. S. Esso Zurich was launched here at the Sun Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co. yard.

Two new television receivers have been added, including the lowest-price television console yet announced by the company. The console (Model 811) has a 10-inch picture tube. The table set (Model 814) has a 12-inch aluminum-backed picture tube. Both are equipped with the G-E automatic clarifier and automatic stabilization circuit which controls picture synchronization and enhances picture detail. A separate circuit for each of the 12 broadcast channels makes possible the reception of any station in the broadcast service area by merely turning a rotary switch to the desired channel.

LYNN RIVER—The first installation of the world's largest street lights, 25,000-lumen giants 21 inches in diameter and nearly a yard high, was officially dedicated recently in Akron, O. Manufactured for use with lamps rated as high as 1500 watts, 65 of the huge Form 108 luminaries are located along five blocks of the main street. About 180 fixtures will comprise the entire installation. The Form 108 luminaires were designed by the G-E Illuminating laboratory here for applications requiring more than two and one-half foot candles and can be used with the highest output lamps.

SCHENECTADY—High-pitched sound from a one-inch-long whistle that is focused to a point by an ordinary headlight reflector can perform such stunts as cause cotton to burn and bits of cork to float in mid-air. Fashioned in the General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory, the small hollow tube, activated by compressed air blowing across its mouth, is used to examine the peculiar properties of "ultra-sonics," sounds pitched above the 17,000 beats a second the human ear is able to hear. Cork particles, placed directly above the focal point of sound having a frequency of about 25,000 beats a second, remain suspended one-half wavelength apart in a ladder-style formation. Cotton held at the focal point, agitated by the unheard sound, will smoulder. A tiny piston inside the tube allows adjustment of the pitch.

The OLD PHILOSOPHER *Says:*



The other day the man who ta[kes] care of the tools came in for [a] visit and to leave a plea that fo[lks] be more careful with tools they use at work. "You know," he said, "There's a lot of money going out the window every day because folks are just plain thoughtless about using tools."

"Just what do you mean," I asked, "for after all you know I only use a typewriter and a pencil. Monkey wrenches aren't in my line."

"Well, here's an easy one," sai[d] the tool man. "Take screwdriver[s] for example. Lots of folks use them for pinch bars and chisels. Hammers too get used for funny things and wrenches, say you ought to see some that come back to the tool crib. You'd think they'd been through a war."

"You know," continued the tool man, "the tools we use every day help us make our living, just as much as our two hands and [we] wouldn't think of letting our ha[nds] get hurt, would we?"

And with those few words [the] tool man left the room and I turned to sharpen my pencil.

SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q: What is "fool's gold?"

A: This name is commonly appl[ied] to pyrite, a mineral consist[ing] mainly of iron sulfide, wh[ich] contains 53.4% sulfur [and] 46.6% iron. Having a meta[llic] luster and a pale brassy-yel[low] color, it has often been [mis]taken by inexperienced per[sons] for gold. It is rarely used [as a] source of iron, but it is so[me]times employed as a source [of] sulfur in making sulfuric a[cid].

Q: At what altitudes are su[per]chargers used on airplane [en]gines?

A: There are two kinds of su[per]chargers, one being oper[ated] by gearing from the en[gine]. The other is the turbosu[per]charger driven by exhaust g[as] as that pass through a turb[ine]. Most engines have both. [The] geared supercharger is opera[ted] continually, while the tur[bo] supercharger is generally [used] as well at altitudes of 1[0,000] feet or more. Thus, it compr[es]es the rarefied gases of the atmosphere and feeds them to the engine at sea-level pressure, enabling it to yield its full power.

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LaVine Appointed Assistant General Foreman Of Div. 15



J. W. LaVine

J. W. LaVine has been appointed Assistant General Foreman of FHP Motor Division 15.

Mr. LaVine began his General Electric career in 1929 as an apprentice machinist-toolmaker. Upon his graduation he was assigned to the FHP Motor Division as a machinist in Bldg. 4-3. Since 1934 he has been a foreman in various sections of the Fractional Horsepower Divisions. The latest position before his recent promotion, was Foreman of the Tool Room in Bldg. 4-2.

He is married and has two boys. The LaVines live on a farm east of Fort Wayne.

G-E Cited

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rded by registered instruments d otherwise carried out in acrdance with official rules and gulations governing record trials, s been recognized as an official ord, and has been entered on record lists of the Federation ronautique Internationale."

iloted by Maj. Richard L. Johnn, the F-86 established the new rld's speed record of 670.981 les per hour at the Muroc Air rce Base on Sept. 15. The previ- record mark of 650.796 miles hour was set Aug. 25, 1947, by rine Lt. Col. Marion E. Carl in ouglas D-558 Skystreak, highed Navy Research plane.

he presentation was made by d Crawford, president of the Foundation and of Thompson ducts, Inc. The award was ed by Louis E. Leverone, NAA ident and by Roger W. Kahn, ident of FAI.

he award was made at the an- Aero Club dinner meeting at Statler hotel. The Aero Club branch of the National Aeroic Association.

Produced at Lynn

apable of producing approxiely 10,000 horsepower at the p speed of the new planes being uilt for its application, the J-47 as been in production at the G-E et center in Lynn, Mass., for more than a year.

The engine is a greatly advanced development of the Company's axial-flow TG-180 or J-35 jet engine, which is the powerplant of 10 different types of military jet-propelled fighters and bombers, including the Douglas Skystreak.

Improve Design

Although having approximately the same frame size as the J-35, the J-47 has many design improvements, a greater thrust rating, and is substantially the same weight as the former unit. Compared with the slightly more than 4,000 pounds thrust developed by the J-35, the new engine has 25 per cent more power, according to the Air Force.

Future development of the G-E jet, according to engineers, promises to increase its rating to 6,000 pounds thrust.

Production of the new engine is expected to increase greatly this year with the opening of a former wartime plant in Lockland, O., for the assembly and test of the G-E turbojet.



OUT OF THE BLUE in 26-2 office

by Delores Patterson

Is anyone interested in learning how to weave? If so, see Solona Hunter, Vivian Smith or Roedean Dowell, girls of the Service Bureau. . . . Does anyone want an introduction to Polly Pappert? She is in the Drafting Division, isn't she Ralph? . . . Congratulations to Mildred Fettinger for her large suggestion award. Besides her suggestion award, she played Bingo last Wednesday and won $41. Isn't that enough money to win in one week, Mildred? . . . Mr. Starke now has a Test Engineer working with him. Mr. Scanlon will be with Mr. Starke for a few weeks. . . . We are very sorry to hear Herb Driftmeyer is ill. He is in the hospital due to a heart attack, and his condition is still serious. . . . Louis Pooler was found pounding on the drums the other night at the Chatterbox. Take it easy, Louis, that drum was not a transformer! . . . We understand that Chet Krasienko received a couple pairs of flashy socks for Christmas. "This is fair warning" to have your colored glasses ready! Remember his tie? . . . Gail Doolittle must certainly intend to be a different person in 1949. You should have seen her making out copies of her New Year's Resolutions. There were so many sheets that they covered Mr. Harvey's table completely. . . . Did anyone visit the Knoll's home during the Holidays? Just how many were there, George? . . . Helen Brindle is quite an expert in making date pudding. The men have really made a fuss over it. Helen, did you know the best way to a man's heart is through his stomach?

Apparatus Revises

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terests of stabilizing prices and encouraging the continuation and fulfillment of expansion programs underway throughout industry. Any price reduction made in the future would, of course, become effective immediately on orders on the books."

Company Prepays

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said that the Company's cash requirements have now passed their peak, pointing out that the possibility of prepayment of the remaining bank indebtedness would be influenced by such things as the nature of future corporate taxes and any developments which would increase operating costs.

Two years ago when the loans were announced by Mr. Wilson he said:

"The Company's current business volume is running at more than twice the prewar rate. In addition there was a drain on working capital during the nine-week strike because no shipments could be made from our factories and as a consequence receipts from regular commercial transactions were limited. Our cash outlay remained at a high level despite the strike. For one thing, we were anxious to accumulate such raw materials as we could in order to be ready to go into production as soon as the strike ended. The strike not only cost the Company and labor vast sums which can never be recovered, but this drain on working capital resulted in the necessity for borrowing earlier and in larger amount than might otherwise have been the case."

E. J. Horstman, New Supervisor Of Procedures



E. J. Horstman

E. J. Horstman has been appointed Supervisor of Procedures of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions, it was announced this week.

Mr. Horstman joined the General Electric Company in 1922 as an apprentice. In 1926 he was assigned to cost work in the FHP Motor Divisions, and two years later he transferred to the planning section. He was made Supervisor of Order Service, FHP Motor Divisions, in 1938.

The following year he did production methods work under A. J. Rose, and in 1942 was appointed Supervisor of Production Methods in the Fractional Horsepower Divisions. Prior to his recent appointment he worked for E. F. Waldschmidt, who was, at that time, Supervisor of Procedures for the Works.

He is married and has two boys and one girl. The Horstman family resides at 2431 Thompson Ave.



So this is 1949! The arrival of January brings to mind, along with the Christmas bills, that the State of Indiana will also help manage our finances before the 30th. For some the 15th is the deadline for filing adjusted estimates on 1948 to Uncle Sam and for the rest of us March 15, looms in the near future. The rules and forms are different this year, so don't wait until the zero hour to file your reports. Those are words of wisdom!

Most Embarrassing Moment

Last week Estel Monroe, Bldg. 18-1, was a little embarrassed. She rushed out the door to catch the "special." Imagine her embarrassment when the white gloves she picked up turned out to be white bobbie socks. . . . Harold Janes, son of H. G. Kappel, Data Bureau, was home from the University of Miami, Coral Gables, Fla., for the holidays. He had as his house guest, Jantje Johanna Knul, a native of Holland who is also a student at the University. . . . Barbara Meyer, Bldg. 18-4, was in "Life With Father" at the Civic Theatre. After the patience Mrs. Meyers had with Barbara and her "props, lines and practice" we think the title should he "Life With Mother." . . . It is nice to have Annabell Redding, Bldg. 18-4, back after a serious throat infection. Joe Hambrock and Herman Volmerding, both of Bldg. 18-4, have been ill. . . . Fonda Cook, Data Bureau, claims to have had the best Christmas. Her son came home from Pearl Harbor on a leave. . . . Last week Ed Hagadorn, Blueprint Sec., did his Boy Scout deed. He rushed around at noon cashing checks for his fellow workers. The only thing wrong—when he returned he found that he forgot to cash his own check. . . . Bernice London leaves this week to live in South Bend. She will be missed by her friends in Bldg. 18-5. . . . Everything seems to be normal again at the home of the Paul Mullers (Betty to you from Bldg. 18-4). The new slip covers are on, the walls painted and everything, "pretty as a picture." . . . Virginia Worden and Verneal Meyer, Bldg. 18-4, are always so neat and attractive, so now the secret can be told. They are both good seamstresses, which is quite an asset these days. . . . Goldie Archbold, Bldg. 18-5, thinks that it is expensive to dance at the Prom Terrace. She said it cost her $15 to dance there last week.

Progress Delayed

Bob Hawkins reports that his boy got three trains for Christmas which may explain why progress on his house is slow. He says he needs time and fair weather; we think he is spending the time playing with the trains. . . . The Old Year is past history and we all have high hopes for the new year ahead. Let us all work toward making our dream of a peaceful world come true.

If people are to continue to inhabit the earth, they will have to learn to tolerate people, whether they like them or not.

Vosburgh Is Named Ass't. Supervisor, General Planning



E. J. Vosburgh

E. J. Vosburgh has been appointed Assistant Supervisor of General Planning with specific responsibility for Manufacturing Development projects of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Divisions.

With the Company since 1929, Mr. Vosburgh's first position was in the FHP Manufacturing Standards Division, working for L. D. Hodell. He then had several planning assignments throughout the divisions, and was made Supervisor of Planning in Bldg. 4-3 in 1936. The following year he became Supervisor of Planning in Bldg. 4-5. Since May, 1948, Mr. Vosburgh has been the Staff Assistant coordinating all manufacturing activities for new products for the FHP Motor Divisions.

Mr. Vosburgh is married and has one daughter. They reside at 4721 Beaver Ave.

10-Ton Crane

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provide pendant, push button control at floor level, in which the push button box moves with the load hook.

After floor assembly of the altered crane and test of the electrical controls, the crane required only disassembly in order to transport by truck in the form of two girders, two trucks and one combined carriage with control panel.

Two Trucks Used

In the picture, the first bridge girder with attached catwalk and bridge drive has just been deposited on the truck by two fork trucks. Later the second bridge girder was placed on the far side of the truck to balance the load. Then chains secured the load and highway permits covering weight and length were acquired before commencing the 175-mile journey.

The combined carriage and panel followed on a second truck.

At its destination the truck was placed directly under the hoisting gear that lifted the crane onto the runway, without unloading the truck and rehandling the crane parts.

The entire moving procedure was radically different than that which would have been used even 10 years ago—a real testimony to the advances in the art of material handling since that time.

S. T. A. B. BALLASTS Products



A representative line of ballasts and fluorescent lamps they operate is shown above. From top to bottom are: one of the new terminal-board ballasts and a slimline fluorescent tube, a 100 watt ballast and corresponding lamp, a 40 watt ballast and corresponding lamp, and a 20 watt ballast and corresponding lamp.

(Editor's Note—This is the first in a series of stories featuring the products of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions.)

"A new line of leadless, terminal-board ballasts for slimline fluorescent lamps has been announced by General Electric's Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions."

This news release appeared recently in a number of technical publications and trade papers. Most of you, probably, did not have an opportunity to see it. But, as a member of the great G-E family, you may want to know what G-E produces and why.

Our story concerns ballasts. The word "ballast" may be unfamiliar to you. If so, you might ask, "What are they?" "What are they used for?" "By whom?"

Let's start with the fluorescent lamp. About 10 years ago, scientists developed a fluorescent tube filled with mercury-vapor gas which, when a current of electricity was passed through it, would glow and produce light. The only trouble was that the gas-filled tube offered no resistance to the current flow and the lamp would burn out instantaneously. (In an ordinary incandescent bulb, the fine filament wire checks the current flow.) Thus, something had to be added to the circuit of the fluorescent lamp in order to hold down the current and allow the lamp to burn for a long time. This "something" was a ballast unit. The ballast was so named because, in a sense, it balances the fluorescent lamp in the circuit.

In low-wattage fluorescents, the hallast simply opposes or reacts against the current and is therefore composed of a reactor (a transformer-like core and coil) mounted with necessary lead wires. In larger lamps a higher starting voltage is needed, so other units are built into the ballast to supplement the basic reactor. And so, the size of the ballast depends on the size of the fluorescent lamp.

Every fluorescent lamp, regardless of size, must have a ballast connected to it in order to operate. Therefore, everybody who uses a fluorescent lamp, uses a ballast. And that's where Fort Wayne's Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions come into the picture as the largest manufacturer of ballasts in the world.

But, let's go back and explain these new terminal-board ballasts. Ever since the advent of fluorescent lighting, all ballasts have been manufactured with lead wires extending from the case. This meant that the manufacturer of fluorescent fixtures wasted a lot of time and labor splicing the ballasts' leads to the lamp leads. That's why General Electric has designed a ballast which replaces the conventional wire leads with terminal boards. Thus, the fixture manufacturer can connect the lamp leads directly to the ballast case with the aid of nothing more than a screwdriver, just as you connect a new plug to an extension cord!

The Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions are especially proud to have contributed this advancement in design to the fluorescent lighting industry. Although they are at present being made only for a few of the higher ratings, it is felt that industry-demand will in the future allow the S. T. A. B. Divisions to enlarge the program to include nearly all sizes of ballasts.

What's that? You say this all may be so, but you've still never seen a ballast? Well, next time you buy a fluorescent light fixture, floor lamp, or table lamp, look in the base, and there you'll find our hidden friend, the ballast. In fact, it would be a good idea to look before you buy, and be sure that it's a G-E ballast!

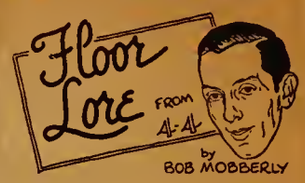


If you are feeling low and need a good laugh, ask Harold Bonker the definition of a cow puncher. On second thought maybe Lorena Buuck could tell you too. Her boyfriend is here from the Lone Star state. That accounts for the big smile. . . . It's June in January as far as Marge Kennel and Blanch Mountz are concerned. Both are walking high above the ground. Third finger, left hand will tell you why. . . . It's a welcome to Guy Johnson. Also to Harold Frazer who replaces Al (Afraid of Sadie Hawkin's Day) Mueller. Now we have to help Harold with all those stators that decide to stray. We're sorry to see you go, Al. While we are on the subject of losing people, we will surely miss Bob Griffin. Our loss is Taylor Street's gain. . . . Jay Rippe is also leaving us for school. Don't forget the red apple for teacher, Jay. . . . Does anyone know who Joe Jensen's helper is? It is reported his name is Bob. . . . Maude Goodrich has joined the early bird risers. Glad to see you back on first. . . . We can just imagine how Pauline Gnau felt when she picked up the paper and saw the headlines "Fire at the Bon Ton Laundry." She was one of the unlucky persons to lose her laundry. . . . Happy birthday to Mildred Huntine. May you have many more. . . . Madalyn Briggs had her machine moved. Now she won't have to buy roller skates. . . . P.S. Is everybody still keeping their New Year's resolutions?

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Eugene Werling

Happy New Year! That greeting has tried to get into print for two weeks but due to the length of the holiday issues was omitted. . . . By now the usual array of resolutions have been broken and already those for next year have begun. Zurbuch tells us that the easiest resolution to keep is to quit smoking. He's quit hundreds of times. . . . McNulty resolved to keep his shoes on at all times. Mac was very pleased when the mailman brought him a parcel containing his Sunday shoes. Mac thanks his buddies from Bldg. 19-4 for sending his shoes back. . . . Everyone recuperated very rapidly from New Year parties, at least by Monday. The Bob (Errol) Barnes' did some entertaining about 2:30 A.M. or were they entertained? Bob is going to be an electrician since he is so good at finding burned out bulbs on the not to be forgotten tree decorations. . . . Most of the draftsmen celebrated New Year's at different parties and all had a good time. A few of the gang did get together but dawn was about to break and this time at the Frank Woenkers. Frank is really getting to be some host. Is Frank crowding out "Boogie Beat" Skeeter Lahrman? After telephoning Leffers for about one and a half hours John finally answered and accepted Frank's invitation. John was delayed because he had the key to "Vets" building. The Birkenbeuls, Leffers, Skeets, Joe and Joan claimed the party as a success. . . . Bob Finton claims he had quite, or a quiet, New Year's. (What's better than sleep?) The Fred Bortons spent a quiet evening at the cinema. . . . This year is the one most draftsmen have been waiting for. Before '49 leaves they will be graduates of the Apprentice School and working toward a new way of life. They will do well because fellows with such spirit never lose. Lots of luck in '49. . . . Don Macke was very successful in his first attempt on the stage. The stage is the WORKS NEWS. You autograph hounds had better bring your own pencils for Don to use because Millie's supply is depleted. . . . Dick Gebert tells us he is going into the valve making business. It seems as thou Dick wants a valve that is tur off when first used. "This," says, "should replace the conv ventional type." Dick shows favorites, oil and water alike.



Our first observation of the new year concerns the modern song writer. For example the character responsible for the song hit "A Slow Boat to China," can be diagnosed in one basic English word: NUTS! Anyone wanting to be in China these days, regardless whether it was via a slow boat or by any means of transportation can have it. . . . Bert Brown, we understand, has received a suggestion to use his file as a necktie! Perhaps it would be a novel idea, Bert! . . . Anyone having anything to sell, contact Ruth Barnes or Edith Venrick! . . . Leon Radamaker feels that the New Year got off to a wonderful start, after he realized a week's vacation and all the ice fishing he desired. From now on "Rody" will be all smiles. . . . The question of the week: If corn is $1 a bushel and pigs are 20 cents a pound, why is it that you can't make money? Honk, honk, or should we say, Tonk, tonk, Lloyd Runyon? . . . Belated happy birthdays to Ruth Gongaware and Ruth Barnes. . . . Apparently Bill Putt acquires a different name at each Christmas season. Since, however, we are still in a benevolent mood we won't disclose the latest name Dorothy Swank gave him! . . . Pappy Vogel's small boy came home from a Christmas party very upset. When asked what was wrong, the little fellow, between tears, explained he had been ing to get his daddy on the te phone without any success. Pa asked his son what number he h been dialing and the lad gave h their HOUSE NUMBER. . . . (parting thought: "The measure a man's real character is what would do if he knew he would ne be found out."

The size of your troubles g erally depends on whether they coming or going.

Supervisors Elect New Officers



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Hartman Brothers Have A Total Of 135 Years



Seated in the above picture are the four Hartman Brothers who have nearly 135 years service with General Electric. Left to right are George, Al, Clarence and Joe Hartman.

The Hartman brothers have a total of approximately 135 years service with the Company.

Joe, who has the longest service, began working for G-E in 1903 as an apprentice machinist. He left in 1905 and returned in 1912 when he was placed on ice test. During this time Joe helped test the first No. 1 ice machine—a forerunner of the modern refrigerators. Three years later he went to work for W. N. (Billy) Wehrs, and since 1916 he has worked in the General Tool Division.

Clarence began his service with G-E in 1907 as a machinist apprentice. After his graduation from the apprentice school, he was assigned to the tool room. Since 1918 Clarence has been with the Fractional Horsepower Motor Divisions, serving in various positions such as Assistant Foreman, Foreman and General Foreman. In 1946 he went to the DeKalb, Ill plant as a General Foreman, and then was transferred two weeks ago to Fort Wayne, where is is now located at the Taylor St. Plant.

Chairman and Secretary of the Works Suggestion System, Al began his G-E career in 1916 doing production correspondence and requisition work in the FHP Motor Division. Since 1927 he was a foreman in Bldg. 17-3, General Foreman in Bldg. 19-5, and an Assistant General Foreman in FHP Div. 17 at Taylor St. Al received his latest appointment to the Suggestion System in 1947.

The last brother to join the ranks of the General Electric family is George, who has been working in the General Tool Division since 1926.



hold the fishermen, Don as and Jess Doersole and they came into work the next ing, the truth was not in Jess caught 23 and Thomas cording to their stories. Closer tigation brought the truth to —they didn't go fishing! They stick with their stories and stuck with them too. . . . 30 more working weeks 'till on is here again. Pleasant ht, isn't it? . . . Clara Gehays, "Even if the carfare has up, we are only charging 10 a ride in our new car. . . . the second shift "What we like in '49": Charlie Hunt, er;" Paul Schlie, "A new of bolts;" Kenny Ford, skates;" Morrie Snyder, "A carpenters to get my house Cliff Imbody, "A little less Purl Hite, "Some stilts;" Bennett, "More fish, less ," Charles Crain, "A portable jet job!" . . . Floyd Benot only had the New Year ebrate but also his birthday. happy returns, Sandy. Cy ur, Charlie Crankshaw, Otto ler, John James and Mel Azar celebrated this week. In fact, day is Mel's birthday. Over the eek-end Al Walchle and Mr. Hanon will also celebrate. Best wishes om all the gang. . . . Our conratulations to Mel Azar for winning fourth place in the Christmas ghting Contest.

Partizan Chapter Plans Card Party

The Partizan Chapter of Elex will hold a card party, to which the public is invited, Thursday, Jan. 27, at 8 p.m. in the St. Paul's Hall, corner of Barr and Madison.

Talleys can be obtained for 50 cents each from Irene Meyers' office at Broadway or Ceal Romary's office, Taylor St. There will be attendance and table prizes for the evening. Those attending the party are requested to bring their own cards.

Chairman of the card party is Martha Zehender.

Fractional Fiction 4-5

By Elaine Sutter

We all wonder how many of us will keep those New Year's resolutions. . . . Since Roy Woods got a new Nash for Christmas he either rides the bus or with someone to work. . . . Lynn Crawford's coworkers want to know why he hasn't done any ice fishing? . . . Gene Berg is looking forward to a good tracking snow so he can go rabbit hunting. . . . Congratulations to Joe Shricker, Crystal Waterman and Wava Aughenbaugh who celebrated their wedding anniversaries. Wava received a beautiful orchid from her husband. . . . K.C. line wishes to welcome their new union stewardesses, Crystal Waterman and Lois Waterson for the coming year. They also thank sy George and Velva Smith for their good work for 1948. . . . Dorothy Pokrywka is spending a week in Philadelphia. . . . Glad to see Mada Candle back to work. She was ill for a couple of days. . . . We do need more news. We cannot get it without your help, your daily experiences and good nature. Let us all do better in the coming year. . . . We welcome Dorothy Klug back. She has been ill for several weeks.

Most wives will listen to reason but they hate to hear the same one too often.

The wax figures in the store windows are beautiful but dummies.

Thisa and Thata

SPECIALTY MOTOR

By Helen Engle

To start the New Year right, we want to wish Fern Painter, Thelma Fenstermaker, and Bessie Potts happy birthday. . . . Anyone wanting to know how to make anti-freeze see Ed Robin. . . . The lucky winners at a recent party were Frieda Knoche who carried home a bushel basket of groceries. I should say Clarence carried it home. Alva Foulks won one also. Henry Grepke's son won two chickens; Lorena Hahn won a chicken and yours truly carried home a ham. . . . Our heartfelt sympathy to Robert Blee whose father died recently. . . . Grace Ober and her husband are starting the new year right. On the first they got a ticket for reckless driving and on the second they got a ticket for over-parking in front of their own home. . . . Hazel Stauffer is also starting the new year right. She was to bring some fruit salad and forgot all about it until she got to work. . . . Here are the finals on the awards that were made Friday afternoon, Dec. 31 in 1x10. Messrs. Mettler, Korte, Knoll, Prince and Roehm were all present at the presentation and enjoyed it. Bob Black was the M. C. The first prize went to Howard Hamilton, and the runners-up were George Marchan and Russel Rose. "Ham" didn't know whether to accept the honor at first or not. The first prize was a very pretty engraved goblet. The runners-up received cards wishing them better luck next time. . . . Happy birthday to Willard Smith and Floyd Steinbacher. . . . The boys in Bldg. 4-3 test would like to find out when W. Schmidt will get that door of his to do what he wants it to do. Give us a tip, Schmidt, when it will be. . . . Wonder if Emory Tucker turned his alarm clock back one hour the other morning so he wouldn't have to get up so early? . . . Two lucky fellows in 1948 were Raymond Snyder and Al Rebber. Raymond got the prize for throwing the most stuff and Al got the money. . . . They say that Raph Gelbert and Florian Korte had their picture taken at Tommy's the other day. . . . Gilbert Walker was working the other day when all at once he left his wrench in the air and started north. Did you forget something, Gilbert? . . . We were all very sorry to hear about Gail Stauffer dying in an auto accident. Gail worked in Bldgs. 19-4 and 19-5 a few years ago and had many friends at the G-E. . . . Ray O'Brien is ready for that house-warming now. Ray has oil heat in his new home, so everybody bring one gallon of fuel oil.



Evidently Santa forgot to bring Herb Koch any cigars this year or maybe he is waiting until we forget all about Christmas before he springs them on us. . . . Marilyn Rhoem is still passing Christmas candy, only it is mints and not chocolates, thank goodness. . . . Laurel Weaver swears that from now on someone else will get the supplies from the stock room. The door is tricky; it has a bad habit of locking from the outside. . . . Being a country dweller with a 10 mile ride every morning I have the opportunity to, as the radio announcer says, "To study my weather," only with me it is the stars that I study. On cold clear mornings they are beautful, especially the very large one in the east. I am sure it is just a little brighter at this time of year, as though it were trying to tell the world that it is celebrating the birth of Christ. If any of you happen to be up that early just turn your face eastward and take a good look at that star, I am sure you will feel like a different person after watching it twinkle.

Elex Club To Journey To Chicago Jan. 15 For Sonja Henie Show

The train for the Elex Club's Chicago trip to the Sonja Henie Ice Show will leave the Pennsylvania Station, Saturday, Jan. 15, at 8 a.m. Arriving in Chicago at approximately 10:45 a.m., the girls will have free time until 7:15 p.m. At that time they are to meet at the Union Station, where there will be special buses to the arena.

Immediately after the show, the girls attending the show are to board buses marked "Elex" for transportation back to the depot. Tickets for the show will be distributed on the train, and everyone is to have her receipt.

Although the trip has been a sell-out, there are still a few tickets available for the trip.

Gene Werling Writes 'Apprentice Broadcast'



The Division Editor of the Week is Gene Werling, who writes the "Apprentice Broadcast."

Gene began his General Electric career in 1942 doing repair work in the Transformer Division, Bldg. 26-4. In 1943 he took a leave of absence to serve in the Army three years. Gene first entered the Army Air Corps and then the A.S.T.P. program, being assigned to Wayne University in Detroit. When the A.S.T.P. was discontinued, he saw overseas duty with the 96th Infantry Division.

He returned to General Electric after his discharge in early 1946, and since September has been a machinist-toolmaker apprentice.

Being interested in all sports, Gene now plays basketball with the apprentice team of the Interdivision League. Reporting is not new for Gene. During his high school days, he was a sports writer and reporter for the "Maroon and White" at Concordia.

Gene handles all the reporting work in the Apprentice School. He has assigned Joe Rowan to be the reporter for the apprentice-draftsmen who are located in various divisions.

R. W. Bischoff Dies Saturday

Ralph W. Bischoff, former Fort Wayne resident, died Saturday, Jan. 1, at the St. Joseph Hospital in Kokomo.

Mr. Bischoff worked at the Fort Wayne Works from 1934 until 1945, when he was transferred to the Kokomo Plant. He was a foreman prior to the closing of the Kokomo plant.

Surviving are his widow, Mildred; four daughters, Donna, Karen, Fonda and Janice, Kokomo, his mother, Mrs. Ora Farrell; and four brothers, Hugo, William and Gordon, Fort Wayne and Melvin witb the U. S. Navy.

Last rites were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 5, at the Rich Funeral Home in Kokomo. Burial was in Crown Point.

Motor-Generator Static

Thought for the week, "Use no reproachful language against any one, neither curse nor revile."

Orchids to the folks in Bldg. 19-1. Each year this group remembers its pensioners with appropriate Christmas greetings. The pensioners are Harry Knatz, Robert Ormiston, John Overholt, George Schacher, Mathias Smith, William McClish, Charles Brown, and Charles Johnson. Nice work, gang, such thoughtful little things can bring a lot of happiness to people. . . . Mary Ellen Nies of Bldg. 19-1 attended the New Year's Ball at Norwalk, O. . . . The Motor-Generator group received a nice letter of appreciation from the Christ Doenges family for the Christmas remembrance sent them. . . . Ed Homan, Bldg. 31-1, was in a dither the day before New Year's. Ed's day was filled with things like lighting a cigarette, laying it down lighted, lighting another and jumping up to answer the phone on another desk when his phone rang. Perhaps he was thinking up the resolutions he intended making that night. . . . Cecile Hinton, matron of Bldg. 31, thanks the girls for their beautiful gift. . . . This writer is one of the folks in Fort Wayne who stayed home New Year's Eve and enjoyed a quiet evening. Tuned our radio to the police band and found that other places were also keeping their law enforcement personnel occupied that night. One western station was issuing orders for a squad car to quiet a man riding a borse and shooting a gun. Seems the old days of the wild west are still here. . . . A resolution Ed Foley should have made New Year's was "not to start another American Greek Society." If the powers of suggestion and psychology work according to form this writer may open a Greek restaurant in a few weeks. Every day as we come in the west gate, Big John, president of Ed's organization, greets us with "Hello, You Greek. How you, Greek." This has been going on so long we are afraid our thoughts and actions are becoming Greek in form. Of course, our reply to John's greeting is, "Hello, you Irishman," said in the hope of changing his thinking, but so far the results are discouraging. He seems to like it.

Ramblings in Bldg. 31-2

Remember Jean Horn, ex-engineer's assistant? Jean and her husband announced the arrival of a 6 pound 14 ounce boy, Ted Allen, Dec. 20. . . . It's a boy, too, for Mr. and Mrs. Lester Schowe. Richard John, was born Dec. 27. . . . Speaking of new arrivals, we have a new girl in our Commercial Section. She is Thelma Williams from Kokomo. Hope she enjoys working here. . . . What does a guy do when he remembers a dinner date just as he finishes his supper at home? McDougal gave us the answer—he just ate another dinner. "Mac" must have a few Scotch ancestors. . . . If you saw Ray Atkinson and Mark Smith sheepishly fixing a mail box out in "Hazelbrush" recently, don't give them any credit for being philanthropists. Ray backed his car a little too far, coming out of Smith's driveway. Mark disclaimed any responsibility, but Ray claims that it wouldn't have happened if the driveway wasn't so curved. . . . "Necessity is the mother of invention." Sometimes engineers do more work on a labor-saving gimmick than the gadget will ever save. The latest example is Phil Pott's electric eye garage door opener. Think of the fun he'll have flicking the headlights, and watching the door go up and down. Phil, won't the door operate when the sun comes up? That's a little early in the morning for you. . . . We wonder what the engineers had to drink the day before New Ye... Some of them were actually w... ing the windows. There were M... Baker, Claude Penn, Ty Sch... man and Hodge Vineyard ... buckets and wash rags. Just ... what Fred Eisenbiegler missed ... hear he took a week off to ge... gaged—poor fellow.

Lillian Huhn Retires



When Lillian Huhn, Bldg. 26-1, left for retirement on the Company's Pension Plan, several of her friends gathered to say "So long." In the above picture, which was taken at the time she received a gift from her friends, are left to right: Johnnie McMaken, Lillian Huhn, Minnie Prumm, William Edmunds, and Rudy Jackson.

Bernard Steinacker Dies In Hospital

Bernard Steinacker, 80, 3014 South Hanna St., died at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 1, at St. Joseph Hospital.

Ill for seven weeks, he had been a patient at the hospital for one week. Retired from General Electric 10 years ago, Mr. Steinacker began his employ with the Company in 1923 as a blacksmith. At the time of his retirement, in 1938, he was a helper in Bldg. 4-3.

He was a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church and its Holy Name Society.

Surviving are his widow, Louisa; a daughter, Mrs. Irma Uhrick; two sons, Raymond and Erwin, Flint, Mich.; three brothers, Frank, Henry and Edward; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, in the Mungovan and Sons Mortuary and at 9 a.m. in St. Peter's Church. The Very Rev. John Bapst officiated and burial was in the Catholic Cemetery.

Open New Lamp Plant In Ohio

Opening of a new plant at Circleville, O., for the manufacture of slimline fluorescent lamps was announced in Cleveland by the Lamp Department.

Costing approximately $2,500,000, the plant when in full operation will employ approxima... persons, of whom 80 per ... be women.

Slimline lamps six and eig... long, but only one inch in di... will be produced by the Circ... Lamp Works, one of 43 fac... being operated by the Lamp ... partment. The new plant is a ... story factory building with ne... 200,000 square feet of floor sp... and a two-story office building...

Quarter Century Club Enrolls Five New Members



Herbert C. Braun
Bldg. 4-3



Arthur F. Thieme
Bldg. 19-5



Alva M. Biggs
Bldg. 4-4



Paul Walker
Bldg. 27



Earl Blackburn
Decatur

Two Receive Certificates For 30 Years Of Service





Mildred Carpenter, Bldg. 4-3, and Edward Farrell, Bldg. 4-4, both of FHP Motor Div. 1, recently celebrated their 30th anniversaries with the General Electric. At that time several friends offered their congratulations to each.

In the picture on the left are, left to right: Victor Jacobs, O. J. Mettler, FHP Motor Div. 1 Supt.; Mr. Farrell, Florian Korte, Edward Robin, George Prince, and Merland Heller.

Shown in the right photograph are, front row, Esther Pape, Mrs. Carpenter and Daisy Ford. In the back row are Lester Franke, George Prince, Florian Korte, O. J. Mettler, FHP Div. 1 Supt., and Fred Castor.



One evening while driving around looking at the Christmas displays throughout the city, I asked myself where else but the U.S.A. could you find such a sight. The beautiful decorations and trees that will this week find their way to the city dump. Do we really appreciate our resources, the things we have that the "have-nots" would like to take away from us. I could go on and on but neither time nor space would permit. Now that the New Year is here, let's all try to be more cheerful, more considerate of the other fellow. How much more you will get in return for a cheerful smile and a pleasant word. . . . Cigars last week were from Clarence F. Myers when he and the Mrs. almost received a Christmas present in the birth of an 8 pound, 4 ounce daughter, Coleen, born Monday, Dec. 27. Congratulations and best wishes. . . . Dale Chaney has named his twins Tommy Lee and Bonnie Jean. . . . Why Russ Deveny has to make so much noise on the lathe to attract attention I don't know, when he could get lots more attention by joining the Saw Breakers Club like Ray Matthews did. . . . After Paul Boedeker went fishing last week and came in with such a fine catch story, neither rain nor thaw could keep Louie Watt at home the next night. From all reports it was a rough night on the lake but Louie came home with the fish just the same. When Paul brought in the sack of bones for Louie, it was Louie who had the last laugh. . . . Again last week the firemen were called on to do their best to save water damage and again they came through in fine shape. When it comes to wading in you have to hand it to Claude Gill. . . . Anyone wishing to buy tickets for the Shrine Circus should see Harold Whonsetler as he has tickets at bargain prices. Give him a 20-dollar bill and he will give you $2.23 change. . . . The Tools bowling team won first half in the Small Motor league. That's why Matthews and Boedeker were greeting each other as "champ." . . . It only took three deals for Paul Jones and Howard McMaken to win the right to own the little burlap bag for the striped kitty Monday noon. . . . Ward Staley, Sr., vacationed last week, and is reported to have spent most of his time at his favorite pastime of ice fishing.



We decply regret the death of Harry Odel, our General Foreman on first shift, and a loyal friend. We extend our sympathy to his relatives and many fricnds. . . . You have, no doubt, noted the change in supervision which has taken place recently. "Pop" Luebke is getting to be a familiar figure around here on first shift with Art Everett starting his day at 3:30. . . . Willard Burgess is the lucky guy. He spent Christmas week in Orlando, Fla., visiting his folks. . . . Anyone wanting any dope on the "horses" see Les Laible. (He should know—he talks to 'em.) . . . All Chuck Campbell can say to fathers who bought their kids electric trains, is, "It's a lie!" (The kids haven't a chance.) . . . It has been rumored that Andy Frank doesn't care for the new way of disposing of Christmas ties. They seem to be wearing them short this year, Andy, especially if you happen to be in the Standardizing Section. . . . According to Harold Fanning "There's no place like home." You may have picked the wrong season for that trip to Kansas, Harold. . . . Can you imagine anyone forgetting it's his vacation and coming to work on Monday morning? I bet you hate yourself for that, Talmage Sparks. . . . Raymond Kreigh is makin' with the fancy stuff since he dabbles in sheetmetal work. . . . Say, Lee Miller, the boys are sure raisin' a fuss because you used all those wooden plugs in the water mains. Leaks have been springing all over the place. . . . Sim Faurote would like to have his friends know tbat he is not taking any 'phone calls between 7 and 8 Sunday nights. He is holding the line open for the Stop The Music Program. Sim says he has the right answer—all he needs is the call. . . . "Mousie" Miller is sure glad he took that lead out of his cart. He's really makin' time now, isn't he, Howard? . . . A happy birthday to Mary Hooper, Art Everett and Erma Cumming.

It Takes Two . . . .



. . . . THE EMPLOYEE AND THE COMPANY WITH A SINGLE AIM—ACCIDENT PREVENTION—TO MAINTAIN GOOD SAFETY RECORDS FOR INDIVIDUALS AND SUBSEQUENTLY GROUPS OF INDIVIDUALS.

To illustrate this point we are fortunate to have the help of ELMER WELDY, FRACTIONAL HP MOTOR DIV. 19, shown in the above picture operating an air press. Elmer has approximately 27 years of service and he has never had a lost time accident. To keep his hand from being injured by the descending ram, "A", the press is equipped with a guard, "B", which must move across the point where his right hand is shown in the picture before he can operate the trip valve which causes the ram, "A", to descend.

Yes, the Company provided this guard which has proven to be a good one and has been in use for approximately 15 years. But let's consider what Elmer does and has done for many years for his personal safety. HE GRASPS THE PIECE SO THAT HIS FINGERS WILL NOT BE UNDER THE RAM. HE DOESN'T TAKE CHANCES WITH HIS FINGERS. HE HAS THE SAME CONSIDERATION FOR HIS EYES—HE IS WEARING SAFETY GOGGLES. HE ALSO WEARS SAFETY SHOES.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

Here it is the start of a new year, and everyone has resolutions to do better in the coming year. . . . Gerald Crum thanks George Horner for the 12 pound ham he received for Christmas, only it was a bit woody. . . . Lawrence Hosack received a little Christmas spirit from the boys. . . . Naturally Bob Bunyan and Mary Keiler exchanged gifts. Bob received a necktie and Mary a box of candy. Why don't you give the guy a break, Mary? . . . Bill Edmunds has resolved that he will only use office chairs with four sturdy legs. Last week he got all mussed up as the result of a chair leg breaking and sending him rolling across the office floor. . . . Bob Bunyan has become a top salesman. He is selling those new plastic "seldom refill" lighters. For a demonstration see Roe Ormiston. . . . The boys were getting a travelogue of Florida as Bill Conrad has just come back from there. He says he likes the Indiana women better than the ones in Florida. . . . Jim Stauffer is now checking all the office chairs for safety. He doesn't want to roll across the floor like Edmunds. . . . We see that Ed Parker is taking up barbering. Ed sure was getting a lot of practice on his co-workers one day. . . . Things were sure popping the day before New Years, were't they, Eddie Kaliker? . . . Chappy said he was going to get a bicycle as his car won't run in rainy weather. . . . Sherm Miller went up to get his driver's license. The girl there told him he couldn't get one without his tax receipts and that the law for tricycle operators needing licenses hasn't been passed yet. . . . We hear from a little owl that Mary Kieler has become a member of the "Night Owl Club." Mary, there is no change in the working schedule we start at 7 o'clock not 9 remember? . . . We express our sympathy to Joseph Ort upon the deatb of his father.



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¾, ⅓, ½, ¼ HP Motors
Portable Heat Lamps
RS Sunlamps
Under-the-bed Sunlamp Holders
Flood Lamps
Germicidal Fixtures
Germicidal Lamps
Circline Bulbs
Heat Pads
Record Players
Battery Chargers
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Coffee Makers

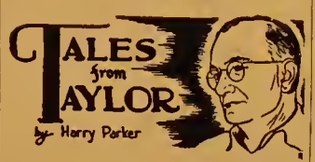


Now that the holidays are over we will tell what fun Mr. Schuman's winders had at their Christmas party. Everyone got a kick out of the surprise gift exchange, especially Dorothy Whan. What did you receive, Porter? Wanda O'Malley took pictures of us all evening. They were really swell pictures, especially that of Dan Reiulle. Peggy Reynolds and Garnet Curie took some sleepy lagoon poses. . . . Anyone in the winding section who needs help, yell for "Bubbles." Ernie Clark will know who you mean. . . . If anyone has seen a large Santa walking down Broadway the day before Christmas he probably swore off drinking then and there. If they looked behind the picture they would have seen Lonnie Rockstroh carrying it. . . . Hap King, did Santa bring you that snazzy hat you're wearing to work now? . . . We are a little late in wishing Velma Rose a happy birthday. . . . Garnet Curie has left us for second trick and Lois Bailey came on first trick. . . . Les Parrish is a grandpa now. He says he does feel a bit older. . . . Dorothy Linsky received two wax front teeth for singing "All I Want for Christmas is My Two Front Teetb." Peggy Reynolds even did better; she received a whole plate of wax teeth for singing it. . . . When Irma Z. went in the wash room to wash her hands for lunch Thursday she came out with her hair dripping wet. Now come Irma and tell us the truth was it a water bottle, or was it the nice finger wave that Millie Strickler gave you at noon?

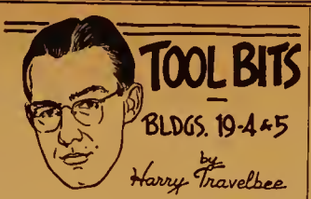


"The hard part of making good is that you must do it over every day."

Now that the final pages of the Book 1948 are closed, we find ourselves given to an opportunity which comes but few times to each of us. It is that chance we say we've been waiting for. It's time to start with a clean slate and heart. If each one would make just one resolution, to live so there is peace within his heart and with his neighbor, in his own little world, the great world without might also be won to peace. . . . Our sympathy to Helen Bilskie in the recent death of a relative. . . . Personnel is proud of their Charlie Wilt who was recently appointed manager of the G-E Club. . . . The Elex girls are really in there. Over 500 tickets have been sold for the Sonja Henie show at Chicago next week. The new DanGE girls (Danville G-E Elex Club) will join the Fort Wayne Works girls at Chicago. We know you girls are in for a wonderful time. . . . We're glad to see the several people who have been off for illness the past few weeks back to work. Hope the flu bug flew. . . . The "Floridan" Herschel Smith and his family are home after an exciting week in Florida. Of course, the fish stories, etc., are too numerous to tell, but he evidently spent the week dreaming up fantastic stories to breeze around at work. We're glad you had such a swell time, Herschel. . . . The Bldg. 8-2 girls and the Employment Office girls thank Veora Habig and Bob Hodell, respectively for the fine parties given at the Christmas season. . . . Our very best wishes to our matron in Bldg. 8-2 who married during the Yuletide. We wish you much happiness, Audrey. . . . Jeanne and Jack Newton do some fancy getting around with their new convertible. They go out of town nearly every weekend. . . . Mr. Stauffer is definitely an outdoor man. He tosses those 400 pound blocks around at his new house like they were baseballs. But it hasn't been long ago he was seen with a cramped walking position. His back was in a twist, caused from too much writing. . . . Val Miller and family were glad to have his mother from St. Louis with them recently. . . . I guess there's no real significance to the fact that Herschel Smith's wife and his secretary both have Dec. 31 as birthdays. (Boy, this column really gets you into family troubles, doesn't it, Uncle Herschel?) . . . It was great to see Warren Locker again. . . . The Employment Office says they're glad to have Mae Mulvane back after a leave of absence; Imo Jean Schwartz after her trip to Seattle, Wash., and Alta Bishop and Dr. Garton after their vacations. . . . Mrs. Schrader tells us she has gained a son-in-law. It's a good attitude; she feels this way instead of feeling that she has lost a daughter. . . . We wish a speedy recovery to Mr. Beer's son who underwent a minor operation last week. I guess we should also wisb Mr. Beer likewise, that is unless his smashed toe is already healed to perfection. . . . And, Minnie, you won't mind if we borrow one of the clever little lines will you? It was seen at your desk and we like it: "Even the best family tree has its sap."



Art Archer, who has been working in our rotor section, has left to take a position in the postal service, having passed the civil service examination for railway mail clerk. He will be stationed at the local post office a few weeks before taking a road job. We wish him all the luck in the world in his new venture. . . . John Weber was telling us recently about the abundance of rabbits on his place. He said that whenever he wanted rabbit, all he had to do was knock one over in a very few minutes. When one of his co-workers asked permission to come to his place and hunt, John told him that the rabbit population had decreased to almost nothing as the dogs got busy and ate them all up. Pretty flimsy excuse, we think. . . . Shades of the late W. C. Fields Herman Doehrman appeared with a fiery red swollen beezer. It seems that he has a small boil brewing upon that member. Herman said that it was anything but funny and we agree with him but he sure put us in mind of the late Fields. . . . Clarence Stove had the misfortune to knock himself out the other day. He claimed that he bumped his head on a conveyor. We don't believe this, as he is short in stature and can easily walk under our lowest conveyor. If he did bump his head he must have jumped a little to do so. We since have learned the truth of it all. Clarence was sitting in bed the other evening reading when suddenly the ceiling gave way giving him a terrific bump. . . . Ed Stute and Frank Blotkamp, our self styled euchre champions, took it on the chin the other day. They were brought to their knees by Emanuel Miller and Archie Boren who played as brilliant a game as we ever saw. Ed and Frank are now going around giving excuses as to why they lost. . . . O. J. "Fuzz" Meyers received a new French horn for Christmas and is as joyous over it as a child. All he wants to do at home is toot the blasted thing, driving the family to distraction.



Ferd Kramer says that the bluegills and crappies were really biting Saturday on Little Long Lake. In fact, he caught his limit. . . . John Ebert thinks that micrometers should be made of more durable material since the pair he was using tangled with the cutter in his machine. . . . We are sorry to hear that George Spitler has been ordered to bed by his doctor. We hope it is nothing serious and that he will be back soon. . . . Have you noticed that swanky grey job that Gus Wiedleman was wearing on his head Monday. . . . We don't like to mention it, but the flashy blue T-shirt that John Stetler is wearing this week looks a little tight. Either the laundry used the wrong soap and shrank it, or he borrowed it from his son. . . . Do ice fishermen wear sun glasses that have a tendency to magnify. Not that I doubt the word of Cliff Dunten, but he has been telling some very interesting fish stories about those nice nine inch bluegills that he catches. Why doesn't your wife fry a skillet full and bring them to work so we can taste as well as see them, Cliff?

Bldg. 19-4 Bench

They tell me that Herb Mennewisch prayed for a white Christmas and got six inches of rain? From all reports there was enough water in Ed Shafenacker's section to float Herb's 14-foot rowboat. . . . Bob Truelove tells us that if at any time your wife won't let you out, just contact Joe Mettler and Mart Walsh. He claims they will get you out even if they have to buy her candy. . . . We congratulate Elmer Sauerwein on the nice big Christmas tree he put up this year, but I think Elmer could have found a shorter one so he wouldn't have had to cut a hole in the floor. . . . That new pick-up truck in our parking lot is Al Devaux's new farm runabout. . . . It seems that the cobwebs in Dale Romey's attic must have gotten in his eyes, judging from the hole in his living room ceiling. He blames it on the toy garage he built for his son. . . . Paul Brinkroeger always slips an extra holiday in this time of the year, by celebrating his 15th wedding anniversary last week. . . . Lowell Welker thought he had a new muffler on last week only to find it was one of his Christmas ties. He showed us that it could be used for a bow tie, belt or ear muffs.

Second Shift

Jim Harris found out that a thermos bottle of coffee will break if dropped on the floor, even though it has a metal shell. Maybe a rubber coating will help the new one bounce. . . . Harry VanDiver spent New Year's Eve at Defiance, O. with an old friend, Charlie Hoff. . . . Wilbur Lane has acquired a new nickname of "Puddles" from some of his close friend. The whole story hasn't come out yet. Could it be that he fell in while ice fishing?

Why is it that the guy who's the life of the party on his night out is usually such a grouch at home?

AD-LETS

Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, January 10, 1949

BROADWAY LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Two keys in leather case. Lost in parking lot back of Bldg. 12.

FOUND—Man's tie clasp with American Legion emblem on it. Found on steps of Bldg. 18.

LOST—Ronson cigarette lighter. Lost at G-E Squares New Year's Eve dance.

LOST—Fuschia and white earring. Lost in McCulloch Park.

TAYLOR ST. LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Shrine pin with three diamond sets.

FOUND—Man's wrist watch in the west parking lot.

FOUND—Brown leather tobacco pouch.

FOR SALE

DINING ROOM TABLE—And chairs, buffet. Will sell separately. A-75442.

EARLY AMERICAN MAPLE VANITY—Bench; maple butterfly table. Excellent condition. A-68042.

FOR RENT

SLEEPING ROOM—With twin beds. Gentleman preferred. Breakfast if desired. H-19742 after 6 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION

RIDE WANTED—Jack Heiniger, from Blue Lake or Churubusco. Works in Bldg. 6-4, from 8-5, Churubusco 3301.

RIDE WANTED—Carol Shoff and M. J. Wyant, from the end of West Main St. Works in Bldg. 4-5 from 7-3:30. A-67571.

RIDE WANTED—Ferne Runyan, from 330 N. Walnut St., Columbia City. Works in Bldg. 6-2, from 8-5:15. Columbia City 349-R.

RIDE WANTED—Dorothy Long, from Columbia City to Broadway plant. Works from 8-5:15. Columbia City, 3038J.

RIDERS WANTED—Ella Staver, from North Manchester or along state roads 14 or 114. Works in Bldg. 4-3 for W. Wickliffe from 7-3:30.

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

by Pat Dolan

Did everyone have a good time New Year's eve? I know you did. At least there were a lot of plans being made Friday for parties, etc. . . . Gordon Smith, Kenny Sheehan, and Charlie Gable went ice fishing the other day and guess what happened? Gordon lost his car keys. I would imagine that it would be very, very cold waiting out in the wind and cold, for someone to find a key. I guess the fellas are going to get him an extra set of keys in case he loses the other one. Charlie is having a time proving just how many fish he did catch. There seems to be some differences about it. . . . The girls in the Cost Section had a little theater party for Roberta Martin and Betty Truman. They took them to see "Paleface," and from the sound of things the show was a riot. I would be willing to bet that they will be talking about it for weeks. . . . This will probably be my last week of writing this column. If it is I want to be sure and thank you for all your help. You were really wonderful, and I enjoyed every minute I spent writing for you. It has been a wonderful experience. It is kinda hard saying goodbye, but then "Life Gets Tedious, Doesn't It?"

The secret of success in conversation is to be able to disagree without being disagreeable.



Everyone in 10-20-30 Frame must have wanted the New Year to start off right as they all reported for work last Monday bright and early. From the looks of them they welcomed the New Year very quietly, or was it since we ushered Santa Claus in so noisily that we didn't have pep left for the New Year? . . . Ed Brockall, the fisherman, and Virginia Johnson, have returned after a week's illness. . . . Kenny Brown and Earl Fredericks have returned from their third week's vacation. Brownie said he didn't do much as his children had the measles. . . . Clarabelle Castle must have a mind like an elephant. She wonders if a certain person made New Year's resolutions "to return tools he borrows." . . . Who saw Ralph Keller at the G-E Christmas party going through the gift line for the second time. We have proof, Ralph. . . . We are sorry we are late, Jessie, but better late than never. Congratulations to Jessie Cleveland on her engagement. Have you noticed the beautiful diamond she is wearing? . . . Ruth Cavender has been having trouble with her car. Why doesn't she borrow Velma Reiter's magic candle. We hear it does a lot of things, such as light the candle and the lights go out all over the house. . . . I wish that certain girl and Rose Cuny would give me a little help writing this column. They say they are getting tired of reading about the same people. Just a little help, girls, and we'll get some new names just for two of you. . . . Sarah Pulfer must have been eating strawberries, because she sure has a print of two on her neck. . . . Betty Ann Carsten sure did a good job of entertaining the girls at the Christmas party she had. Besides being a good entertainer, we all found out Betty Ann makes a very good housewife and is a wonderful baker. Anyone wanting proof ask Jackie Elder, Peggy Bandt, Irene Schafer, Leanore Nohlcheck or Clarabelle Castle. . . . Bob Heinzelmann started the new year off all wrong. He came to work Monday and left his wife Dorothy home. Did he forget she still works here? . . . We wonder if Ed Saxton enjoyed the chicken he won bowling. The least he could have done was brought us the feathers. . . . Charley Engle informed everyone that he took down his Merry Christmas sign early this year. . . . Too bad Ellen Saul's foot is sore but that's all right because she walks on them. Next time, Herb, take your shoes off when you are talking to a lady.

Was a time when gals used to drop merely a stitch. Now most of them have dropped knitting altogether.



"Never attempt to bear more than one kind of trouble at a time. Some people try to bear three kinds—all they have had, all they now have, and all they expect to have."

Archie Evans and George Miller are not hard to locate these days. Those loud plaid shirts can be seen for quite a distance. . . . Gertrude Moss was made happy at Christmas upon receiving a nice big doll. Such a big girl for a doll but it's the kind that decorates the bed. . . . Have you noticed the change in Ray Grotian? He's a Deacon now. . . . Bob Scheulke is the new safety man in the tool room for the coming year. . . . We extend our sympathy to Bob Kerr in the recent death of his sister. . . . There were three in one group who had the flu last week. They were Hazel Herrick, Paul Bender and Ed Meyer. All seem to have recovered at this writing. . . . Barbara Wilson spent Christmas week-end at her home in Kentucky. . . . Herb Winters has joined the group in 16-17. Group 16-15 says no wonder their pool is so high. . . . Harold Hohman wonders what scares the fish away. It seems that Harold goes fishless summer and winter. . . . Lena Shaw played Santa Claus the day before Christmas and placed a pretty greeting at each one's place before we came to work. . . . Just a little suggestion in closing—why don't each one of you in Bldg. 17-2 consider himself a reporter and give us at least one news item a week? Many of your names do not appear because we often get the news too late or someone just failed to hand in the news. This favor would be greatly appreciated. Thanks.



We have been asked many times in the past week if Vaughn Sheets has taken up Bull Fighting. That red sweater he is wearing is really something. After a very confidential interview with Vaughn he says it could be but they are not the four legged type. . . . It looks like Bill Rohe has taken over the city's contract for the hauling of cans and garbage by the looks of his car last Friday night. Cans everywhere. Oh! yes, and he still has some worms left over from last year's fishing trips in the trunk of his car. Of course, they are slightly frozen, but no doubt cold be defrosted and used for catching blind robins. . . . Cleo Crowe and his wife spent Christmas week in Florida. . . . It makes no difference to Jess Easterday whether he works one hour or 12. Jess still gets hungry and carries his dinner bucket every day. At least, that's what Jess did the day before Christmas. . . . Happy birthday, Harry Beltz. . . . Who plays more than the children with the toys received Christmas than Porky Schoenefeld and Bill Irwin. Bill Irwin is looking for a tricycle next Christmas. . . . It gets very chilly falling in the lake at this time of year, don't you think, Joe Connett, or are you used to it by now? . . . Ralph Hoover, don't count your chickens before they are hatched, and don't believe everything you hear. That guy hasn't turned those eggs for weeks.

Let's Eat!



CAFETERIA and RESTAURANT MENUS

JANUARY 10 THROUGH JANUARY 14

BROADWAY TAYLOR STREET

Serving Hours:

Cafeteria—16-1 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. 10:48 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-2 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-1 6:45 P.M. - 8:12 P.M. 6:55 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Restaurant—16-2 12:00 M. - 1:00 P.M.

MONDAY, JANUARY 10

Cream of Tomato Soup	Split Pea Soup
Roast Pork and Dressing	Roast Beef and Dressing
Italian Spaghetti	Ham and Limas
Beef Barbecue Sandwiches	Pork Barbecue Sandwiches
Whole Browned Potatoes	Steamed Potatoes
Fried Apples	Buttered Broccoli
Buttered Turnips	Buttered Hominy

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11

Chili Soup	Beef Barley Soup
Roast Beef	Breaded Pork Loin
Fried Liver	Chicken a la King on Biscuit
Bacon and Tomato Sandwiches	Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Escalloped Potatoes
French Fried Onion Rings	Buttered Peas
Creamed Green Beans	Harvard Beets
Buttered Beets	

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12

Vegetable Soup	Chicken Noodle Soup
Pork Chops	Smoked Sausage
Beef Pot Pie	Veal Chop Suey
Chopped Beef Sandwiches	Chili
Mashed Potatoes	Ham Sandwiches
Buttered Whole Kernel Corn	Whole Browned Potatoes
Buttered Cabbage	Escalloped Corn
	Buttered Asparagus

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13

Cream of Potato Soup	Cream of Celery Soup
Swiss Steak	Swiss Steak
Wieners and Kraut	Creole Spaghetti
Ham Salad Sandwiches	Hot Roast Pork Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Buttered Carrots	Buttered Green Beans
Creamed Peas	Buttered Cauliflower

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14

Oyster Stew	Bean Soup
French Fried Fish	French Fried Potatoes
Baked Ham	Macaroni and Cheese
Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches	Baked Ham
Escalloped Potatoes	Chopped Beef Sandwiches
Buttered Wax Beans	Whipped Potatoes
Buttered Hominy	Buttered Spinach
	Succotash

Wide selection of home-made pies and delicious salads served daily.
Breakfast served at Broadway daily from 6:20 to 7:50 A.M.

Special dinners and parties arranged upon request.
Menus Subject to Change

Inquiring Reporter

WHAT FEATURES OR NEWS IN THE WORKS NEWS DO YOU ENJOY MOST?

EDWIN E. PARKER
Bldg. 24

"I like the sports page. Having played for several years on different teams at the local plant, I like to follow the division and interdivision teams in all of the different sports at the factory."





MARIE HUMMEL
Bldg. 4-4

"My first interest in the WORKS NEWS is the writing concerning my own division. The articles which appear on Page 2 are also very interesting."

WAYNE EDINGTON
Taylor St., Central Cost

"Next to the local news from Taylor St., I enjoy reading the cartoon 'Out Our Way' most."





ARTHUR L. BEAR
Taylor St., Sec. 14x5

"I enjoy the Science Section of the WORKS NEWS because it is both educational and entertaining."

ADELE KUCKUCK
Taylor St., Sec. 13-80

"I enjoy the comments in the WORKS NEWS by all the different writers, because in this way you keep in touch with your co-workers."





Although the day before New Year's was quiet in Bldg. 4-6, our New Year "1949" arrived with much ado. We have all made our resolutions and will no doubt try hard to live up to them through the promising year ahead. . . . New Year's Day ice-fishing was well under way. Orland Foltz, Bob Starkel, Harold Buck and Glenn Willits all were reported to have had a good catch. . . . We welcome Ralph Obringer back to the AC Div. . . . We are also glad to see Joe Hiles back after a short illness, and hope that he is back to his normal "peppy" state once more. . . . Bill Rutledge is now with the 101st Airborne Division in Uncle Sam's Army. He left us Dec. 28 and now we are patiently awaiting a picture of Bill in his uniform. . . . We welcome Warren Berkheiser to the DC Div. Warren was formerly at Winter Street before coming here. . . . Congratulations to Ed Whipple! He is the proud father of a new 7½ pound son, John Allen, born Tuesday, Dec. 28. . . . Delores Giltz is a very lucky fisherwoman. Last Monday night she caught seven whoppers at Blue Lake. She was the 48th lantern on the lake, so maybe that is the lucky number. . . . We were happy to see Mrs. Richard Kilian and Mrs. Harry Balz at the D.C. Div. Christmas party. . . . The Dev. Div. welcomes John Rhodes, rotating engineer, who is working in Larry Wightman's group. This is John's third assignment. He was formerly at Winter St. and in Motor-Generator. . . . F. Cooper, Service Engineering, cleaned out his desk so he could start the new year right. The process of disposing of different forms proved to be rather trying since all the members of the section were anxious to get their share and were all wondering whether there would be enough for all. . . . We all agree that Reba Coppock has a very pretty green and white checked apron, but we really didn't expect her to wear it in the office. . . . Celeste Moran of the Production Section received a diamond ring Christmas Eve. The lucky man is Henry (Hank) Schnelker. . . . Nelda Welsh and her family spent Christmas with relatives in Schenectady. . . . John Spencer, Purchasing, is enjoying the third week of his vacation just resting here and in Toledo at his daugbters. . . . We wish Dorothy Bolons, Production, and Bob Knepple, DC Div., happy birthdays.



As we begin the New Year we should keep in mind the Golden Rule, and we all will be much happier. . . . We wish a lot of happiness to Mary Ray, who will say "I Do" tomorrow. . . . Our friend Louie DeVoe can't understand why Fay Emerson Roosevelt gets her name in the papers, when she gets a scratch, and he had a mole removed and no one even noticed it. . . . We hear Johnny Wilson was all dressed up for New Year's eve, and nothing happened. . . . Walt Neimeyer's wife sent him to the store to purchase several articles for their New Year's party and he came home with only soda water. What happened, Walt? . . . Who had more fun than Marie Wickelman the day before Christmas? . . . We have noticed Janet Hire has been walking in the clouds; could it be the beautiful "furs" she received for Christmas? . . . Buster Kissinger received a box of frozen fish from Cleon Oyer, who is on vacation. . . . Theron Kitchen can do the barnyard two-step very well. He stepped in a pile of fresh cement and then really two-stepped. . . . Ruth Dannecker sent Gus Weisenburger a little note marked "Greetings" last week. Gus wasn't too happy about the little notation under the attached note. How come, Gus? . . . Happy birthday to Mable Thompson, Sophia Bodigan, and Tom Harber. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Mr. Witham in the death of his father.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

Looks like everyone is too busy with holiday activities for much news, but we did find a few New Year's resolutions. Carleton Peters: To tell at least one good story. Ray Horstman: To stop all horseplay. Tom McClure: To catch all the fish in Crane Lake. George March: To always keep my hair combed. Kenneth Wills: To shave every morning. Frank Schlink: To eat hamburgers for lunch every day. John Winstel: To stay out of Kip's Barbecue Shop. Dick Beck: To spit farther and wider. Eleanor Sarnecki: To get to work on time. Homer Hibler: To eat an onion a day. Pete Scotton: To whistle only songs requested by Frank Bitsberger. Russ Prince: To get more of Buck Buchan's "Old Grandpappy." Glen Baker: To try to get along better with the southern colonel. Joe Hofer: To buy a new whistle. Don Fox: To move to town or buy two cars. . . . We're sorry to hear of Maurice Archbod's illness. Hope we'll soon see him on the job again. . . . Happy birthday to Luther Abner, Eileen Gault, Florence Hindman, Edwin Lepper, Russel Miller and Carl Weigman.

Bldg. 19-3

Neoma Klaehn came to work after Christmas with a beautiful sparkler on the proper finger. Our best wishes and congratulations to the lucky man. . . . Frankie Enderle, one hardy perennial, broke into the headlines again. Frankie was mixed up in an affair of chivalry on Broadway Christmas Eve. Not having any personal interest he held the victim's coat, a gracious gesture, while aforesaid victim had both eyes blackened. "Anyhow," to quote F. E., "the girls were on our side." Attention, Homer Hibler, please check with Enderle for full details. . . . Russell Neireiter was worried one day when Ernie Lindley visited Bldg. 19-3. . . . Frank Elder was the recipient of a pretty gift from his fellow workers the day before Christmas. "It was very nice," said Frank, "but I don't believe I'll hang it on the Christmas tree." Howard Musselman also received a gift from the gang; a box of quarter cigars—the other three-quarters had already been smoked.

May Use Betatron To Produce X-Rays For Medical Research

SCHENECTADY, N. Y.—A 50-million volt betatron to produce high-energy X-rays that may have value in cancer treatment was announced here today in the General Electric Research Laboratory. The new device, weighing about eight tons, is a compact version of the 135-ton hundred million-volt betatron which has been in use here for several years in atomic research.

According to Dr. Ernest E. Charlton, head of the X-ray Section of the Laboratory, research shows that radiation of 50 million volts will penetrate into the body more deeply and effectively than those of lower voltage.

A machine of this size may be mounted on trunnions so the beam may be directed toward the patient at any desired angle, something hardly feasible with the 135-ton betatron.

Medical Uses Unknown

No medical experiments have yet been made with the 50,000,000-volt device and none are now planned, declared Dr. Charlton. "This is hardly within our province," he said, "but we hope that properly qualified medical scientists will explore the possibilities of these radiations which are now available." He added, however, that the new betatron will be used in connection with a program to be conducted with the support of the Atomic Energy Commission by the Biology Department of Union College in Schenectady, N. Y., studying the effects of high-energy radiation on living organisms.

This is the fourth betatron built in the G-E Research Laboratory. The first, of 20,000,000 volts, was loaned to the University of Illinois. Second was the 135-ton giant, and then came a 10,000,000-volt machine to produce penetrating X-rays for industrial inspection. In addition, a second 50,000,000-volt betatron is being built in the Company's General Engineering and Consuling Laboratory, with Research Laboratory assistance, for the National Bureau of Standards in Washington.

The betatron consists principally of a large electromagnet. In the heart of the device, between circular polefaces, is a doughnut-shaped vacuum tube. Electrons, emitted from a hot filament inside the tube, are whirled around thousands of times and are constantly accelerated while the magnetic field builds up. As the field reaches its maximum the orbit of the whirling electrons is shifted and they hit a tungsten target which they missed on previous trips. This generates a beam of high-voltage X-rays, and occurs at the rate of 60 times per second.

Devises "Biasing" Method

Dr. Charlton credited his associate, Dr. W. F. Westendorp, with the "biasing" technique that makes the new betatron so compact. These machines work on alternating current, in which the voltage starts at zero, builds up to maximum, returns to zero, reaches a maximum in the other direction and returns to zero again. This cycle may be repeated 60 times each second. In the 100,000,000-volt equipment, electrons are injected at the start of the cycle and removed when it reaches its first peak.

Dr. Westendorp's method involves special "bucking" coils which carry alternating and direct current. The effect of the biasing direct current is to shift the zero line of the cycle so that the electrons may be introduced earlier. Then they can be accelerated over approximately a third of the entire cycle instead of only a quarter. With more trips around the doughnut, they acquire greater energy.

Though the basic method was described before the war in Germany by Max Steenbeck, the first betatron in this country was made by Dr. Donald W. Kerst, of the University of Illinois. It was a small one, of 2,300,000 volts energy. On leave from the University, Dr. Kerst came to Schenectady and aided G-E scientists in building the 20,000,000-volt equipment which was loaned to the University when he returned. Then Dr. Charlton and Dr. Westendorp proceeded with the construction of the 100,000,000-volt device, which was finished in 1943.

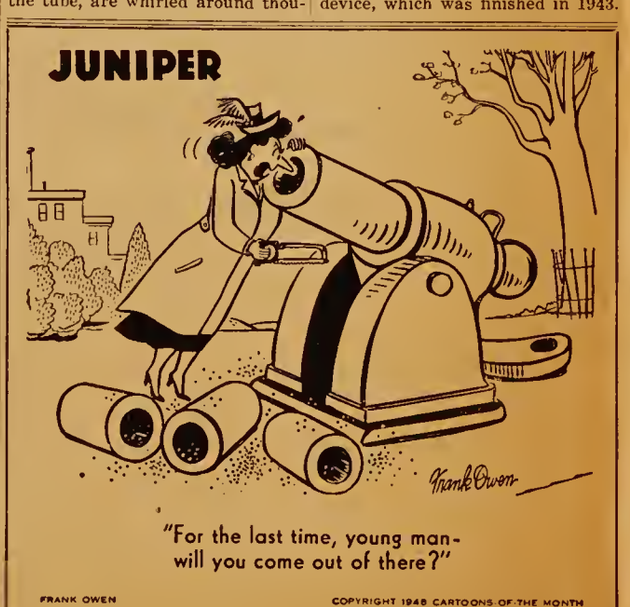
OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



Puerto Rico Resources Authority Orders Third Steam-Turbine Generator

SAN JUAN, P.R. — A third 20,000-kilowatt steam turbine-generator has been ordered by the Puerto Rico Water Resources Authority, according to an announcement from International G-E. This will bring to 60,000 kilowatts the power potential of a new steam power plant being built which is to have an ultimate capacity of 100,000. Included in the order is a 25,000-kilovolt-ampere transformer, plus miscellaneous switches, oil circuit breakers, and lightning arrestors. In the past 15 years the number of consumers here has more than doubled and consumption has increased from 45,000,000 kilowatt hours a year to 258-000,000. To relieve the power shortage, the Authority in 1946 bought a 30,000-kilowatt floating steam power plant built by G-E for the U.S. Army.





Brouwer's Screwballs of the Interdivision Bowling League won the first half title with the Taylor St. team finishing second and the Broadway B and W team tieing for third with Motor and Generator.

Bob Stout of the Transformer team came up with the only 600 series of the evening on games of 208, 185 and 223 for a 616 total.

Two hundred scores were rolled by Iannelly, 244; Junghaus, 235; Hal Spath, 224; Walt "Kokomo" Buesking, 215; George Luedaman, 213; Wayne Wiemer, 212; Andy Koorsen, 204; W. Berning, 203; Leo Elward, 203; Herbie Habig, 201; and Les Shroyer, 200.

Masonic League

Patrols took first half by three games over the Squares and Composite in the show position.

Two hundred scores were rolled by Bill, 232; H. Hickman, 225; Gidley, 220; Chevelier, 218; H. Somers, 214; and B. Somers, 210.

Small Motor League

Tool won first half title by one game over the Planning team and three games over the Production team.

Erv Aumann and Walt Mertz both came up with 600 counts. Erv made his 622 series with games of 207, 205 and 210, and Walt's 615 total on games of 245, 191 and 179.

Two hundred scores were piled up by Bill Miller, 219 and 200; Brown 213; Erv Haughk, 212; Reffelt, 212; Flager, 210; Frank Gitter, 207; Paul Walker, 201; Hubartt, 202, Orval Doherty, 201; and Slug Lauer, 215.

Office League

Led by Vic Rump's 612 count (232, 211 and 169) the Alternators won three games to take over first place in the second half race.

John Root had a 614 count on games of 204, 187 and 223, and Les Shroyer a 602 on counts of 194, 207 and 201.

Johnny Johnson came up with the only other 200 game with a 202.

Monday Night Ladies League

Girls interested in bowling in the Monday Night League are asked to contact Voyce Brumbaugh, Bldg. 4-4, extension 2356.

High games were rolled by Emma Vaugh, 171 and 175; Pauline Hartman, 175; and Rita Fleckenstein, 172.

Bowling and Stuff

All set for the City Tournament this coming week? Let's bring home the bacon—to the G-E Club.

Basketball Team Drops Four Games

The G-E Club basketball team had a tough time during the Christmas season by losing four games. They began their streak by losing to Essex Wire, 49-40, in an Industrial League game at Central. The other three games were played at the G-E Club, and the scores are as follows: Marine Corps, '49, G-E, 42; Sandpoint Merchants, 69, G-E Club, 44; and Wilshire American Legion, 55, G-E, 46.

The next games will be played at 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 10, at the G-E Club against Essex Wire; and Thursday, Jan. 13, 9 p.m., at Central High School with International Harvester.

Box Scores:

Gen. Elec.	G.	F.	T.
Goehring	1	3	6
Lowden	4	5	13
Bucher	4	5	13
Zimmerlee	0	1	1
Slack	0	0	0
Gettys	0	1	1
Stoup	1	0	2
Davis	2	1	5
Totals	12	16	40

Essex Wire	G.	F.	T.
Maxwell	9	3	21
Zonkers	0	0	0
Coyle	0	0	0
Jones	2	1	5
Braggalone	0	0	0
Wehrle	0	1	1
Worman	0	1	1
Klotz	5	1	11
Ritenour	1	2	4
Seigers	2	2	6
Totals	19	11	49

Marines	G.	F.	T.
Dickmeyer	4	3	11
Brickley	0	0	0
Detwiler	5	1	11
McArdle	0	0	0
Brackman	2	1	7
Lenz	1	0	2
Green	6	0	12
L. Haas	0	0	0
J. Haas	2	2	6
Haviland	0	0	0
Totals	21	7	49

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Bucher	7	2	16
Goehring	0	0	0
Zimmerlee	2	1	6
Davis	4	0	8
Stoup	1	0	2
Gettys	3	4	10
Lowden	0	0	0
Junk	0	0	0
Schible	0	1	1
Totals	17	8	42

Sandpoint	G.	F.	T.
Doepke	4	4	12
Ray	1	0	2
Hartman	7	3	17
Bradtmiller	5	6	16
Baker	5	0	10
Hornberger	1	0	2
Valentine	3	0	6
Rayl	2	0	4
Johnson	0	0	0
Totals	28	13	69

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Bucher	4	1	9
Gettys	2	5	9
Davis	5	0	10
Zimmerlee	2	2	6
Junk	3	0	6
Lowden	2	2	6
Totals	16	12	44

Wilshire	G.	F.	T.
Dellinger	9	3	21
Hall	0	0	0
Painter	4	3	11
Chapman	3	3	9
D. Painter	1	5	7
Ross	1	1	3
Strayer	1	0	2
Richey	1	0	2
Totals	20	15	55

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Bucher	5	2	12
Gettys	2	2	6
Zimmerlee	3	3	9
Davis	1	3	5
Stoup	2	2	6
Junk	0	0	0
Lowden	3	0	6
Totals	18	10	46

Engineer to Appear On WKJG

General Electric's contribution to the Air Forces' armament building program will be described on the "Air Force Hour" radio show on Station WKJG of the Mutual Broadcasting System at 1 p.m. Sunday.

Jack Lawrence, G-E Application Engineer in charge of the B-36 armament systems program, will be interviewed. Other members of the broadcast are Air Force personnel.

The interview was recorded several weeks ago at the Guilderland Firing Range at Schenectady, where 20MM air craft gun turrets made by the Company were test fired for the recording.

A second recorded-interview made at the G-E flight test center has been tentatively scheduled for broadcast late this month.

G-E Company To Broadcast Game Tonight

The North Side high school gym will be the scene tonight of another city series basketball game, with the North Side Redskins meeting the South Side Archers.

The game will be broadcast over station WANE at 8:30 p.m. under the sponsorship of the Fort Wayne General Electric. Tomorrow's game between Central high school and Richmond will be aired at 8:15 p.m. Dick Buckley will announce both games.

North Side won the holiday invitational basketball tournament New Year's Day by topping Mishawaka, 43-28, Saturday night. Central won third place by crushing Riley of South Bend, 58-42, in the consolation game.

In the afternoon session, the Redskins defeated Riley, 32-31, and Mishawaka beat Central in a close game with a score of 45-44.

Elex Christmas Fund Helps 56 Families

The Elex Club was able to give 56 needy G-E families a Merry Christmas through the annual Christmas Fund drive. Charlotte Stanford, Elex President, extended thanks on behalf of the Club to everyone who contributed to the fund.

Strong convictions precede great actions.

Voltmen To Sign Many New Players Next Year

Manager Braden Foresees Bright Outlook For Coming Season

The personnel of the G-E Voltmen next year will include a great many new players, it was announced today by John "Red" Braden, manager of the G-E Club's national semipro baseball champions.

"Despite the fact that we have won the championship for two years," Braden explained, "I have still not been satisfied with the strength of the team and I want to increase it this year."

Quite a few organized players have given up playing professional ball and have provided the Voltmen's manager with a large field in which to choose. None have been signed yet, although a large number have been contacted.

"The outlook is better this year than it was last year at this time," Braden stated.

An announcement earlier this week by the Board of Directors for the G-E Club that the Voltmen would return to the diamond ended conjecture about the fate of the team. Lack of attendance during the past two seasons has led to discouraging reports about the Voltmen's future.

Officials of the Voltmen are now working out their Michigan-Indiana League schedule and exhibition games to prevent conflicts with the home appearances of the Fort Wayne Daisies. They hope this will assure better attendance at the games.

Industrial Noses Out Winter St.

In a tight ball game which was won in the last 30 seconds of play, the Industrial team nosed out the Winter St. Interdivision team, 62-59, Monday, Jan. 3.

The Winter St. team, with the assistance of Morkoetter and Meyers of the Firemen and O'Keefe of the Squares, made a real battle of it all the way. With less than a minute to go they held a one point lead. Every man on both teams scored. Davis was top man for the winners with 17 points. Hormeyer got 15 for the losers.

Box Score:

Industrial	G.	F.	T.
Lowden	1	0	2
Bucher	6	2	14
Goehring	4	5	13
Davis	6	5	17
Stoup	2	0	4
Zimmerlee	0	1	1
Gettys	5	0	10
Junk	0	1	1
Totals	24	14	62

Winter St.	G.	F.	T.
W. Reitdorf	6	1	3
Blauvelt	0	3	3
Morkoetter	1	0	2
D. Reitdorf	1	2	4
Hormeyer	5	5	15
Schinbeckler	0	3	3
Gallmeier	2	0	4
Meyer	1	0	2
Beneke	2	0	4
O'Keefe	3	3	9
Totals	21	17	59



The luncheon is gone, but the memory lingers on. . . . Orchids to host Staehle for a wonderful Friday, Dec. 31. . . . "Little Johnny" trying to peer over the top of an elephantine portion of Baked Alaska. . . . "Big Johnny" scouring his mental file for a clean story. . . . A fur-lined coffee pot to Cy for his persistent heckling. . . . All the "city-slickers" trying to tell country jokes. . . . Dolson trying to pick out the non-fishy bits from that huge platter. . . . The half apologetic ending to Sam Jeffries story. . . . All the comments on the way back that it was just "SWELL." . . . Thought While Pushing a Wheelbarrow: Looking back at last Friday, we wonder if Mr. Staehle's initials could stand for "Pleasant Moments?" . . . Our New Year's Resolutions. Resolved—to keep our nose out of Ann Wade's lovelife—to ignore the fact that Andy O'Dwyer always has a seat on the evening bus—to never tonk on less than four of a kind—to keep Joe away from FDR dimes, and any other kind, if possible—to work hard and keep busy every minute, just like everyone else in the office. . . . Predictions of Stuff. (Predictions which, in the past, have been 86 proof) 1. We won't keep any the above resolutions more than five minutes, if that long! . . . It's a new year, have fun, kiddies!

Winter St. Defeats Regional Warehouse

Winter St. of the Interdivision Basketball League kept its perfect record intact by beating previously undefeated Regional Warehouse, 36-28. Green was top man for Regional with 11 points, and Blauvelt garnered 9 points for the winners

The Squares rebounded from their last week's defeat to beat the Apprentice School, 36-23. Transformer, off to a slow start this year but steadily improving, defeated Taylor St., 32-19.

The Firemen really turned on the heat by trouncing Tool and Die, 69-25. Small Motors cracked the win column for the first time this season in defeating Fractional, 36-32.

STANDINGS

TEAM	WON	LOST
Winter St.	7	0
Regional Warehouse	6	1
Squares	4	1
Transformer	5	2
Firemen	4	2
Tool and Die	2	4
Fractional	1	4
Small Motors	1	5
Apprentice	1	6
Taylor St.	0	5

BOX SCORES

Reg. Whse.	G.	F.	T.
Kirk	0	0	0
Tourney	0	6	6
Nahrwold	2	0	4
Waikel	2	0	4
Green	5	1	11
Hower	1	0	2
Sephel	0	0	0
Schrader	0	0	0
Butz	0	1	1
Voors	0	0	0
Totals	10	8	28

Winter St.	G.	F.	T.
W. Reitdorf	3	2	8
Kent	0	0	0
Hormeyer	3	0	6
D. Reitdorf	2	2	6
Schinbeckler	3	1	7
Fisher	0	0	0
Blauvelt	1	7	9
Turner	0	0	0
Beneke	0	0	0
Gallmeier	0	0	0
Totals	12	12	36

Squares	G.	F.	T.
O'Keefe	7	2	16
Schurenberg	1	1	3
Parent	0	0	0
Robertson	1	0	2
Rogers	2	0	4
Finkbeiner	2	1	5
Antalis	3	0	6
Totals	16	4	36

App. School	G.	F.	T.
Rasor	1	0	2
Gottschalk	1	0	2
Wuttke	1	0	2
Allen	0	0	0
Wagoner	4	1	9
Werling	2	2	6
Staley	1	0	2
Auchinhaugh	0	0	0
Mowery	0	0	0
Totals	10	3	23

Transformer	G.	F.	T.
Carpenter	1	0	3
Byers	0	0	0
Cramer	0	0	0
Wehrle	4	2	10
Sheppard	0	0	0
Felger	0	0	0
Taylor	2	1	5
Woodward	2	0	4
Frain	3	0	6
Jamison	2	0	4
Totals	14	4	32

Taylor St.	G.	F.	T.
Root	0	0	0
Butler	4	2	10
Lathamer	2	0	4
Warren	1	0	2
Pappert	0	0	0
Reichart	0	0	0
Guingrich	0	0	0
Angel	0	1	1
Growcock	1	0	2
Sundheimer	0	0	0
Totals	8	3	19

Tool & Die	G.	F.	T.
Bryan	1	1	3
Doehla	1	0	2
Dunlap	1	0	2
Hursh	2	1	5
Truelove	3	1	7
Romey	0	0	0
Yentes	1	1	3
VanOrsdale	1	1	3
Totals	10	5	25

Firemen	G.	F.	T.
Stemler	6	4	16
Baals	0	0	0
Morkoetter	6	0	12
Schible	2	0	4
Moody	3	1	7
Dennis	0	0	0
Etter	6	0	12
Somers	5	1	11
Vance	1	0	2
Meyers	2	1	5
Totals	31	7	69

FHP	G.	F.	T.
Troysin	0	1	1
Lenz	2	3	7
Trabel	2	8	12
Hopper	0	0	0
Brown	3	4	10
Howell	1	0	2
Wilson	0	0	0
Totals	8	16	32

Sm. Motor	G.	F.	T.
Benz	1	2	4
Wickliffe	3	1	7
Rosswurm	2	1	5
Keister	1	3	5
Drayer	2	2	6
Markey	3	0	6
Scherer	1	1	3
Totals	13	10	36

We Start the New Year with This Resolution...

IN 1949, we are going to try to be a better employer. We are going to try to have General Electric an even better place to work.

Last year General Electric foremen and other supervisors—all management in fact—spent more time than ever before in Company history studying how to do their jobs better; how to be better leaders; how to get along better with the people who daily work with them; how to be more considerate, more helpful, more responsive to the needs, wishes and feelings of their employees in the conduct of the day's work.

This year we are resolved to intensify our efforts to put into practice what we have learned from our past successes and our failures, to become a better employer and to make General Electric a better place to work, by doing everything in our power to put the human considerations first.

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

L. R. Boulware

VICE PRESIDENT—EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

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The best portion of a good man's life is his little, nameless, unremembered acts of kindness and of love.

—*Wordsworth*

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Lamp Magic Show To Be Given Here

Company's Performances Of 'Light Sorcery' At G-E Club Jan. 31, Feb. 1

"Light Sorcery," a scientific stage presentation of the magic of lamp research, will be presented under the sponsorship of the Fort Wayne Apparatus, Lamp, and Air Conditioning Department facilities of General Electric at the G-E Club, Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 31 and Feb. 1.

The hour-long performance will be presented by lighting specialists from the Lamp Department at Cleveland.

There will be no admission charge. Final plans for distribution of tickets will be announced next week. First consideration will be given employees and their families, it was announced today by R. E. Zook, Supervisor of Personnel. Employees will also be provided tickets for their friends and neighbors.

Efforts will be made to conduct a sufficient number of shows during the two days to provide everybody an opportunity to attend.

G-E Credit Union Plans Meeting

The G-E Credit Union's annual meeting for election of officers and report of last year's activities will be held Monday, Jan. 31, in the G-E Club at 8 p.m. All members are urged to attend.

Mildred Fettinger Given $105 For Top Suggestion



Mildred Fettinger, Bldg. 26-2, received $105 for a suggestion that proposed a form be made for necessary drafting data on transformers. This form has been of great help to both draftsmen and engineers. In the above picture she is shown receiving her check from E. J. Thomas, Manager of Transformer Engineering, while Morris Cox, Supervisor of Drafting, looks on.

Mildred Fettinger, Specialty Transformer Div. 93, received the top suggestion award made to 70 suggestors this week. She received $105 for a suggestion concerning drafting data.

Next on the list is Jessie L. Elder, FHP Div. 17, who was awarded $80 for her idea to coil inject certain coils. Another FHP Div. 17 employee, Fred E. House, also received a $70 award for his suggestion pertaining to conveyor line loading.

Twenty-five dollars went to Adrian J. Voirol, FHP Div. 10, for his suggestion about a dock door switch.

Others who have received awards of various amounts ranging from

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WIVES TO HEAR ADDRESS BY DR. CAROTHERS

Economist To Speak On 'Where Are We Now' At Meeting Monday

Dr. Neil Carothers will speak on "Where Are We Now," at a meeting of the wives of G-E division heads, engineers, supervisors and foremen, Monday, Jan. 17, at 8 p.m. in the G-E Club.

Dr. Carothers, a noted economist, is Dean of the College of Business Administration at Lehigh University.

Invitations have been mailed this week to the homes of all those who have been attending the dean's series of nine lectures on basic economic factors. The meet-

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500 Members Of Elex To Attend Ice Show

Approximately 500 Elex members will join a Chicago excursion to attend the Sonja Henie Ice Revue tomorrow. The train leaves the Pennsylvania Station at 8 a.m. arriving in Chicago at 10:45 a.m.

The girls will then have free time until 7:15 p.m., when they will meet at the Union Station to board buses for the arena.

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Red Cross To Start First Aid Classes

Starting Monday, Jan. 17, for five consecutive nights, there will be a series of classes for First Aid instructors at the American Red Cross, 123½ W. Wayne St.

Jerry Kelly, Special Field Representative of the Red Cross, announced that those who have the standard and/or advanced Red Cross card or the instructors card are eligible to take the course. Anyone interested in the course is to

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G-E Laboratories Develop Many New Devices Last Year

Devices for detecting leaks so slow they would pass but one ounce of gas in a century, for measuring shocks passing through the earth from explosions, and for producing photolight flashes lasting two-millionths of a second were among hundreds of new engineering tools developed in General Electric Company laboratories during the past year.

The Company's diversified developmental engineering programs for 1948 also included the testing of parts for a jet-propelled helicopter, the building of a 100,000,000-volt betatron for Oak Ridge National Labratories, and continued research on firing and controlling of German V-2 rockets.

The "halogen leak detector" in-

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MAIL CALENDARS TO PENSIONERS

General Electric calendars are being mailed this week to all pensioners. All who do not receive a calendar in the next few days are requested to notify the WORKS NEWS office, Ext. 441.

55 Test Engineers Here Represent 44 Different Schools



Fifty-five Test Engineers at Fort Wayne pose for their picture, above, at a meeting recently in the Chamber of Commerce.

Test Engineers at the Fort Wayne Works represent 43 different colleges and universities in the United States and one in China.

Shown in the picture at the left are:

First row—P. S. Gratny, T. D. Turner, M. A. Kline, E. D. Elwonger, G. L. Lee, G. E. Gerlaugh, H. T. Briggs, G. D. Howton, R. A. Kasting, R. E. Chappell, W. A. Peterson, F. G. Hibbard, J. A. Chiera, C. H. Hudson, and Henry Lehmann.

Second row—W. E. Holmes, J. R. Burton, E. R. Lee, P. G. Campbell, E. A. Smart, W. G. Hoefer, Ruth M. Dingman, R. I. Eddy, G.

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We All Take Part In Bringing Death To An Ancient Phrase

In the old days when a man bought an article of merchandise, he bought it mistrusting the seller. He bought it fully expecting to get a trimming if he did not keep his eyes peeled. Out of that way of doing business came the phrase "caveat emptor" or "let the buyer beware." Just why business had to be done that way is a mystery unless there was a lot of dirty work somewhere along the line.

Perhaps the article for sale was made of inferior materials. Perhaps the man who made it did a careless job and and let the painter cover it up. Perhaps the man who sold it didn't pay the man who made it enough to live on. Perhaps he was greedy and tried to get more money for the article than it was worth. Anyway, the lot of the buyer in those days was always tough.

Consider today's way of buying. No longer do we need to be especially alert or unduly suspicious when we enter the market place. For example, let us take electrical products . . . appliances we'll say because everyone knows about them and uses them. We go in and buy without fear of getting stuck. We buy a toaster for example. We get a handful of metal which, made alive with electricity, browns our bread just the way we want it. But is that all we get? Indeed no! We get the brains and knowledge of a great, far-flung organization. We get the benefits of the thinking of many men and women. We get the fruits of years of research. Back of that toaster glowing on our breakfast table, making our morning bread easier on our stomachs, is the greatest force man has . . . thinking, a process of mind open to everyone.

And what has all this to do with that ancient phrase "caveat emptor." It has this: that because many men and many women want more and better things, they set out to get them. They so increased the number of buyers, that the old saw lost its kick. Why? Because, buyers of today's electrical products are likewise the makers of them and no one intentionally sells himself a lemon. The better we make our products, the better we like them and the public, seeing us use our own products, is inclined to agree with us and buy them too.

Research Has Been Industry's Storehouse For Years Ahead

In 1844, the U.S. Commissioner of Patents was convinced that the end of human improvement had almost been reached, yet railroad transportation had not yet come. Automobiles, telephones, the radio, airplines, the electric light . . . all these were as yet the stuff of dreams.

Forty years ago a man of science said that probably all the great discoveries in physics had been made. A year or so later the X-ray was discovered.

In 1900 experts said the incandescent lamp was nearly perfect. Now it is five times better. If we used 1900 model lamps today, $5,000,000 a year would be added to the nation's light bill.

Research, constant peering into the future, ever seeking the answers to questions, ever charting new courses, has given industry the key to the years ahead.

We do not know now what the products of the future will be. We do know that they will be better than those we have today. They will make new industries . . . new jobs . . . newer and better standards of living and they will come out of the industry's storehouse . . . **RESEARCH!**

LUTHER BURBANK: 'Every Day Is The Best Day In The Year'

Luther Burbank, that grand old man of nature, whose studies and experiments with growing things, left the world richer for his having lived, once quoted a few lines which are worth remembering. They illustrate sharply, the value of time and they are as follows:

"Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year. . . . No man has learned anything rightly until he knows that every day is doomsday. . . . Today is a king in disguise. Today always looks mean to the thoughtless, in the face of uniform experience that all good and great and happy actions are made up precisely of those blank days. Let us not be deceived, let us unmask the king as he passes."



WHAT'S NEW IN G-E PLANTS & LABS

G-E will furnish fluorescent lighting, controls, switch-gear, and allied equipment for the 9,000-foot-long, two-tube, four-lane Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel now being constructed. The New York vehicular tunnel, one of the world's longest, is reported to be the first in which slimline fluorescent lamps will be used.

Astronomical clocks will turn on a higher intensity of light in the portal sections during daylight hours to make it safer for motorists driving from bright sunlight into the tunnel at normal traffic speeds. The supply of power to the lighting system is arranged so that loss of any part of the power supply—including complete loss at one end of the tunnel—will not leave any section of the tunnel in darkness.

Scientists are beginning to doubt their knowledge of the Earth's accuracy as humanity's master timepiece, the National Electronics Conference was told recently by Harry A. Meahl, an engineer in the G-E General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory. He said that the world's rotation, by which time standards are set, may vary more than a second every four years, judging from studies made at the U. S. Naval Observatory. He said that the standards now being used to check radio frequencies are timed by the slightly erratic revolution of the earth, and so could be in error by more than one part in 100 million. "With extremely high-frequency equipment such as radar becoming more and more commonplace," he declared, "and with objects radar might be tracking moving faster than sound, the earth's error could cause serious miscalculations."

A new apparatus service shop, one of the largest of a chain of 29 extending from coast to coast, was opened this week in Medford, Mass., near Boston. It is completely equipped for repairing all types of apparatus and will service electrical equipment users in New England, excepting Connecticut.

A new tube, called a "dyotron," which can control the time of flight of electrons moving as fast as seven million miles an hour, developed by E. D. McArthur and R. A. Dehn of the G-E Research Laboratory, was described at the National Electronics Conference here. The tube controls the speeding electrons as they cross a tiny gap in the tube anywhere from one billion to four billion times in a second. It was designed to meet the special needs of high-frequency equipment such as radar and "microwave" relays for television networks, which send out signals at frequencies above a billion cycles a second. The dyotron has a tiny condenser built into it and it is capable of controlling the electron speeds for frequencies ranging from 1,000 to 4,000 megacycles, a range which in the past has required a complex three-tube circuit. Now radar and microwave relay units can be made lighter and more compact.

A new indicating voltmeter with an expanded scale, designed for general switchboard use by electric utilities and large industries, is announced by the Meter and Instrument Divisions at Lynn, Mass. An addition to the Type AB-15 line, the new meter has a scale 7.1 inches long spanning 250 degrees about the center. The scale is expanded over the most frequently used range, from 90 to 130 volts, enabling easy detection and measurement of 0.5-volt variations within that range. Scales for higher voltages can be supplied.

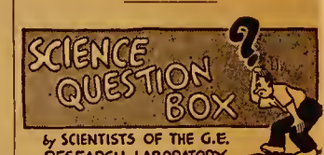
The OLD PHILOSOPHER Says:



I wonder sometimes, when I hear someone talk about the "good old days" if any of us really would want to go back to them. I wonder if we stop to consider that only 50 years ago, the largest pay check in the country couldn't buy a radio, an automobile, an electric refrigerator or even a porcelain bath tub . . . for the simple reason that they just didn't exist. I wonder too if we stop to consider that just these four things have been made possible by the much criticized machine-age.

There is only one way to look at it and that is, that the development of the machine has been chiefly responsible for the thousands and thousands of products and services available today and which did not exist 50 years ago. Today we live in the greatest age man has ever known and don't let anyone tell you different.

Can you imagine for example going back to the horse and buggy days when you had to go out to the barn half an hour before the folks wanted to go for a ride on Sunday afternoon. And you had to manicure the old mare and dress her up in her Sunday harness and back her into the shafts and hook up . . . and then you got the family and jogged along a dusty road at about three miles an hour for five miles out and then five miles back . . . can you imagine calling that a good time today? No, I don't think you can and when you step on the starter of even your 10 year old car today, you can thank the machine age and the present industrial set-up that makes it possible.



Q. What is it, other than fire, that causes damage when lightning strikes an object?

A. When an electrical discharge, such as lightning, passes through air, it causes a pressure to be developed which is dependent on the amount of electrical current. This pressure may reach its full magnitude in five millionths of a second or less. It is responsible for the thunderclap accompanying the discharge and for many of the damaging effects of lightning. It causes the tearing and rending when a tree, pole, or wooden building is struck. If there is moisture present, as there is with a growing tree, its sudden conversion to vapor adds to the pressure that is developed.

Foremen Hear Steel Official



L. S. Marsh, former Manager of the Metallurgical and Inspection Department of the Inland Steel Company, narrated a motion picture on steel at a meeting of the Foremen's Association Thursday evening, Jan. 6, in Kreis Stoltzenau hall. Robert Morris, Everett Lindeman, president of the association, and Mr. Marsh are shown above discussing the movie after the meeting.

Top Suggestion

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$5 to $20 are:

FHP Motor Div. 10: William Milledge and Robert W. Kessens.

Tiffin Plant: Howard W. Young, Ray C. Wise, Harold L. Kays, James M. Turner, Wayne H. Fogelman, Ray Milliron, Marion M. Shultz, Bliss C. Feasel and Earl Shultz.

DeKalb Plant: Mary Smith, Clifford Smith, Beulah Moore, Florence Bongiovanni, and Loren Wood.

Specialty Transformer Div. 91: D. D. Miller (2 awards), Robert A Bunyan (2 awards), Howard C. Oesch, Ed Kaliker (2 awards), William F. Suelzer, John A. Kennell, and Robert J. Wiltshire.

Specialty Transformer Div. 93: Murray J. Sherman, Clara Michelini, Betty J. Horner, Calvin C. Hapner (2 awards), Kenneth Casselman, and Neil E. Bracht.

Specialty Transformer Div. 94: Joseph Troendly, Oscar Risser and Raymond H. Horstman.

Specialty Transformer Div. 95: J. Virgil McKeeman, Alta M. Lees, and Ernest A. Kern.

Danville Plant: Dale Smalley, Orie E. Freeman, Laura Mae Jenkins, Robert Hicks, Raymond Southard, and Dale L. Brown.

Motor and Generator Div.: Paul Walker, George L. Santon, Miles E. Reynolds, Clifton J. Mugg Gaddis G. Hall, Kenneth C. Cozad, and William E. Billue.

Wire and Insulation Div.: Robert L. Pickett, Robert F. Dressel. Ralph G. Lindeman, Carl M. Junk and Robert E. Baals.

General Tool Div.: Robert M. Truelove, Joseph J. Hartman Glenn O. Hoon, Granville C. Gorrell, and Robert Bryan.

Distribution Div.: Herman Ebel, William C. Elick, and Carl J. Click.

Miscellaneous: George Lambroff.

A man recently drove his auto into a truck loaded with dynamite, but it didn't go off. People drive across railroad tracks without looking, too.

Behind The Cracker Barrel In General Stores

By Marie Kettering

What happened to the column last week? That's a good question. There wasn't any and if you don't make news there can't be news. . . . The fellows in the Grinding Room would like to remind Karl Soest to be sure and listen to President Truman's Inaugural Speech Jan. 20. It seems Karl lost $10 to the boys by betting on Dewey in the recent election, and now they want him to listen to the speech so he may be compensated for some of the money he lost. . . . Belated birthday felicitations to Arthur Haberstock, Marion Sienkiericz and Kenneth McManama. Just remember, fellows, our wishes are stronger because we kept them longer. . . . Our deepest sympathy to the Charles Florent family on the recent death of Mrs. Florent's mother. . . . For Chester Gilliam's future information the hole in the floor outside the grinding room door leads to the steam pipes and is not a disposal vat for kerosene. . . . We are wondering if Charlie Kimes is out of the dog house at home yet. Not only does he take his wife's shoe and hit her on the shin, but, since he has bought a new car, he spends practically all his spare time at the lake fishing. Have you had any luck fishing, Charlie? We haven't heard any stories lately. . . . The topic of conversation in the office is the Sonja Henie Ice Revue. Several of the girls are going to Chicago tomorrow with the Elex Club to attend the revue. . . . We are glad to see Albert Van Behrens back after an absence of six weeks due to illness. Good luck and good health in the future, Al. . . . Byron Simmons is at it again—trying to grow a mustache, that is. Even after a week it scarcely can be seen. Won't one of you girls come to his aid and lend him your eyebrow pencil?



Big story of the week. Art and his wife had another "Rowe" on Tuesday morning, but, we understand that it was just a little one! Having had recent experience along these lines ourselves, we would suggest naming the little girl Continuous Rowe! You could call her Connie for short. . . . Candidates for Siberia: The guy who addressed the resplendent sales brochure to "F. Ondronk!" The engineer who called the Ballast Sales Office and placed an order for half a dozen pipecleaners! . . . Test Engineers—Up in Arms! (Pick your own) Ann Wade has informed us (we suppose because of the publicity given her recent romances) that she will have to break the "bad habit" of dating T. E.'s! Bad habit—she calls it! O. K., fellas, are you going to take this sitting down? (With Miss Wade, I mean?)

F. L. Schafenacker Named Supervisor In FHP Divisions



F. L. Schafenacker

F. L. Schafenacker has been appointed Supervisor of Mechanical Facilities, Tools and Supplies, of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Divisions.

A General Electric employee since 1909, Mr. Schafenacker first started his G-E career as a machinist toolmaker in the FHP Motor Division. He later transferred to the Apparatus machine shop and then to the general tool shop. In 1913 he became foreman of the special machine shop, and in 1920 he was made supervisor of machine tool operations.

He later became a general foreman in the Meter Division, and was made Superintendent of the Apparatus Division in 1934. Mr. Schafenacker went on special assignments in the FHP Motor Division in 1939. Since 1941, he has been Supervisor of mechanical equipment at the Supercharger, Assistant to the Superintendent at Taylor St. and Staff Assistant in Robert Wylie's office. Bldg. 18-1.

It isn't what the average man says that counts—it's his wife's reply.

Supervisors Hear Economist



M. W. Edgar is shown above chatting with Dr. Neil Carothers and I. D. Rinehart at the Supervisors' Club meeting Monday night at the Squares' hall. Dr. Carothers, noted economist and Dean of the College of Business Administration at Lehigh University, was the main speaker; while Mr. Rinehart has been elected to succeed Mr. Edgar as president of the organization.

Wives To Hear

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ing is being sponsored by Management primarily to give the wives an opportunity to hear a portion of the information included in the series just concluded here.

Before coming to Fort Wayne in November, Dr. Carothers gave his lectures at the Schenectady Works. Later he will present the series at the Erie Works.



Congratulations Leo Elward. That was a mighty fine portrait we saw of your intended in last Sunday's paper. Why didn't you let us in on it, Leo? It can't be that you are still bashful or are you? We never thought you would make the grade, but we do know you will make and be the model husband, Leo. Your co-workers will be more than happy to give you any and all the advice you may need. Please don't be afraid to ask. . . . We have taken notice that Francis Groeschel comes to work shaved clean as a whistle. We understand that the only reason for this is it's orders from headquarters. Leo Elward, please bear this in mind. . . . Oscar Baumgartner is back after being absent due to a broken foot. . . . We welcome Nina Hartman, who has joined Wire Cost. We hope you will like us Nina. . . . Folks, the news is coming in very slow, so far this year. You all haven't made New Year's resolutions not to turn in news have you? You can't tell me that 1949 is at a standstill. Come one and all please give out.

If every nose stuck into other people's business were snipped off, wouldn't we be a funny-looking race?

Tricks In Transformer —FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

Some people are always wishing for something instead of giving thanks for what they have. For instance, Eddie Dauscher and Don Huffman were hoping to get a new hard rubber tired tool wagon for Christmas. Now the boys wonder if Ted Mullens, Bill Edmunds or Herman Korte would just consider overhauling the old one. That one flat wheel makes it a little hard to push. . . . Bob Bunyan is also one who is thankful because his son left his army clothes at home when he went to the Navy. Bob now has some clothes to wear as his were lost in the big laundry fire. . . . John Kennell would like to trade his '38 LaSalle for an old Model T that will run since John's car can usually be found at the garage. John says it's the best car on the road. . . . Lorenzo Smith says the taxi fare from Decatur to Fort Wayne is pretty high. How about it, Buck? . . . In case anyone is interested, the odor in Bldg. 26-1 is due to Don George and Bud Garner getting skunked in cards. Rodger "Rod" Collar and Orlie "Fireball" Zimmerman were crowing all day. Bob and Don claim they skunked Rod and Fireball at least three times a week. . . . Big chief safety man, Ray Chapman says, "I am going to put my foot down on wearing gloves while running a drill press." Amen. . . . Last week some buddy was flying low over the Brooklyn railroad tracks. The men in blue would like to speak to the man behind the wheel. . . . Anyone requesting information on anything see Fireball Zimmerman—he is a jack of all trades.

Violinists are said to make good aviators because of their rhythm. It sounds reasonable unless they start fiddling around in the air.

The marathon runner has a lot of wind, says a trainer. And how about the hole-in-one golfer?

G-E Laboratories

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troduced in 1948 is a pistol-shaped electronic device extremely sensitive to the presence of the elements fluorine, bromine, chorine, and iodine. Infinitesimal leaks in pressure systems filled with gases containing these elements can be detected with the instrument, which sucks in air and registers the presence of any halogen on a control panel.

Another new device, called the "earth shock accelerometer," was tried out for the first time early in the year, when it was buried in earth near the explosion of one-half million tons of high-explosives in Tennessee. Signals from the device, indicating extent of shocks, are carried through a cable to recording instruments on the surface.

Light Catches Action

For high-speed photography, G-E engineers developed a photolight which puts out a bright flash lasting only one-millionth of a second. With this flash, it has been possible to take virtually motionless pictures of such objects as artillery shells traveling at three times the speed of sound.

Facilities for development and testing of parts for a proposed jet-propelled helicopter were expended in 1948. New facilities include an outdoor bowl-shaped pit 150 feet in diameter, in the center of which is a huge helicopter blade. On the end of the blade are jet units to be tested.

Among the particle accelerators —"atom smashers"—produced during the year were a 10,000,000-volt betatron for Naval Ordnance, and a 50,000,000-volt betatron for the National Bureau of Standards. A 70,000,000-volt synchrotron is being built for nuclear research at Queens University, Canada, and work was begun on a pair of 100,-000,000-volt betatrons for the University of Chicago and for the Oak Ridge National Laboratories, Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Control V-2 Rocket

The G-E rocket research and development program, conducted for the Army Ordnance Department, continued through its third year. In February, 1948, a German V-2 rocket was controlled in flight for the first time. Development of telemetry equipment progressed to the point where the present apparatus for signaling from instruments in the rockets to the ground weighs only 23 pounds, and transmits 28 different kinds of information every 1/30th of a second.

For specialized research underway at Rutgers University, G-E engineers designed and built a six-ton electromagnet. Because of the influence of strong magnetic fields on certain salts, the giant device will help provide means of reaching temperatures near absolute zero. It will also be used to investigate properties of isotopes in nuclear research.

A new job for X-rays was found in rolling mills, with the development of the G-E X-ray thickness gage. The gage keeps a continuous check on the thickness of metal sheets as they shoot from the rolling machines by measuring the quantities of X-rays passing through them.

Automatic Weathermen

For keeping meteorological records at unmanned weather-stations in remote parts of the earth, G-E engineers designed an "electric weatherman," which automatically and continuously records wind velocities and direction on a roll of paper, and requires attention only once a month.

A new type of bearing was introduced, whereby a rotating shaft is suspended in air by magnets, so that it touches no surface as it spins. First application of the "floating-on-air" principle was in a watthour meter, the familiar device that keeps a record of electricity brought into a home.

Another novel device to make its debut was the "hypsometer," which measures altitude by the temperature of a boiling liquid. The greater the altitude, the lower the boiling point of liquids, so the hypsometer simply boils the liquid and measures its temperature, which can be translated into terms of height. The compact device is expected to be particularly useful in meteorological measurements at 50,000 feet and higher.

Machine Solves Problems

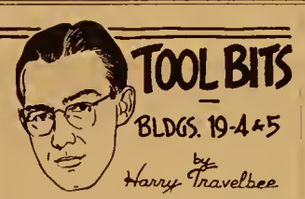
Another engineering advance was the production of a machine which makes possible the "mapping" of the invisible field of force surrounding electrically-charged pieces of metal in a matter of hours. The machine is automatic, and does in hours an operation once requiring weeks of tedious calculations. The field of force is represented in a drawing which the machine makes. It can be used to solve problems in magnetics, fluid streamlining, heat conduction, and propellor blade torsion, according to G-E engineers.

For measuring vibrations of moving machinery, rotating equipment, factory buildings, etc., a "recording vibrometer" smaller than a loaf of bread was developed.

Completes 40 Years Service



C. H. Matson, Works Manager, Tuesday celebrated his 40th anniversary of service with General Electric. On this occasion he received a 40-year service certificate. At the presentation were, left to right, W. C. Wichman, Manager of Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions; Mr. Matson, J. M. Crawford, Manager, Large Motor and Generator Divisions; M. E. Lord, Manager of the FHP Motor Divisions; and O. L. Weitzman, Winter St. Works Manager.



John Neukam has been calling John Roemer "Bad Eye" all last week and now Neukam wished he hadn't, cuz he too has a bad eye. Moral—He who laughs last, laughs best. . . . Gus Wiedleman says he is getting a little absent-minded as he forgot his billfold Monday. He had to borrow lunch money from the boys. . . . John Hensler, who has been off ill since Labor Day, is convalescing at the home of his sister and brother-in-law at 230 W. Sherwood Terrace and is feeling better. In fact he would enjoy a visit from the fellows in Bldgs. 19-4 and 19-5. . . . Congratulations to John Ebert on his 30th year with G-E. To show that it was a gala occasion he was sporting an oversize bow tie for the event. . . . "Just call me a big oil magnate," says Del Stickler. Seems that Del wanted to drain the oil out of the pan on his lathe Monday. Since he had the necessary equipment in the two buckets, he filled the first one and started to push the second bucket under the lathe after taking the other one out, but the bucket didn't quite go under. Del didn't give up—he just kept trying again; however, it just wouldn't go. The sad part was that all this time the oil was running on the floor until someone told him to put his finger into the hole, which he did, until the oil could be changed from the short bucket to the tall one. Del still says that he should have left his five buckle arctics on this morning. . . . Harry Schlichter is our new sweeper in Bldg. 19-5. . . . Ed Taylor says that your pocket is no place to start a fire. Seems Ed had about a dozen matches ignited at one time. He really went into high gear to get them out of his pocket.

Second Shift

Max Greeno says he's going to take up ice-fishing. Says he received two new fish poles for Christmas and just has to break them in. . . . John Fleischer and Wilbur Lane got their new fishing licenses last week and now they're confident that they'll pull out plenty through the ice. Wilbur said his old one was no good, as there just were not anymore fish on it. Since when does a new license make better fishermen? . . . Dale Eddington came in one night last week with his arms and legs all skinned up. Said he came down stairs wrong side up.

Red Cross

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report Monday evening at 7 p.m. to the Red Cross at the W. Wayne St. address. The classes will be held from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. each night.

Any additional information can be obtained from the Safety Section office, Bldg. 8-2, Ext. 563.

500 Members

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A delegation representing the DanGE Club, newly-formed girls' club at the Danville plant, will meet the Fort Wayne girls to attend the revue.

Following the show, all members are requested to board buses marked "Elex" for transportation back to the depot.



"Perhaps the psychologist who says there's no such thing as pain has never listened to another psychologist."

We are pretty proud of the Hartman Brothers whose pictures were in last week's WORKS NEWS, especially our own Al Hartman, Suggestion Office. . . . Congratulations to Richard Burdett upon the occasion of his becoming father to a baby boy. We think that's pretty swell; but we don't think it's anything of the sort that you're leaving the Personnel Office. Good luck, for the job, baby and all. . . . Our Floridan that we mentioned last week has doubled-crossed us and turned into a New Yorker. Every week he's something new. Let us name you for this week, will you, Herschel? Jeff Davis II sounds practical. . . . Jean Newton finally convinced (?) her husband that she was responsible enough to be permitted to drive their new convertible. So last week when the weather was wonderfully warm, she ventured out with the top down. Of course, Jack went along. . . . Ceal Romary bowled in the money during the recent bowling tournament, or at least her team did. Was it the bowling that got you down, Ceal, or is that teeth-pulling job working on you? . . . The Employees' Store personnel regret that Richard Harber has left the Company. . . . Some days when Ray Fischbach comes to work and is feeling really low, it helps to understand what is causing all the trouble. He says "Those doggoned kids." They left the water running in the bathroom, tore up his dark room, smeared jelly on his easy chair, scratched the furniture and tore the legs off some of the chairs. He's a family man, though, and enjoys it all, especially when he can make the wife happy by buying all new furniture. . . . Woe is also Don Stroehel when he heard a commotion in his lunch box, for it turned out to be a nosey little mouse. Don saved enough cheese out of his lunch to bait a trap. "Let's be friends, shall we." We understand that the mouse enjoyed a fine lunch, anyway, because the trap failed to trip. Fool that he was, he came back for more and wasn't so lucky that time. . . . Our little helpful line for this week is strictly for the girls. "There are few things that never go out of style, and a feminine woman is one of them."

Test Engineers

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S. Allison, W. J. Sundheimer, D. F. Lefler, M. E. Evans, E. M. Smith, E. R. Ferguson, and Chester Lichtenberg, Assistant to the Works Manager.

Third row—W. S. Bertaux, R. M. Donnell, R. E. Michael, H. S. Hollenberg, C. R. Creamer, H. A. Folsom, F. F. Collyer, L. A. Goehring, Jack Killion, Peter Fenoglio, M. L. Heeb, L. B. Taplin, J. N. Groves, and G. W. Chambers.

Fourth row—C. D. Galloway, S. S. Jefferies, W. F. Dripps, P. H. Baker, J. L. Oldenkamp, W. R. Seegmiller, C. D. Cockburn, R. L. Winchester, D. P. Spalding, B. G. Walker, A. T. Braswell, R. H. Griner, and Michael Nasser.



How did you like the spring weather we had last week? If we start to raising oranges, don't be surprised. California has been having our cold weather, so we could surely have her fruit. . . . We still have an unsolved Christmas mystery. Does anyone have the answer to the disappearing act of Otto Brandt on the day before Christmas? He didn't even wait for his Christmas present. . . . Harold Kiel thinks that all stop signs should be neon so drivers won't miss them. In fact, he will donate two bucks to the cause. . . . That brings safety to our mind. Let's have an excellent record this year. You know the slogan "Safety first makes safety last." It could stand a little overtime of work. . . . Our "we wish you happiness" mat is out for Shirley Ohneck and Ralph Ross, who recently said "I do." . . . If you see Anne Chomey walking around and her feet not touching the floor, the eventful day of saying "I do," is fast approaching. . . . If you see a new Plymouth, better get out of the way because it probably is Mary Zirkle. Isn't she lucky? . . . We see a lot of new faces among the early birds. . . . Hello to Sarah Sowards, Marcella Oetting, Harry Chism, Ralph Armey, Agnes Vaughn, Ocie Jackson and Almeda Fairchild. If we have missed anyone, I'm sorry and a hello to you also. . . . Sorry to report a sick list of Thelma Oswald, Maltha Burk, Betty and Phyllis Lupton. Hurry back, we miss you. . . . Marge Ponsot is improved and when you read this she will probably be home from the hospital.



When Robert (Red) Smith, formerly of Tool Maintenance, was accepted as a member of the Fort Wayne Police Department, the boys in the group gave him a gift. Although a lot of thought went into the purchase, it's doubtful if it will be very useful in the pursuit of his new vocation unless the police are using water pistols and other paraphernalia found in "Gangbusters" kits. We all wish him the best of luck in his new undertaking. . . . Glad to see Ed McKering back to work following a three months' absence caused by a broken ankle. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. William Doell who are parents of a brand new baby boy. . . . We hope True Sheets will be back soon. He is now at his home following an operation. . . . That sash Mary Stewart was wearing the other morning turned out to be a nylon stocking which in some manner became entangled with the back of her sweater.

What this country needs is a girl's complexion that will look good on a young man's coat lapel.

30 Year Employee Honored



John Ebert, General Tool Division, recently completed his 30th year with General Electric. At that time he received a congratulatory letter from the Company. In the picture are, seated, C. A. Brenner, Supt. of the General Tool Div.; Mr. Ebert, Carl Ahlersmeyer and Arthur Wolfe. Standing are Robert Green, Scott Click, Albert Nebur and Walter Schust.



Neva Lutz has joined the ranks of the "400" as they have purchased a new Pontiac complete with radio and heater. Neva says it really is O.K. and that if she doesn't have any heat in the house or her radio won't play, they'll just move into the Pontiac. Oh yes, they still have their "Chevy" also. My, my, two cars! . . . Earl Fredericks came to work with a regular work shirt on last Monday. What happened to those "pajama tops," Earl? . . . We overheard Kenny Brown giving Virginia Johnson a bawling out the other day for not signaling when she turned a corner. Better listen to him, Virginia, or you'll have that Chevy back in the garage. . . . Lil' George Ryan must have won at home, as he is now wearing his new sweater. . . . Andy Anderson wanted to go ice fishing last week-end. Someone told him that he would have to walk a plank from the bank to get out on the ice as it was melted around the shore. Andy decided he had better wait until this week as the ice might be thicker. We don't blame you, Andy, as that water would be mighty cold this time of year. . . . Catherine Chilcote went to Chicago to see the Sonja Heine Ice Revue. She thinks it is much better than last year. . . . Melvin Riley, Charley Briggs and Oral Emrick went hunting together last Saturday and all took their revenge on one poor little bunny. Charley shot twice before he discovered his gun wasn't loaded. Melvin shot twice and injured the bunny's foot, but said bunny kept right on going. Then Oral shot twice and we guess that poor little bunny just dropped dead from fright this time, 'cause Oral said he had a rabbit dinner Sunday. . . . Charlie Engle made a trip to Cincinnati last week-end. . . . If you don't want to be paid off in pennies, you'd better not bet with "Red" Sordelet. It seems the party with whom Red bet 25 cents on the Monroeville-C.C. game a week ago got paid that way. . . . If Fred House happens to invite you over to his house, you had better take a canteen of water along with you. We hear Fred doesn't have any water in his house. It seems that the plumber, who was working in the house next door, ran across what he thought was a deadend line, so he just cut it off and plugged it shut. It so happened that this was the water line to Fred's house. (Incidentally the home next door belongs to Claude "Blue" Gill.)

Fractional Fiction 4-5

By Elaine Sutter

C. J. "Frenchy" LeGras, foreman Bldg. 4-5, has received a letter from our old friend Erwin Hott former foreman in Div. 15. Mr. Hott is now living in Tuscon, Ariz., and states in his letter that after the first of the year he and his family are moving to Dupree, S. D., to take charge of a 24,000 acre ranch. Erwin also wishes all his many friends in Div. 15 and the Fort Wayne Works a happy and prosperous New Year. Erwin is now located in the heart of the South Dakota pheasant country. Looks as if he will have lots of company this year. He had better start building tourist cabins right away. . . . Congratulations go to Vonne Nesbitt who had a birthday last week and to Gertrude Bertsche who had an anniversary last week. . . . Laura Krauskopf just returned from a week's vacation in Florida. She could step out in their back yard and pick oranges. . . . Co-workers of Mary Brandt wish her back soon. Mary has taken a sick leave.

A New Yorker fell three stories to the first floor and wasn't hurt. If he had landed in the basement, 'twould have been another story.

Motor-Generator Static

Thought for the week: "Reprehend not the imperfections of others, for that belongs to parents, masters and superiors." . . . We were delighted to receive a letter from Art L. Voelker, formerly of Bldg. 31-1. We all wish you the best of luck, Art. Best regards to Jim Walker. We feel that you will want Art's address, so here it is: Rect. Arthur L. Voelker, US-52005797, Co. H. 506th ABN Inf. Regt, 101st Airborne Division, Camp Brackenridge, Ky. . . . Anytime the AC Engineer group, Bldg. 31-2, wants to edit this column for a week, the gate is wide open. . . . Hobson told his little son,

"If you're good as you can be,
You can have your 'Lectric train
When you are twenty-three.

"But Brosius uses different tact
His life is filled with dread,
The only time he gets the train is
When Sonny's safe in bed.

"Long ago I learned my lesson.
Cast my falsehoods on the shelf.
I swallowed all my manly pride
And bought one for myself.

"I can't blame wrecks upon my kids,
Can't say their faults are many.
I never lay a hand on them
Because I haven't any."

Jim Mitchell

Jim Mitchell, proprietor of Mitchell's Emporium, has added skating to his many accomplishments. This being Jim's first year on skates we understand he spends half his time on the ice, the other half trying to keep off it. For Jim, life has its ups and downs. . . . Dick Hodson is thinking of trading his practically new 1929 Buick for something of a later vintage. Anyone desiring a museum piece and having a pogo stick, roller skates or an electric train for Dick's son to play with, contact Mr. Hobson. Speaking of electric trains, Mr. Hobson bought one, presumably for his son's Christmas. To date Dick plays with the train and only permits the lad to press the whistle button on occasions. . . . One of the newer men in this division observing Ed Horman talking to the writer, asked if we were son and father. When informed of this mistake Ed remarked "If you were my father, I'd shoot myself." To which I replied, "And if you were my son, I'd loan you the gun." We are all proud of Monroe Brosius since bis picture appeared in the paper. Of the entire group photographed "Junior" was by far the "purtiest." . . . Goldie, with her buttons and bangs, the mystery tune is, "Year of Jubilo."

Thisa and Thata
SPECIALTY MOTOR

By Helen Engle

Say, Waldemar Schmidt, why do you like candlelight? Are you thinking of old times? . . . We wonder when Pondo Vlasheff got his new job as a policeman. We thought you were a tester in Bldg. 4-3 or was the job as policeman for Jan. 1. And another thing, why just on Road 1, south? . . . Why was Berry so quiet on New Year's Eve? Did your better-half lock the door and throw away the key or were you just being a good boy that night? . . . We would like to know the reason Sam Beer was ill New Year's Eve. It was the flu. . . . Carl Harmon will have a nice dog to give away soon. Watch the news. . . . I've been cooking for a long time and I never heard of putting baking powder in noodles. That is what Glen Schwartz did and he says they turned out swell. . . . How many of you have noticed the loud ties Carl Metker wears? . . . A little bird told me that George Prince went home from a party a "little on the short end" for the first time in his life. I'll bet his stocks and bonds quivered in their vault. . . . Agnes Brown was seen carrying a long package home. She said it was a rabbit, but again a little bird said it wasn't. . . . The boss gave a party for the Specialty Motor Supervisors, Saturday, Jan. 8 at the Pastime Club. O. J. Mettler showed the gang that he is still "cock-of-the-roost." . . . Mr. Korte had to take time out to take the Mrs. to the beauty shop, but he did come back. Also missing early was Otto Roehm. Frank Brindle was there long enough to eat three ham sandwiches and drink some pop. . . . Early-to-get-homers were the Robin Twins, washing windows and floor scrubbing were in order for them. . . . Carl Metker also had something to do early, but as far ahead as he was we don't blame him for leaving. . . . We missed semi-skin-head Tobias who was unable to attend because of illness. Also where were Winner and Thomas? . . . A good job of serving was done by Wiekliffe, Jacobs and Glenwith. . . . Knoll and Castor as usual held up their end. Top and low honors were taken by Stocks and Haberkorn, while Prince, Blee and Strodel also ran. . . . E. Sible was gone just long enough to procure a chicken for Sunday dinner. Lester Franke was the only sensible dresser in the gang, he looked like an eskimo which was correct for conditions. . . . It was very pleasing to the gang to have Carl Reitdorf at the party. Everett Lindeman gave up his fishing for the day, but found enough suckers at the party.

FHP Motor Specialists Help Build Sales



Alert to present day competitive selling problems, General Electric Supply Corporation, one of the major sales outlets for G-E products, recently conducted a sales education program for the sales personnel of their Cleveland office. The program was typical of many being planned for sessions throughout the country.

Shown above, presenting the story for fractional horsepower motors, made by the Fort Wayne Works, are W. R. Smart, Power Apparatus Specialist of the G-E Supply Corporation; P. S. Salstrom, FHP Motor Sales Engineer, and R. E. Boyle, Manager of the Fractional Horsepower Sales Section of the General Electric Apparatus Department Sales Office at Cleveland. In this talk, helpful hints on the proper application and sale of fractional horsepower motors were given. The objective, of course, was to encourage more sales effort to be placed on fractional horsepower motors.

During this conference, the G-E Supply Corporation announced that for the first time since the war they were in a good position to ship fractional horsepower motors from stock. They further emphasized that now is the time to get out and sell, using immediate shipment as a valuable selling tool.



The Works Service Accounting and Payroll personnel are now nicely situated in their new quarters in Bldg. 18-1. Just in case you have tried to call E. G. Waldschmidt, his telephone number is 303. The Procedures group is still located in Bldg. 16-3 on 'phone 794.

Our Welcome Back To

Donna Walters, Bldg. 18-B, who has been on leave of absence due to illness in family. . . . Mary Alice Huber, Bldg. 18-4, who has been ill with a cold. . . . Joan Riley, who has returned to Bldg. 18-3 following a tonsillectomy and Joe Hambrock, Bldg. 18-4, who has had quite a seige of illnesses. In addition to our welcome may we suggest "An Apple A Day—etc." . . . Elma Madsen, Bldg. 18-5, attended her brother's wedding in Hammond, Saturday. . . . Barbara Meyer, Bldg. 18-4, and Doris Lehman, Bldg. 18-2 observed tbeir birthdays last week. . . . Bill Kozma, Bldg. 18-3, celebrated last week too. He insists that he is just "Sweet 21." . . . Ruch Wichern, Bldg. 18-B, has been transferred to Bldg. 6-2. . . . Dick Kent will not tell us how to copy his bargain in overcoats.

Interesting Visitor

W. G. Smith of this city, was a business visitor in Bldg. 18-4 this week. The efficiency of his "Seeing Eye Dog" was a marvel to everyone who saw them. We all agree that these dogs are a blessing to the blind—such a sight should make us all the more safety conscious—so wear your safety glasses and be able to see the "Seeing Eye Dog." . . . Opal Cook, Bldg. 18-5, had her equilibrium disturbed recently when the bus pulled away without her. . . . Marilyn Ort will be the news reporter from Bldg. 18-3 and would appreciate the assistance of everyone on the floor to help her. . . . Everyone carries a burden these days, but not nearly as large as Barbara Meyer, Bldg. 18-4. She carries Mexico on her back. Reason: a beautiful handmade jacket made in Mexico with the word "Mexico" embroidered on the back. . . . Bldg. 18-1 Service Payroll girls, Estella Monroe and Gladys Forst celebrated birthdays this week. . . . Dorothy Janel returned from a hurried trip to Connecticut due to the death of her grandfather. . . . Maxine Hauth, a former payroll girl, has announced the arrival of a baby daughter. . . . Believe it or not the much heralded, new car of Elizabeth Carnells, actually will run on country roads. She made it all the way to Cincinnati and back without a bit of trouble. . . . Herman Volmerding, Bldg. 18-4, must have a sweet tooth. He says candy soothes his troubled nerves. That is a new one! . . . Joe Wauro, Bldg. 18-3, purchased a new suit of clothes recently, with not two but three pairs of trousers. The third pair was sold to Joe rather forcefully, and now he thinks he has a lifetime job.

It'll soon be the time of year when mother can't win. Either Junior will forget to wear his rubbers or he'll track right through the house with them on.

The politicians who straddle the issue usually get taken for a ride.



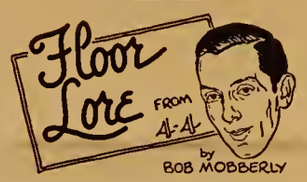
"Diplomacy is the art of letting someone else have your way."

We are glad to welcome back Don Stute, after an absence of six years. How well do we remember the day tbat be left to join the Navy and the subsequent visits that he made before he was sent overseas. While he was stationed in New Orleans, however, he acquired a wife whom he has brought up to the cold North. He says that she likes it here and they expect to establish their home in Waynedale. . . . Ray Widdifield's wife went to Arizona the first part of December and writes to Ray telling him about the good food that she is enjoying out there. She made a trip to California one week and has been having a fine time. He says that he wishes that she would hurry back because he is tired of eating hash and bologna. . . . We bid a reluctant farewell to Hazel Herrick, Bob Foster and Hilmer Drayer who are leaving for other jobs. It seems like part of the family is breaking up. Best of luck to all of you always. . . . Ervin Lange and Gene Wheeler are to be entertained with a beautiful steak dinner as the result of choosing the right team at the Rose Bowl game. Too bad, Dick Madden and Herb Koch. . . . Paul Bender figures in the news again. This time for something we've heard of plenty people doing but not all them of accusing their wife of the mistake. Paul drove to work the other day and rode home on the bus. As he approached his home he noticed that the car was gone and wondered at once where his wife could have gone. He didn't realize that he had driven until he entered the house and to his surprise saw his wife. Then the light began to dawn. Kenny Hyman said that he drove to work to save bus fare and that he rode home on the bus to save gasoline; but just what is to be gained by this system has not been determined. . . . Tomorrow is the day of the Elex trip to Chicago. Hope all the gals have a good time and don't get lost in the big windy city.

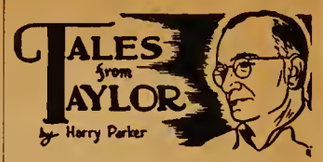
Use of electricity in the home has quadrupled since 1920.

Squares Women Plan White Elephant Sale

A White Elephant Sale will be featured at a meeting Wednesday, Jan. 19, of the Women's Division of the General Electric Squares. Bridge will be played following the sale. Co-chairmen for the evening will be Mrs. K. K. Cooper and Mrs. W. H. Connor.



On or about this time of year, a familiar but unwelcomed slip of paper, prepared in duplicate form, is vested on all of us—our withholding tax statement. By this token we are reminded of a statement by F. B. Colbert in 1665, "The art of taxation consists in so plucking the goose as to obtain the largest amount of feathers with the least possible amount of hissing." . . . We welcome Wendel Haflich back to the section following his recent operation. Here is wishing you the best of health from now on, Wendel. . . . When it comes to answering classified ads via telephone, Dal Smith really rates high! How did you like the receptionist, Dal? . . . We bid farewell to Dick Lothamer and Martin Vogel who leave the section this week. Especially the second shift shall miss you fellows, but all wish you the very best of luck. . . . It was a great sight in seeing Bertha Burnau back following her recent illness. We all hope 1949 treats you much better, Bertha. . . . How musical can a man get? When Bert Brown was shown some color films of Clarence Roths' grandchild, Brownie looked at several of them without comment. Then suddenly he exclaimed, "That sure is a nice looking piano in the background!" . . . It is our turn now to wish Margaret Parisot a happy birthday. Margaret entertained all the girls of the section with a noonday luncheon last week. Many happy returns of the day, Margaret. . . . Our parting thought: Habit is a cable and we weave a strand of it each day.



Some of our ice fishing fans, it seems, just cannot wait until the ice is thick enough to support their weight. One is Buck Adams who went to a near-by lake one night last week in a driving rain to do a little fishing. As a safety measure he put sled runners on a boat and slid it out onto the thin ice assuring himself of a safe and sane evening of fishing. . . . One day Mable Miller met Nettie Sellers in the grocery purchasing some frozen horse meat for her cat. Mable observed this and asked Nettie if she was going to feed all that good meat to the cat. When informed that she was, Mable still seemed to think that it was a shame. Now Nettie wonders if Mable buys this kind of meat for her husband. . . . George Cowan is an enthusiastic Tum fan as he is always eating these little tablets. At times he frightens us as he resembles a dog with hydrophobia as he foams at the mouth quite profusely. . . . John Weber injured his foot while out hunting so he decided to go to the dispensary and have the nurse look at it. She put him to bed and placed the heat lamp upon the injured member. John went sound asleep and so did his leg for when he tried to stand, said leg gave way and he tumbled to the floor. . . . Someone sent Jim Goins a gift of three large rubber bands. He cannot quite understand why anyone would send him sucb a gift as he tells us that he absolutely has no use for them. Jim, you might use them to slip under your chin to hold your hat on during a high wind. By the way, Charley Richardson would like to know why you sent all of your Christmas cards collect. . . . Our old friend Buck Klinc is back after being confined to his home following a major operation. He looks good and he says that he feels fine. Anyway all of us are glad to have him with us again.

Certain turtles live to be 400 years old because they don't think, says a scientist. This leads us to believe that some people are lying about their ages.

Three Join Q-C Club



Ralph D. Braden
Bldg. 26-4



Theodore H. Branning
Taylor St.



Edward H. Jackson
Taylor St.

Two Engineers Construct Model Trains For Hobby



Robert H. Johnson, Assistant Division Engineer in Bldg. 4-6, and Williard Hopkins, Design Engineer in Bldg. 4-6, are shown above working at their hobby of making model trains in Mr. Johnson's basement workshop. Both men construct the trains to scale out of both metal and wood.

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Eugene Werling

Be careful men, your safety posters are showing. A new assortment of Safety posters have been posted recently, thanks to safety committee chairman, Zurbuch. Kenny says there will be more at various intervals. These new posters are very illustrative and should make a good impression. Our safety record has been good, but let's make it an excellent one. Those dispensary chairs are still hard and get harder when you've been injured and are being given aid. There aren't any good safety posters there because when you're there it's too late to start reading. Let's all take heed to these posters and all safety reading material, equipment; and above all let's keep safety in our head and not just in the posters. Last week's safety pin award for a safe section went to the grinder section. Kenny was looking for a place to put up a poster when he observed that all grinder men had on safety glasses and safety shoes, so didn't give a lecture. The poster was on safety glasses. Remember, men, an eye can only be put out once so why take a chance? Jim Hoppel is the chief safety inspector for the grinder section. See Hop for safety glass and shoe inspection. Hop gave Chappel a break because he did have safety glasses although his safety shoes were missing. . . . Auer had no trouble keeping all traffic laws recently. The second day Myron had his car he had some gear shift trouble which resulted in a break down. The repairing took about a week after which time Myron was held up and robbed of $50. The robbery was presented in the form of a repair bill but Auer still claims that the "mechanic" had to use a gun. . . . The multiple drill press was nearly burned out Friday with Barnes and Smith at the controls. You sure do make those deadlines close, Bob. Maybe that's what was wrong with your bowling. . . . The question is "Does Dick White have any water out at Markle?" Last week Dick took a coffee bath and now he's expressed his like for an oil bath. His assistants were Dick Gebert and one drum of oil. Dick did do a good job of washing out his oil soaked trousers. . . . Last Thursday evening the draftsmen were laboring on their trig problems until someone decided to forget everything and stage a hunting and fishing expedition for the week-end. Enthusiasm began to spread and a combination of Whitie, Leffers, Birkenbeul, Lahrman and Bergman took off Friday for parts unknown. Birkenbeul came up with the prize fish, one mud bass about seven inches long. In the hunting department it was Skeets leading the pack. He didn't shoot any but he stepped on a couple of rabbits or came close to stepping on them. . . . Jack Kirlin claims his efforts were to no avail last week. After Jack had begged enough guys to play volleyball they cancelled play, but will resume action this week. Why don't more turn out once in awhile? A little exercise would be good for you and besides the little woman should have a little privacy once in awhile. How about it Schmidt, Miller, Obringer, Roby and some of you other guys?

Announces Elex Board Meetings

Charlotte Stanford, Elex president, has announced that there will be a board meeting at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 25. The meeting will be held in the large conference room located in Bldg. 8-2.

The night girls board will hold its monthly meeting at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 25, in Room 204, Bldg. 8-2. Rachel Fisher, Elex Vice President, will preside over this meeting.

Sharp people get that way keeping their noses to the grindstone.

TRANSFORMER TATTLES

By Mary Ann Miller

Your editor thought she should put a big column in the paper this week because Dean Lockwood couldn't find it last week. P.S. Neither could anyone else, Dean. . . . We are sorry to hear Sally Bryan is ill. We wish her a speedy recovery. Also glad to see Clara Cohagen back after her recent illness. . . . The green room gang welcomes Elsie Dunfee, Rita Fleckenstein and Matilda Nettle. . . . Mike Dunscombe thinks he needs a maid at his house. . . . Val Sitcler, Pearl Barry and Ceal Pranger should be better known as "Three Musketeers" or should we say "Hillbillies." . . . Sorry to hear about Louise Perry breaking her arm while ice-fishing. What's the matter, Louise, were the fish that big? . . . Benny Keller was called home to his rancho last week one day. His cattle broke out on a stampede and he had to get them back in the corral. . . . Ralph Braden won the prize out at the Southwest Club trap shooting. His score was 49 out of a possible 50. He's planning on going to Vandalia, O., to enter the Grand American contest. You hadn't better miss one bird, or it will cost you, Ralph. . . . The girls in the finishing section are finally catching up with Darreld Hirschfelder. They moved right behind his desk. . . . Congratulations to Leo Klejnot on the birth of a daughter. Also to Maurice Casey on the birth of a son. . . . We see that Mel France is taking his showers at work again. P.S. In the drinking fountain. . . . The Hildebrands of Hoagland Ave. are vacationing in Florida with the Trumans again. . . . We see that Glen Keck has fully recovered from his nervous breakdown. . . . Ralph Smith is capitalizing on ideas these days. It recently netted him $45. Did you tell mamma about this, Ralph? . . . Does Wayne Weimer know what 12-36-6 means by now? . . . Congratulations to Georgia Dinger on her recent marriage. We all wish you lots of good luck and happiness, Georgia. . . . The peace and quiet is getting on the boys' nerves since Tom Hildebrand went on his trip.

E. S. McKay Named To New Post In Air Conditioning Dept.

E. S. McKay, formerly Assistant to the Manager of Employee and Community Relations in the Apparatus Dept., has been named Advertising and Sales Promotion Manager of the Air Conditioning Department, it was announced today by H. B. Donley, marketing manager at Bloomfield.

Since joining G-E in 1933 following his graduation from University of Michigan, Mr. McKay has filled a number of positions—district publicity representative in Chicago, supervising editor in the publicity department at Schenectady, in charge of the District Contact Section, and manager of the District and Distribution Division of the Advertising and Sales Promotion Divisions of the Apparatus Department.

HERE and THERE in BUILDING 17-4

by Maxine Baker



Now that those Christmas bells are out of the way, you can start to worry about your taxes. Life seems to be one worry after another, but what is a poor mortal to do. . . . Mel Azar got quite a surprise on his birthday, complete with gifts and a cake too. For once he was really surprised and then he turned bashful and surprised us. Will wonders never cease? . . . Bill Dimond says he is going to move out of Huntington if those basketball scores don't change soon. . . . Walt Lorenz and Kenneth Gillenwater celebrated birthdays last week. Happy birthday, fellows. . . . Our master coon hunter who usually brings them back, dead or alive, has finally met his match in coons. From now on he is going to bring them back dead, completely dead that is, so says Walter Lydy. . . . We finally found out why Herb Ufheil hurries out to the parking lot right after work. He turns on the car radio and listens to Aunt Jemima's "Ladies Be Seated." He eats pancakes for breakfast too! . . . If you wonder why Ray Hoelle has been looking pale lately, he's trying to smoke up a box of cigars he got for Christmas. . . . Oh yes, Bill Geist said he wanted a new "bucket of bolts" too.

Half of the fun of eating at home is in not knowing what you're going to have—until it turns out to be just what you had for lunch.

Three Receive New Positions In Revision Of Store Rooms



L. D. Platt



K. J. Redding



E. J. O'Neill

The various sections of the General Stores Division have been consolidated into one division, which is now located in Bldg. 8-1.

Under this consolidation, L. D. Platt has been named Supervisor of General Stores, and also Foreman of Stockkeepers and Non-durable Tool Grinders. K. J. Redding has been made Assistant to the Supervisor of General Stores, in charge of Tools, Stationery and Supplies, while E. J. O'Neill is Assistant to Supervisor of General Stores, responsible for Maintenance, Construction and Production Materials.

Mr. Platt began his General Electric career as a shop clerk in the arc lamp division in 1911. The next year he transferred to Tool Supply and in 1913 became a turret lathe and automatic operator. Returning to Tool Supply three years later, he was made Assistant Foreman of the section in 1920. He was made Foreman of the Tool Crib, Forges and Heat Treatments in 1932. In 1941 he became Supervisor of Non-durable tools and shop supplies at the Supercharger.

Starting work at General Electric in 1922, Mr. Redding's first job was that of a messenger. Since that time he was a time clerk; tool keeper; stockkeeper; order, invoice and price clerk, and foreman. In 1946 he went to the Danville, Ill., plant, returning to Fort Wayne in October of that year to work in the Cost Reduction and Inventory Control section in Bldg. 20-2. Prior to his recent promotion, he was a staff assistant in Bldg. 8-1.

Mr. O'Neill's service dates back to Jan. 4, 1926. He first worked as a clerk in Bldg. 20-1. The position he held before the consolidation of the General Stores was that of Assistant to the Supervisor in Bldg. 8-1.

Elex To Sponsor Label Collection For Aid To Blind

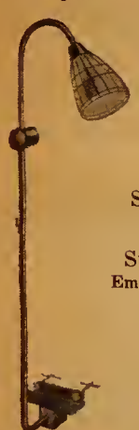
The Elex Club is sponsoring another service project in which they are asking everyone to bring in labels from cans of a dog food. These labels in turn will be sent to the Master Eye Foundation, Minneapolis, Minn., wbere the dog food manufacturer will redeem them for cash.

The money obtained by the Foundation is used to purchase, train and give guide dogs to the blind free of any charge.

Labels collected are to be given to contact girls or sent in to Irene Meyers' office, Bldg. 8-2, or Ceal Romary's office at Taylor St.



BROADWAY STORE HOURS
12 noon to 4 p.m. daily
TAYLOR ST. STORE HOURS
1 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily



SUNLAMP
Lamp $6
Stand $17.90
Employees' Prices

The following merchandise is available for immediate sale:

- Attic Fans
- Automatic Blankets, single and dual control.
- Foot Warmers
- Infra Red Lamps
- Steam Irons
- 10" Fans
- 4-lb. Irons.
- Lightweight Irons, 2¾ lbs.
- G-E Upright Cleaners
- Tank Type Cleaners
- ¾, ⅓, ½, ¼ HP Motors
- Portable Heat Lamps
- RS Sunlamps
- Under-the-bed Sunlamp Holders
- Flood Lamps
- Germicidal Fixtures
- Germicidal Lamps
- Circline Bulbs
- Heat Pads
- Record Players
- Battery Chargers
- Radio Tubes
- Portable Radios
- Radios, Table Models
- Clock Radios
- Occasional Clocks
- Alarm Clocks
- Stainless Steel Sinks
- Fluorescent Fixtures
- Chime Clocks
- Wire and Wiring Devices
- Paints, Colors
- Coffee Makers

Worth Repeating....



. . . WE BELIEVE, IS THIS EXCELLENT NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION of Gerald Uhl, employee in Division 14, Taylor St., in the above picture. We wrote Gerald, Jan. 7 as follows:

"Permit me to congratulate you on your New Year's Resolution, 'I resolve to use extra care to avoid accidents, whether at home, at work, or in my automobile', which appeared in the Dec. 31, 1948, issue of the WORKS NEWS 'Inquiring Reporter' column.

"I am especially interested in the fact that your safety thinking goes beyond the machine you are operating. Accidents are the fourth greatest killer in the U. S. with approximately 70 out of every 100,000 population coming to the end of their life in this manner. We must extend our safety thinking beyond our job. During 1948 there were three on-the-job fatals within our entire Company, while at the same time nearly three times that number of our employees at the Fort Wayne Works (including branch plants) alone lost their lives in off-the-job accidents.

"Although a few days late, let me wish you and yours a Happy (safe) New Year."

HERSCHEL L. SMITH,
Safety Engineer.

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Aubrey

Here we are with another new reporter for FHP Div. 17 office. Pat Dolan, our very capable reporter, has been moved to the General Foreman's office, so consequently yours truly is going to see what I can do with the column (with the help of every one in the office). Pat, we hated to see you leave the office, but at least you didn't go so far, but what you can still come around once in awhile. . . . From all rumors it seems Gordon Smith and Ben Fleek did a little better when they went ice fishing on New Year's Day, than when Gordon went with Charlie Cable a few nights before. Gordon, maybe it helps when you don't have Charlie along to heckle you. . . . Hugh Neely had what might have been a very serious accident one evening, but the way he told it, it sounded very funny. He was at the top of the basement steps when the steps broke and the next thing he knew he was back on the basement floor. But anyway Hugh, we were glad that you weren't hurt any worse than you were. . . . Gordon was home recently to ward off the old flu bug. His "little" boxer dog Duke felt so sorry for Gordon, that he wanted to show his sympathy by giving Gordon a little lick on the cheek every now and then. For some reason, Gordon didn't think much of the idea. . . . The girls in the office at last revealed their "Secret Pals" the other day. Most of the girls were very surprised to learn who their "pals" were, but a few of the smartys had known all the time. . . . That's about all for this time, folks. See you next week with all the latest happenings in Div. 17.

A Wisconsin boy shot himself in the foot so he could look like a hero to his girl friend. Now he hasn't a leg to stand on.

Tanks To You From Plating-Two

By Marie Lantz

In narrating choice news today it is customary for the conversationalist to credit the source of this story to "A Little Bird Told Me" origin. Today "Tanks" reverses tactics; tells this story "on the bird."

A little robin, for reasons bere unknown,
Missed out on annual flight to warmth of southern zone.
Came depth of winter snow and week of Christmastide—
He was found on a window sill, shivering outside.
Inside there burned the lights of a lovely Christmas tree.
And in the heart of man a kindred sympatby.

To his rescue came the man who saw him suffer there,
Brought him then, inside, to warmth and care
They went into his greenhouse where many flowers grow,
It was to be his home now, where he was christened "Joe."
When the florist sat Joe down, he didn't move nor sing.
Close inspection found Joe had a broken wing.

The florist pboned a friend, in Florida so warm,
Who promised to protect Joe against unwanted harm—
'Til time would heal his wing and Joe, again, could fly;
Once more to release bim to home of outdoor sky.
The florist arranged the robin's flight upon a plane.
And tbe populace gathered—to bid man and bird acclaim.

Lloyd Pinkerton's father, James Pinkerton of Peru, shows marked improvement from a serious illness, and was returned home from Duke's Hospital where he was taken Dec. 29. . . . This section extends sympathy to Ralph Eibling, whose mother, Mrs. Orrin Eibling, died Saturday, Jan. 8. . . . We welcome George Felts and bid farewell to Kenneth Carpenter, now of Bldg. 4-5. . . . This recent deluge of rain and spring weather isn't welcomed by ice fishermen. However, Cliff Robinson managed to get a gill before the thaw Saturday. Zimmerman, who was lured lakewards, reports that it was too dangerous to go out—on what was left of the ice surface. . . . For your scribe it was sort of a "lost week-end." Saturday's loss was a coat belt at the theater; it was a purse left at a neighbor's house overnight Sunday, and Monday morn I missed most of my voice. True, I came in a little hoarse but not—a galloping.



There certainly is no excuse for the draftsmen getting "1948" instead of "1949" on a drawing. Just look at all the new calendars! Some pretty good ones, too. . . . Just recently the FHP Sales Div. had a very welcome visitor. Fos Campbell, now of the Boston Office and formerly of Bldg. 4-6, paid us a visit. We certainly were all glad to see him. . . . We heard that Beth Hoover, now at Taylor St. and formerly of Bldg. 4-6, received a beautiful diamond for Christmas. Best wishes, Beth! . . . A new member to the club of "Men of Distinction For Their Famous Last Words" is none other than Wilmer C. Kruekeberg. (To find more out about the club, your reporter refers you to Wilmer since she has been unable to find out all the details). . . . The flu bug has bitten Mary Rogers, but we do hope to see her soon. . . . Happy birthday to Irene Whelan and Esther Batchelder of Production. . . . We welcome Wilma Kirby into the Engineering Div. Wilma will be secretary to I. E. Ross and W. A. Pringle, in the D.C. Div. We hope you will like Fort Wayne as well as you liked Kokomo, Wilma. . . . Bob Schulte sent out very clever blueprints announcing the birth of a baby daughter, Joan Marie, born Tuesday, Jan. 4. Some of the specifications listed on the announcements are "Fuel intake, tremendous; Efficiency, 100%." By the way, Bob, we heard you filled the role of the "Lady of the house" quite well. . . . Lela Omspach has finally put the plastic lunch box she received in the Christmas exchange to good use. It is now a terrarium garden for African Violets. . . . Herman Daler, Dev. Div., has the distinction of being the first in '49 to join the "floor sitters club." . . . The Dev. Div. welcomes Jim Burton, test engineer. Jim formerly worked in W. H. Sunier's group. The A.C. Div. received a letter from Rct. William Rutledge, stationed at Camp Brackenridge, Ky. He immediately became Company Clerk because he was the only recruit who knew how to peck on the typewriter. That's our boy, Bill!

AD-LETS

Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSINC DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, January 17, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Black leather billfold with red binding. Contains $35, driver's license and other papers with name Betty Jean Rose on them.

FOUND—One man's black leather glove. Found in Bldg. 17-2.

FOR SALE

C-E REFRICERATOR—7 cu. ft., Monitor top, good condition. A-19442.

LARGE E-Z-DO WARDROBE—With mirror in door. Perfect condition. Reasonable. H-54352.

BEAVER FUR COAT—Cood condition. Medium size. Reasonable price. H-39925.

1940 CHEVROLET—4 doors, beater, radio. Very good condition. H-79503.

20-CAL. CAS AUTOMATIC HOT WATER HEATER—E-38901 Saturday or Sunday.

SIMMONS METAL BED SPRINGS AND MATTRESS—Single size. $15. A-75442.

PINBALL MACHINE—$15. 2215 Curdes Avenue.

C-E REFRICERATOR—Excellent condition. H-59524.

CAR RADIO—For 1941-1948 Plymouth. Complete with aerial. $59. H-02153.

FOUR TIRES, TUBES, CHEVY WHEEL—475-19. H-44032.

1947 FORD—Four door; also 1941 two door Ford. A-97253.

BOSTON TERRIER PUPPY—Female, dark seal, 12 weeks old. $30. A-95325.

1939 PLYMOUTH—Standard Tudor. Many new parts. $350. E-86524.

RECISTERED SCOTCH COLLIE PUPS—Reasonable. Cet your pick of litter. H-37414.

ROLL-A-WAY BED—Complete with mattress. Like new. $10. H-39151.

GIRL'S WINTER COAT—Size 9. Like new. H-76272.

PARKA COAT—Size 38, sheepskin lined. Like new. $5. A-3724.

FOR RENT

SLEEPINC ROOM—4038 S. Lafayette. H-57111.

KITCHENETTE APARTMENT — And bath; in private home. Utilitles paid. H-77604.

WANTED

THREE-BURNER GAS RANCETTE—119 S. Morgan St., Bluffton, Ind.

MISCELLANEOUS

FURNITURE REPAIR AND REFINISHING WORK DONE—Reasonable rates. 1123 Rockhill.



A number of people of the Sample Shop had nice New Year's vacations. Irma Zion went to Houghton Lake, Mich., to do a little ice fishing. She said the fish didn't bite very good, but she had a nice time. . . . Louie Miller (Bitter Boy Miller as he is better known) took his wife for a fast trip to Chicago in three hours. Say, does that Pontiac of yours have wings? Glad to hear you had a good time. . . . We wonder what came over Harry Rollins this winter. He doesn't say a word about ice fishing. What's the matter, Harry, too busy preparing that cottage for the happy event? . . . Happy birthday to Irma and Rosie on Jan. 5 and 6. . . . A new glow was added to our gang on last Wednesday. A test engineer by the name of Ruth Dingman. Welcome, Ruth. . . . Has anyone any old radios lying around? John Altekruse sure would like to get some tuning knobs. He says they will now bring 15 cents each. . . . By the way, have you read the best books of the year? Such as, "Two Nights in Paulding" by Stan Emery or "Why I Like Fog Lights" by Les Arnold and "Euchre Signals" by Ray Hamilton.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

Frank Elder's newest nickname is "Thunderbolt." Rather dramatic, we think, and besides this one is printable. . . . Have you ever noticed the interesting color Russell Neireiter's face gets when he makes an error on a boring operation? It is kind of like he was silently choking on an oversized fish bone. The color is a cross between magneta and beet red. . . . Rudy Rastenberg lives so far north of Fort Wayne, he claims that the only law out there is Sergeant Preston of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police and his dog King. . . . One of our popular co-workers, Henry Littlejohn, has been transferred to Bldg. 19-1. . . . We wonder what George Noffze, the sage of Avilla, is doing nowadays way out west in Bldg. 19-3. Slip us some facts and figures on the gang in your end, George. Put something in the pot, boy. . . . George Foerster is still on the sick list. We hope he gets well soon, and gets back to work. We miss his cheerful face. . . . Remember, it's not too early to do your vacation planning. . . . Happy birthday to Jerry Stanger, Martha Musselman and Hubert Risser.

Winter is one of the nicest times to have in-laws visit you—or don't you wear earmuffs?



The Big WIND

DIVISION 17
TAYLOR STREET
by Dorothy Heinzelmann

We want to tell all of our co-workers who have either been transferred or have joined the ranks of the unemployed that we miss them and that we hope it won't be too long before we will see them again. The place looks vacant since they left. . . . Jerry McKown is still going hunting and fishing, and as usual is still having the same luck—No fish or bunnies. . . . Nellie Biltz took advantage of her few days of vacation and visited Chicago. . . . Ruby Stucky, who left this week, will undergo a tonsillectomy at the Methodist hospital tomorrow morning. We all wish you a speedy recovery, Ruby. . . . Ethel Koons says she has found that you can't go places and do things on Saturday night and then try to bowl the next day. It just doesn't work, as she tried it last week-end. Emma Vaughn was there too, but she doesn't have a thing to say. . . . Ed Bireley took Bob Federspiel and Roy Orr hunting with him last week. We guess Bob and Roy just went along for the walk, as Ed got seven bunnies and they got nary a one. Ed says he thinks they just went along to get some fresh air(?) . . . Arveda Neal, Evelyn Lietzke, and Irene Ely were guests of Rose Liby last Thursday. It is reported that a good time was had by all. . . . We welcome Maxine Jones and Kenny Frick to the first shift, and also Chet Carey back into our section. . . . We also welcome Frank Beatty as our dispatcher, and tell George Denner that we are sorry to see him leave, but he won't be too far away to say "hello" once in awhile. . . . We wish Minnie Kendricks a lot of good luck. Be sure to let us know when the addition arrives, Minnie.



My, things have sure been quiet since Christmas. . . . Magadalon Fisher had a birthday Jan. 2 and Phyllis Crace had one on the first of this month. . . . Joyce Lakey, a former colleague, was back for a visit during her Christmas vacation from Indiana University. . . . Bob Gebert, that eligible bachelor, is on a two weeks' sea voyage as a part of his Naval Reserve training. Here's hoping Bob doesn't get seasick. . . . Ferne Runyan has joined the gals in the Complete File. (Ferne, please note.) Ferne says she had to put her name in the want-ad section to get it in the paper, but now she'll have to take that back. . . . Doris Smith is mighty proud of that little niece of hers, and why not, my what a cute little tike. . . . If you'd like some inside dope on the art of coon hunting in Kansas just consult Hilda Krause. Ooh they make her so angry! . . . Charlene Inskeep left us Dec. 31 to become a bride on New Year's. Here's wishing her and her hubby bushels of good wishes. . . . Well, chillun, until your Ed can stir up the pot of excitement a wee bit more, we shall have to say, "That's it."



JANUARY 17 THROUGH JANUARY 21

BROADWAY TAYLOR STREET

Serving Hours:

Cafeteria—16-1 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. 10:48 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-2 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-1 6:45 P.M. - 8:12 P.M. 6:55 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Restaurant 16-2 12:00 M. - 1:00 P.M.

MONDAY, JANUARY 17

Beef Broth and Noodles
Pork Chops
Beef Stew
Chopped Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes
Baked Beans
Apple Sauce

Tomato Noodle Soup
Roast Pork and Dressing
Italian Spaghetti
Ham Salad Sandwiches
Whole Browned Potatoes
Buttered Squash
Buttered Limas

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18

Tomato Barley Soup
Fried Liver
Porcupines
Ham Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes
French Fried Onion Rings
Creamed Peas

Bean Soup
Meat Loaf
Creamed Chipped Beef on Toast
Chili
Barbecue Sandwiches
Whipped Potatoes
Creamed Tomatoes
Buttered Broccoli
Corn Bread

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

Bean Soup
Roast Beef and Dressing
Meat Pie
Hamburger Sandwiches
Baked Potatoes
Glazed Carrots
Green Beans
Corn Bread

Vegetable Soup
City Chicken
Beef and Noodles
Hot Roast Pork Sandwiches
Whipped Potatoes
Creamed Celery
Buttered Spinach

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

Corn Chowder
Swiss Steak
Chili
Ham Salad Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes
Corn O'Brien
Buttered Asparagus

Tomato Barley Soup
Swiss Steak
Ham and Limas
Wiener Sandwiches
Whipped Potatoes
Stewed Apples
Buttered Asparagus

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

Vegetable Soup
French Fried Oysters
Meat Loaf
Barbecue Sandwiches
Parsleyed Potatoes
Buttered Spinach
Buttered Cauliflower

Cream of Potato Soup
French Fried Fish
Smoked Sausage
Tuna Sandwiches
Steamed Potatoes
Creamed Peas
Buttered Cauliflower

Wide selection of home-made pies and delicious salads served daily.

Breakfast served at Broadway daily from 6:20 to 7:50 a.m.

Special dinners and parties arranged upon request.
Menus subject to change.

Inquiring Reporter

WHAT TYPE OF QUESTION WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE DISCUSSED IN THIS COLUMN?



HELEN HUNT
Bldg. 26-4

"I think it would be a good idea to give people a chance to voice their opinion on how to pay the Soldiers' Bonus."



D. R. GRAYBILL
Bldg. 6-2

"An interesting question would be: What is your job and why do you like it? I believe readers would be interested in what other folks are doing."



AUDREY YOUNG
Bldg. 17-3

"A question I would like discussed is: How many people read this column?"



RALPH 'L. DOLAN
Bldg. 27

"A good question would be: How, at this point in the evolution of our country, can we best prevent error in our economic behavior and provide for our children a lasting foundation with which they may remain free?"



MABEL M. BECK
Bldg. 19-2

"I would like to know: Just what is responsible for the laying off of so many of our present day industrial workers?"

Winter St. Beats Squares To Retain League Title

Winter St. remained the only undefeated team in the Inter-division Basketball League by beating the Squares, 38-35. As the score indicates, the winners had their hands full and were unable to establish a lead until near the end of the third quarter. The Squares came back strong in the last quarter but fell short as time ran out.

Small Motors tied with the Apprentice School at the end of three quarters. They scored just one more point than the Apprentice boys in the final period to win, 30-29.

Taylor St., unable to win a ball game this season, upset Tool and Die, 28-23. The Firemen and Transformer put on a real hair-raiser, with the firemen taking the verdict, 41-37. Transformer beld a commanding lead at the half, but some great playing by Stemmler, Morkoetter and Moodie tied the score in the third quarter. In the final quarter, the Firemen put on another spurt outscoring their opponents, 14-10.

Regional Warehouse held onto their No. 2 position in the standings by beating Fractional, 45-35. Trabel made a great effort to keep Fractional in the ball game by scoring 20 points before fouling out.

All five games were played Tuesday, Jan. 4.

STANDINGS

	WON	LOST
Winter St.	8	0
Regional Warehouse	6	1
Squares	5	2
Firemen	5	2
Transformer	5	3
Tool & Die	2	5
Small Motors	2	5
Fractional	1	5
Taylor St.	1	6
Apprentice School	1	7

BOX SCORES

Winter St.	G.	F.	T.
W. Reitdorf	1	2	4
D. Reitdorf	2	6	10
Hormeyer	2	1	5
Schinbeckler	0	0	0
Blauvelt	1	3	5
Gallmeier	3	0	6
Kent	0	0	0
Turner	0	0	0
Beneke	3	2	8
Totals	12	14	38

Squares	G.	F.	T.
O'Keefe	5	3	13
Robertson	1	2	5
Rogers	0	1	1
Damioli	2	2	6
Parent	2	0	4
Finkbeiner	1	0	2
Eisenbeigler	0	0	0
Antalis	0	0	0
Chambers	0	0	0
Eton	1	2	4
Totals	12	11	35

App. School	G.	F.	T.
Wuttke	1	1	3
Rasor	4	0	8
Chappel	0	0	0
Gottschalk	1	2	4
Wagoner	2	1	5
Aughinbaugh	0	0	0
Allen	3	0	6
Werling	1	1	3
Totals	12	5	29

Sm. Motors	G.	F.	T.
Benz	2	0	4
Wickliffe	2	1	5
Rosswurm	0	0	0
Keister	4	0	8
Drayer	0	0	0
Markey	2	0	4
Scherer	4	1	9
Totals	14	2	30

Taylor St.	G.	F.	T.
Butler	0	0	0
Trott	2	0	4
Pappert	0	0	0
Warren	1	2	4
Angel	1	0	2
Growcock	1	1	3
Lothamer	7	1	15
Reichert	0	0	0
Totals	12	4	28

Tool & Die	G.	F.	T.
Bryan	2	0	4
Van Orsdale	1	0	2
Hirsh	0	2	2
Buell	0	0	0
Romey	0	0	0
Truelove	0	0	0
Staley	5	0	10
Clark	1	1	3
Dunlop	1	0	2
Totals	10	3	23

Firemen	G.	F.	T.
Stemmler	4	2	10
Morkoetter	6	0	12
Baals	0	1	1
Schible	0	0	0
Moodie	2	1	5
Vance	2	1	5
Meyers	3	2	8
Somers	0	0	0
Totals	17	7	41

Transformer	G.	F.	T.
Wehrle	4	4	12
Woodward	2	4	8
Taylor	1	1	3
Felger	0	0	0
Carpenter	5	0	10
Kromer	0	0	0
King	1	0	2
Frain	0	0	0
Schaefer	0	0	0
Jamison	1	0	2
Totals	14	9	37

Reg. Whse.	G.	F.	T.
Kirk	6	0	12
Sephel	1	0	2
Tourney	6	2	14
Waikel	2	3	7
Green	5	0	10
Totals	20	5	45

Fractional	G.	F.	T.
Howell	1	1	3
Hopper	3	1	7
Trahel	10	0	20
Wilson	0	0	0
Brown	2	1	5
Troysin	0	0	0
Totals	16	3	35

Buckley To Narrate South -vs- Huntington Game Tonight on WANE

Tonight, beginning at 8 p.m., Dick Buckley will announce the South Side-Huntington game to be broadcast over station WANE under the sponsorship of General Electric at Fort Wayne. The game between South Side Archers and Mishawaka will be aired at the same time tomorrow night.

In last Friday's game of the city series, South bested North Side, 38-25, to take the lead in the city standings. The Richmond Red Devils defeated the Central Tigers, 63-58, in a game at the North Side gym Saturday, Jan. 8.

Cheer up! If you swallow your collar button, you at least know where it is.



("Lost all my money through hole in pocket. Needle and thread on table. Thanks, dear")

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John Lare has come from behind those dark glasses, and we're glad to see his face back to normal again. Better stay away from poison ivy, Johnny. . . . Incidentally, folks, we've been informed that our pet squirrel at the gatehouse has been living under false pretense. From now on it's "Harriet the Nut-cracker" instead of "Harry." . . . "I've got spurs that jingle, jangle, jingle" is getting to be a very popular tune around here lately. From what we're able to pick up via the grapevine, one of the fellows received a dandy pair of spurs, including instructions for use, from a few "well wishers" not so very long ago. Haven't heard whether he's used them or not. . . . No, Ray Kreigh wasn't having a chill the other day when he put his coat on—he had just discovered it wasn't quite time to "take-off" for lunch and decided to "sweat it out" the last few minutes. . . . The boys are wondering how Harold Fanning and his new Kelvinator Nash are coming along? Was that a refrigeration unit or a heater they installed in your car, Harold? . . . Bill Schible apparently had an ulterior motive in having the boys over the other night, besides breaking in that super-duper new poker table. Did you wind up with the price of a pair of shoes for the little gal, Bill? Seems like things were pretty cool around there and from time to time the boys had to go out doors to get warm. How come you didn't give the boys more heat, Bill? "Vulture" Edmunds again bled his fellow men for a meaty sum and has spent the entire week chuckling about it—as only a rich old bachelor can do. . . . There is always a feeling of sadness when it is necessary for our co-workers to leave us. To each and everyone of you, good luck. . . . Whitie Van Auken's beautiful tan didn't last too long. He says that Florida is wonderful though. Harry Gardner just got back from there, too. . . . Carl Waterson is on the sick list. Hope you will soon be better, Carl. . . . Congratulations to Art Smethers, the proud papa of a new son, Joseph Earl. . . . Happy birthday to Bob Hughes, Cliff Thiebolt, Myron Cole and Ralph Craig.

Partizan Chapter To Sponsor Party

The Partizan Chapter of Elex will sponsor a card party, at 8 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 27, in St. Paul's hall, corner of Barr and Madison. The public is invited.

Tallies, which are 50 cents each, can be purchased from Irene Meyers' office at Broadway or Ceal Romary's office, Taylor St. Those attending the party are requested to furnish their own cards.

The regular January meeting of the Chapter will be held Tuesday, Jan. 18, at 1 p.m. Bertha Piper will be hostess at her home, 325 N. Cornell Circle. Assisting her will be Lois Henry and Nual McVay.

G-E Club Beats Horton, Wabash, Essex Wire Teams

The G-E Club basketball team bounced back from their four defeats last week and took three straight. They defeated Horton in a league game by the score of 46-22. Then they took the starch out of a strong Wabash Chevaliers team by having an exciting third quarter, scoring 21 points with Wabash scoring just seven. The final score was 70-50.

The Club took revenge on Essex Wire, which had beaten them earlier. The score was 67-44 in favor of the Club.

The Club will play Wheatley Center Saturday, Jan. 15, at 8:30 in the St. Paul Lutheran gym. On Tuesday, Jan. 18, at Central, they will play Inca in a league game. The team will meet the First Evangelical church team at the club gym on Thursday, Jan. 20.

Box Scores:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Bucher	8	2	18
Davis	1	0	2
Zimmerlee	3	1	7
Stoup	2	0	4
Gettys	5	0	10
Lowden	1	0	2
Junk	1	1	3
Totals	21	4	46

Wabash	G.	F.	T.
J. Reed	3	0	6
Arvin	2	1	5
B. Bainett	6	4	16
Gurtner	0	0	0
S. Howard	7	0	14
Benney	1	2	4
Wilhelm	0	0	0
R. Howard	2	1	5
Totals	21	8	50

Essex Wire	G.	F.	T.
Maxwell	6	2	14
Klutz	2	4	8
Werling	4	1	9
Worman	2	2	6
Bragalone	2	0	4
Vitz	1	1	3
Totals	17	10	44

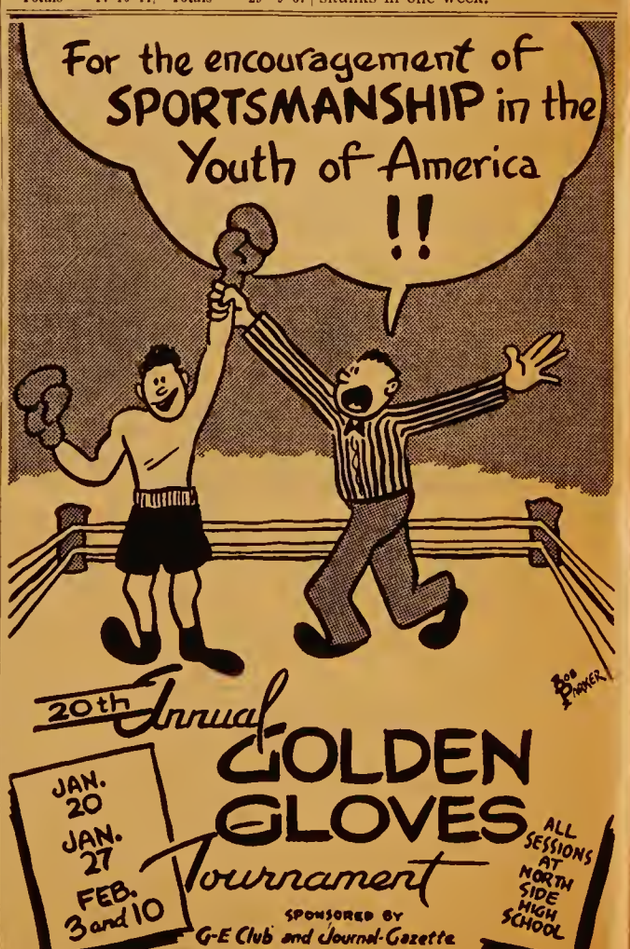
Horton	G.	F.	T.
Anderson	0	0	0
Edwards	5	1	11
Hirons	1	1	3
Nelson	0	0	0
Pierce	2	0	4
Cowan	2	0	4
Bennett	0	0	0
Totals	10	2	22

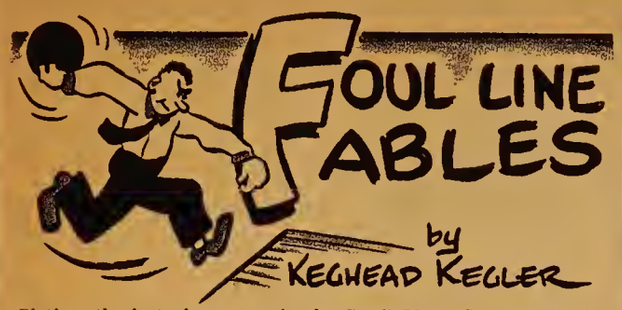
G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Bucher	6	2	14
Lowden	4	0	8
Zimmerlee	2	1	5
Gettys	4	0	8
Storys	1	0	2
Davis	7	1	15
Junk	1	0	2
Goehring	7	2	16
Totals	32	6	70

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Bucher	6	2	14
Goehring	5	3	13
Zimmerlee	6	1	13
Storys	2	1	5
Davis	5	2	12
Junk	1	0	2
Gettys	4	0	8
Totals	29	9	67



Fred Vietmeyer celebrated a birthday last week and also won the Gold Star award. Congratulations on both, Fred. That's really practicing safety on the streets as well as in the shop. . . . The recession is taking its toll in our group with the following leaving: Bob Mosshammer, George Miller, Max Buskirk, Ray Matthews, Walt Fry and Tex Dowell. Good luck, fellows, maybe we will all be together again sometime. . . . Louie Watt and Bob Repine went ice-fishing last Sunday. After a fair catch Louie asked Bob the time and it being 6:05 p.m. they decided to start for home. Bob didn't tell Louie his watch was set for Eastern Daylight Time. Anyway they arrived at Louie's house 20 minutes before they started. . . . Monday, Richard Nix carefully lined up a job in the arbor press and was all ready to reach for the handle before he noticed the handle was gone, having been removed about two weeks ago for repairs. . . . Belva Imel also hurdled another of life's milestones last week. . . . Gurney Lindley is the newcomer to the machinist group this week. George Houck came on days from second trick in the lathe group. . . . Say, Russ Deveny, don't tell us that new Mercury is falling apart already. . . . Everyone tries to pretend that Lyle Claphan and I were the first to get the little burlap bag, but H. McMaken and H. Jones should have permanent possession after three skunks in one week.





Plating, the last place team in the Small Motor League, the first half, came up with three wins Wednesday evening to go into first for the second half title.

Jim Daley had a 603 count on games of 206, 189 and 208.

Dick Madden came up with a 243 game using his brand new Christmas present. Other 200 games were rolled by Lowell Welker, 235; Frank Gitter, 219; Ed Reese, 213; Ty Cook, 210; Ife Holmes, 204; Paul Berghorn, 203; Erv Haugk, 203; Walt Mertz, 200; and "Brownie" Brown, 200.

Apparatus League

Team No. 2 walked off with the first half bunting, beating teams 9 and 11 by the big margin of just one game.

O. Anderson came up with a 603 on games of 198, 215 and 190.

Two hundred scores: Ty Cook, 216; Frank Gitter, 208 and 205; Arnie Horstmeyer, 211; "Sore Thumb" Blomker, 213; Charlie Briggs, 208; Don Waldrop, 202; Bill Piercy, 212, and Williams 207.

Masonic League

The Patrols and Ionic teams started the last half with three victories each to share the lead.

Larson came up with a 601 count. Two hundred scores: Lauterberg, 242; "Sap" Quinn, 236 and 201 (wonder what the other game was?); Hinrichs, 234; Larson, 229; Ruhl, 215; B. Somers, 214; Martz, 204; and Paul Bohn, 204.

Interdivision League

One 600 count was rolled by Les Shroyer, 206, 199 and 221 for a 626 total. Two hundred scores: Milt Marks, 240; Erv Haugk, 235; Iannelly, 232; Hal Fanning, 219; Hal Spath, 214 and 210; Don Dimke, 212; Pop Matthews, 205; Bob Buck, 204; Giese, 204; Adam Farrell, 203 and 202; Anderson, 200, and Leo Edward, 200.

The Broadway Bread and Water team is looking for a 200 bowler (what team isn't?). Paul Billman was the only member of the team not to rack up a 200 count Wednesday evening.

We notice that Adam Farrell is back in harness with the Doodlebugs. His suspension for two weeks must have done some good as he came up with two 200 counts last Wednesday.

Transformer Division League

The E-I team is out front with 14 wins and only 7 losses. Two hundred games were rolled by Hobbs, 200; Cartwright and Gnau, 202; Downie, 204; Miller, 205; Macy, 211; France, 213; and Moore, 218.

Bowling and Stuff

The Office League started the G-E teams off to a very slow takeoff in the city tournament as Standardizing and Designers were the only one to break 2900. Bad start—good finish, we hope.

DISSENSION! Boy, those Screwballs are just one happy family, Ha. Two of the boys won't even speak to each other. I wonder what they'll do when they howl doubles together.

You don't have to be big to master this game of bowling, as proven by Harry Smith, 17 year old, 106 pound, high school student, who paced his team to the $1,000 first place prize in the Ray Schalk Sweepstakes. Smith had games of 257, 233, 206 and 232 for a dazzling 928 series.

Speaking of boys, the Star Bowling and Billiard team of the Moose Boys League has been doing O.K. They are in fifth place in the city tournament.

The following was printed in "The Gutter Ball" Div. 14 bowling news sheet:

"It should be of interest to you to know what the G-E Club is doing for us and for the great sport of bowling. The following is what it means to us in dollars and cents:

"Four chickens	$9.00
Refund to League at End of Season	$60.00
Payment of Team Sanctions @ $2.50 per team	$15.00
Entry Fee to City Tournament	$60.00

"In addition to this direct benefit to us, the G-E Club is entering a team in the local industrial league, four men and three girls teams in the state tourney, two men and one girl team in the national tourney. They also sponsor girls' teams in the City Tournament, men's annual tournament, and the women's annual tournament. They also offer a trophy for the highest single game and highest three games rolled at the club in league competition by a regular team member.

"The total donations by the G-E Club to the bowlers will amount to over $4300 this year. Let'a take our hats off to the G-E Club, fellows."

There will be open bowling Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:30 p.m. until 6 p.m.

Flash

Ionic team of the G-E Masonic League took over first place in the city tournament with a 3,153 count. The team was paced by Howard Hickman who shot the biggest series of his life a rolliking 679 on games of 242, 258 and 179.

Grinders of the G-E Winter St. League also got into the money with a 3,024 count.

The average small motor has more than 150 parts.

Ticket Sales Skyrocket For Golden Gloves Tournament



Frank Newport, at the far right above, is shown at the G-E Club training two boya in the art of boxing as preparation for the Golden Gloves tournament.

Boxing fans are urged to get their tickets for the 20th annual Golden Gloves tournament as soon as possible inasmuch as advance ticket sales indicate sellout crowds for all four nights.

An unprecedented sale of tickets has been reported, with 15% having been sold by mail order even before sales officially opened.

The amateur boxing clasaic, sponsored by the G-E Club and Journal-Gazette, opens at Nortb Side high school Thursday night, Jan. 20. The tournament will continue on the four following Thursdays, Jan. 27, Feb. 3 and 10.

Expect Over 100 Boxera

Entries are expected to go well over the 100 mark.

Two champs from last year will be competing to regain their respective titles: Bob Thomas of Van Wert, lightweight, and Odel Billingsley, light-heavyweight.

Every boxer who steps into the ring receives a miniature golden glove as a souvenir, and every boy who wins at least one bout receives a pair of satin boxing trunks. The champs and runners-up in each contest are awarded full boxing outfits. The Sportsmanship Trophy goes to the most outstanding boxer of the tournament. Two were presented last year because of a toss-up by the judges.

Tournament coach, Frank Newport of the G-E Club, has been conducting training classes for novice boxers at the club's gymnasium each night during past weeks from 7 to 9 p.m. This instruction is offered free each year to all amateur boxers.

Limited to 3 Rounds

Under the rules of the Amateur Athletic Association, Golden Glovers box just three rounds of two minutes each. They are not permitted to box more than that in one bout, regardless of how close the contest migbt be. The judges must make a decision, even though they might prefer to call it a draw.

The gloves used are eight ounces for the four lighter divisions and 10 ounces for the four heavier classes.

The boxers in Golden Gloves ordinarily compete only once in one night, although late in the program, in divisions that are top-heavy with entries, they may be called upon twice, with a long rest in between.

The tournament is open to all amateurs in the Fort Wayne area who are at least 16 years of age.

G-E VOLTMEN

J. E. Estabrook, Assistant to the Works Manager, wishes to acknowledge the memorandum received several weeks ago in which several hundred G-E people expressed a very sincere interest in continuing the Voltmen baseball team through 1949. As announced in last week'a issue of the WORKS NEWS, the G-E Club will sponsor the Voltmen through the coming season and it ia expected that an even better team will be fielded than the 1948 championship nine.

Red Braden, Manger of the team, and the G-E Club join Mr. Estabrook in expressing appreciation for this vote of confidence.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



A Report on Pay

—and Prices—and Job Security

AT THIS TIME of the year when everyone is adding up the progress made in the past twelve months, we are happy to report that the average earnings of our hourly employees at General Electric now are at a rate more than 90% higher—and weekly take-home pay more than 90% greater—than in the year 1940.



And—beyond what is in each pay check—there is another 7% to 11% paid out by the Company for our employees or put away in their interest. This is for General Electric Pensions, free Life Insurance, the Savings and Stock Bonus Plan, Company contributions to old age benefits and unemployment insurance, and other benefits in the direction of health and security. Such "extra pay" was (in the first three quarters of 1948) at the annual rate of over $50 million.



As compared with the 90% rise in the average hourly earnings of General Electric employees, the "cost of living" (according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics Index at November 15) had risen during the same period about 72%. And General Electric's "cost of living" as a Company increased even more than that of our employees—since General Electric's purchases of steel, copper and all other materials from outside suppliers were made at prices averaging 81% above 1940.

Yet, despite all this, the prices our customers paid us for General Electric products averaged only 40% above 1940—and as the result of the Company's research and planning they were far better products with more and better features than our pre-war models.

In the process, there were more and steadier jobs at General Electric than ever before. In fact, hourly rated jobs at General Electric have nearly doubled in number since before the war. Constant attention and effort have helped to keep these jobs surprisingly steady and secure during the interruptions and shortages of materials that have plagued business due to post-war reconversion, strikes, transportation tie-ups, and numerous other difficulties.



For the past sixty days both industry and public have been showing a sudden reluctance to buy as freely in many lines as in the earlier part of the year. The resulting drop in public demand for certain products has unfortunately meant fewer General Electric jobs in some areas despite our best efforts.



But increased employment in other lines has more than offset these decreases, and **General Electric is happy to report that in the last week in December there were actually slightly more hourly-paid people working at their jobs than there were sixty days before.**

We are going to keep on trying—we are going to do all within our power—to keep every General Electric job just as steady and secure as we possibly can both now and in the future. And we know we have got to do this by each of us in General Electric pitching in to do his part in the job of helping to sell General Electric products—after doing the very best job possible in designing them to suit our customers, and then in manufacturing them economically to General Electric's high standards of quality and reliability.

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

L. R. Boulware

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Join the MARCH OF DIMES
FIGHT INFANTILE PARALYSIS
THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR INFANTILE PARALYSIS

New Safety Record Set

To Distribute Tickets Monday For Lamp Show

EIGHT PERFORMANCES OF 'LIGHT SORCERY' TO BE GIVEN HERE



Arrangements for distribution of tickets to employees for the eight "Light Sorcery" shows to be given at the G-E Club Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 31 and Feb. 1, were announced today by R. E. Zook, Supervisor of Personnel.

Tickets will be available to all employees of the Broadway, Taylor St. and Winter St. Plants from foremen and supervisors beginning Monday, Jan. 24. Extra tickets will be made available only after the needs of all employees and their families have been fulfilled.

The hour-long performances will be presented by lighting specialists from the Lamp Department of the General Electric Company at 1:30 p.m., 4 p.m., 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

Black—and light—magic, in the

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Foremen's Assn. To Hear Dr. Lee

Dr. Ralph D. Lee will address the Foremen's Association at its meeting Wednesday, Feb. 2, at 8 p.m. in Kreis Stoltzenau hall, 111 E. Brackenridge St.

Dr. Lee is a member of the Public Relations Department for the General Motors Corporation. His topic will be "Leadership and What It Takes."

An engineer and inventor, Dr. Lee pilots his own airplane in traveling on many business engagements.

Election of officers will follow the talk and the evening will be concluded with refreshments and a few social activities.

George Lewis Receives $115 For Top Suggestion

92 Share $937.50 For Ideas

George A. Lewis, Motor and Generator Div., received the largest suggestion award this week, with 92 employees sharing $937.50 in awards. Mr. Lewis' idea, which amounted to $115, pertained to the use of fountain pens for drafting practice.

Kenneth L. Guisinger, FHP Motor Div. 15, was next on the list with a $50 award for his suggestion on B. C. Rotor take-offs. For his idea to change assembly on rotation leads, Bernard J. Braun, Decatur, received $30.

Twenty-five dollar awards went to the following: Claude L. Gill, FHP Motor Div. 13; Marlin D. Johnson, FHP Motor Div. 14; Marguerite J. Wyant, FHP Motor Div. 15; Frank E. Wolter, FHP Motor

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More Stockholders Getting Dividends

The dividend on General Electric Company stock will be paid Jan. 25 to the 249,339 stockholders of record as of Dec. 17, an increase of 489 over the preceding quarter, according to William W. Trench, Company Secretary.

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1948 Is Record Year For Fort Wayne Works

G-E employees last year set a new safety record for the Fort Wayne Works.

Based on both the number of lost-time accidents and on the days lost, figures released today by Herschel L. Smith, Safety Engineer, showed the best safety record in the history of the Works.

Smash All Past Records

The frequency of accidents (number of lost-time accidents for one million man-hours) for 1948 was 3.2. The best previous year was 1938, when a 4.25 freqeuncy was recorded. This showed an improvement of 1.05.

The severity of accidents (days lost per one thousand man-hours) showed a reduction of from .107 in 1942, the best previous year, to .076 in 1948, an improvement of .031.

A combination of frequency and severity of accidents was .24 last

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Payroll Division Mails Statements To All Employees

The Payroll Division has mailed withholding tax statements to all employees. A change in the income tax law requires that every person who formerly used the withholding tax form as an official tax filing form to fill out a new one. The new form requires that the withholding tax statements be attached.

1,350 HEAR DR. CAROTHERS MONDAY



The photos at the top, above, show two views of the crowd that packed the G-E Club auditorium Monday night to hear Dr. Neil Carothers. Dr. Carothers is Dean of the College of Business Administration at Lehigh University.

At the left, the dean is shown being presented a portable radio by W. H. Crouse as a gift from all those who attended his series of nine lectures during the past few months. In the center photo is the group who took part in the presentation of gifts following the talk. Included in the picture are W. H. Crouse, M. L. Sordelet, K. D. Strong, C. H. Matson, Dr. Carothers and J. J. Clarkson. A sink, with disposall unit and electric dishwasher like the one above, has been installed in Dr. Carother's home at Bethlehem, Pa., as another gift paid for out of a collection taken by those who attended the lectures. The picture at the right shows one of the wives, Mrs. I. H. Freeman, talking with the dean following his talk.

Approximately 1,350 persons heard Dr. Neil Carothers at a meeting of G-E division heads, foremen, supervisors and engineers and their wives Monday night at the G-E Club auditorium.

The speech, "Where Are We Now," was sponsored by Management for the benefit of the wives of those who attended the dean's series of nine lectures on basic economic factors. Dr. Carothers was introduced by C. H. Matson, Works Manager.

Attacks Communism

Opening his talk with a fiery blast against communism, Dr. Carothers stated, "Communism is founded upon a false economy built upon hate and revenge, yet pretends to bring security and equality."

"Communism already has swallowed up nine countries and is continually moving westward," he continued.

The dean then discussed the Marshall Plan in its present attempts to "revive industry and hope in the Western nations."

"England in desperation turned to socialism, but it is a democratic-socialism," he pointed out in a review of the conditions in Europe and Asia. He added: "France is on the edge of surrendering to communism; 450 million persons in China are already in its grips; and,

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You Can Save Both Gasoline, Lives By Slowing Down That Car

It is generally known that the faster one drives beyond about 30 miles an hour the more gasoline and oil his engine uses per mile. Figures have been compiled by the United States Bureau of Standards to show just how much the consumption increases with speed. The table, as reported by the American Automobile Association, is based on the performance of an average car capable of going 18 miles on a gallon of gasoline at 30 miles an hour. Here it is:

10 M.P.H.	18.7 miles per gal.
20 M.P.H.	18.9 miles per gal.
30 M.P.H.	18.0 miles per gal.
40 M.P.H.	16.4 miles per gal.
50 M.P.H.	14.6 miles per gal.
60 M.P.H.	12.6 miles per gal.
70 M.P.H.	10.6 miles per gal.
80 M.P.H.	8.6 miles per gal.

In tests conducted at the Indianapolis Speedway by the A.A.A. it was found that nearly seven times as much oil was used up at 55 miles an hour as at 30.

To Achieve Success You Must Avoid Making Biggest Mistake

The Arabs have a proverb: "All mankind is divided into three classes: those that are immovable, those that are movable and those that move."

To achieve success in any undertaking, you must not only move, but you must keep moving. You must always be trying to contribute to progress. Maybe you don't always know how things are coming out, but if you keep busy and keep your mind ever active, you won't be courting failure because you are lazy.

Benjamin Franklin once said "The man who does things makes many mistakes, but he never makes the biggest mistake of all . . . doing nothing."

Competition Supplies Impetus To All Leaders Of Mankind

Competition is harsh, sometimes cruel, but it works. It gets results. It compels improvements in methods that multiply the efforts of a man a hundred and a thousand times.

A high school graduate can outline more utopian ideals in an hour than the world can achieve in his lifetime. Only after the young man has had his face rubbed against the grindstone can he be taken seriously.

Of course, the highest type of man is one who, in full knowledge of what is, keeps his mind and vision open to what ought to be, and supplies impetus to push the world in the right direction.

These men are rare. They are the leaven that has caused mankind to rise slowly but surely to the stature of free men.

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE . . .

TO go out to the woodpile every morning and whack up enough wood for the breakfast fire in the old range?

TO hike over to the ice house every morning and get a chunk of ice so ma could keep the milk sweet and the butter firm?

TO go out to the well every morning and fill up the water buckets so ma could wash and cook all day?

TO trim the wicks on a lot of kerosene lamps and polish the chimneys with old newspapers so you could read at night?

TO dance all night with your best gal and then walk home four miles through the snow swinging an old oil lantern?

TO go to bed every night with the chickens because there wouldn't be anything else to keep you awake?

IF YOU DID, you'd like to live in the GOOD OLD DAYS they're always talking about.

Just Rub It and the Genii Appears



HUGH CRANE discusses WHY NO DEPRESSION?

NEW YORK—If there ever was a time when the signals were all set for an old-fashioned depression, it's now. And yet it doesn't seem to be coming.

Economists started predicting way back in the first year after Pearl Harbor, 1942, that there was bound eventually to be a depression after this war, if only because there was a depression after every other major war for a couple of centuries or more.

First Boom—Then Bust

This depression was supposed to come along after the war-time shortages had been made up. First would be a temporary boom, just as there was after the Napoleonic wars, the American Civil War, and World War One. Then after that, their advice was, "Hold your hat."

And most depressions start with little depressions in some part of industry. These upset confidence, and everybody starts cutting down on their buying and their production, and pretty soon the little depressions snowball into a national depression; prices go to pieces; jobs fade.

Well, all these things have now come to pass. There's been a post-war boom all right, for three years. People have made up most of their war shortages, except in houses and automobiles. Most prices have turned down. And little depressions have sprung up in the clothing industry, radios, the movie business, machine tools, and a few other places.

Where Is the Crash?

It's no wonder that the Russian economists at a recent meeting of the Institute of Economics of the Soviet Academy of Science are beating their brains out without result in trying to figure why this country doesn't have the great economic crisis that capitalism is supposed to slide into somewhere about now.

But if, as they think, capitalism is on its last legs, it's a near-corpse that refuses to lie down.

One of the things that's happening that isn't working at all the way business-cycle theory says it should is the strength in the "capital goods" industries.

Industry Led Trend in 1932

In the old pre-war days when consumers for one reason or another began to cut down on their buying, industry promptly went them one better and cut down even more rapidly on its own buying of new plant and equipment. One of the sure things about a depression was that the demand for capital goods would fall off many times faster and harder than the demand for consumer goods. While consumers might cut down on their buying of groceries by 20 per cent, industry cut down its buying of steel, machinery, turbines, and so on by 90 per cent. During the 1932 depression the demand for steel fell from around 90 to less than 20 per cent of capacity, and the market for machine tools, railroad rolling stock, and heavy electrical goods fell off almost to nothing.

But this time it's working the other way round. While consumers are staying away in droves from department stores, hardware stores and men's clothing stores, most of the capital goods industries are still tooling along with more orders than they can handle. The steel industry for instance confidently expects to keep running at nearly 100 per cent of capacity through the present year.

Report Exaggerated

The long and the short of it is that something so fundamental has happened that the Soviet economists are way out on a limb in their predictions about the capitalist system. Like the report of Mark Twain's death, their expectation of its collapse is "greatly exaggerated."

That goes also, incidentally, for the expectations of orthodox American economists who have combed the history of business cycles and acquired great learning in how these cycles used to operate. But we're fooling them. Their learning is out of date. It isn't working that way. The capitalist system today isn't the same as the capitalist system they've studied about. Something fundamentally new has been added.

Next week I want to explore some of the changes that have fluffed up the guesses of orthodox economists both here and in Soviet Russia.

The OLD PHILOSOPHER Says:



The other day I was talking with one of the men whose duty is to keep waste and spoilage losses down to a minimum. That's a big job if anyone should ask me and I don't envy the chap who has it. But the fact is that waste and spoilage losses are mounting and someone has got to do something about it, lest these losses get completely out of line.

I remember back to my manual training days in school. We had an instructor who came from far off Sweden. He was a stickler for accuracy and a tough man if he thought you were wasting materials or spoiling them. His favorite saying was "Plane it smooth and true," when he was explaining how to plane a piece of wood. Ever and always he dinned that phrase, "Plane it smooth and true," into our ear. Finally we learned how to do it and in the doing, we conserved our materials, got better products and won the praises of our instructor.

So in this waste and spoilage business does the analogy apply. If we figuratively "Plane it smooth and true," we cut down losses by waste, for we don't use more material than we need and we cut down losses from spoilage by the same token for we don't need another piece because we spoiled and wasted the first one.

Let's "Plane it smooth and true."

A positive conviction without accurate information is a dangerous thing.

550 Elex Members Attend Ice Show In Chicago

Approximately 550 Elex members boarded a special train Saturday morning, Jan. 15, for Chicago to attend the Sonja Henie Ice Revue. As the girls left the Pennsylvania Station, they received candy from a local business concern, and from then on the trip was uneventful. Aboard the train, they settled back for a restful trip, played cards or visited.

After arriving at Union Station in Chicago, their time was their own until 7:15 p.m. when they met for the buses to take them to the stadium. The "Big City" absorbed the entire 550 as each party went shopping, sightseeing, attending shows and visiting friends.

The girls boarded chartered buses for the stadium at Union Station. During the show, everyone thrilled at the spectacular sets, costumes and superb skating.

Following the performance, the girls returned to the train, and at 3 a.m. Sunday, a tired group arrived back in Fort Wayne after an enjoyable time in the Windy City.



In the layout of pictures, top row, first picture shows a portion of the group at the Fort Wayne station. In the foreground are Charlotte Stanford, Elex President; R. A. Zook, Supervisor of Personnel; and Rachel Fisher, Vice-President. The picture on the right shows the Winter St. girls aboard the train enroute to Chicago.

The Fort Wayne girls are shown in the first picture, bottom row, meeting the girls from Danville. Left to right are Irene Meyers, Lois Drewett, Rachel Fisher, Charlotte Stanford, Norma Grimes, DanGE President; and Laura Jenkins, Danville plant. In the other photograph are several of the girls boarding the bus for the Stadium, while in the picture below are four very tired girls catching a few winks on the way home. Left to right are Lois Drewett, Tommy Williams, Betty Puff, and Charlotte Drewett.



Dr. Carothers

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India is ripe, what with its conflict of Mohammedans and Hindus destroying themselves through a beastly hate of each other."

Gives Position Of America

Dr. Carothers then reviewed our own economic position.

In explaining the economic forces at work in the United States, the dean pointed out the pattern of economic law as proven by history.

"At time of war this nation went into unnatural production at a rapid speed," he said. "We had swollen wages and profits."

"People saved their money then, but are now spending it extravagantly," he continued. "We are buying things now at prices we should not pay."

If the government steps in to control prices, he predicted, the country will be wrought with shortages and black markets.

This boom period following the reconversion cannot last, he stated. "People have not learned from the past, but continue spending recklessly."

Recalls Depression

He then recalled the first postwar depression following World War I and compared the trend then with that of today. He said that after the first world war the postwar prosperity lasted seven years, then followed a depression.

"There is no reason to believe we will make an exception this time," he stated. "There is nothing to encourage me to believe that we now have a new situation."

He then decried the lack of adequate leadership in this country and attacked "the outpouring of government funds and vast increase in taxes."

"At the present time the Russians are waiting and praying for an appalling depression in Ameriea in hopes the Marshall Plan will stop," he said, "and that we will have such a violent overturn that we will be ripe for a communist revolution to arise in this country."

Tells What To Do

In pointing out what the ordinary citizen ean do, Dr. Carothers outlined:

"We ean retard these economic forces by (1) thinking straight and saving money rather than squandering it; (2) studying economic forces and keeping up with current comments of all authorities; (3) refusing to accept propaganda without checking it against the comment of impartial men; and, (4) voting for the ablest men for high office."

"The twin curses of all ages are not war and epidemic, but poverty and insecurity," he stated. "We are grappling with both these problems, but we will never do it by social hates, following lies, or electing demagogues to office."

In conclusion, Dr. Carothers stated:

"Our nation faces in the next five years many problems—economic distress, social unrest and bitter political rivalry. Some predict a dictatorship will arise out of another depression and that we will go the way of other nations. I don't share these prophecies of doom. I see trials and tribulations, but no nation with a spirit such as ours will ever surrender to dictatorship."

Squares To Hold Bridge Tourney

The G-E Squares will hold its annual bridge tourney tonight and Friday, Feb. 4, at the club's hall on East Berry St. The tournament will start at 8 p.m.

Lamp Show

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best Houdini manner, will be presented by Alston Rodgers, master of ceremonies. He is shown in the picture above with a "Ukelitely," an amazing instrument resembling a ukelele which produces music played by a light beam.

The demonstrations will feature such feats as a man walking away from his own recalcitrant shadow—with the aid of a million-watt light and a beam of infra-red light.

Spectators will also see a 10,000-volt, high-frequency coil light a cigarette and make an unconnected fluorescent lamp glow brightly. A balloon in the act of bursting will be photographed at a speed of 1/3000 of a second, and the shadow left on a screen.

"Light Sorcery" is currently on a tour which will eventually include most of the 48 states. It was created by engineers and lighting specialists at Cleveland's famed Nela Park, headquarters for General Electric's Lamp Department research.

The show's visit here was arranged by the Fort Wayne Apparatus and Air Conditioning Works and local representatives of the Lamp Department.



Coon hunting sometimes turns out to be as dangerous for the hunter as the hunted. At least, that's the experience Charlie Reed had on his latest hunting trip. In going over a fence, he had the misfortune of breaking a bone in his foot. He is confined to his home, but we hope it will not be long until the injury will be healed and he will be back with us. . . . Arnie Johnson is still buying cigars for Park Schemehorn and Paul Kennerk. It seems they always come up "tails" for him. . . . Glad to have Edna Fletcher back with us after an absence of six months following an operation. . . . Birthday greetings to Irene Pulfer, Vivian Frauhiger and Theresę Prine. . . . Virgil Allmandinger and Ray Lepper spent the week-end fishing in Michigan and brought a pound and one-half bluegill in to prove their luck. Of course, we have only their word that they have 73 more just like it. . . . Today we are saying goodbye to Ruth Papenbrock who is leaving to be married soon to Edgar Field and will make her new home at Lake Gage. She received a gift from the division and along with that go the best wishes of all of us for her future happiness.

Yesterday is a cancelled check. Tomorrow is a promissory note. Today is ready cash; spend it wisely.

Safety Record

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year, in comparison to the best previous year (1942) when it was .54, an improvement of .30.

The worst year for accidents on record was 1926, when the frequency was 17.58; the severity, 1.545; and, a combination of the two showed 27.16.

Pile Up Large Total

Five divisions at Fort Wayne and the Decatur Plant, all with over 1,000,000 accident-free man-hours between accidents, piled up a total of 10,437,938 accident-free man-hours.

They were as follows:

FHP Motor Div. 14	2,536,280
FHP Motor Div. 15	2,217,504
FHP Motor Div. 33	2,028,830
Tool Division	1,463,399
Decatur Plant	1,242,415
FHP Motor Div. 13	1,087,718
Total	10,576,146

This is equivalent to the entire Works in operation approximately four consecutive months without a lost-time accident.

In 1947 six divisions totaled 9,272,722 accident-free man-hours or nearly 1¼ million less than in 1948.

Gain Six Over 1947

In the Fort Wayne Works' annual Safety Contest, 24 out of 28 divisions and plants qualified for Meritorious Safety Performance certificates issued by the General Safety Committee. This was a gain of six over the 1947 performance.

Nineteen divisions improved their records in 1948 to make it a record-breaking year for safety.

The certificates are awarded on the following basis:

(1) One year without a lost-time accident.
(2) One million man-hours between lost-time accidents.
(3) A combined frequency and severity of .40 or less.
(4) 50 per cent improvement over the record of the previous year.

The divisions and plants that will receive certificates are:

FHP Motor Div. 14, FHP Motor Div. 15, FHP Motor Div. 33, Tool Division, Decatur Plant, FHP Motor Div. 13, Kokomo Plant, FHP Motor Div. 1, Tiffin Plant, FHP Motor Div. 16, DeKalb Plant, FHP Motor Div. 17, Wire Division, FHP Motor Div. 19, Insulation Division, FHP Motor Div. 20, Distribution Division, Transformer Div. 95, Motor and Generator Division, Transformer Div. 94, FHP Motor Test, Transformer Div. 93, Benton and Danville Plants.

Activities Justify Record

Some of the activities on the 1948 safety program included:

Safety was on the agenda at meetings of foremen and supervisors 550 times during the year.

There were 360 divisional and plant safety committee meetings during 1948, with nearly 3,000 safety items on the agenda.

A total of 251 recorded safety inspections were reported.

General foremen rated their foremen on 13 different safety performance items quarterly during the year.

Active in C. of C.

Employees of the Company were very active during the year in community and national safety activities.

Serving on the Chamber of Commerce safety council were:

General Chairman and member of the Executive Committee—Herschel Smith, G-E Safety Engineer.

Fleet Safety Committee—Jay Greer and Chester Kowalski.

Fire Prevention—Howard Miller and Ernie Hanauer.

Industrial Committee — Loyd Bodenhamer and Harry Gargett.

Traffic Safety Committee—C. B. Smith.

The three major safety activities at the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce were attended by nearly 200 G-E employees.

Smith On National Council

Herschel Smith served the past year as vice-chairman of the National Safety Council's Power Press Section and was elected its General Chairman for 1949 at the 36th National Safety Congress and Exposition in Chicago.

In reviewing the safety record of the Fort Wayne Works for 1948, Mr. Smith stated:

"Employees at the Fort Wayne Works have repeatedly shown that they can improve good safety records as well as bad ones. The year 1949 offers a tremendous challenge to improve a good record. We will try to accelerate all phases of our program aimed at being a 'jump ahead' of the accident, while at the same time placing more emphasis on correcting hazards which cause 'near accidents' and 'minor injuries' as well as those which cause loss of time. Furthermore, we are planning a better 'off-the-job' safety program."

Top Suggestions

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Div. 17; Jerome Coffee, Decatur Plant; and Stanley G. Gongaware, Specialty Transformer Div. 95.

Those who received awards ranging in various amounts from $5 to $20 are listed below:

FHP Motor Div. 1: Golda L. Duff, Frank J. DeVaux, Arthur M. McNamara (two awards) and Howard C. Taylor.

FHP Motor Div. 13: John P. Bastian, Wilbur C. Hinton, Marvin E. Pierce, Walter F. Fry, Arthur F. Sorg, Ernest C. Tatman, Glenn C. Yager, Marion E. Oman, Frieda G. Morin, Fred Kryder, Jr., Clarence Hartman, Ira Augspurger, P. A. Schoppman (two awards), Bertha Albrecht and Theodore C. Reed.

FHP Motor Div. 14: Robert Sealover (two awards), Charles Hoffert, Herbert F. Seslar, Fred H. Vogt, and Theodore C. Reed.

FHP Motor Div. 15: Vergie Stephen, Willis K. Dillman (two awards), Milo W. Reade, Forrest Allman (two awards), Mary J. Sitko, Joseph B. Howard, Walter Amacher (two awards), Kenneth L. Guisinger and Mary E. Stewart.

FHP Motor Div. 16: Geraldine Snyder and Herb Halley.

FHP Motor Div. 17: Eugene P. Kelsey, Clifford Balyeat, Myrtle Cramer, John F. Driver, George N. Miller, Gerald E. Gamble, George P. Kapp, Raymond A. Pickett, Maurice L. Roc, Ralph T. Martz, Fred Young and William D. Baker.

FHP Motor Div. 19: Joseph Schible (two awards), Edward A. Huhn, William L. Fisher, John R. Miles, Mary Jane Meyer, Leo Heerscbe, Richard J. Boyle, Raymond B. Schuckel and Margaret M. McCaffrey.

Decatur Plant: Archie Smitley, Victor Kuhn, Ray Kelsey, Clement Meyer and Arthur Denig.

Tiffin Plant: George George (two awards), and Alton Lonsway.

DeKalb Plant: Ernest Kastler.

Specialty Transformer Div. 91: Chester T. Laughman, Ed Kaliker, and Robert A. Bunyan.

Specialty Transformer Div. 95: William C. Mills, Jr., and Raymond H. Adams.

Danville Plant: Robert Wright, Floyd W. Smith and Merle J. Miller.

General Service: Anthony W. Crow and Lester E. Bienz.

Miscellaneous: Dorothy M. Leininger.

Honored At Retirement



A luncheon was held last week at the Taylor St. cafeteria in honor of Clara Lake, FHP Div. 14, who left the Company to go on pension. Left to right in the picture are Rosamond Schooley, Ethel Evans, Clara Lake and Esther Watson.

More Stockholders

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Eighty-seven per cent of the stockholders are individuals, Mr. Trench said. Brokers, banks, bank nominees and other business enterprises hold less than two per cent, and trustees, guardians and other fiduciaries account for 10.7 per cent. Approximately six-tenths of one per cent of the stockholders of record are education and charitable institutions, owning more than 410,000 shares.



Mr. Stork has been busy the past few weeks. Herbert Springer's wife presented him with a baby girl New Year's Day. She was born at 11:48 a. m. Herb has two sons so is it any wonder they are so thrilled about Cheryl Jean's arrival. Noel Young is also a proud father. He has a baby boy. Is it any wonder "little Mike" and his "Pappy" are walking on the clouds? . . . Carl Kloepper can also add another "Little Exemption." Their son was born Jan. 8. . . . Margaret (Peggy) Beerman left last Friday. Good luck and let us know if it is a boy or girl. . . . Stella Strong is "grandmother" again. Two weeks ago it was a boy, last week a baby girl. . . . Wilbur Poller is on a new kind of diet. All the cake he can eat. Doesn't it make us girls jealous? . . . Les Green found out his shoes weren't waterproof. But it took a lot of water puddles to convince him. . . . We understand Ruth Curley has a "side-line" repairing jewelry. However, she isn't too highly recommended as she recently burned her own necklace in half. . . . Helen Miller lost a good bet to Louise Roberts. Louise made the 3-7-10 split. . . . What's this we hear about Nora Roser trying to get a longer ride on the bus? Fall asleep, Nora? . . . Bea Hans' motto is "Be Prepared". She lost the heel off her shoe going to the cafeteria but she had an extra pair in her locker. . . . Did Elmer Buuck get a purple shirt? If so why doesn't he wear it? . . . What's this we hear about "Hot Lips" Kissinger? It seems he put a stick of chewing gum in his mouth and tried to light it with his cigarette lighter. . . . Bill Weber has been telling us what a wonderful cook his wife Jessie is and last Friday he brought us all some cake. All we can say is, we agree with Bill—it was delicious. . . . Carl Langas, former co-worker, has been appointed to the City Fire Department. . . . A luncheon was given for Clara Lake, who was pensioned last week. . . . Janet Hire had a tonsillectomy last Friday. We hope you are feeling much better, Janet.

Suggestion Brings $50



Kenneth Guisinger, Bldg. 4-2, right, and his foreman Alton Kissinger are looking over the application of Mr. Guisinger's recent suggestion which netted him $50. His suggestion covered changes in the take-off of Wright Die machines so that scroll stock could be used in place of strip stock in making certain B. C. rotor punchings.



Last Tuesday evening, a member of our family in Bldg. 17-4, put his tools away, cleaned off the top of his bench and laid his apron upon his tool chest to take a few weeks leave for hospitalization. Late Friday afternoon we stood by his bench quiet, solemn, stunned by the news of his death. Paul Menze was one of the family here for many years, 27 in all. Some of us knew him all of these years, others for only a short time; yet his smile of friendship held a welcome warmth for all. We will miss the hours of working together side by side, the last moments of merriment as we left for home at the close of each day and many of the moments of brotherhood we shared. It is difficult to shape words into meaning to express the feelings that are in your heart, but forever in our memory will be the sorrow we feel at the loss of our friend. To us, the apron on his bench waiting for his return will remain a tribute to his work, the same as we here, on the material things of living, as well as his work in the spiritual home of friendship with his fellow men. Our sincere sympathy to the family. . . . Are you looking for a nice place in the country? If you are, see Junior Mannisto, his place is for sale. . . . The new President of the Fort Wayne Archery Club is Charlie "Deer-Hunter" Hunt. . . . Ever watch Les Stauch tell a joke? He resembles a rhumba dancer jumping up and down. His jokes are really funny because he always laughs so hard! . . . Our Research Department headed by Test Engineer Elwonger is now tackling a very difficult problem. The problem is "Is twice as hot the same as half as cold?" or "Is heat the absence of cold or is cold the absence of heat?" . . . Our best wishes to Carl Langas who left Friday to join the City Fire Department. When presented a few parting gifts, Carl was as red as the fire truck! . . . Some people can acquire the most nicknames. One such person is Norb Lose. Some of his more appropriate nicknames are "Dim Bulb," "No Nod," "Lover Boy," "The Human Capacitor," "Baby Sitter"—just to mention a few! . . . Since Ray Solga is back the rest of us boys won't get ribbed about hair cuts. Although Ray isn't getting any criticism about his hair cut because he hasn't got any yet. He certainly is getting reminded of his need of a scalp mowing. . . . What was that whizzing by? The fire truck without the siren? No, just Elnor Laymon in her new red car! . . . No. 82 is very significant to Cora Conrad; it is just the new high score in hearts. Say, C. J., the object in that game is low score. . . . Ruby Lydy, your water and egg diet did agree with you very well. Better try convincing a few of the other girls to try it too! . . . Could it be that Maxine is trying to regain her lost youth by using a 1943 calendar. Steady, Maxine, you can't turn the clock back! . . . Birthday wishes to George Miller, Pauline Nau, Wilbur Gray and Sol Andorfer.

Retires Under Pension Plan



When Charles Kloepper, Bldg. 19-4, left to retire on Company pension, he received a farewell gift from his friends in the General Tool Division. In the picture is Mr. Kloepper, left, receiving his gift from Ralph Stewart. J. R. McFeely is looking on.



Sure enough, I am still here and will try to give you a few of the details that have happened and are about to happen to the second shift. . . . Al Windmiller, the Geneva Whirlwind, is now at his position in Shipping and from the last report is doing great. Herman Myers is working for Mr. McDougal in the Winding Section. Of course, there are a few more changes, but you will have to look for yourself. . . . I will have to say that new Hudson of Jake Eady's is all right, after seeing him give a car a push the other evening. Thanks, Jake! Anyhow it wasn't a Ford. . . . Lawrence Beal, formerly connected with the white collar workers, has taken over the duties of law and order in and around the Plant. All he lacks now is uniform and brass buttons. . . . Henry Dellinger has replaced Fred Busse in the cage in Plant 1, as Fred has gone to Plant 2 to work in the cage. . . . Guy Secaur, the boom-boom man from Plant 1, is at Plant 2 on the second shift now. Hi, Guy! . . . I wonder whatever became of cord set Fisher, I mean the fellow they used to call Plymouth Fisher. . . . Maybe I am losing out but I haven't heard of Jake Eady pulling Paul Myer around the lot this winter, or has Pauly changed cars? . . . Poor Pete Fairchild, the big brass of the Assembly Line, has his eyesight afflicted and is wearing those rose colored glasses. We don't know what is the matter, but Pete has a name for it. . . . McDougal, the boy wonder, has been talking in a whisper all week, and I don't think it is from yelling at his wife. . . . Chalmer Knittle is the proud father of a son. Our congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Knittle! Ruthie Knittle is an aunt of the little fellow. . . . What we saw wasn't a bush, but "Speck" Hebble with a beard. Speck, do you really think growing that beard is worth winning a bet? . . . Howard Gehrig, the hammer wielder, is now learning to be a machinist. . . . You haven't seen anything until you see Ralph Rabbitt square dance. . . . Happy Birthday to Doris Resh. We hope you have many more of them, Doris. . . . Our sympathy to Richard Drake upon the death of his mother.

Fractional Fiction 4-5

By Elaine Sutter

While investigating the moans and groans last week, we found everyone had received their wage receipts. Once again that tax paying job is here. . . . We say farewell to Grace Schwab, who is staying home to take over the household duties. . . . We welcome Jo Franklin to 4-5. Jo is our new rotary file girl. . . . Last Friday we heard an awful commotion in the office. Looking around we found Dorothy Amstutz lying on the floor. With the help of Harold Struver she managed to find her chair which rolled out from under her. . . . Eileen Schuler, Ilo Motter, Bette Rinker and Alice Dahman were among the Elex members who saw Sonja Henie's Ice Review. . . . The K. C. lines were sorry to see Frank George and Kenneth Beber leave. They also welcome Margaret Wyatt and Carol Schoaff to the first trick. . . . Anyone knowing the whereabouts of an unbreakable thermos bottle, please inform Joan Meyers. She seems to have a lot of trouble with the ordinary kind. . . . Mary Baumgartner has created her own style turban. She wraps her apron on her head to keep warm. . . . Happy birthday to Eileen Schuhler and Georgia Trevly. Eileen received a beautiful bouquet from her husband. . . . Welcome back, Melba Morr. Melba just returned from a wonderful honeymoon. . . . We are sorry to hear Mary Gileff is on the sick list. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Alice Hahn on the death of her grandmother.



We welcome Howard McVay as our foreman in the Die Cast. Goodbye to Clyde Helms, who is leaving to be a foreman in the 10-20-30 Frame Line. We sure are going to miss you, Clyde, and come over and see us often. . . . Adele Weitfeldt, Maggie Moore, Maxine Luker, and Harriett Welling went to Chicago last week end to see Sonja Henie's Ice Revue, and report that in spite of the weather, they had a wonderful time. . . . Norman Wolf's wife also went to Chicago, and so Norm went out by himself Saturday night. From what we hear, Mrs. Wolf had better stay home and take care of little Norm, 'cause he forgot to turn off the radio in his car, and he couldn't start said car due to a run-down battery. . . . Tommy Williams visited her folks last week end and then got stuck with K. P. duties for her dad. She says she fixed him the only thing she knows how to cook. The eggs were delicious. . . . Vern Whitlow and Sy Liechty went to the ball-game the other night, but Sy didn't see much of the game and doesn't even know what the score was. He says they sure didn't have girls in school like that when he was a boy. Now, Sy. . . . Welcome to Ellen Saul, who has joined our group, and hope you will like us all, Ellen. . . . We hear that Bob Federspiel sure was disgusted at Roy Orr's Pontiac last Saturday night, especially when it pushed his grill in while he was trying to start it by pushing it with his car. Bob says he wonders why Roy doesn't trade it in on a good used pocket-knife. . . . Welcome to Charlie Penn, Supr. of Test and Inspection, and to Don Niles, our new foreman of Test and Inspection. . . . "Ducky" has gone on the second shift and Bill will be the leading operator on Inspection and Test.

Employee Receives Dolls From Uncle In Germany



Carl Stadelman, Marie Thornhill and Erna Mann, Bldg. 4-2, are examining the dolls Erna received from her uncle in Dresden, Germany. The dolls were hand-made in Ertzgeburg, Germany.

Erna had sent packages of food and other articles to her uncle in Dresden. He sent these dolls at Christmas-time to show his appreciation for the packages.

Specialty Transformer, Ballast Divisions

Ignition Transformers

Help Keep Homes Warm In Winter



Shown above are the four oil burner ignition transformer models being featured in the new "Standardized Manufacture" program.

Four million people are more comfortable this winter because they are using oil burners to fire their furnaces and heat their homes. Each one of these oil burners uses an ignition transformer and Fort Wayne's Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions are one of the three largest manufacturers of these units in America.

The story of these ignition transformers touches history, war, and the solving of an engineering problem. But, before we get too far along, let's clear up one point. Don't mistake an oil burner for any of those small space heaters which burn the liquid fuel. The true oil burner has a combustion system similar to the engine of your automobile—the fuel is vaporized under pressure, then ignited by a high-voltage spark (in most cases, 10,000 volts). It's from the resulting "ball of flame" that you get the heat. These oil burners can be used to fire hot air furnaces, or boilers for producing steam heat or hot water.

The history of the oil burner covers the past 25 years and G-E has been making ignition transformers for 20 years. During the last war, oil burners played their part in operating portable laundries in the front lines and airplane steam cleaning equipment.

And what about the engineering problem? For years oil burners had a great bugaboo—radio interference. Because of the peculiarities of electricity, some of that high-voltage spark energy would sneak back into the home electrical circuits and "raise Cain" with radio reception. The problem was how to keep this from happening. About five years ago, General Electric's engineers devised a method of "two-way self shielding" for the ignition transformers which finally put an end to all radio interference coming from the transformer. Extensive laboratory tests have proved that G-E ignition transformers are superior to all other brands in this respect.

The most recent advance in ignition transformer manufacture is our present attempt to standardize the types used. For years there have been hundreds of different oil burners on the market. Because of variations in their design, almost all of them required a transformer of slightly different size or shape. (For instance, in one electrical rating, the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions has 1500 specifications for ignition transformers which vary only in size and shape!) To the transformer manufacturers this meant production in small quantities and therefore high production costs. It was only a few weeks ago that General Electric announced its program of standardizing manufacture on four models, designed to fit the vast majority of oil burners. This "SM" program (standardized manufacture) will result in large savings in production costs which are being passed on to the burner manufacturers, and in turn, should be passed on to the ultimate buyer. Thus, if you are one of the 6,000,000 people expected to buy oil burners this coming year, you will be able to save money and at the same time, insure yourself against radio interference by looking for the G-E nameplate on the transformer of the burner you intend to buy.



Glamour boys of the Wire Division are Walt Konow, with his pink shirt, and Herb Thompson, with his red, white and green plaid necktie. . . . We know now why Wimpy Lemper always follows a bag of oats around like a horse. This seems to be one of the qualifications of a farmer. . . . Cleo Crowe's vitality is running at a new low since his vacation in Florida. Cleo says he just must go back to the fountain of youth for a refill. . . . They tell us Joe Ceveris made a New Year's resolution not to chase any more fire trucks. That is a good one, Joe, hope you keep it. . . . Some folks talk about things going to the dogs. Porky Schoenefeld's things go to the mice. They keep eating all of Porky's records. Must be some good food in those records, or maybe they think the records are not worth saving. . . . Bob Pickett is no juggler, but he can remove paint with a blow torch, start a fire, burn his leg and put out the fire all at the same time. Bob's advice is don't try it if you don't want to be laid up with a roasted leg. . . . Bob Baals' rabbits are similar to Stop-The-Music program. They multiply and multiply and multiply.

Motor-Generator Static

Thought for the week: "Play not the peacock, looking everywhere about you to see if you be well decked, if your shoes fit well, if your stockings fit neatly and clothes handsomely."

The new mystery melody has us stumped. We are going to leave this to Cliff Milnor in "Lines And Angles," though we will say this, it sounds like a version of a military bugle call and "You Gotta Get Up." . . .

Goldie:

Every night on the radio
I'll either hear some Jane or Joe
Yelling till the volume grows
"I'm All Yours In Buttons and Bows."
But Goldie tried a different ang.
And, in our place, the bell she rang.
She sings alone or with the gangs
"I'm All Yours In Buttons and Bangs."

Pards:

Shultz and Archbold are pards
Who just dote on sending cards.
Neither has one bit of shame,
Homer always gets the blame.

We don't want to display too much pride in the results our column produces but would like to mention one outstanding case. Last week we published the fact that Dick Hobson was willing to part with his old 1929 Buick on any sort of trade. The day after the "NEWS" carried this story, Dick was driving a new Buick convertible, so you see it pays to tell your troubles to a "Static" reporter. . . . Junior Brosius again gains the spotlight and brings honor to his co-workers by being accepted into a national organization. Don't remember the name of this organization, but their emblem is a safety pin. . . . Our thought for the week for prospective brides and grooms: "Love is a dream but marriage is the alarm clock that wakes you up." . . . Bob Kite, Bldg. 19-1 Paint Shop, is conducting a shoe collection—for a worthy cause.

Ramblings 31-2

The engineers (not assistants) accept the responsibility of editing this column as offered in this column last week. We understand editing to mean editing and not writing. . . . Leave it to the "little woman." Do you know why the Monday evening lecture by Dr. Neil Carothers was given for engineers, supervisors, foremen and their wives? Mrs. Warren Brighty was disturbed by some ideas the ladies had about economic situations. Having heard about Dr. Carothers' lectures from her husband, she wrote a letter to the Company explaining why she thought wives should be included in the educational program. C. H. Matson informed Mrs. Brighty that the Monday lecture was the result of her letter. While riding the Broadway car one afternoon, Mrs. Brighty noticed one of the men who boarded the bus at G-E, looking at her. Someone called him Dr. Carothers, so she decided to talk with him before leaving the bus. She approached the man and asked if he were Dr. Carothers. "Yes," he said, "but don't bother to tell me who you are, I know. You are the one who caused me all the trouble." He had seen her picture in the evening paper that week and recognized her. . . . Curly Mannan note: Here's the story for which you have been wanting — Mark Smith is always ready to help the ladies. One winter during the ice and snow, a lady motorist was having trouble getting started at an intersection. Mark got out of Joe Shelly's car and pushed the lady's car. Having done his good deed, he jumped back in Shelly's car. Shelly's car? Oh no, much to Mark's surprise, he discovered he was in another man's car and sitting on the man's lunch.

Tanks To You From Plating-Two

By Marie Lantz

One thing leads to another. Toward the end of last week we felt misgivings about our column, chagrined because we capitalized on a news story from the morning paper. This particular story related the tale of a robin, rescued by a florist in Yonkers, New York, who found the bird suffering from a broken wing and he sent him, then, via airplane to a friend in Florida. This flight was made by wing—but not his own. There was so much interest in "Joe" (as christened by his benefactor) that a crowd of over three hundred Yonkerites turned out at the airport to bid him goodbye. This story held so much appeal that we wrote a poem about it. Now comes this Monday morn and Fred Zimmerman reports that they've had a robin in their back yard all winter and Fred and his wife feed it daily. "And," Fred adds, "he doesn't need mending. He's O. K.—but sort of old and fat." And, no wonder. . . . We welcome Harry L. Conner from Winter St. and bid farewell to Fred McGee. . . . This wet and warmish weather claims more "cold" victims. The latest is Clyde Hemrick, who says he'll regain his good disposition when he loses his cold. We didn't know he'd had one—cold—of course. . . . His name is now "Beany" Merriman. Beans is the one thing that he is fondest of; instead of having his wife cook a small portion which would suffice for one meal, she cooks enough to last at least a week or more at a time. After this last batch, beans will be the fondest of things he is "of ain't."

Celebrates 35th Year At G-E



Frieda Kaiser, Bldg. 26-5, completed her 35th year with General Electric last week, and at that time she received a 35-year certificate from Management. In the picture which was taken during the presentation, left to right, are Paul Peterson, Alma Kaiser, her sister who has 39 years' service; F. N. Banks, Miss Kaiser, and Louis Sordelet.

The Kaiser sisters have worked in the same section throughout the 35 years.

Autographed Books Given At Elex Club's Meeting



Sue Hitzeman, Winter St.; Wilma Redding, Bldg. 26-5; and Lois Tritch, Bldg. 4-6, standing left to right, are watching Kathryn Turney Garten autograph the books the girls won as attendance prizes at the Elex Club book review, Thursday, Jan. 13. Lois Shaw, Bldg. 26-3, won the book, during the night girls meeting at noon the same day. Copies of "Abigail Adams," the book Mrs. Garten reviewed at both meetings, were given as attendance prizes.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

According to Harold Mundt, Hudson, Ind., where he resides, must be quite a place. As everyone knows, it lies in the Michigan snow belt, and always goes just a little farther in all things climatic. The snow is always deeper, the cold, colder; and in summer the heat is hotter. . . . George Foerster is still on sick leave. We hope he's feeling better. . . . George Wolfe attempted to cure Charles McCormick's rheumatism one day via the electrical method. Charlie refused to take a second treatment. . . . Frankie Enderle has a fund of clever little stories, but refuses to tell them. Perhaps he thinks we are intellectually too immature to appreciate them. . . . Ralph Jacobs, Bldg. 31, who visits us occasionally, is the nephew of the Centralia, Ill., watermelon king. He is selling bred gilts for a party in Bldg. 19-B. If you care to buy a gilt for the children or just as a pet, see Ralph. . . . If you have noticed lately the sparkling shoe shines, the immaculate haircuts, and the meticulous dress and behavior of the west end ex-GI's, extend your praises to Francis (Fearless Frankie) Kartholl. With his lashing tongue and domineering sneer, this gallant ex-MP and guardian of democracy has been exerting all of his persuasiveness toward getting them back on the ol' military beam. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Archbold on their baby boy, Stephen. . . . Happy birthday to Lloyd Brown, Vaughn Hiser, Lawrence and Leonard Bresler, Ward Hall, William Molthan, Donald August and William E. Hoke. . . . A closing ode of a girl who is leaving: Here's goodbye to old 19, and the darndest job I ever seen. It makes some fat and others lean, but it wore the hair clear off my bean. It's the darndest job I ever seen, but I liked it! Now this job wasn't hay, 'twas more like corn. You shake like jell on a frosty morn. They will shake you to and shake you fro, whether you tape 'em fast or tape 'em slow. I've had poor work but never got this low, but I liked it! I can't write what I'm thinking, not at this time, for I can't make any nice words rhyme, but here is the thought: "There'll come the day" when more than one of you will say, "I miss the tales and those corny jokes, I'd like to see her, wouldn't you, folks?" The gang up here is the average run, some nicey nice and others fun. You can tell the ones that I run with; they don't say "Peth," they all say "Pith," but to take the gang all in all, you're a pretty good bunch, I like you all. If your coils come to you nice and straight, you just get started and your tape will break. Then you teeter right on the slot, like a feller steppin' on an icy spot. Now it's going good you say, alas, and what happens? You find a patch. This job would make any one sick, but still it's better than diggin' with a pick.



We wonder if we could make up a song called "Grandma's Gettin' Younger Every Day", cause we really think they are. Could it be the hair cuts or the clothes? I sure would like to know. . . . We also would like to know if Esther Gulcia Finkhouse Brown, "Blondie" to you, does all her shopping at Murphys as every time you go in that store you bump into her. That's all right, Blondie, it's a good place to shop. Just ask me, I know. . . . If anybody is looking for a new and easier way to comb their hair, just ask Harry Brattain.

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Eugene Werling

Peace once again rules in old Bldg. 12-2. Peace and quiet with its beautiful serenity has come over the school last week and will also continue for next week. Our able bodied performer of the past months has adhered to Uncle Sam's call. A return engagement has been scheduled for Jan. 31 when the bands will play, the drums roar, and our own nature boy comedian will return. No tears have yet been shed on his departure but they will when he returns. Of course, you know I can be talking of none other than our own Don (G.I. Joe, Uncle Tom, Hoagy) Konow. Don is taking his training in the Naval Reserve. Dick Gebert is also brushing up on his radio work and deck swabbing with the reserve. Dick ought to be able to give Don some pointers on his swabbie experiences. The gear and heat treat section misses Dick's helical gear experience. They may surprise you Dick and divide right some day. . . . Mrs. Frede's note of thanks for the school was appreciated very much. We hope that she is recuperating rapidly and glad the candy and book was helpful. . . . The lost and found bureau had an anonymous call last week. The call came from an annoyed secretary who lost a record book. This lost secretary, or rather record book, belonged to Millie. She had Sherlock Zurbuch on the trail but it ended a complete mystery. Millie gave out with some information what the book contained but as yet she is safe because it hasn't been found. . . . The city bowling tourney attracted widespread attention from the entire apprentice bowling league but attention is all that was present when the scores began to add up. None of our teams got into the money. However, all did well but the Mikes. The tough opposition supplied by the Compasses was too much for the Mikes. The Scales and Dividers, ruled the underdogs, came up with some good games and may have supplanted some of the leaders in the individual departments. . . . A star has been born! A new shining light entered into the Zurbuch family Jan. 12, a boy of nearly nine pounds. Congratulations, Kenny and Eilcen. . . . Joe Raupfer is having troubles. He tells us that he forgot his apron on Monday but he probably didn't bring it in for a purpose. Those chairs do get dirty, Joe. . . . Don't forget your state taxes have to be in by Jan. 31. With that statement I can do only one thing, get back to work and earn some more shekels.



Andy Frank is sure making a name for himself since he released his latest book, "Easy Money In Poker." We understand it's packed full of helpful hints, such as "How to beat a royal flush" and "How to approach your wife after the game," and many others. . . . Art Everett gives the boys a treat every now and then when he gets out his new "piece" pipe and smokes that choice tobacco he received for Christmas. . . . Dick Kastings has been receiving some advanced valentines, we're told. That big red one has sure been getting around, Dick. . . . Happy birthday to Pete Helmer and Bill Schible.



Help! Help! Ambulance! The nurses in the Bldg. 8-1 dispensary heard the buzzer on the emergency door buzzing like mad. They ran to see who had met with an accident, only to find Verne Castle trying to get into what he thought was the Employees' Store. The exasperated nurse explained that it was not an automatic door leading into the Employees' store, but that pretty red button was for ambulance service only. . . . Harold Hohman has given up playing with toy trains and now devotes his spare time to caring for his tropical fish. He has a large aquarium, and even a large dipper for catching the fish, some fun. . . . Now we have heard everything, Paul Merkey tells it like this: He fell asleep while waiting for his wife to return home from town. When Mrs. Merkey did arrive she was unable to arouse her sleeping husband so she went around to the back door and pounded some more. About that time Paul got one eye open and started to get to his feet only to find that one of his legs had turned to rubber. After picking himself up from the floor he stumbled to the door at last and later found that he had a badly twisted ankle. . . . Audrey Hickernell was hostess to the Birthday Club this week. She entertained with a dinner at the Berghoff Gardens with the following girls present: Norma Krall, Luella Bixler, Dorothy Askren, Florence Knight, Laurel Weaver, Eveleen Bennett, Eileen Hennen, Marjorie Gorden, Marilyn Roehm, Dorothy Mills, Audrey Hickernell and Belle Buchan.

Receives Congratulations For Service



Harry Billman, Bldg. 19-1, completed 30 years of service with General Electric. The picture was taken when he received a congratulatory letter on his anniversary. Left to right are Al Deininger, William Hanke, William Kaiser, Mr. Billman, Adam Farrell and William Greider.



Did you notice the collection of large, shiny apples on Wilson Sims' desk recently? His "A" (Advance Engineering) class students are taking no chances. Each apple was appropriately tagged as to the week it represented. What do you bet—the one intended for exam week had a big fat worm in it! . . . From what I hear, everyone's welcome to Betty Horner's new home when she and her hushand move in a couple of weeks. . . . Dick Stoner, Drafting, has been showing quite a few of his magic tricks lately. Can't decide whether Dick wants to prove to people he is a magician or if he is in need of shows. He really knows enough ahout his tricks and can pull the wool over anybody's eye. . . . We welcome in Bldg. 26-2 the Transformer Payroll Section from Bldg. 18-1. Those who came are: Iona Gray, Ruhy Beard, Mary Brinker, Jocile Stohlman, Wilma Dowden, Evelyn Bradhury, Betty Spittler, Margaret Tennissen, Dorothy Andrew, Gloria Miller, Al Berg and Ray Soughan. . . . The Planning Section is very happy to welcome Dick Burdett. He was formerly of Personnel. . . . We are all glad to hear that Mr. Driftmeyer is improving. He has been in the hospital due to a heart attack. . . . Vera Reeves is always up to something. She has been trying out Dick Sellers' new pipe. With the pipe in her mouth, she reminds one of Mommy Yokum, but she just doesn't like the tohacco (Rum Maple). Tell Dick to change his brand to tobacco, Vera. . . . Usually, married women know how to cook, hut Theresa Lindenherg is still learning how to hoil eggs. She put the eggs in to boil hefore going to hed and forgot about them until morning. . . . Going hack to the suhject of heing welcome in the new homes of the girls up here, Vera Kilian and her hushand, Dick moved in their hungalow on Smith Street last week end. She says we're quite welcome to come but to he sure to wear our working clothes. "A job for all," that's the Kilian's motto!

Thisa and Thata
SPECIALTY MOTOR

Hazel Herron got a hig hump on her head. I sure can think of a better way than hitting myself on the head with a brass pipe to kill myself! . . . Fern Painter had a birthday a few weeks ago and her hushand took her out for supper, so she got all dressed up. She put on a new dress and tbe gifts she got from her friends at work and also wore some new earrings. Imagine her surprise when she got home and found one earring laying on the dresser and the other on her ear. Here she had spent the whole evening wearing just one earring and thinking she was so dressed up! . . . Happy hirthday to Bessie Potts, Ruth Mutton, Thelma Purdue, Russell Carter and Lubadell Dowden. . . . So glad to see Ardola Johnson hack on days. I hope you stay with us for awhile. . . . Our friend Clara Clark is going on pension this week. We will miss you hut know you will he happy just keeping house for Louie and the girls. It will give you plenty of time to make some of those good cookies. . . . Johnny Ormiston said he felt like he had been heaten up—his hack and hip were so sore. He says he is laying those small linoleum hlocks on the bathroom floor. . . . A speedy recovery to the following who are on the M.B.A. list: Pauline Selking, Kathleen Brinker, Harold Dalman and Gertie Bender. . . . Joyce Schraeder says "He who laughs usually gets laughed at." She caught her hand in the wringer hut is hack at work —no bones broken. . . . For hire! One singer, week-ends only, very reasonahle. See Pondo Vlasheff in Test in Bldg. 4-3. They say be is a real singer! . . . Ed Boedeker in Bldg. 4-3 test will have to watcb his motors a little closer than he has been or they will all walk away. This is for your information, Ed, keep one eye open and East from the hrake at all times.

More than 75 babies were dragged into a bahy show in Florida. It was a crying shame.

Poverty is a hlessing in disguise —and the disguise is perfect.



One can see that Wally Clayton takes his joh seriously, or did you notice that extra large size hottle of aspirins on his desk? Or, could it be an income tax headache? . . . Happy Birthday to Delores Giltz and Bill Pringle. . . . Congratulations to Glenn Seabold, the proud father of an 8 lh. 3 oz. (no less) hoy, Terry Lynn, horn Sunday morning at Lutheran Hospital. . . . Colleagues of P. A. Berghorn might well call him "Sport" these days; have you noticed the brown sport shirt and loud yellow tie "Comho"? . . . Did you note Fory Carlson's expression when he looked up one day for his 30-second rest period and saw Don Spaulding sitting across from him? Don was transferred from the AC to the DC Section for several months. . . . If, and when, you see Carl Fiertag's heaming face, congratulate him for receiving his first patent. When you see the morose look of Ralph Mesings, sympathize with him for "He's in the Army Now". . . . We're all happy (especially Mary Smoak) to see Virginia Mariotte hack after a 7-week absence. We've missed your smiles and pleasant personality, Virginia. . . . Lydia Swift has heen hubbling and huzzing over all the new togs you'll see her wearing soon. Her fiance, Bob Wilkening, gave her a new sewing machine for her birthday. . . . Did you see the heautiful picture of Betty Rose (or should I say the picture of our heautiful Betty Rose) in last Sunday's paper? . . . Betty Stahl hoasts a new addition to her little red hook and Teddy Neds hoasts a new Plymouth. . . . According to the hags under Jackie Bower's eyes Monday morn, Vaughn Monroe must have heen a success. . . . Latest scoop on Bill Rutledge is his description of his "Bravery in Action." It seems that Bill was voted by virtue of his strong stomach the man to do the joh. So, he's swahhing the fellas' arms off before and after inoculation. Or could it be the nurse beside Bill who's brave? . . . Joe Hiles gives a lesson for the week, when a light turns red it means stop, especially when there is a squad car sitting in a nearhy service station. . . . Everyone was glad to see Thursday come last week. That was the day when Thelma Voiral was on good behavior—even a smile for Walter Gerke. . . . Everyone received their happy notices Wednesday. I wonder why all the sad faces. It's amazing how much someone else can save for you, isn't it?



Irene Blank is already planning her vacation. She is going to see her hill-hilly cousins. I'll het that is so she won't have to wear shoes. . . . One of these days we expect to see Eunice Zehr come in with a new fur coat. That is, if she gets any coons on those coon hunting trips she has been taking. . . . Does anyone have a hook on "How To Raise Chickens"? Helen Weigle is very interested. . . . Happy hirthday to Bertha Witham, Frances Eckrote and Elizabeth Wert. Hope you have many more of them. . . . We thought we were going to get a wedding treat or someone had a new baby when we saw Otto Brandt strolling down the aisle with a hrand new cigar. No luck though. He had heen mooching from our new foreman, Harry Chism. . . . Floetta Zartman's rat trap must have failed to do its duty. Maybe the rats liked her car hetter, because they chewed the wires so her horn won't hlow. . . . Boh Rehrer is a genius, we know. He is sure our machines had fluid drive. No fluid drive, Boh, just airflow arbors. Next time don't forget the clutch keys. . . . Farewell to Violet Draker who has left to go on pension. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Marie Dunfee in the death of her father. Also to Marge Ireland in the death of her mother.





Ray Pickett and Herh Kurtz went ice fishing Saturday at Wall Lake, and the boys did fine. Herb was catching two at a time, hut they were only about three inches long. After having fun for awhile, they decided to go to Pretty Lake where they hoped they could catch some "keepers." They went there, and did fine fishing, but then Herh had to catch so many that the ice gave away and Ray had to fish for Herh instead of the fish. Ray says Herb nearly froze before he could get him home. Herh says he learned a lesson, but he doesn't know whether it's to keep off of thin ice or not to try to get all of the fish in the lake. . . . We welcome Clyde Helms to our line, and tell Howard McVay we're gonna miss him, but we'll see him often as he will he just across the aisle. . . . The gang in groups 17x41, 17x70, 17x80, and 17x580 enjoyed a potluck last Friday in honor of Howard McVay, Selma Voight, and Ellen Saul, who have left. A 15-pound ham, baked hy Ruhy Stoops, was the main course and then there were all of the trimmings hesides. Those enjoying the delicious food hesides the group gang were Ralph Dennison, Ralph Hare, Clyde Cowan and Al Kleinrichert. . . . Andy Anderson howled in the City Tournament last Thursday and as his wife was having cluh, he decided to take his six year old daughter, Darlene, with him. After Andy finished howling, the team wanted to go to "Tommy's" for a short-minute, so Andy told Darlene to wait at the cluh and he would he right hack. After Andy had heen gone awhile (his daughter thought it too long awhile) she asked "Moe" where her daddy was. Fatherly Moe told her not to worry, that her Daddy would be hack soon. She sat and watched the other fellows howl, hut hy her look, she was hecoming more perturhed. At long last, Daddy came hack and when she saw him, she really told him off. Andy says she wouldn't say a word all of the way home; in fact, she wouldn't even look at him. . . . The gang in final Test and Inspection have been wondering if the chickens have gone on a strike, as they say they don't get eggs anymore. . . . Melvin Riley is having his new Lincoln Zephyr towed where he wants to go until he can get a motor installed. . . . Welcome to Charlie Penn, our new Supervisor of Test and Inspection, hope you will like us all out here. We want to say "Be seein' ya" to Ducky Drake, who has gone on the second shift, and to Bill Roberts, who is going on as leading operator. . . . We also welcome Don Niles, foreman of Inspection and Test, even though he will he in the Fan Motor line more than our line. . . . The gang in the rotor section welcome Cozetta Walper.

If all the pedestrians in the country were laid end to end, think how much easier a job the reckless driver would have.

Home is the place where a man can say anything he pleases, because no one pays attention to him anyway.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE

Monday Noon January 24, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Pair of green safety goggles in leather case. Found on Jones St. parking lot.

FOR SALE

PING PONG TABLE—Good condition. A-78911.

LADIES' HOCKEY SKATES—Size 5. $2. H-76482.

TWO WINTER COATS—Spring coat; six street dresses; formal. Size 11. A-57752.

G-E ELECTRIC STOVE—Perfect condition. 2822 John St.

GIRLS SHOE ROLLER SKATES—Worn twice. Size 3. $10. 331 W. Wayne after 5:30 p.m.

HOFMANN AUTOMATIC GAS HEATER—New. H-01562.

THOROUGHBRED BLACK COCKER SPANIEL—Male, two years old. H-82355.

ICE FISHING BOX—Never used. Won at Sportsman Show. $4. A-55741.

TIRE CHAINS—Innerliner; new butyl innertube, fits 5.25-19 tire. H-77755.

RADIO—Artone, floor model, combination, one year old. 1004 Lincoln Higbway, New Haven.

3¼x4¼ FILM PACK CAMERA—With plenty of accessories. New Haven 3595.

LADIES' WHITE CHICAGO ROLLER SKATES—And bag. Size 8. $10. H-81434.

G-E ROASTER—With grill and broiler attachment, also hotplate. Phone 8W, Ossian, Ind.

WANTED

UNFURNISHED OR PARTLY FURNISHED APARTMENT—Two bedrooms for three adults. E-38804 after 5 p.m.

BOY'S SNOW SUIT—Size 5-5 for play. Reasonable. A-75442.

TRANSPORTATION

WANT RIDE—Two girls from near Monroeville. Both work in Bldg. 18 from 8-5:15. Contact Mary Brouwer, Bldg. 18-2, Ext. 2117.

WANTS RIDE—M. C. Halleck, from 3164 Parnell to Bldg. 28. Works from 8-5:15. A-45732.

Rites For Myers Held Wednesday

Services for Charles H. Myers, 83, who died at 7:45 a. m. Sunday, Jan. 16, at the St. Joseph's Hospital, were held at 1:30 Wednesday at the Klaehn Funeral Home. The Rev. L. E. Olson officiated with hurial in the Elhanan Cemetery, Ossian. The Scottish Rite conducted ceremonies following the regular service.

Mr. Myers resided at 3309 Piqua Ave. He was a memher of the First Baptist Church, the Fort Wayne Scottish Rite and Olive Branch No. 248 of Poe. He retired from General Electric in 1935, having begun his service with the Company in 1917.

Surviving are two sons, C. Everett and Dwight; two daughters, Mrs. Cora Mann, Antwerp, O., and Mrs. Ralph Manier, Richmond; a sister, Mrs. R. A. Morton, and 10 grandchildren.

Court Rules On G-E Lamp Case

Recognizing that many of the practices involved had already been discontinued, Judge Phillip Forman of the Federal District Court of New Jersey, ruled this week that General Electric—along with eight other companies manufacturing or marketing electric light bulbs—had violated certain provisions of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act.

Judge Forman ruled, however, that the Company had not violated the Clayton Act and the Wilson Tariff Act as charged by the Department of Justice.

The case had been before the Court since 1941, but was deferred during the war period to avoid interference with war production of the companies involved.

General Electric had contended since the inceptoin of the case that it had conducted its business in the manner approved by the Supreme Court in a similar case in 1926, and had relied on the higher Court's opiniou and on the fact that after a complete investigation of business practices in 1922, the Department of Justice did not question the legality of any of the other practices.

In summarizing his 313-page opinion, Judge Forman pointed to General Electric's impressive industrial achievements, remarking that General Electric had "organized through the years an establishment that stands as a model of industrial efficiency. It early established the policy of making the best lamps as inexpensively as possible and to this end developed a lamp research, engineering, and production system which established it in the first position of industrial leadership in the incandescent electric lamp field not only in the United States but in the world."

Background of the Case

This case was started by the Government in January, 1941, and was tried in March, 1946, over a period of many weeks. The exhibits and testimony of the case fill 34 printed volumes. The opinion of the Court is some 300 pages long and we have not had time as yet to study it. There are, however, certain facts which are necessary in order to obtain the complete background of this litigation.

As early as 1922, the Department of Justice investigated General Electric's method of conducting the lamp business. The business practices then investigated involved the same legal questions as those raised in the case just decided. As a result of that investigation, action against the Company was brought, involving some, but not all, of such practices. The Supreme Court in 1926 found those practices involved in the suit to be entirely proper. Since that time, General Electric has conducted its business in the manner approved by the Supreme Court in 1926, and in reliance on that decision and on these facts that after its complete investigation in 1922 the Department of Justice did not question the legality of any of the other practices.

The agency system used by General Electirc to distribute its lamps is fundamentally the same as that approved in 1926 by the Supreme Court.

The patent licenses granted by General Electric were in the same form as those approved by the Supreme Court in 1926. Although that Court approved price control provisions contained in the General Electric license granted to Westinghouse, nevertheless General Electric voluntarily revised this license in 1945, eliminating from it all price control provisions and such quota limitations as had existed. At the present time, General Electric has no licenses outstanding under which it fixes the price of the product sold by the licensee, whether that product is in the lamp industry or in any other field.

Some of the foreign contracts involved in the present case had their beginning as far back as 1892, when the Company was first incorporated, and all of them have been in existence for many years prior to the filing of this suit. Indeed, in 1922 the Government was given copy of all General Electric foreign contracts, the ones involved in this suit being the same contracts or renewals. These contracts were studied by the Department of Justice at that time but not complained about in the Anti-Trust suit brought in 1924 and decided by the Supreme Court in 1926. Because of the inventions, improvements, and know-how made available to General Electric through these contracts, it and its licensees have been able to give the American consumer electric lamps made in our own country which embody the latest of most important advances in this fast developing art, wherever in the world these advances may have originated. The exchange of scientific and technical information advances research and development step by step upon accumulated knowledge and information. Research and scientific advancement have become not merely a means of advancing the standard of living but are in reality a necessity for survival.

With respect to the Government's claim of monopoly, the uncontradicated facts show that while in 1912 General Electric had 82 percent of the incandescent lamp business, that proportion has been steadily declining, so that at the time that the Government brought its Anti-Trust suit in 1924, in which General Electric was held not to have violated the Anti-Trust laws, its proportion of the lamp business had declined to 60 percent and at the time the present suit was brought, it had further declined to about 58 percent.

Since 1920 General Electric research and manufacturing efficiency has increased the amount of light given out by its popular 60 watt lamps by 45 prccent and at the same time, General Electric reduced the price of these lamps from 45¢ to 12¢; a decrease of 73 percent in price. The American public is the only one in the world which can obtain such efficient lamps at so low a cost.

The lamp industry in this country is a highly competitive one, free from patent harriers, or price or other restrictions of any sort. Among our competitors are companies sueh as Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Sylvania Eleetric Corporation, Consolidated Electric Lamp Company, Tungsol Lamp Works, Ine., Chicago Miniature Lamp Works, and Duro Test Corporation.



Can you imagine the "Windy City" with Irene and her 549 Elexers taking over Marshall Field's the Stadium and the City in general? The Ice Revue must have been beautiful and from all reports the affair well planned. Bldg. 18 was represented by Opal Cook, Hilda Hoeltje, Dorothy Erham, Mildred Whitmer, Mary Kikiloski, Marilyn Miller, Clara Theismann, Hazel Meyers, Beverly Willig, Betty Carper, Thelma Stone, Elizabeth Carnell, Mary Jane Horrell and Elizabeth Drivelbliss. (If we have missed any we are sorry). . . . T. T. King, former second shift supervisor, now retired, writes that he and Mrs. King have enjoyed the holiday season with their daughter and family in Lincoln, Nebr. . . . Henry Reehling was visiting friends at G-E Friday. . . . Talked with W. H. Fritz, Saturday. I believe that Fort Wayne looks good to him after being in New Orleans. . . . News of our students: Warren Fischer who has been in Tiffin on an assignment visited Fort Wayne Friday enroute to Philadelphia Works. . . . Guy Chambers, who has been in the General Superintendent's office the past few weeks, reported to the Taylor St. FHP offices Monday. . . . We welcome Ralph K. Bailey a new test student. . . . Ed Dahlin, Bldg. 18-4, is wearing a new and decidedly different necktie (he believes in carrying his work with him). The design is a small electric motor woven into the material.

Traffie Trouble

Henry Volmerding, Bldg. 18-4, is having his share of trouble! It seems an automobile and he came together at exactly the same time! Consequence—he will be under the weather for a while. We are glad it was not any more serious. . . . Virginia Bradtmiller, Bldg. 18-5 says it never does for two parties to be of the same mind—when you have to drive to work. How does the other car look? . . . Verneal Meyer, Bldg. 18-4, will be working in Bldg. 4-6 for a few weeks. . . . This is the last week for "Christine" matron in Bldg. 18. . . . We are very sorry to learn that Byron, son of R. N. White, Bldg. 18-5, is ill with scarlet fever. . . . Pat Trevey, Bldg. 18-5, is ill. . . . Flossie Chapman, Bldg. 18-5, believes in keeping up her English traditions. Anyone enjoying afternoon tea is welcome to call on her in Reproduction. . . . Happy birthday to Minta Cole and Ruthann Ryan, Bldg. 18-B.

Inquiring Reporter

HOW DO YOU THINK THE STATE SHOULD RAISE THE FUNDS FOR THE PROPOSED VETERAN'S BONUS?



JAMES PEPPLE

Works Lab

"I think bonus funds should be raised through a tax on gambling. Some people are going to gamble anyway, so why not collect some revenue from it."



MAXINE LINDSEY

Bldg. 19-1

"I think the funds should be raised by increasing state income taxes, if provision is made that the taxes be lowered after the bonus is paid."



GLENN W. BICE

Bldg. 4-2

"In my opinion, the easiest, best and most convenient method would be a small-percentage sales tax."



MARY SAXTON

Taylor St.

"I think that instead of enforcing any new tax laws, the state should use the cigarette tax to pay the Veterans' Bonus."



HAROLD TRAUTMAN

Bldg. 26-5

"I think the funds should be raised by a sales tax over a period of 10 years. Deducting it over a 10-year period would not be such a burden to the state. I also think the plan to pay a veteran $10 a month for every month of service is a fair rate."

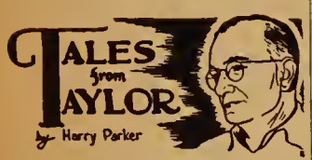
Paul Menze, 44, Dies In Hospital

Paul C. Menze, 44, died at 2:30 p. m. Friday, Jan. 14, at the Lutheran Hospital. He had been employed at General Electric since 1920 and at the time of his death was a model maker in Bldg. 17-4. He resided at 2818 Bowser Ave.

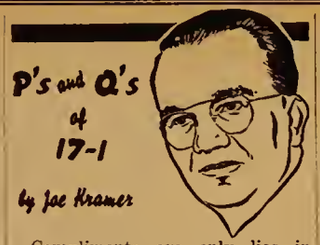
He was a senior deacon at the Zion Lutheran Church and a member of its Men's Club.

Surviving are the widow, Hilda; a daughter, Carol Lu; three brothers, William and Henry, Fort Wayne, and Fred, Lake George; and two sisters, Mrs. Minnie Berning and Mrs. Velma Wiehe.

Serviees were held at 1:30 p. m. Monday, Jan. 17, at the Klaehn Funeral Home, the Rev. Paul L. Dannenfeldt officiating. Burial was in Concordia Cemetery.



Kenny Applegate grew a mustache to impress the fair sex, but it failed to gain the attention he had hoped for. Nevertheless, he let it grow until he had a heavy crop. In fact it became so long that it became caught in a drill press destroying half, so poor Kenny had to shave off what remained. . . . James Workman is very busy these days establishing a trailer camp on his property northwest of town. It is to be of the super variety and will have every modern convenience. All the comforts of a city dwelling is Jim's motto. He has gone as far as to furnish each trailer owner who rents space a large apple tree and a bee hive. He plans to also furnish each one with a cow and a churn. . . . If you remember correctly, a week ago Saturday was a beautiful day with the temperature in the 50's. On this day Loyal Liddy was seen in the Decatur business district attired in a rain coat. Evidently he was a little pessimistic about the weather. . . . Willard Hull eame to work one day minus his store teeth. He explained to us that he forgot them and was in a quandry as to how he was going to eat his luneh as his wife had packed an apple, some pickles, crunchy peanut butter sandwiches and a lot of hard candy for his luneh. Someone suggested to get a large mallet and pound all of this up and then it could be consumed without much difficulty. . . . As you all know O. J. "Fuzz" Meyers received a new French horn for Christmas, so his dog to show its disgust for Fuzz and his horn refused to remain on the premises as long as the horn tooting was in progress. Now he tells us that the dog has made up with him becausc Fuzz had four front teeth pulled and cannot do any horn tooting until his new teeth are installed. . . . Mable Miller surely is a child of woe. Last Thursday evening she called at her daughter's home. When leaving she took a tumble down the stairs, and now she looks as though she might have had an encounter with Joe Louis.



Compliments are only lies in court clothes. . . . Here we are again after an absence of two weeks due to no news. You know, this eolumn is being written for your benefit. Why not use the information sheets at the time clock and turn in some news items that we can use in your column. . . . Birthday cards or baby cards —what's the difference. At least this is what Helene Evanoff thought. She bought a card for Danelda Dotterrer but as a precaution before mailing, Helene read the verse and discovered it was a baby card. . . . Jack Lewis is now listed as a fisherman's jinx—reasons unknown. . . . The new bright and shiny face on the lathe in the tool room, first trick, is Fern Crick. . . . Red Braden, with the approach of the baseball season, is practicing talking to himself. Now he's using a rubber hose. . . . Ed Huhn claims that someone is trying to give him pneumonia. It is either open windows or a running fan. . . . Happy birthday to John Braden and Ray Huhn. . . . We wonder why Carl Reiter wanted to borrow a cold chisel when he received such a nice one Christmas. Did you forget so soon, Carl? . . . Rex (Pop) Beerman, president of the B&K stock farm is promoting the use of double barrel stock deal for raising of cattle. He is signing Bill Hodge to be his right-hand man. . . . Wally McKay has been backing not the wrong horses, but the wrong bowlers. Every week there has been a friendly bet between Wally and Carl Reiter that Charles (Slug) Lauer and Howard (Split) Reinking will beat Reiter's average of the pervious Monday. The record to date is 8 cigars won by Reiter, none by McKay. . . . Not knowing how to describe in black and white the official chant of an Indian squaw, we merely want to report that the cry rang out in Bldg. 17-1 from Agnes (Indian squaw) Cordes while wearing the official Indian feather headdress. . . . We are wondering if eating really makes a person gain weight or if it is because of the inconsistency of the scales. Helcne Evanoff got weighed in the bond room and discovered she was a pound heavier. She even went without lunch that day to try and lose the pound she had gained. . . . A belated happy birthday to Betty Sue Morris and Tavie Popa. . . . We bid farewell to Julia Berger who left last week to take up full-time duties as a housewifc. . . . **Tools are costly. Broken drills, hammers, screw drivers, taps, and other tools add much to the manufacturing losses of our Division. See the display case for cost of some of the above items.**

The best advice is always the kind people don't like.

You can never find lost time even though you find time to look for it.

The one best way to win an argument with a woman is—just listen.

Station WANE To Broadcast Game Tonight

The Fort Wayne General Electric will sponsor the broadcast of the North Side-Michigan City basketball game tonight over Station WANE. Dick Buckley will give play-by-play deseription of the game which will begin at 8 p. m.

The South Side Archers defeated the Huntington Vikings, 59-47, Friday, Jan. 14, while the next night the Archers repeated by downing the Mishawaka Cavemen, 39-32.



At this time of the year when everyone, faced with tax papers to prepare, are deeply engrossed with their own problems, there, nevertheless, is an appeal for help issued by the Infantile Paralysis, March of Dimes Campaign. Taxes themselves are a problem for anyone involved, but in your own heart we feel that ten cents, one thin dime, will not be greatly missed, but shall be greatly appreciated and needed by the foundation. Won't you remember to give, that others might some day be given a chance to walk? . . . We wish a belated Happy Birthday to Bill Putt. . . . Repair and Return section's own, original Dot Swank left for the No. 1 city south of the Mason-Dixon line—New Orleans. From personal experience we know New Orleans will present many new sights for Dorothea—but we wager that New Orleans will never find another visitor quite like Dot! . . . All in a lifetime: It was dawn, 4:30 a.m. to be exact, when at the door of the Fogwell homc eame a rapping and a tapping. Frank was finally aroused and feeling his way, found the door and inquired of the sunrise visitor what he wanted. The voice without asked for some kerosene, so Frank told him to bide his time until Frank could get his store open. A few minutes later, on a dim-lit Sunday morning, Frank asked his eustomer how much kerosene he wanted? The man, very seriously, answered: "One quart, please"! . . . We, of our section, take justified pride in the following fellows: Frank Fogwell, Bill Grubb, Elmore Hurt, Ed Saxton, and John Dennis, who through their own generosity and thoughtfulness of their fellow mankind, donated enough blood to the blood bank at Bluffton to replace that amount needed by George Morton's widow. From the very bottom of our hearts, we are all deeply proud of you fellows and the manner in which you displayed the feelings within your hearts. . . . Seldom, if at any time, have we taken issue on any given subject. However on this particular topic, we feel well within our right in chastising the latest calendar purloiner. When a person PURCHASES a calendar, to hang by his work bench and finds it has disappeared, then we feel that another new low has been attained by the meanest person in the world. . . . Our parting thought: "Statistics are like alienists—they will testify for either side."

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Aubrey

Now that income tax time is upon us again, everyone is wondering what they did with all the money they made in '48. It really is a wonder how it gets away from us and we have so little to show for it. . . . Did you know that the mail room had been moved? Anytime you want a mail boy, just call Joan (Little Pete) Liebig's desk and you can usually find at least one of the boys there. We have been wondering what the big attraction is, is it Pete's new haircut or is it the songs she is always singing? . . . We of Div. 17 have been looking for a BIG thick juiey steak to give Ceal Romary, Personnel Section, who has been off the last couple of weeks. We wish Ceal a very speedy recovery and hope that she will be able to master our steak when she returns to work. . . . Although some people try to forget their birthdays, we have a way of finding their deep dark secrets, so we want to wish Hank Gollmer a very happy birthday on Jan. 26 and Vera Schweier on Jan. 27. . . . Here is a little word of condolence to all wives whose husbands are ardent bowlers—

Thursday's Bowling Night
I thought I had married a husband, as I
gazed proudly at my rings,
But I found myself Disillusioned, and
Marriage "just one of those things"
For HE spends his time at the alleys
(It makes me so mad I could fight)
And, though I complain, It's always in vain
When it's bowling league that night.
Some women have men who are brutal,
and some have inveterate flirts;
And some have hums who are drunkards,
but they don't know how it hurts
To be left alone at the fireside on a
lonesome wintry night;
For my hubby's sins are knocking down
pins
At the alleys on bowling league night.
Once our company was so entertaining,
they talked of their friends and their
care
But my husband now butts in with "10
pins", fast alleys and strikes and
spares;
Oh, last week he husted 600, or hit the
headpin too light
His noodle just spins, for toppling pins,
at the alleys on bowling night.
Then came the heart-rending moment when
grandmother dear passed away;
The house was a garden of flowers, in the
parlor the old lady lay
The visitors offered their condolence, their
eyes with sorrow allight,
But my grief was no sham—my man took
a lam—Yes, he bowled in the league
that night.
Now I know when our days are over and
we depart from this earthly state,
And are wafted on wings by the angels, up
to Peter on guard at the gate,
He'll ask "what leagues are they rolling up
here in the starlight so bright?"
And if there are none, he'll organize one,
So he can howl ON THURSDAY NIGHT.

We are very sorry to see Marge Greiner leave our little family. It was nice having you around Marge and don't forget us. . . . Welcome to Evelyn Harges who came to us from Bldg. 4-6. Nice to have you with us and we hope you will like Div. 17. . . . Also had to say goodby to Bill Roney and Erv Hattendorf last week. We hated to see you leave fellows and we wish you all the luck in the world. . . . That's it for this week, see you later.





Al Schoenheinz is at St. Joseph's hospital recovering from a major operation. He is in Room 263 and at this writing is doing very well, and can have visitors. . . . Dale Chaney celebrated a birthday this week. Congratulations, Dale; they roll around pretty fast, don't they? . . . I have from pretty good authority that Gurney Lindley has been a very efficient onion salesman on the spur of the moment, in days gone by. . . . George Lambroff is on days in the lathe section. . . . Newcomers to the group are Byron Drew and Robert Griffin. Bib isn't altogether new to the group having worked with a number of the fellows in the past. . . . Cecil Strong, our riding deputy from Busco, is now working in Bldg. 8-1. We will sure miss you out there, Cec. . . . The fellows are still trying to figure why McMaken had the "Odoro De Cologne" scent about him last week. . . . Dewey Erne is sporting a new shop cap this week. From the looks of him you would think he was working on the railroad. . . . Ozzie Nahrwold is now at home at his new address, 2727 John St., after a busy weekend of moving. . . . Paul Boedeker has been very busy sandwiching his fishing trips between reworking his truck over so it doesn't shimmy all over the road. I don't know what he is going to do for entertainment for his boys now.

Division Officials Map Strategy For Sales Promotions

Plans for the coming year of sales and sales promotions for the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions were completed Monday and Tuesday at a meeting of division officials with several advertising men.

Those taking part in the meeting included Fred Adams of G. M. Basford Company, an advertising agency; M. E. Fisher, Manager of the Central Station section in the Advertising and Sales Promotion Divisions at Scheneetady; and, J. E. Duncan, a member of Mr. Fisher's staff as editor of the Specialty Transformer group.

Nelson Named Plant Manager At Allentown

Oscar W. Nelson, General Foreman of the Allentown, Pa., Plant since it was opened nearly three years ago, is now manager of the plant, it has been announced by W. P. Hauck, Manager of Heating Device manufacturing, Appliance and Merchandise Department.

Starting as an assembler in 1930, Mr. Nelson step by step has risen successively as leader, assistant foreman, foreman, and until now general foreman.

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96 G-E Teams Enter City Bowling Tournament







Action in the City Bowling Tournament at the G-E Club Alleys is shown above. In the photos from left to right are Wilber Hinton, Harry Brown and William Demsey.

The G-E Club sponsored all 96 teams in their tournament bids. The Ionic team of the Masonic League is one of the leading G-E teams.

Winter St. Wins First Half Of G-E Interdivision League

Winter St. beat Small Motors, 46-36, in their final game of the first half for the Interdivision Basketball League, making their record nine straight wins and no losses and giving them top place.

Transformer staged a big last quarter rally to defeat Tool and Die, 32-23. Tool and Die led at the end of three quarters, 23-13, but Transformer got 19 points in the final stanza to win the game.

The Firemen beat the Squares, 59-51, in a good game. The Firemen took the lead at the start and held it all the way. The Squares came fast in the last quarter, but some nice playing by Morkoetter and Stemmler kept the game safe for the Firemen.

Regional Warehouse beat Taylor St., 44-30, to finish the first half with just one loss. Turney and Green did most of the scoring for the Warehouse, and Butler was high man for Taylor St.

FHP bowed to the Apprentice School, 29-24, in the final game of the week. Neither team could hit consistently, and the game was very even all the way.

The second half play will start Tuesday, Jan. 25.

STANDINGS

	Won	Lost
Winter St.	9	0
Regional Warehouse	7	1
Firemen	6	2
Transformer	6	3
Squares	3	3
Small Motors	2	6
Fractional	2	6
Tool and Die	2	7
Apprentice School	2	7
Taylor St.	1	7

Tool & Die	G.	F.	T.
Bryan	2	1	5
Staley	3	2	8
Trulove	0	1	1
Hursh	1	2	4
Dunlap	0	0	0
VanOrsdale	2	1	5
Clark	0	0	0
Luker	0	0	0
Totals	8	7	23

Transformer	G.	F.	T.
Wehrle	4	2	10
Kramer	1	1	3
Felger	0	0	0
Frain	0	0	0
Taylor	1	1	3
Carpenter	1	1	3
Byers	4	1	9
Jamison	1	2	4
Totals	12	8	32

Firemen	G.	F.	T.
Stemmler	7	1	15
Frank	1	1	3
Morkoetter	8	1	17
Schible	0	0	0
Moodie	3	2	8
Etter	3	1	7
Somers	2	0	4
Vance	0	0	0
Meyers	2	1	5
Totals	26	7	59

Squares	G.	F.	T.
O'Keefe	8	1	17
Eisenberger	1	0	2
Parent	2	0	4
Eton	0	0	0
Robertson	4	3	11
Chambers	0	0	0
Rogers	1	0	2
Antalis	3	1	7
Finkheiner	1	0	2
Damiali	2	2	6
Totals	22	7	51

Reg. Whse.	G.	F.	T.
Kirk	2	0	4
Lephel	1	0	2
Tourney	3	6	12
Walker	3	0	6
Green	5	3	13
Hawer	1	5	7
Totals	15	14	44

Taylor St.	G.	F.	T.
Butler	5	3	13
Gengrich	0	0	0
Lothamer	3	1	7
Pappert	3	0	6
Angel	1	0	2
Lundheimer	0	0	0
Reichart	1	0	2
Growcock	0	0	0
Warren	1	0	2
Totals	14	4	32

F.H.P.	G.	F.	T.
Hopper	0	0	0
Wilson	3	1	7
Brown	2	0	4
Trabel	5	0	10
Howell	1	1	3
Totals	11	2	24

App. School	G.	F.	T.
Staley	0	0	0
Gottschalk	3	1	7
Allen	1	0	2
Werling	4	1	9
Rasar	3	1	9
Braun	0	0	0
Mowery	1	0	2
Totals	12	5	29

Winter St.	G.	F.	T.
W. Reitdorf	0	0	0
D. Kent	0	1	1
D. Reitdorf	5	1	11
Schinbeckler	2	1	5
Fisher	0	0	0
Blauvelt	2	1	5
Gallmeier	3	0	6
Turner	0	0	0
Bencke	7	1	5
Totals	19	5	46

Sm. Motors	G.	F.	T.
Voors	5	0	10
Markey	1	0	2
Drayer	0	1	1
Scherer	4	0	8
Rosswurm	0	5	5
Wickliffe	0	0	0
Bienz	5	0	10
Totals	15	6	36

G-E Drops Two Games

The G-E Club basketball team dropped two games this past week. One game was lost to the Harvester in a league game, 35-45, and the other to the Wheatley Center Elks, 61-57.

Grant and Barksdale paced Wheatley with 18 and 17 points respectively, while Gettys starred for G-E with 18 points.

The next games are: Monday, Jan. 24, Indiana Tech, at the G-E Club gym, at 8 p.m.; and Thursday, Jan. 27, the Zollners Reserves, 8 p.m. at the Central high school gym.

Box score:

Harvester	G.	F.	T.
Hoeppner	4	0	8
Beard	0	0	0
Altekruse	2	0	4
Majorki	5	0	10
Lehrman	3	1	7
Jacobs	0	0	0
Ness	1	0	2
Werkman	1	2	4
Hollman	4	2	10
Totals	20	5	45

G-E	G.	F.	T.
Carr	1	0	2
Zimmerlee	1	3	5
Bucher	4	0	8
Goehring	4	2	10
Davis	0	0	0
Stoup	0	0	0
Lowden	2	4	8
Gettys	1	0	2
Totals	13	9	35

Golden Gloves Tournament

Here are some of the important facts regarding the coming Golden Gloves Tournament, sponsored by the G-E Club and Journal-Gazette:

When and Where—At North Side high school, Jan. 20, 27 and Feb. 3, 10.

Who Is Eligible—All amateur boxers in the Fort Wayne area who are at least 16 years of age.

Is There a Place to Train—Classes are being held each night, Monday through Friday, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the G-E Club gym, Broadway and Swinney Ave.

What Are the Awards—Each boxer who wins his first bout receives a pair of satin regulation boxing trunks. The eight champions are taken to Chicago for three days to box in the Tournament of Champions at the Chicago Stadium; receive complete boxing outfits, including all-purpose wool and leather jackets; and carry-all bag. One boxer selected by the judges receives the large Sportsmanship Trophy.

How Are the Bouts Conducted—Each bout is three rounds, two minutes each to a decision. As far as possible, boxers are matched during the early stages of the tournament according to experience and are not drawn by lot until late in the tournament. There are eight different weight divisions. Contestants box only once a night with a few exceptions late in the tournament and then after long rest periods.

Where May Tickets Be Secured—At the Main Auto Supply Company until the box office opens on tournament nights.



Our fair-haired boys, the Ionics of the Masonic League, got knocked out of first place in the city tournament. Their 3153 count failed to hold up as two teams passed them. The Buffalo Cafe team with a sizzling 3259, featuring the Scott family, took over first. The South Side Beer Garden team is in second place with a 3194 total. The Buffalo Cafe team shot 3010 actual pins. This is high total for quite a number of years.

In the doubles competition who should be leading the pack but none other than the rookie of the Screwballs, Walt Mertz, and his brother Andy. They shot a 1358 score with a total handicap of 120 pins. By the way, Maury Cox is still no slouch with that bowling ball. Thanks for the free ride, Maury.

We wish to retract a statement made in last week's column, which was copied from "The Gutter Ball," a Div. 14 bowling news sheet, which stated that the G-E Club sponsored teams in the state and national tournaments. We are sorry to say that the Club is not doing this, but that they hope to in the future.

The Motor and Generator team of the Interdivision League have really been riding the Screwballs, as they beat them out of the squad prize last Wednesday night in the tournament.

High scores for those trophies: 681, W. Siedel; 594, H. Wagner; 276, W. Goss; and 247, T. Williams.

After the reports from New Haven on the Buddy Bomar exhibition, I don't feel quite so bad when I get those 160 counts. Speaking of the Bomar exhibition, I hear that Walt Mertz and Frank Matthews got so enthused over a shuffleboard game that they had to go back in the evening to see the bowling exhibition.

How about a ghost writer for a couple of weeks. What this column needs is new blood. Do I hear any volunteers?

Have you entered the state tournament yet? The tourney is held at Gary this year and entries close midnight, Feb. 5.

Main Office Heads Volleyball League

In the Interdivision Volleyball League, Small Motor won over the Apprentice Machinists 15-15-15 against a forfeit. Winter St. defeated General Tool in all three games by games of 15-2; 15-4, and 15-3.

The Squares were victorious over Taylor St. in games of 15-8; 16-14; and 15-5. The Apprentice Draftsmen lost to the Main Office team by scores of 15-2, 15-4 and 15-3.

Next week-end will wind up the first half play.

STANDINGS

	Won
Main Office	18
Squares	15
Winter St.	10
Taylor St.	9
Apprentice Draftsmen	9
Small Motor	8
Apprentice Mach.	3
Tool Division	1

G-E Rod, Gun Club Defeats International Harvester

The G-E Rod and Gun Club defeated International Harvester Rifle Club in a match held at the Armory Tuesday night, Jan. 11, by a score of 1,111-1,098.

Scores for each team were:

G-E CLUB

	Prone	Sit.	Stand.	Total
K. Hart	99	92	88	279
R. Wickliff	100	98	81	279
L. May	100	98	80	278
O. Emrick	100	95	80	275

Team Total 1,111

INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER

	Prone	Sit.	Stand.	Total
J. H. Marquart	100	97	82	279
W. Vanderford	99	96	82	277
A. M. Holloway	99	94	80	273
C. Swihart	100	93	76	269

Team Total 1,098

How Would You Revise Our Labor Laws?

We Americans are about to re-examine—through our Congress—the fundamental laws regulating the relations of employees, unions, and management with each other and the public.

We should be sure this examination is calm and deliberate. Any resulting revisions will be of vital interest to the whole public—to the some 15 million union members and the more than 45 million non-union workers, to union officials and management officials, to consumers and to citizens at large.

Despite any differing points of view, what all of us really seek are laws that are fair to employees, unions, and employers, and which adequately protect the public.

Let's check the following questions to see what are some of the individual ingredients you think should or should not be included in any law that would accomplish what we are all seeking:

1. Do you believe that labor laws should, in general, preserve the employee's right to strike? ☐ YES ☐ NO

2. Do you believe labor laws should give the President of the United States the right to seek, through courts of law, to delay a strike that would cause a national emergency endangering the health and safety of the entire country? ☐ YES ☐ NO

3. When two or more unions are fighting each other over who shall do a job or who shall represent the employees, and a strike is called to compel an employer to give to the members of one union the work or recognition being given to the other union—that is a jurisdictional strike. Should labor laws prohibit such strikes? ☐ YES ☐ NO

4. Should labor laws prohibit secondary boycotts—that is, prevent an employer and his employees, where there is no labor dispute, from being damaged by a union seeking to coerce another employer having a labor dispute? ☐ YES ☐ NO

5. Should labor laws provide that an employer cannot deduct union dues or assessments from wages unless the employee gives his personal O.K.? ☐ YES ☐ NO

6. Do you believe labor laws should see to it that both employers and unions be required to bargain in good faith? ☐ YES ☐ NO

7. Should labor laws give to both employees and employers the freedom to express their own points of view on employee relations problems—provided such views, or arguments, or opinions do not promise bribes or threaten reprisals? ☐ YES ☐ NO

8. Should labor laws protect the employee against unfair practices by unions and management? ☐ YES ☐ NO

9. Do you believe that labor laws should require both union officials and company officials to swear they are not communists or fascists or members of any party or organization which plans to overthrow the government of the United States by force and violence? ☐ YES ☐ NO

10. Do you believe labor laws should require unions to make appropriate reports to members and government as to handling of funds—just as companies are required to make appropriate reports to owners and government? ☐ YES ☐ NO

11. Should labor laws make it clear that a collective-bargaining contract must be honored by both parties? And that each has an equal right to sue the other for breaking the contract? ☐ YES ☐ NO

12. Do you believe labor laws should make it unlawful for a union to compel an employer to engage in featherbedding; that is, to pay money for work which hasn't been done or won't be done? ☐ YES ☐ NO

13. Should labor laws permit the forcing of an employer to hire only workers who belong to a given union? ☐ YES ☐ NO

14. Do you believe it should be unlawful for an employee to be prevented from working by the use of violence, force, or intimidation? ☐ YES ☐ NO

15. Do you believe foremen and other supervisors could properly perform their management duties of serving the balanced best interests of employees, customers and owners alike, if bargaining for supervisors by unions should be included in the labor laws? ☐ YES ☐ NO

16. Do you believe labor laws should protect individual workers in the right to join or not to join a union—to remain or not to remain members—just as they individually wish? ☐ YES ☐ NO

17. Should labor laws make clear that both unions and employers can now so affect the public for good or ill that the labor-management relations of both should be regulated equally by law? ☐ YES ☐ NO

18. Should labor laws provide that a striker who has been replaced in the course of an economic strike—not involving any unfair labor practice—be permitted to vote in an election to choose a bargaining agent at the conclusion of the strike? ☐ YES ☐ NO

In the re-examination of the present labor laws and in making any revisions, we—as American citizens—must be concerned with guaranteeing equal rights between and among individuals and organizations, while striving to eliminate force, fear, hatred and ignorance from employee-management relations.

But we must meanwhile keep always in mind that no labor law can do more than provide a reasonably favorable climate for good employee-management relations. The accomplishment of those good relations must come from the will to try to spread the area of common interest and voluntary agreement.

In the exercise of your rights as a citizen in a Democracy you may want your Congressmen in Washington, D. C., to know your attitude—whether "for" or "against"—on each of the above questions and any others you may have in mind. If you wish, mark the "yes" or "no" boxes, add any comments, sign your name, address and occupation and mail to your Congressman over the week end.
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'Light Sorcery' Show To Present Eight Performances For Employees

G-E Invites Pensioners To First Presentation; Students To See Show

Eight performances of the "Light Sorcery" show will be given for the benefit of employees at the Broadway, Taylor St. and Winter St. plants and their families and friends Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 31 and Feb. 1, in the G-E Club auditorium.

All pensioners, totaling more than 700, received special invitations this week from C. H. Matson, Works Manager, to attend the first performance, Monday, at 1:30 p.m. Although they are welcome to attend any show, this one will give former employees an opportunity for all to come together to renew old friendships. All pensioners are invited to bring their relatives and friends, Mr. Matson has announced.

This performance will also be open to employees, their families and friends.

Shows will be given at 1:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. on both Monday and Tuesday. Second shift employees are urged to attend the 1:30 p.m. performances.

Show For Students Tuesday

There will be a special showing Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock for

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A. S. Johnson, Staff Assistant in the General Superintendent's office, is shown above handing out tickets for the "Light Sorcery" show to Dolores Connin, Dorothy Leininger, and Pat Olinger, all of Bldg. 18.

Dr. Lee To Talk On Leadership At Foremen's Ass'n.

"Leadership and What It Takes" is the topic of the talk to be given by Dr. Ralph D. Lee, Wednesday, Feb. 2, at a meeting of the Foremen's Association. The program, which will start at 8 p.m., will be held in Kreis Stoltzenau hall.

Dr. Lee is a member of the Department of Public Relations, General Motors Corporation.

Election of officers will follow the talk.

Mrs. J. R. Cullen Elected President Of Partizans

Mrs. J. R. Cullen has been elected president of the Elex Club's Partizan Chapter. Others elected were: Mrs. Helen Miller, vice president; Mrs. Burney Tomson, recording secretary, and Mrs. Rose Van Horn, treasurer.

1948 Report Totals 6,133 Suggestions

Works' Suggestion System Issues Annual Statement; $26,462 Given Last Year

A total of 6,133 suggestions were submitted during 1948, the annual report of the Fort Wayne Works Suggestion System revealed today.

Issued by A. C. Hartman, chairman-secretary of the committee on suggestions, the report showed an increase of 135 suggestions over the previous year.

Of the 6,133 suggestions received, 2,235 or 36.4% were adopted. This is the best record to date and is above the average of the Company as a whole.

Largest Award to a Woman

Awards amounting to $26,462.50 were added to the earnings of employees. An award of $1,000, the largest ever paid to a woman worker of the Works, was presented to Gladys Balliet, a finisher in Div. 17. Her idea was to fusion weld in place of silver soldering certain field connections.

Jessie Elder, another employee of the same division, earned $965 for four suggestions. The largest

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G-E Opens Applications For Scholarships, Loans

Available To Employees Or Their Children: Raise Maximum Amount For Employees' Loans

Scholarships and loans for undergraduate study available to employees and their children, including those of affiliated companies, can be applied for from now until April 1, William W. Trench, Secretary of the Company and chairman of the G-E Education Committee, has announced.

The committee this year has changed the deadline for the receipt of applications for scholarships and loans to April 1, or two months earlier than formerly. This was done in an effort to give those granted scholarships or loans the earliest possible notice so that they will have more time to make arrangements for the next school year.

At the same time, the committee increased the sum that parents of the students may borrow, making the maximum $300 instead of the $200 previously allowable.

Available For Any School

Funds for the loans and scholarships are derived partly from the income on $200,000 set aside as the G-E Employees Education Foundation. The money is available for any field of undergraduate study at any accredited college or university that the applicant attends. The Foundation is part of the million-dollar General Electric Educa-

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48-Year-Old Motor Returns For Repairs



James Veira and Herbert Seider, both of Bldg. 6-1, are shown above examining a motor which arrived this week for repair. The motor was built here on June 25, 1901, from a patent granted in 1895. It is owned by the Alvord Electric Company of Douglas, Wyo.

Test Engineer Here From China Studying Manufacturing Methods



H. H. Chen, a test engineer, is the Fort Wayne Works' ambassador from China. Mr. Chen, a native of Shanghai, was born in a Christian family of his parents, four brothers and three sisters.

His father was a graduate of Johns Hopkins University and, before his death, was chief surgeon at the Shanghai Municipal Council. His mother is a trained nurse. Mr. Chen's four brothers followed the medical profession. One is now working for a fellowship to the

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C. H. Linder To Speak At T. E. Dinner Tuesday

Clarence H. Linder, Assistant Manager of Manufacturing for the Apparatus Department, Schenectady, will speak at a dinner of the Test Engineers in the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday evening, Feb. 1.

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Opportunity Is One Of Our Most Cherished Possessions

There are two ways of interpreting the fact that throughout this world some people have more than others.

The interpretation prevalent in some foreign countries is that because some people have more, others have less. And in these instances the effort is to take from some people and give to others.

The net result of this process and this philosophy is a general downward level of living standards.

Then there is the other interpretation which has been for years accepted in the United States and other progressive countries. This interpretation is that the fact someone else has a better home or a better car indicates that others have an opportunity to achieve the same position. Success by some people means that success is possible for others. In this country we call that "opportunity" and it is one of our most cherished possessions.

It has a direct influence on the way all of us live. It is largely responsible for our high American living standards—the highest ever achieved in the history of the world.

The pressure of men striving—not to tear down what someone else has achieved—but to get ahead themselves, to achieve and produce, has been and should continue to be a mainspring of American progress.

Let's Pay More Attention To The Little Accidents

Accidents continue to happen. Probably the time will never come when the world is free of them. We hear daily of the tremendous loss of life caused by automobiles. We hear constantly of the big accidents. But we don't hear of the millions of small accidents, the apparently petty things which happen all day and every day in our busy industrial world.

These small accidents, such as dropping a box on a toe, such as scratching a hand on a piece of metal, such as bumping a head on a door, and so forth and so on, continue to perplex and confound the safety man and make him wonder why people are so careless.

It goes right back to beginnings, for as people grow more careful, more thoughtful of what they are doing, so in direct proportion will these small accidents begin to decline in number. They are the bane of everyday shop existence and it is common sense only to urge everyone to pay more attention to the little things of life. The big ones will take care of themselves.

Can We Truly Say We Are Living In A Machine Age?

We often hear it asserted that we are living in a machine age. To the extent that we have more machines today than ever before, that is true. But what of the men who make and operate these machines? Man came first and man must ever serve the creatures of his brain. It would seem that instead of a machine age, we live more truly in a man age.

As time passes, it cannot help but be apparent that manpower becomes more valuable. We shall always need men . . . men to make machines, men to sell machines, men to operate machines and men to guide other men. Without the one, neither could amount to much for even the most automatic of mechanical robots, must sometime need the care of man.

If then, this is a man age rather than a machine age, it follows that opportunities must increase as the changes of civilization become more rapid. A quick glance at the pages of contemporary history will reveal the fact that thousands of occupations exist today which were not dreamed of 40 years ago. Where one blacksmith shod horses, now a dozen mechanics repair automobiles.

Yes, it is a man age!

Familiarity Breeds Contempt



HUGH CRANE discusses ECONOMIC EXPERTS

NEW YORK—Now that good business continues keeping on in nearly every line, the economists are again doing some second-guessing, and saying that business is going to stay good for quite a while yet.

Why is it that so many of our economists have been so wrong so many times, and so often have to come up with a "me too" when their predictions go wrong?

"Alice in Wonderland"

Sometimes they remind me of the Dormouse at the Mad Tea Party in "Alice in Wonderland." Remember? Alice and the March Hare and the Mad Hatter and the Dormouse were having tea, and the Dormouse kept falling asleep.

"'The Dormouse is asleep again,' said the Hatter, and he poured a little hot tea on its nose.

"The Dormouse shook his head impatiently, and said, without opening his eyes, 'Of course, of course; just what I was going to remark myself.'"

Look at the Record

Just look back over the last 15 years at the economists' record.

In 1933 most Wall Street economists were saying that if we abandoned the gold standard we'd have inflation. But we didn't. A few years later the New Deal economists were saying that if we "primed the pump" with government spending we'd have recovery. But we didn't. At the beginning of the National Defense program in 1940 economists were saying we'd have a terrible inflation as a result. But we didn't. During the war economists kept saying that we'd have a depression shortly after the war. But we didn't. Or again—during the 1930's economists were saying that the country couldn't possibly stand a government debt in the hundreds of billions. But it is standing it.

So when things turn out differently, the economists seem to wake up and say, "Of course, of course. Just what I was going to predict myself."

Why So Wrong?

Why such a wide "margin of error?" Why does economics seem so different from engineering or science?

Well, perhaps the reason is that economists get their background from three main "schools of thought"—and none of them have aimed at anything like what the engineers call "know-how."

The first of these might be called the "classical school" or the "Victorian school." It's theme song ran to the effect that "the capitalist system is the best of all systems, and if it has a depression every now and then, that's just inevitable, temporary, and part of the price for this good system."

The second of these might be called the "Marxian school" and its theme song was that "capitalism is a system of organized robbery and needs to be replaced, not improved."

And the third might be called the "statistical school" and its theme was "Before we can do anything about business depressions we need a great many more statistics."

So none of these schools really taught anything about trying to make the system work better. They were all in a sense fatalistic. The first and second were really schools for argument and the third was a school for statisticians and scholars.

Appear To Miss Something

And so none of them seem to have noticed the fundamental changes that have taken place in the last 10 or 15 years in our economic system. They have been too interested in either (1) selling people for it, or (2) selling them against it, or (3) gathering statistics about it. Meantime life has gone on and a revolution has taken place. More about this revolution next week. It's the reason why we don't get a depression right now.

The OLD PHILOSOPHER *Says:*

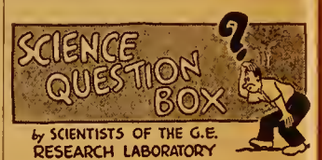


Ideas keep things going and make no mistake about it. When anything happens to shut off the flow of thought or to put a penalty on a man using his brains, then it's a safe bet that the world is in for a decline. There's nothing truer than the fact that men with ideas make the world, our world at least, the only one we'll know and it behooves us to listen when ideas start flowing.

It sounds crazy now, but the doctors once thought locomotives would poison the air and kill the birds. Only 70 years or so ago, newspapers said it was impossible to send a human voice over wires. Now look what we do without wires!

We need new ideas, new products and new thought all the time. How much we need them is found in the fact that 40 per cent of the sales of a large company have derived from products developed within the last 10 years. Here's another way to look at it. In the past 50 years, 18 new ideas have developed into industries giving jobs to 9½ million people, about one-fourth of all folks working for a living.

Who said new ideas didn't pay?



Q. What are Sun dogs?

A. These are bright spots that may appear at about the same height as the Sun and 22 degrees to the side. They are caused by six-sided ice crystals which bend the rays from the Sun at such an angle. When these crystals are scattered at various angles they make a complete halo around the Sun, but sometimes they all tend to keep their sides vertical. Then only the crystals to one side or the other are in a position to send the rays to our eyes, and we see Sun dogs. Under similar conditions Moon dogs may be formed at night.

Q. If the Earth were hollow, with a spherical cavity, would an object released just inside the shell fall toward the center of the hole?

A. No. Under such conditions the force of gravity would be balanced in all directions, and it would float freely in the cavity.

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award being $625 for her idea to change certain hand-wound fields to machine placing.

Thirty employees received $100 or more for their suggestions.

33% Adopted Since 1923

Since its adoption in Fort Wayne in January, 1923, the Suggestion System has recorded a total of 118,700 suggestions here, of which approximately 33% have been adopted.

The first year that the system was in effect 496 suggestions were received, of which 12% were adopted.

The largest individual award ever made at Fort Wayne was given to Raymond Stoller at the Supercharger Plant in 1943, when he received $1,100 for his suggested method of salvaging impellers.

System Started in 1906

The Company's Suggestion System was started at Schenectady in 1906 on the recommendation of Christian Steenstrup, often referred to as the "Father of the American Employees' Suggestion System in Industry."

Mr. Steenstrup is noted for his contribution to the hermetic sealed refrigerator unit. For his work with hydrogen copper brazing in 1932, he won a Charles A. Coffin award. He was again honored four years later for his work on the electric refrigerator. In 1940 he was given a "Modern Pioneer Award of the National Association of Manufacturers."

Starts Here Later

The Suggestion System was inaugurated in Fort Wayne during January, 1923. The first committee here was appointed by Walter Goll, Works Manager. It consisted of C. H. Matson, representing the factory; Robert Steck, engineering; W. J. Hockett, industrial service department; J. J. Kline, management, and E. J. Kimm, secretary. Mr. Matson served as the committee's first chairman.

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G-E Opens

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tional Fund established in honor of two former company presidents, Charles A. Coffin and Gerard Swope.

In addition to the Employees Education Foundation, separate trusts provide for other scholarships and loans.

Scholarship Honors Scientist

The Charles P. Steinmetz Memorial Scholarships was established by G-E more than 25 years ago in honor of one of its most eminent scientists. Under it a yearly allowance of as much as $500 may be granted for either engineering or academic courses at Union College, Schenectady. The scholarship may be retained through four years provided a satisfactory record is maintained by the student. Six awards involving $2,400 were made last year.

As a personal gift of $25,000 by Gerard Swope in 1927 a fund was established under which loans of $250 will be granted for one academic year at a time at Union College. Although the college administers the fund, the students are selected by the Company's Education Committee. On these loans the interest rate is one per cent a year while the student is in school and 3 per cent a year is charged on the unpaid balance after the recipient leaves school. Nine loans were granted last year amounting to $2,250.

The Richard H. Rice Memorial Scholarship, established by G-E in honor of a former manager of the Lynn Works, provides up to $400 yearly allowance for study at Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, N. J. Preference is given to Lynn Works employees, or their children.

Loans Granted Two Ways

Loans under the G-E Employees Education Foundation are granted in two ways: (1) to students, up to a maximum of $250 a year on which there will be an interest charge of 3 per cent a year on the unpaid balance after the recipient leaves school. No interest is payable for or during the years the recipient remains in school. (2) to parents of students, up to $300 a year with repayments to begin immediately by payroll deductions and be completed within 12 months at an interest rate of 3 per cent a year.

Grant 16 Loans in 1948

Last year 16 loans were granted, totalling $4,000.

A limited number of scholarships may be granted to outstanding applicants for loans, Mr. Trench announced. There were 12 selected by the Education Committee last year in the amount of $3,600.

Stating that the names of successful applicants would be announced about May 1, Mr. Trench said that the Education Committee determines the recipients of all loans and scholarships on the basis of character, scholastic standing, financial need and general merit.

Application forms can be secured from and submitted to Ray Zook, Supervisor of Personnel, Bldg. 8-2.

Two Retire Tuesday



C. H. Kloepper

Charles H. Kloepper, General Tool Division, will retire Feb. 1 after 31 years service. Mr. Kloepper has been a machinist in the Tool Division most of his time with the Company, and at the time of his retirement was a grinder in Bldg. 19-5.



Lloyd Keller

Lloyd Keller, a machinist in the Motor and Generator Division, will leave Feb. 1 for retirement on the Company's Pension Plan. Mr. Keller has been a machinist during his entire service of 23 years with General Electric.

McCollum, New Plant Manager At Coshocton



A. K. McCollum

Alden K. McCollum, formerly head of the Kokomo plant, is now manager of the laminated plastics plant at Coshocton, O., it was announced by Robert O. Bullard, Manufacturing Manager of the Plastics Division in the Chemical Department, Pittsfield.

Mr. McCollum succeeds Arthur C. Treece, the former Manager who was appointed Assistant to the Plastics Division Manager last October. Mr. Treece has continued to supervise Coshocton operations.

The former Kokomo plant, under Mr. McCollum, was opened in 1942 to produce electrical equipment for Navy destroyer escorts, converted to production of fractional horsepower motors in 1944, and closed down at the end of 1948.

Mr. McCollum joined G-E in 1929 as a test engineer at Schenectady and was with the Large Motor and Generator Division of the Apparatus Department until 1940 when he became supervisor of planning and wage rate for the Motor and Generator Division here.

He left Fort Wayne in 1942 to become Assistant Superintendent at the Kokomo Plant. He was named Superintendent two years later and in 1946 became the Plant Manager there.

'Light Sorcery'

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all school children in Fort Wayne and Allen County. Arrangements for attendance at this show have been made through the Fort Wayne Superintendent of public schools, and Township Trustee, superintendents of the parochial schools and school principals.

Tickets for the other eight shows were distributed this week by supervisors and foremen. Tickets will still be available through Tuesday and shortages in any division will be handled by redistribution through A. S. Johnson's office in Bldg. 18-1.

"Every effort will be made to accommodate all persons desirous of attending the shows," Mr. Johnson announced today.

"To avoid over-crowding at any presentation," he added, "all employees are requested to go to the performance specified on their tickets."

Many Requests For Tickets

The demand has nearly exceeded the supply of tickets, especially for the evening presentations.

The hour-long performances are being presented by lighting specialists from Cleveland's famed Nela Park, under the sponsorship of the Fort Wayne Apparatus, Lamp and Air Conditioning Department facilities of General Electric.

James Jensen, master of ceremonies for the show, will demonstrate how to walk away from his own shadow, make an unconnected fluorescent lamp glow brightly, light a cigarette with a 10,000-volt, high-frequency coil light, and will photograph a balloon in the act of bursting as a few features of the show.

Elex Members To Usher

Members of the Elex Club will usher at the different performances. They are:

Monday—Barbara Wilson, Bldg. 17-3, and Rachel Fisher, Bldg. 4-2, at 1:30 p.m.; Martha Keokuk and Eva Fisher, both of Taylor St., at 4 p.m.,; Miriam Bolyard, Bldg. 31-1 and Oliva Toor, Bldg. 17-3, at 7 p.m.; and Mary Leiter and Mary Vorndran, both of Winter St., at 8:30 p.m.

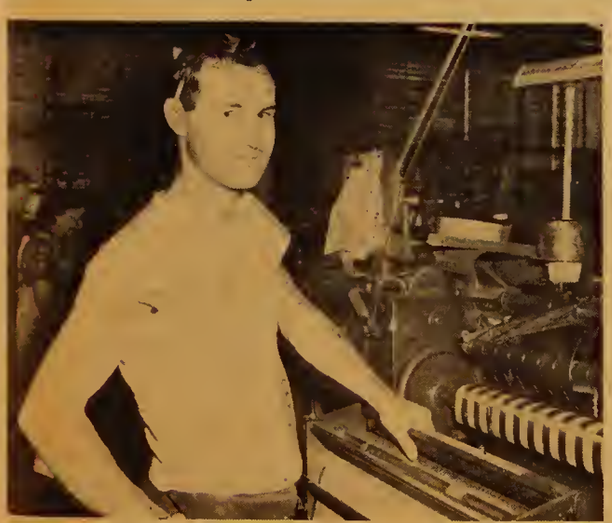
Tuesday—Eileen Foor and Mary Jane Redding, both of Bldg. 17-3, at 1:30 p.m.; Geraldine Schmidt, Bldg. 31-1, and Elizabeth Wert, Bldg. 17-3, at 4 p.m.; Mary and Helen Wyss, both of Winter St., at 7 p.m.; and, Nellie Wendt and Helen Wagner, both of Bldg. 26-3, at 8:30 p.m.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

We understand that George Foerster is getting along nicely. Not able to return to work yet, but able to get around some. . . . Cal Case got one of his rare hair cuts recently. How will he be able to bear the wintry blasts of January? You should have waited until spring, Cal. . . . Our sympathy to Hugo Kleint on the recent death of his mother. . . . The Lichtsinn supply of canned goods, soups, tomatoes, etc., is going down rapidly, according to Paul. Rumor has it that the gang in the east end of Bldg. 19-3 is going to start a friendship train to keep him supplied with food. If you want to know what we mean, check the size of the lunch Paul brings daily. . . . George Wolfe had a liquid cooled engine on his DeSoto sometime ago when the hose connection broke, and sprayed anti freeze all over the motor, drowning out the spark plugs. Those DeSotos are not as dependable as a little team of bay mares, are they, George? . . . Martin Krueckeberg thanks all his friends in M-G for the nice purse he received from them as a parting gift. . . . Sign of spring: Elmer Minnick and Rudy Rastenberg in deep conversation. Planning to put out their oats by the first of February, no doubt. . . . We were grieved to hear of the death of Ed Schacker's brother last week. Please accept our deepest sympathy, Ed. . . . "Arky," also known as Frank Ruesewald, passed the cigars the other day. "It's a boy!" says Arky.

Given $25 Award



Stanley Gongaware, Specialty Transformer Division 95, is pictured above at the application of his recent suggestion that brought him. $25. Mr. Gongaware's suggestion concerned winding filament coils in which the start lead was started a half-turn back. This helped save coils that have the start wires sawed off.

Test Engineer

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Royal Society of Surgeons in London.

Mr. Chen received his first education in an American missionary primary school. He then went to a British high school in the Shanghai Municipal Council. Following his graduation from high school, he worked for two years as a medical statistician in a medical research institute. It was just a coincidence that he switched to engineering. Since there were two schools endowed by Henry Lister, one a medical and the other an engineering school, Mr. Chen enrolled in the latter.

He then worked for the Texas Oil Co. in China for two years after his graduation in the engineering department, after which he joined with a friend in a company that manufactured machine tools, motors and small tools.

Comes To America

After three years in the sales department of this company, a representative of the I. G. E. interested Mr. Chen in General Electric's Test Course. He came to the United States in June, 1948, and completed his first two tests at the Schenectady Works before coming to Fort Wayne. He will then return to Schenectady for his final test, after which he will go back to his home country to be with his wife and son. He is returning to China with knowledge gained here with hopes to help his people, partieularly on the manufacture of items they need.

Mr. Chen stated that a majority of the average families with children in China are educated in missionary schools, and that life there is similar to that here in the States. Many of the young people's social life is centered around the church, which has a very good fellowship program. Usually the favorite sports are tennis in the summer and soccer in the later months.

Sees Only Social Change

When asked about his opinion of the Chinese political situation, he stated that it was his personal belief that this was a way to help the people to think a little about what they want and need. They, especially the poor people, have gone without so many things that now they want a change. He believes that this is a social change instead of one of power. Mr. Chen remarked that it is his opinion the greatest help the United States can give is to send more missionaries to assist the poor people.

In speaking about the United States, he said, "I think the first thing that impressed me was the tremendous resources, and the material comfort the people have."

He also stated that this country represents what all would like to have; and also that the people live the life of Christians more here than any place else.

Mr. Chen is the only member, of 77 test engineers at the Fort Wayne Works, who is here from another country.

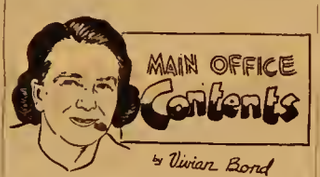
K. W. Michael Elected Toastmasters' President

K. W. Michael, Assistant to the Supervisor of Personnel, was elected president of the Anthony Wayne Toastmasters' club Tuesday evening.

30 Year Employee Honored



J. H. Staak. Taylor St., is shown receiving a congratulatory letter from A. W. Bartling, Mgr. of FHP Motor Sales, on the occasion of Mr. Staak's 30th anniversary with the Company. Left to right are, B. R. McClure, Mr. Bartling, Mr. Staak and M. E. Lord, Mgr. FHP Motor Divisions.



This comment may be a trifle belated—but I would like to add my word of appreciation for the privilege of hearing Dr. Carothers when he addressed the wives of the men who had attended his nine-week course on economics. I am sure the ladies all left the G-E Club Building with the feeling that the weight of the economic world was resting squarely on their shoulders. It was a pleasure to confirm the splendid reports of Dr. Carothers' dynamic personality and sound judgment. . . . Paul Lenz is rushing spring these days in his new suit and those handsome neckties the men are wearing in Bldg. 18-4. . . . Barbara Meyer has returned to Bldg. 18-4 after a short illness. . . . The news that Carter McLaughlin and Marjorie Meyer were still in Bldg. 16-3 is no longer true, they are now in Bldg. 18-4.

New Reporter

Pat Olinger, Bldg. 18-5, is the new reporter from Bldg. 18-5 who is helping Vivian and Dolores. She is replacing Fonda Cook who is moving to Bldg. 18-4 and still reporting the news from the Data Bureau. Keep up the good work your reporting has been splendid. . . . Welcome to Mary Ann Ryn. We hope you will enjoy your work in Bldg. 18-5. . . . Question—Why did two men come back to Bldg. 18-5 with indigestion the other day, after lunch. Could it be the looks and threatening notes from others in the section who were unable to get a table?. . . . Contrary to any other statements last week Mr. Kent was hit in the eye while playing basketball! (We have always heard that one should say—I ran into a door). Bldg. 18-4 personnel have been taking time out to kid Annabell Redding about those new fashionable shirts she is wearing. . . . Dudley Snyder, Bldg. 18-5, can now join the other members of the Bent Fender Club. . . . Virginia Worden, Bldg. 18-4, has taken over the duties of Verneal Meyer since her transfer to FHP Motor Division. . . . Joan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Leider, a student nurse at the St. Joseph Nurses Training School, received her cap on Sunday. . . . Mary Ann, the daughter of J. H. Hambrock, Bldg. 18-4, will be married to John Koeks on Feb. 12 at St. Patrick's Church. We hope that her future will be filled with much happiness and success. . . . The girls in Bldg. 18-4 have a weighty problem. Why is a home-made hamburger at its best never as good as a boughten one? That is a mystery they would like to solve.



The question of whether Elmer Buuck really has (or should we say) had a purple shirt or not has been solved. We know now he had one but he certainly was chiseled. It faded out to a "baby pink," when it was washed. . . . We have been told the Brouwers Bowling Team won two games last week. What luck, but we think it was about time. . . . It is quite troublesome for Mac to get ready to eat his lunch. After a long search for the newspaper, adjusting the waste basket to a correct position, so he can balance himself on his chair at a very dangerous angle, he is ready to eat his lunch. Remember "Safety First," Mac. . . . We wonder what Mildred Orr had on her mind when she went in Martha Washington's Candy Shop, last Wednesday? . . . Anyone wanting to know the whereabouts of Rosamond Schooley, Zella Sheehan, and Ina Armey, on Wednesday nights, can always find them "drowning their troubles" at a certain soda fountain uptown. . . . Louisa Roberts should be called "The Raisin Kid." Could it be she is trying to build up more energy to increase her bowling average? . . . Bob Kissinger was given a cherry pie as a farewell token. He is leaving us to work at Broadway. Sincerely, Bob, we will really miss you. . . . Aaron Oyer and Leon Sechler are retiring, and we wish them Good Health and the Best of Luck. . . . Helen Miller has a right to feel proud of her bowling team. They rolled a 795 game, even though Catherine Auker was absent. Nice going, girls. . . . Margaret Lepper is improving greatly in her bowling. She had a 470 and 487 in one week. . . . Loretta "Alexander" Runyon has a new nickname. How come, Loretta? . . . Bill Roby still insists that he is just "tired." . . . Chester Degitz, who has been ill, would like to hear from some of the gang. We hope he is feeling much better and will be back to work real soon. . . . Mabel Staley was all smiles when she could hold her grandchild for the first time. The baby has finally been taken home after spending several weeks in an incubator. She now tips the scales at four pounds. . . . Happy birthday to Marcielle Bantel.



With four weeks of this new year gone all we can sing is "I've Got My Taxes To Pay Blues." By the way, what ever happened to all those resolutions you made? That's what we thought, forgotten. . . . Here's something we wanted to be sure and tell you and then forgot. Joe Prezbindowski probably resolved not to chew tobacco, especially O.P. He turned first white then green when he tried a chew recently. Sez Joe, "Never Again." . . . Happy birthday to Ernie Fruechtenieht, Howard Brooks, Jesse Ebersole and Fred Stauffer. . . . Wonder what Alice Pflueger was doing in Clara Metcalf's flower bed late one Saturday night? Were you picking daisies, Alice? . . . Guess we all heard Bill Turner rave about the banana flavored tobacco Monday. Bet American Tobacco Co. would like to know about it too, B. B. Turner. . . . Esther Hakes' kitchen utensils are in bad shape. They would probably be beyond repair if she had a husband to swing them at. What's the trouble, Esther, were the biscuits too heavy? . . . From now on it is "Heine" Geist. Well, look at him! . . . Now that the new Chevies are coming out, our big question is, if Paul Schlie still calls them "A bucket of bolts." . . . If you want to take a nice boat ride, where the weather is warm, go out to Ray Hoelle's basement, he's got plenty of water!!!

Fractional Fiction 4-5

By Elaine Sutter

How many of you have joined the March of Dimes? Your dime will help. Remember one half stays in your community and the other half goes for research. . . . A few changes have taken place on our floor. Charlie Penn has gone to Taylor St., Div. 17. Charlie says it's a big place but he manages to find the cafeteria at noon. Then we say farewell to test engineer Pete Kemp who will be leaving for Pittsfield, Mass. Our new test engineer is Scott Wilkins. Welcome, Scott, to Bldg. 4-5. . . . Bill Dillman not only gives motors an electrical test, but gives them a shock test as well. He has his own method on shock test. . . . Several of Bldg. 4-5 people do need alarm clocks. For instance if Tom Blackwell had one, he wouldn't have to run down the street half dressed to catch his ride. And Trella Gerber and Neva Scott would make it to work on time. . . . Clara Ringenberg is thinking of a transfer to be a carpenter's helper. . . . Pete Macke seems to be doing all right at main placing. . . . The co-workers of Lois Watterson wonder if putting her headscarf on her shoulders keeps her hair dry. . . . Eileen Schuler, Vonnie Nesbitt and Gladys Macon had quite an experience last week. The elevator in which they were riding stuck for a couple of hours. Their co-workers were ready to send an SOS when they didn't show up at regular time. . . . Don Coolman has been bringing in red apples lately.

New Supervisor Of Cost In Wire, Insulation Div.



J. S. Gargett

J. S. Gargett has been named Supervisor of Cost in the Wire and Insulation Division.

Mr. Gargett first came to General Electric in 1933, and his first job was in the Billing Section in Bldg. 6-3. He then transferred to the Cost Section of the FHP Motor Division in 1937. In 1941 he went to the Wire Division Cost Section and later to the Supercharger Cost Section. After serving in the Army from 1942 until 1945, with two years overseas duty, Mr. Gargett returned to the Wire Division.

He is married, and the Gargetts have two boys. They reside at 2312 Opechee Way.



Jake Harshman thinks even when you win, you lose. How was he to know when he took a chance on a rabbit it would turn out to be just a chocolate Easter bunny! The way Doell, Bracht and James have been gyping the boys it's going to be hard from now on to sell chances on something really worth while. . . . Bill Ort went all last week without shaving just to win a bet from Ethel Geyer. Who wants to look like a "bum" all week just for a dollar? . . . Glad to see Bryan Brown back to work after an absence of several weeks of sickness. . . . We are saying goodbye to Elizabeth Pelkey, who is leaving today. She is moving to Plymouth where she will make her new home. . . . Our best wishes to Joan Shuler who is being married on Saturday to Robert Hartwig. In her honor the girls in the office entertained for lunch on Wednesday. Her place was decorated with a corsage and she received a gift certificate. Those attending were Betty Williams, Dorothea Meitz, Clara Outlaw, Alice Kelty, Margie Fenstermaker, Erna Mann and Helen Hardy. . . . We are glad to welcome Margie Fenstermaker who is new in the Cost section—also Ellen Raby, Marguerite Kohr and Winifred Ostheimer who are new in section 15x50.

Celebrates 30th Anniversary



Herbert Bauer, Bldg. 4-4, celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric Tuesday, Jan. 18. At that time he received a congratulatory letter from the management, and several of his friends congratulated him. Left to right in the picture are Fred Trautman, O. J. Mettler, Supt. of FHP Div. 1; Florian Korte, Mr. Bauer, George Prince, Wilford Kinsey, Floyd Truelove and Otto Roehm.



Isn't it a pity when even your own automobile won't let you forget a certain date. Such is the case of Buck Buchanan and Sherm Welch. Stand in line never! But never let it be said that these two stouthearted men gave up without a fight. They just put the mighty brain to work and came up with another way to get those little red and white plates without standing in line. . . . Seems everytime Eva Westrick visits Chicago she encounters a very hazardous experience. Eva was among the Elex girls who went to Chicago to see the Sonja Henie Ice show, and before she arrived at the stadium it happened. She fell flat on her face in all that water we had (and Chicago had) that Saturday. By golly, Eva, believe you'd better take a little hazard protection along with you next time Chicago beckons. . . . Teresa Arend, Betty Millhouse, Ludella Conrad, Dot Fletter, Georgian Vachon, Mary Louise Genth, and Harriet Spring joined Eva in seeing the spectacular ice show. . . . Happy birthday, Forrest "Dutch" "Foggy" Wilson. Dutch celebrated the day with a cake complete with one candle and several red hots. On a card from complete file he was in disguise a little mouse, trying to find his way out of the fog. Despite it all happy birthday, Dutch. . . . Bob Gebert looks no worse for the wear since his return from the life of the men in Navy blue. He did, however, acquire a slight tan in that tropical sunshine. . . . Magdalen Fisher left the gang last Friday. Best of luck from all of us, Magdalen. . . . Shirley Renkenberger is leaving today for her new home—Indiana University. Instead of a typewriter you'll have a book staring you in the face now, Shirley. Just be sure and keep your nose above C and all will be well. . . . That's all for now, chillun.

Michel Is Appointed Asst. To Supervisor



L. C. Michel

L. C. Michel, Bldg. 31-1, has been appointed Assistant to the Supervisor, Methods and Equipment of the Large Motor and Generator Division.

A 1934 graduate of the Apprentice School, Mr. Michel has been with the Company since 1929. Since that time he has held various production jobs, being assigned to the Motor and Generator Division in 1939. Mr. Michel has been a foreman in Bldg. 19-3 since 1941.

He is married and has two boys and one girl. The Michels live at 1715 Riedmiller Ave.



Congratulations to Art Kraft and Harold Whonsettler who this week celebrated birthday anniversaries. . . . Who makes more noise than Russ Deveny? Ray Bowers is trying to attract more attention than Russ. Last week Ray had an end shield in the mill putting a lot of fancy designs around the same. . . . Paul Boedeker now is in possession of the burly bag, or rather bags since another small one has been added in case there might be some small skunks added to the collection. . . . Ray Bowers asked Paul Armstrong if he wanted the pocket on his apron. When Paul said, "yes," Ray took it off and gave it to him. . . . Cecil Strong, who recently went to Broadway, was sent a very nice pep-letter by the boys out here. . . . Jake "Red" Allstetter has been worried about not making the column lately. One of these days I'll have room for you, Red, so just be patient. . . . Al Schonheinz is recovering very nicely from his operation, but will probably be confined to the hospital the balance of this week. Al is permitted visitors and will appreciate your call. Room 263, St. Joseph Hospital. . . . Howard McMaken of the St. Joe V.F.D. couldn't hear the alarm when Spencerville called for help last Sunday morning. Maybe after a late Saturday evening he went to bed and covered up his head, so there wouldn't be any awakening from those sweet dreams. . . . Last Monday we were given a surprise visit by Ed Graft.

Meyer Is New Supervisor Of Cost, Budgets



R. C. Meyer

R. C. Meyer has been appointed Supervisor of Cost and Budgets of the Fort Wayne Works Contributing and Services Divisions.

Working on various cost sections throughout the Works, Mr. Meyer's G-E career began in 1925 at the Winter St. plant. Six months later he transferred to the Motor and Generator Division. He returned to Winter Street in 1930, and in 1941 was made Assistant to the Cost Supervisor of FHP Series and Specialty Motor Div. 1. Two years later he became the Cost Supervisor of that division. After serving on special assignments in the Central Cost section, he became Cost Supervisor of the Wire and Insulation Division.

Living at 3617 Reed St., Mr. Meyer is married and has one daughter. He is interested in sports, and is a member of the G-E Squares and the G-E Supervisors Club.



Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. William Kessler who are now the proud parents of a baby girl named Susan Jane and weighing 7 lbs., 4 ozs. . . . Anyone interested in buying or renting a season ticket for the Zollner basketball games should contact Bob Huhn as he is offering one. What's the matter, Bob, are you regusted with them? . . . Hollis Mee came in to work with a Yo-Yo last Monday and he was all set to trade Roy Orr for his car. Then he says he got to thinking about it and is not too sure he will come out on the best end of the bargain. Roy, is that car really that bad? . . . We wish a speedy recovery to Floyd Goodwin's brother and hope that Floyd will be able to be back soon. Floyd went out West to bring his brother back to Fort Wayne. . . .'Ed Bireley went ice fishing last Sunday. Ed says all he got was a good case of tiredness, but no fish. . . . Evelyn Lietzke really put the week-end to good use. She says she caught up on all that sleep she has been missing. We will say that it sure paid off, as you really looked peppy Monday a.m. . . . We are happy to have Aarwood DeLuery back with us and also Byron Drew and Rowland Parker on the second shift.

Specialty Transformer, Ballast Divisions

Neon Sign Transformers

Build 'Midgets' For Indoor Display



Shown above is one of the new "MIDGETS," indoor-hanger type, neon sign transformer.

On the fifth floor of Bldg. 26, they're making "Midgets"! But, not the kind you've seen in circuses. These "Midgets" are new, small, G-E transformers for operating neon signs.

Because of the electrical principles involved, a neon sign must be connected to a very high voltage source (generally speaking, anywhere from 5000 to 15000 volts) before it will produce that familiar colored glow. Fort Wayne's Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions manufacture special neon sign transformers for supplying these necessary high voltages.

Neon signs may be any size, depending on how much available space and supporting material there is. However, for efficient operation and since you can only connect a limited amount of neon tubing to one transformer, the number of transformers used for one sign will vary from one: for small, indoor signs, to many: for huge spectacular outdoor advertising signs.

Let's suppose that you own a store and you want to hang a small sign in the window. You will need only one transformer, indoor-hanger type. A while back, you would have had to get a transformer that was unnecessarily big, awkward, and hard to mount. Today, however, you can get a G-E "Midget"—a neon sign transformer hardly bigger than your hand and only weighing about eight pounds! For this, your thanks would go to the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions' Engineers, who were given the job of designing a little sign transformer that would do all the work of the older, bigger models. The resulting design is fast becoming an industry leader in its field—proof that they did their job well.

Of course, transformers for indoor signs are only one part of the picture. There are also transformers for outdoor signs, for counter signs, and many others. In fact, the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions have specifications for approximately 500 different neon sign transformers.

Over a period of years, the most popular models have been the "streamliners." They are powerful, long-lasting transformers built into sleek, modern streamlined cases. Tops in both appearance and performance. They're typical of the G-E products in which we all share pride.

If you like to play games, you might try one called "Find the Transformer." All you do is look at a neon sign, then look around to see where the transformer is located! Since there is one connected to every neon sign, your opportunities to play are practically limitless. Indoors, you will usually find it tucked away near the ceiling, directly above the sign. Outdoors, they are most often mounted in the metal sign box, or on the wall of the building. But, those are just the usual places—you may find it anywhere or (due to clever hiding) not at all. Nevertheless it's there somewhere, and looking for it is a pleasant pastime. And, if you're like us, it will give you a feeling of pride to find one wearing the G-E nameplate.

Note: Last week, in our story about Ignition Transformers, we said that 6,000,000 people were expected to buy oil-burners next year. Our faces are red from such an obvious error. The number should have been 600,000.



A farewell dinner was held in the private dining room for Esther Teeple, who formerly worked in Production Div., and is getting married next month. We all wish her much happiness. Those attending the dinner were Mary Jones, Dorothy Schnepf, Mary Miller, Alice McBride, Mary Ann Laurent, Christian Andrews, Florence Schultz, Wanda Bailey, Irene Holthouse, Dorothy Schumm, Barbara Roop, Earleen Steffen, Esther Meyer, Fern Passwater, Lucy Daniels, Mary Fennig, Eloise Noll, Frances Terveer, Lydia Lehrman, Cathryn Steele, Millie Geimer, Joan Liechty, Harriet Haines, and the honored guest, Esther Teeple. Ardella Heare and Genevieve August were unable to attend. . . . Don't ever lose your boots in the mud is Alice McBride's advice. For further details contact Alice. . . . Dorothy Schenpf celebrated her birthday Jan. 26. We wish you many more, Dort. . . . If ever you need a coach in euchre playing, Jim Staley's the one. . . . Have you noticed how Chet Kleinknight has been strutting around the last few days? I am sure you would too if you just became the owner of a new Buick. Well, Chet, when do we get a ride?



We are glad to see Jim Linn back after being absent from work since just before Christmas due to a broken finger. We haven't had time yet to ask him just how he spent his vacation though. . . . Bill Roberts was wearing his tie clasp, but no tie. Now we're wondering if someone swiped the tie, or if Bill was just absent-minded and forgot said tie. . . . Jackie Elder can sure get a guy confused. She was telling about her Dad butchering a beef the other day, and first she would call it a "cow" and then in the next breath she would call it a "He." Is it another one of those "Bruster" cases? . . . Charlie Penn passed out calendars to all of his people last week and on the back side of the calendar is the decimal equivalent chart. The fellows now wonder what side it was that Charlie wanted them to have, but there is always the chance that it was to tell when Sat. and Sun. would roll around. . . . Congratulations to Orrie Ogden on his birthday last Monday. He passed candy in honor of the occasion. . . . If you wonder why Oral Emrick is strutting around with his chest all throwed out, it's because his bowling team knocked the league leaders out of first place. . . . And besides that, Oral also received a badge of merit from the rifle club for having the highest average of the year. . . . Poor Ole Ralph Keller has gotten so frail lately that he has to wear suspenders, or did one of the boys borrow your belt, Ralph? It could also be that he wears them just in case that Buick gets stuck he could use them as a tow rope. . . . We're glad to see Marge Ulrich back to work after her recent attack of the Flu. . . . Virginia Johnson's little girl started to school last Monday and Virginia took her over to see that she got there O.K. and all. Ginny said it seemed so good that she sure would like to go back to those "Good Old Days" herself. But now, Ginny, wouldn't a horse and buggy look kinda funny going down Calhoun St.? . . . Congratulations to Charlie Engle, who had his picture in the News-Sentinel for being a member of the Moose Lodge for 38 years. . . . Congratulations are in order to Moe Satterwaite who actually drove his "Chevy" to Indianapolis last Sat. and made the trip back home on Sunday without losing any of the parts. Maybe we should give the Chevy the congratulations instead of Moe, as that is a long journey to hold up under.



If you have been wondering why Ruth Fields has taken on interest in buying baby rattles, just ask her. Ruth is now a proud grandmother! "Granny" Fields' new granddaughter was named Deborah Lynn. Baby, mother and grandmother are doing fine. The Engineers are seriously thinking of moving a rocking chair in Ruth's corner so she can keep in practice while at work. . . . "Beau Brummel" Krasienko sported a pair of knit sox the other day. The "BRIGHT" ones we had warned you about. They were really slick and, believe it or not, we didn't need colored glasses! . . . The Ballast Engineering Section welcomes James Groves, Stan Antalis and Mike Nassen to the group. Stan is married BUT Jim and Mike are unattached. . . . Les Denham made the society column recently when he traveled East to be an usher at Bill Carpenter's wedding. Many of you will remember Bill as a former Engineer here. . . . If you ever miss a Zollner Piston basketball game, just come to Purchasing and A. J. Lange and G. H. Knoll will review it for you—play by play down to the last dribble! . . . While on the subject of basketball, the County Tourney was held last week at New Haven. One of the Monroeville Cubs' loyal spectators is Louise Klinker. She hasn't missed any of their games this year and says they will win the Sectional! . . . . Would you care to swing on a storm door (just like swinging on a star)? If so, see Vera Kilian for details. She and the wind were "feudin' 'n fightin' " with the door but the wind won. Vera had a free ride "with the wind and the rain in her hair." . . . Mary Brinker and Betty Spittler were the two lucky girls from the Payroll Section who attended the Sonja Henie Ice Show in Chicago recently. They went with the Elex group. Jocile Stohlman spent the week-end in Indianapolis having a wonderful time. . . .HURRY! HURRY! HURRY! WE GET TO PAY OUR STATE INCOME TAXES THIS WEEK. AREN'T WE LUCKY PEOPLE THOUGH????

Pat Parrot Is Pet Of Mrs. Patterson



Mrs. Patterson is shown above warning Butch to stay away from Pat Parrot's cage.

The cage separating the bird and cat, above, is to keep the two from playing together. For, when play gets too rough, it is usually the cat that gets the worst of it and goes running for cover.

Pat, the parrot, and Butch, the cat, are pets of Elsie Patterson, Bldg. 4-3.

Although Butch has the run of the house, it's Pat who usually rules the household. His kingdom is his cage in the kitchen, where he especially delights in demanding food from the table while dinner is being served. He usually squawks until he gets what he wants. One of his favorites is mashed potatoes, which he eats from a spoon. He also likes to drink soda pop and eat carrots.

Like all parrots, Pat likes to imitate people. His favorite time is when someone talks on the telephone; he repeats everything that is said. He also likes to sing songs, but will protest if he doesn't like what is currently being played on the radio. He put up the greatest fuss when he heard the broadcast of President Roosevelt making his declaration of war speech before Congress in 1941.

He is often a source of embarrassment to Mrs. Patterson. One afternoon as a man passed the house, Pat kept calling "hello" to him. The man saw only three women on the porch, so thought it was one of them being fresh with him. Another time, Mrs. Patterson came home late at night and was frightened by someone talking to her in the dark. At first she thought it was a burglar, but then realized that it was only Pat up to one of his tricks again.

The parrot has been a resident at the Patterson home for eight years, but his age has been estimated at over 30 years.

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Candid Camera

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Unique Telecast . . . G. E. and NBC recently arranged for famed artist Grandma Moses, 88, to view from her home in Eagle Bridge, N. Y. the largest display yet made of her paintings on exhibit in New York City. Using a radio microphone, she talked to the art critics discussing her pointings. The program was carried by NBC and telecast by WRGB in Schenectady. With her is Vernon Cooke of Station WGY, Schenectady.



Trophy Taker . . . Ruth Kern, Philadelphia Switchgear Division's only full-fledged woman engineer, admires trophy presented her by the Engineers Club of Philadelphia for completing its Effective Speaking Course with distinction. Miss Kern, a Development Engineer, is quick to point out that "a successful womon engineer must have a thick hide and a sense of humor."



Face-Lifting . . . Schenectady's General Office recently transformed one of its public dining rooms into this beautiful new "Helderberg Room" (above) complete with soft music and lights of alternate pink and white. Along the teal blue walls are comfortable maroon leather seats with facing chairs of blue or red leather. Walls are splashed with mammoth photographs taken in the Helderberg country near Schenectady. Trying out new booth at one end of dining room are, from left, Margaret Hughes, Dorothy Decatur and Muriel Spencer, all of General Office, Schenectady.





He Makes Time . . . Hand-made, all-wood clocks is hobby of Sanford A. Smith, left, a test engineer at the Bridgeport Works, showing his latest clock, "Wag-on-the-Wall" to fellow test engineers, Ted Hill, Ray Ericson, Ned Barron and Don Feigenbaum. At right, "the works" is revealed by removing wooden pegs which hold cover in place. His clock works on o series of small wooden gears, which are hand-made from wood of women's high-heeled shoes and is entirely put together with small wooden pegs.



Anthony Stalp

ONE of the most successful employee benefit plans in operation at General Electric is the Suggestion System. Since 1922, when the plan was organized on a Company-wide basis, more than $2,500,000 has been awarded to employees for their suggestions. Single suggestions have brought awards as high as $3,000.

Recently, in one week alone at the Schenectady Works, $1,270 was presented to employees whose suggestions were adopted. The largest award that week went to Anthony Stalpinski, a radial drill press operator, who received $250 for a suggestion concerning the salvage of rejected castings.

In order to show what steps Tony took to present his suggestion, and to show how the System operates, our Candid Camera photographer visited Tony at his home and at work. Incidentally, this is the third time Tony has cashed in on a suggestion and his total awards now amount to over seven hundred and fifty dollars.



1. Tony sketches the first plans for his suggestion to salvage castings at his home work bench, and is ably "assisted" by his two sons, Ronald (left) and Alan (right), dad's enthusiastic boosters.



2. Having worked out his idea on paper, Tony next tries it out on his drill press in Building 105. He believes that some extra machining will make the rejected castings usable for other purposes.



3. Satisfied that his idea will work, Tony writes out the details on the official Suggestion Plan blank provided for that purpose, and drops it in a suggestion box near his section.



4. The suggestion then goes to J. J. Huffmire, secretary of the Works Suggestion System, who studies it and informs Tony that his suggestion has been received, and is being acted upon.



5. Additional information is needed so Tony explains his suggestion to his foreman, Ernie Bay (center) and to the Division Superintendent, R. L. Aughenbauch (right), for further study.



6. The suggestion is next studied by specialists from the engineering, wage-rate, and planning sections; James Dutelle (left) V. R. White (center) and K. R. Palmatier (right); for a final report.



7. The Works Suggestion Committee weighs the full report of the suggestion and awards Tony $250, based on the calculated savings which Tony's suggestion will make possible.

ki Is One of Many Whose Ideas Pay Off



8. Informed that his idea will bring him an award of $250, Tony and his daughter, Eleanor, went Christmas shopping. We see them here being greeted by the family as they arrive home.



9. The entire family benefits from Tony's suggestion, and Mrs. Stalpinski is heartily in favor of the Suggestion Plan since she obtained a new winter coat with a share of the award money.



10. Eleanor, who is a stenographer at International G. E., and Mrs. Stalpinski wrap Christmas presents as they happily discuss the timely arrival of Tony's Suggestion Award check.



11. Meanwhile, Tony, Ronald, and Alan hold a serious mechanical consultation about Alan's new tricycle, which is another dividend resulting from Tony's suggestion award payment.



12. At dinner the family recalls a previous suggestion award of $500 which Tony received back in 1945. Some of the furnishings in their new home were purchased with that extra money.



13. As our photographer takes leave of the Stalpinski family, Tony tackles a minor repair job on the front porch of his home. His comment, "Anybody can come up with a paying idea."

Candid Camera



Brightening Their Lives . . . To enable physicolly-hondicopped ond shut-in youngsters to enjoy television, Shirley Dinsdale, ventriloquist on Station KTLA, Los Angeles, is promoting the ideo of TV Bedside Circuit which would circulate television receivers to deserving children. Shown attending a kiddies' party are Shirley, her dummy sidekick Judy Splinters, ond Art Linkletter, radio showmon, with a television set donated by the General Electric Company to get the TV Bedside Circuit idea rolling.



Million Mark . . . The millionth home radio receiver to be produced by the Electronics Department since it opened its headquarters at Electronics Pork, Syrocuse in July 1947, recently rolled off the production lines. Present for the occasion were Dr. W. R. G. Baker (left), Vice President and Generol Monager of the Electronics Department, and I. J. Kaar, Manager of the Receiver Division, viewing the radio receiver as it goes down the line.



Blind Armature Winder . . . A General Electric apprentice in 1935, Clark Brody was tops ot the bench eleven years later ot the Atlanto, Go., Service Shop, where his sight faded despite the best medical care. Friends ond fellow-workers, hospitalizotion insurance, G.E. Employees Relief and Loan Plan, ond rehabilitation corried Brody and his wife ond son through trying months. Last summer he wos offered new opportunity for his skill by Generol Electric. His leader says, "Brody's work is equol or superior to ony mon in his job classification."



Run Remedied . . . The latest thing for General Office girls is this stocking mochine just installed in one of their rest rooms as a trial venture. Doris Breymaier demonstrates how, for one dollar, she can get a pair of full-fashioned, guaronteed, Business Sheer nylons, with a choice of two colors and four sizes. Whatever revenue is made will go to the General Office recreation committees to help finance some of their activities for employees.

Division Columnist Is Shoe, Photo Fan



Helen Engle

Featured as the Division Editor of the Week is Helen Engle, who writes "Thisa and Thata, Specialty Motors, Bldg. 4-3 and 4-4." Helen has worked in FHP Motor Division 1 for 13 years as a lead placer.

Helen's main hobby is collecting miniature shoes. She now has between 150 and 200 shoes gathered from 31 states and six countries, representing Canada, Mexico, India, Germany, Japan and China. The items are made from various materials such as china, metal, tallow, wood and cardboard.

Besides collecting shoes, Helen is also interested in photography. She has cameras in both the movie and still-picture fields, and is particularly interested in color photography. She is also active in Christian Eadeavor work, having been on the state board for a number of years. She is now head of the Church Activities section of the board.

Helen has a large staff of reporters. They are Betty Birtsch, Alva Foulks, Grace Ober, Louis Barrow, Bill Dinkle, Paul Arnold, Helen White, George Crickmore, Marie Devoe and Bonnie Wolf.



"He who is determined to get on by 'Hook or Crook,' will get the first and become the second."

Barbara Wilson made the headlines this week. Barbara had been looking forward to the trip to Chicago with the Elex as much as the rest of us. But as it turned out she only rode home with us. The train pulled out at the scheduled time—8 a.m. but not with Barbara. She was still dreaming at eight and did not awaken until the train was well on its way. She took another train and arrived in Chicago just two hours later than our arrival. The rest of the party had given her up and started out without her. Imagine their surprise when they saw her in the Union Station Saturday night ready to go to the Sonja Henie Show but the tickets were given out on the train and she didn't get to sit with any of her crowd. Better luck next time, Barbara! . . . The F.B.I. (The Funloving Boys Inc.) were very busy investigating a mysterious character named Max Feilitz last week. Max bought a new camera with a lot of gadgets on it and asked a fellow worker to show him how to operate it. But the good 'ole FBI was right on the job and the chief investigator himself (name withheld) took his finger prints and is still trying to connect him with some unsolved crime. . . . Joe Haas has every reason to be proud of his little girls. He brought their pictures in and they are certainly sweet youngsters. . . . George Todd's daughter, Nancy, underwent an appendectomy last week at the St. Joseph's Hospital. She complained the first night after the operation because they wouldn't give her anything to eat. A mere operation doesn't seem to spoil her appetite. . . . The fellows are getting curious about the many trips Eddie Bienz makes to Chicago. What about your FBI getting into that too? . . . Walt Buesking had a good time ice fishing recently. He had to fish his four and a half year old boy out of the lake too. . . . J. Rippe is a newcomer to the Tool room. Don't let the fellows be too hard on you, Rippe. . . . Earl Yoquelet went hunting recently but all of a sudden he changed his mind, or should I say that a BULL changed his mind? At least he looked for another place to hunt, who wouldn't?

He that tells a lie must invent twenty more to maintain it.

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Eugene Werling

Taxes, License, Insurance are the three main topics of all pocketbooks at this time of the year. January seems to be the big month for government mainly due to tax collecting. We start the year by paying taxes in January and depletes our saved shekels so much it taxes a couple months to get ahead a little again. The next thing we know it's poll tax time again so once again we dig into the sock and keep the county treasurer happy. Now we're all set for awhile with our taxes all paid up but that doesn't last long either because here we are right back with January again. Just one happy cycle. Why don't we all just hibernate for awhile? It's a good thing it's Friday so we can for a whole weekend. Don't forget, the state taxes have to be in by Monday. . . . Bob Barnes better check and double check his tax forms to make sure he had the correct form in the correctly addressed envelope. Bob had trouble getting lunches mixed lately and has been very cautious since. Mrs. Barnes did her usual chore of making Bob's and her daughter's lunches, with one for tape worm Bob and the other for their daughter. He came to work with his lunch in hand but when it was opened he found to his dismay that it wasn't his lunch. After that experience Mrs. Barnes probably puts a tag on his lunch. . . . Lucky Teeter Owens has been doing very well driving lately, no crashes or escorts. You'd better stick to a street car, Bill, because you just can't win. . . . Bill Smith can't figure out what happened to Jesse's Sea Clamps. Don't make it so tough, Bill, all you need to ask for is C clamps. . . . (Hairless Joe) Chappel finally saw the light, or was that stars, Chap. He got too engrossed in a calendar pin-up and really fell-backwards. . . . Another week has come to pass and all the draftsmen seem to be holding their own. Friday evening Jack Kirlin's wife left the house to him and said that she didn't care what he did. So Jack invited about eight of the boys out. Ol grandad Skeeter and Joe turned out to be the euchre champs. The boys all want to thank Jean for the swell meal she fixed for them. . . . Rumors are flying around that some of the boys are going to change the style of Roby's costume. It consists of a complete zoot suit with red tie and yellow socks. I hear they have a big pair of scissors for equipment already. But Garland claims he wears it for sentimental reasons. Somebody gave it to him for a Christmas present. I just wonder what he gave them in return for it. . . . I guess Lew Davis will be teaching Roby letter writing one of these days. It seems everybody picks on poor Roby even (New Departure Co.). Lew gets his handbooks free and they request Roby pay 50c a copy.



Jan. 20 was inauguration day for our president, but for Walter Kryder, it was limburger cheese day. . . . "Lady, your token." Does that sound familiar, Eileen Steinacker? . . . Have you noticed the glasses the girls are wearing that connect and weld? They aren't hiding from the public, but just taking care of their precious glimmers. . . . Happy birthday to Pauline Gnau, Verna Bullerman and Walter Kryder. . . . Hi ya, Fern Monroe. We are certainly glad to see you back. Hope you don't have to leave us again. . . . Rose Hughes has left us for a leave of absence. . . . We don't know what kind of a vehicle Francis Eckrote travels in but it must be fast. Tuesday she was in California all day. Wednesday morning, sure enough, she was at her usual place. We expected a card, but none arrived. It must have been her vacation dreams out loud. . . . We can't decide whether it is the Ohio air or just a week-end down on the farm that changes Elvira Diller. It takes her until Wednesday to get back to normal. . . . Speaking of traveling, Iley Souder has been trying to travel down the cellar steps the fast way. Better be careful, Iley, Hap Hazard is watching you. . . . If you are out of wire, just call Herb Bender. He is our new wire boy. . . . Just mention "camera" to Max Felietz if you want him to turn a pretty cranberry pink. . . . Does anyone know why it is that Walter wears a tie when he goes down to Bldg. 17-2 but returns without one? . . . We are expecting Juanita Likens to call out a big "Mamma" after seeing all the baby food she has been eating. . . . Dorothy Johnson believes in being prepared. The night of the big blow she sat calmly holding a candle just waiting for the lights to go out. . . . Sorry to report Betty Lupton is again on our sick list.

It is not enough to rage against ugliness; beauty must take its place. It is not enough to expose the false; truth must march.

Choir To Be Featured At Elex Club Meetings



The Elex Club will hold its monthly meetings Monday, Feb. 7. The Day Girls will meet at the G-E Club gym with serving hours from 4:45 to 6 p.m. The YWCA will be the scene of the Night Girls' luncheon which begins at 12 noon.

Featured on both programs will be the Indiana University Choir, above. This choir of 40 male voices is under the leadership of George Krueger. Tickets for both meetings are $1 and reservations must be made with Elex contact girls on or before Thursday, Feb. 3.

Starting with this meeting, the Works Cafeteria will furnish the food for the Day Girls' dinner-meeting. The menu for that evening will be ham and sweet potatoes, cole slaw with oil dressing, rolls and butter patties, cherry pie a la mode, and coffee.

Those members who have been laid off can make reservations for the meeting by calling Irene Meyers' office, Bldg. 8-2, before the deadline. Tickets then can be picked up at the door before the meeting.



When a job is finished, then it is time to look back and take stock of how well that joh was done. During the 12-month period of 1948, our section repaired and returned to customers over 100,000 motors—111,705 to be exact! We point with pride to this achievement, a record never before equalled or surpassed in our section. This record was achieved only through the full cooperation of everyone in our section, and everyone can feel proud of their part in setting this record of a job well done. . . . We welcome Orval Harrod, who hails from Bldg. 17-1, to our section. The best of luck, Orval, in your new joh. . . . We wish belated, but sincere happy birthday wishes to Voyce Brumbaugh and Jeannie Conrad. Many more happy birthdays, girls.

"Woe To A New Camera"

If you want your picture taken,
Just see Margaret Parisot.
She has the finest camera
That money ever bought.
Alas, when a subject's focused
There's a click, a flash, a pop,
Rarely is she lucky though,
For the majority are a flop.
Occasionally after shooting 8 or 10,
A fairly clear print is obtained.
Straight downtown you should go;
Is our best advice to you,
To obtain a picture you can show.
"One Who Appreciates Good Pictures"

Dal Smith has been advised hy his many friends to eat food containing iron, following the examination which showed his blood to be low in iron content. Do you really think that diet of steel shavings will help you, Dal? . . . Earl "Four-Quart" Gallon joined the second shift last week. Welcome back on nights, Earl, especially from the "tonk players." . . . A Smith by the name of Ray rejoined our section last week after spending sometime at Taylor Street. Welcome back, Raymond. . . . Walt Sollberger gained another new name to add to the long list. His latest nom de plume is "Waldo." . . . It might be a good idea for Bob Mobberly to tie a string on his billfold, just in case. It can be found in the most unusual places.



Mary Louise (Hull) Heuer was in to see us this week and informed us that she was on her way to Florida. Here we are slopping around in slush and fog, some people have all of the luck. . . . We sincerely hope that Santa hrought Harold Hohman and Walter Kryder a good supply of ties for Christmas. Sure looks like their old ones were disappearing inch hy inch. . . . The old flu bug is active in our office again. He surely did work on Dick Lare, but Dick is hack at his desk again looking a little wobbly. . . . Looks like Pres Slack is again planning that dream house in the country. He comes in laden down with all kinds of hooks telling all about houses and what can be done with them. . . . Who says that we don't have honest people in the world today? Eveleen Bennett lost her pay check Friday and it came back in the mail Saturday morning, and without a request for a reward.

Three New Q-C Club Members



Jack D. Fox
Bldg. 6-2



Berniece E. Kratzsch
Bldg. 26-4



Lee T. Mohr
Bldg. 26-4



"Tell my committee when I am dead
That they need shed no tears;
For I shall be no more dead then
Than they have been for years."

We wish a speedy recovery to Betty Zieg, Employees' Store, who is hospitalized after an appendectomy. We hope that certain somebody in your life hurried back from Cuba to brighten your convalescing days, Betty. . . . Congratulations to Loyd Bodenhamer in his recently becoming father once more. Its a boy! And most of the Employment Office people will remember Norma Jean Schumm—she and Henry have their first one, a girl. We wish all of you the very best. . . . Wednesday was a big day for our supervisor, Mr. Zook, who visited Schenectady that day. Hope you had a nice trip. . . . We know Don Campbell doesn't like publicity, but this one seems too good. His picture appeared in a Pasadena, Calif., paper recently, acclaiming him as one of the students from Northwestern University. The picture was with a group of others depicting scenes from the university campus and was used during the week of the Rose Bowl game. . . . Evanell needed two alarm clocks last Friday, hecause she simply ignored the time till she heard someone laying on their automobile horn. It was her driver who picks her up for work every day. That should teach you, Evanell, for a week or so anyway. . . . We'll admit it was pretty chilly the other day, Doris, hut we thought it was a little too much when you gathered up the cot cover along with your coat and took it into the office with you. . . . We were happy along with Charles Bilskie in his recently having won a share in the Dinner Winner program. It sounds (from the description of all the things they got to eat) like they'll be eating six or seven meals a day in order to use it all. . . . Till next time, this word to the wise: "The fellow who thinks himself a wit is usually half right."

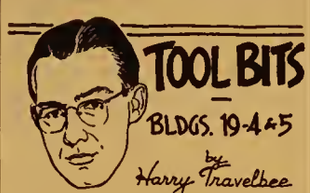
It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Aubrey

The men in the Division are really on their toes these days since Mr. Dennison has made his new ruling. For anyone late to the meetings called in Ralph's office it will cost them 25 cents and if they are a special friend (like Kenny Sheehan) they may he charged 50 cents. At a meeting last week $2.50 was collected. At that rate you boys can have a big feed before too many weeks. . . . Div. 17 is pretty well represented at Purdue Extension, Prof. Everett Smith is teaching algebra, and Schoolboy Gene Foster is getting a little advanced learning. Gene says it's very embarrassing when those kids just out of high school can show up an old man like him. . . . We lost two of our gang last week. Basil Squires left for Div. 15 and Roy Jahnke is now in Div. 13. . . . We are happy to hear that Vera Schweier's father is improved after his stay in the hospital. . . . Charlie Gahle, Ben Fleek and Gordon Smith are very much afraid their ice fishing is over for this year. If it doesn't freeze up pretty soon, they are going to trade their ice fishing equipment in for a good cane pole and a big straw hat for next summer. . . . That's all for now and we will see you next week.





Nothing like having an interesting hobby to keep you busy in your sparetime and that is what Del Stickler has in the printing equipment. Del says that it is fun. If you want to order, see Boh Goers for further information. . . . Have you noticed the classy pipe that Stewart Bohrer has been sporting? One good glance at that pipe would seem to indicate that Stewart might have been indulging in a few too many Sherlock Holmes stories. . . . Did you notice the new apron that John Neukam broke in last Monday morning. Naturally, we thought it was the very latest 1949 style, so we asked him how much it cost and he named a price 30 cents under today's prices. He confessed that he had bought it before the war. . . . Cliff Dunten says his pet peeve is to be awakened too suddenly out of a sound sleep. Can't blame you, Cliff, most people hate to be awakened anytime. . . . We all wish Charlie Kloepper good luck, hut never good-bye for we're expecting many visits from you Charlie, even though you have retired. . . . The boys all have highest respect for Carl Einsiedel since he was recently selected elder in his church. . . . Jack Roesoner seems to have a very good radio personality as witnessed last week over "Hey Mr. Motorist" on WOWO. At first, he was scared he had violated a traffic law when the policeman hauled him to the curh where the broadcast was held. Jack said he felt better when he found out it was only a radio broadcast and was willing to talk about anything including the weather. . . . Carl Ahlersmeyer's wife is evidently very thrifty, especially where Carl's spending is concerned. He came into work one morning last week with hoth pants pockets sewed shut completely. That is one way to guarantee economy. . . . The county tournament is over and our Monroeville fans of Bldgs. 19-4 and 5 are sure enjoying themselves. These include such notables as Russell Jones and Agnes Ditlinger who think the Cubs can coast to the State title. . . . Joe Mettler has cancelled all his tickets to Zollner basketball games since they hlew a 14 point lead and lost hy one point. . . . Our fearless foursome Swede Moser, Joe Mettler, Mart Walsh and Glen Ramsey are planning a trip to the wilds of Canada this spring for some good trout fishing. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jim Mattes are the proud parents of a baby boy horn last Monday morning. Congratulations from the boys at the shop. . . . Waldo Reed is in favor of more parking space in the parking lots around G-E. Seems that he just hacked into a fellow worker's fender. . . . As for the office, things have been running pretty much according to — since the two Mary Ann's (Jones and VanRyan this is) and Elaine Allen departed. Incidentally, we miss you girls. . . . Sure glad your little girl is better, Harmon Westrick, and hope that you keep her out of the hospital now. . . . If you think you're seeing someone else in Edith Gordon's place, you're mistaken. Yes, Edith had her hair shingled, and we like it, Cliff—that's her hushand. . . . Connie, if you're going to take Mary Ann's job, you've gotta whistle—just can't stand that quietness.

It would he nice if we could trade in heads of oak for hearts of the same stuff.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, January 31, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—One buff wool glove in C-E Club.

FOUND—One earring with brilliant sets. Found in C-E Club.

FOR SALE

ELECTRIC BROODER HOOD—10 hole metal nest. H-77615 after 4 p.m.

SILVER FOX COAT—Size 12-14, excellent condition. $50. H-35552 between 4 and 6 p.m.

HORTON ELECTRIC IRONER — Table model. New at Christmas. H-0743.

16 FT. HOUSE TRAILER — $350. A-26665.

PHILCO RADIO—Eight tubes, floor model. H-19221.

G-E CONSOLE RADIO—And Minneapolis-Honeywell furnace regulator. H-26341.

PINBALL MACHINE — A-1 Condition. $15. 2215 Curdes Ave.

DOBERMAN PINSCHER — Obedient, 8 mo. old, dogbouse. A-79665 after 7 p.m.

GIRL'S SHOE ICE SKATES—Size 3. H-76943.

FOR RENT

PARKING SPACE—At 1434 Broadway. E-40203.

WANTED

TWO-BURNER GAS HOTPLATE — H-79386.

USED MIXER—Tank sweeper with attachments. A-75442.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Ralph E. Jacobs, from Liberty Center, Highway 303. Works in Bldg. 19-1, from 8-5, Extension 2334.

P's and Q's of 17-1

by Joe Kramer



The more you say the less people remember, the fewer the words the greater the profit. . . . Miriam Valentine was so excited and so pleased when her sister came to visit, that she didn't want her to return home. Miriam came to work, the excitement being so much for her, she locked the apartment door locking her sister inside. After a few hurried telephone calls, the landlady unlocked the apartment. Was Miriam's face red. . . . Red Braden and Novis Hopkins wonder how a bench man like Jack Lewis could get the seat of his trousers so dirty. Must be someone sets cans of grease on the chairs. . . . An evening meeting of the N.H.P.C. was held at Robert Dent's last Friday. The party was given by Wally McKay, Dick Evans and Howard Reinking. Those attending who had an enjoyable evening were Carl Reiter, Robert Dent, Frank (four-of-a-kind) Quinn, Joe Kramer and Norb Meyer. It certainly is surprising what control some people have over games of chance. Lucky Quinn. . . . The not so new but radiantly beaming face in the tool section of the Planning Section belongs to Bob Taylor. Bob returned to Bldg. 17-1 from Kokomo, and at the last report, all Bob says is, "It just feels like coming home from a long visit." Welcome back, Bob. . . . It is surprising what can happen at 4 a.m. and all of those claims some of these furniture manufacturers make for their products, they should be ashamed of themselves. This complaint will be verbally attested to by Vie Hall. It seems that the slats used in making beds just aren't as long as they should be. If you have been having trouble keeping your bed together, see Vic Hall. He will give you definite instructions as to the care and maintenance of this article. . . . We bid welcome to Clarence Hatfield who is the new methods planner in the office, coming to us from Div. 13, Taylor St. . . . Helene (Dancing Girl) Evanoff wants it known that the burn on her forehead was caused by permanent wave solution and not a floor burn. . . . Tavie Popa will gladly share her Necco wafers with anyone providing they don't take any of the chocolate flavored ones. . . . **If you saw a fire you would immediately turn in a fire alarm. So why not when you see waste occurring in the factory sound the waste alarm, tell your foreman. HELP REDUCE WASTE.**

Thisa and Thata

SPECIALTY MOTOR

By Helen Engle

Bonnie Birely says that her husband is really a good cook. We can believe that because he has had more experience than Bonnie. . . . George Luedeman is looking forward to a great tomato crop this season. He has a pair of non-skid shoes and I guess he plans on picking everything from Waynedale to Decatur. . . . They say Louis Sauer is going home by the way of Broadway to Berry to College to Jones St. Maybe it's closer that way or maybe he just does it for the exercise. . . . Say, did you girls see the nice looking fellow's picture that Betty LeMasters had up here last week? They were pictures of her young son. He sure is cute. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Freda Farley on the death of her nephew and to Joan Braun's son-in-law whose brother, Robert Weaver, was killed in a plane crash. . . . We welcome the night girls on days. . . . Olive Adams visited with her daughter, Mrs. Max Decker in Murry over the week-end. . . . Edna Hauser had a plastic party Friday night with Carol Estes as demonstrator. Bessie Fitch, Bessie Franee, her daughter and Iva Mullins were some who were present. . . . Ray Soest is getting 100 baby chicks this Friday. So now we know where to go for a chicken dinner. . . . Lester Hubbartt says he doesn't like the icy sidewalks. Watch your step and then they won't come up to meet you on the way down. . . . Will some one please help Fred Clark. this new car deal sure has him down? . . . There has been some changes recently in our group, namely—Ruth Hine has been helping out in Bldg. 17-1. Hurry back, Ruth. Junc Rencman has been transferred to Taylor St. on nights and Esther Madden to the Truestand. . . . Al Brauer has retired. Good health and good luck from the gang. . . . Alice Claymiller had a trying time one morning last week. Speaking from experience she thinks dogs should be left out of doors. . . . Betty Kummer really had an experience one day. She was riding three in the front seat of a car when they rounded a corner and out she flew. . . . Did you ever hear of anyone warming their ice-cream? That is what we saw Jim Harnish doing the other day. He said that it was too cold. . . . Phyllis Herms and Jaunita Shoppell left last week to become full-time housewives. Good luck to you both and let us know if it is a boy or a girl. . . . Our sympathy to Betty Kulesza whose young son Jimmy died. Just saying you have our sympathy I know will not take the place of Jimmy but we did want you to know that we are thinking of you and may God give you strength to carry on.

Sleuthing

IN BLDG. 46

by TEDDY NEDS



The Production Section reminds us of a six-year-old child who lost his two front teeth since J. J. Welch's group moved to Taylor St. over the week-end. We hope you like it out there and remember Bldg. 4-6. . . . The Purchasing Section bids farewell to Evelyn Harges who has been transferred to Production Div. 17, Taylor St., and also to John Leininger, who transferred to Bldg. 18. . . . The familiar face of R. E. Brake can now be seen in the Purchasing Section. Bob has been in Kokomo for several years. . . . K. H. French of the A. C. Section, was in such a hurry one day last week that the time clock stopped for him. Incidentally, it failed to run the rest of the noon hour. . . . The answer to the rejected look on Ralph Mesing's face is that he still isn't in Uncle Sam's Army. . . . Al Ulmer has recently completed the "12th page" of his log regarding the coin experiment and he now has $1.65. Someday we will all celebrate if the sum continues to grow. . . . Have you heard of the "Indestructible telephone"? C. J. Herman has recently proved there is no such thing. The day after he won the plaeard for the "Long-Winded Champ," he dropped his telephone and it fell apart. These engineers—they're always trying experiments and proving or disproving theories. . . . Col. Julian Stark was the second member elected to the "1949" Floor-Sitters Club. Fory Carlson, a veteran member of 1948, was present for the initiation and did a very good job of timing. . . . John Reuille is probably one of the scotch tape manufacturer's best customers since his baby daughter, Rosie, has learned to cut paper. Just the other day, he was seen taping his telephone bill together because Rosie picked up the scissors and the telephone bill at the same time. . . . That big smile of Jane Winebrenner's is all Theron Cusenberry's fault. She came to work last Friday morning with a beautiful diamond on her left hand. Best wishes to both of you! . . . We hear that Adolph Strasser has a "Dr. Jeykll and Mr. Hyde" personality. He is now known as "Why Don'tcha" or "Coming and Going."

John Laymon, Sr. isn't here to protect himself we won't say much about him except that he is home this week enjoying his vacation. . . . Gerald Crum has been running a pretty high temperature ever since he saw the new Chevrolet last Saturday. The "new car fever" has really got him going now. . . . We understand that Robert Mcnewisch is being recommended for some sort of medal for having a perfect attendance record for the last few weeks. . . . Riding home from work in crowded buses doesn't agree with Fred Wellensilk so now he just calls a taxi after work. . . . Gerald Schaefer has declared an open season on all shear operators for piling their scrap too close to his machine. . . . Bill Gepfert was awfully disappointed the other Saturday when his hams didn't come out already precooked after feeding his hogs coal.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

If any of you fellows are having trouble finding a place to get a shave around Fort Wayne, don't worry about it any longer. We have a barber in the crowd, namely Arlo Amick. This we know because we saw him giving himself a shave the other morning before the whistle blew. . . . We wonder where Ed Byers got that loud shirt he was sporting around here last week. . . . Ralph Milligan celebrated his (he didn't say which) birthday last week by giving all the fellows in his section a big red apple. Almost forgot to mention it but the office girls were included in this birthday party. . . . While we are talking about birthdays we would also like to say that homemade peanut brittle will be O.K. for a treat the next time Eddie Daucher has a birthday. . . . Since

Inquiring Reporter

WOULD YOU BE IN FAVOR OF DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME THE YEAR AROUND?

DOYLE D. MILLER

Bldg. 26-1



"I think Daylight Saving Time is all right for the summer months. But, why lose that hour of good sleep in the morning during the winter months?"

HELEN MEADOR

Bldg. 4-6



"Yes, I believe Daylight Saving Time the year around would solve many problems and eliminate the semi-annual confusion and arguments which the change-over invariably causes. It has been proven to work out satisfactorily in the past on a year around basis and the change-over would put us in the same time zone with most of our neighboring states."

ALICE ALLEN

Bldg. 31-2



"I would be in favor of Daylight Saving Time the year around as most people work in the cities and this change would add one hour of daylight to the time they have for their personal outdoor work and recreation."

PHILIPP VORHOLZER

Bldg. 10-1



"Yes, I am very much in favor of Daylight Saving Time the year around, because I do not care for the changing from Daylight Saving Time to Standard Time. It is quite difficult for me to adjust myself to the hours to get up."

SYLVIA M. BAUGHMAN

Taylor St.



"No, if the entire state were to adopt it so there would not be so much confusion, then I would say, 'yes.' As for taking trips in the summer, the different kinds of time are very confusing to the traveling public, and to have the same time all over the state would be more convenient."

It Touches The Heart....



. . . . WHEN WE THINK OF SAFETY AS IT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED. It was this heart-warming, emotional approach to safety that prompted Bob Mobberly, WORKS NEWS Reporter, Bldg. 4-4, to place the following poem (author unknown) in his column, "Floor Lore From 4-4."

Somebody's Little Boy

Somebody's boy was crossing the street,
Innocent, young and fair,
He hadn't the judgment of other folks,
He didn't see the danger there.
Somebody's boy had a song on his lips,
But it died in an instant away.
For a motorist ran the little boy down,
And he died at the close of day.
Somebody kneels by an empty bed,
And fondles a little shoe.
Somebody looks through the empty years.
Suppose this somebody were you!
Will you not watch for the little boys,
Drivers in cities and towns?
Really, it's one of the greatest crimes
To run a little boy down.

Mrs. Jess H. Romine, in the above picture with her husband, who is an employee in Bldg. 17-4, was so moved by this poem that she promptly forwarded this poem to the News-Sentinel "Private Opinions" editor. She had a good reason, because Tommy Lee, the happy youngster in the above picture, is her son. The editor again was motivated by this same force to select this as a worthwhile article for further circulation among the reading public.

WE MUST TAKE SAFETY HOME WITH US. IN 1948, SEVEN G-E EMPLOYEES OF THE FORT WAYNE WORKS LOST THEIR LIVES IN *OFF-THE-JOB ACCIDENTS*, WHILE THREE IN THE ENTIRE COMPANY LOST THEIR LIVES *ON THE JOB*.

Here are some statistics which indicate we Fort Wayne Works employees are having fewer accidents off the job than the average citizen.

NATIONAL AVERAGE — 70 out of 100,000 population
FORT WAYNE WORKS— 7 out of 12,000 population
OR—58.3 out of 100,000 population

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Motor-Generator Static

Thought for the week: "In writing, or speaking, give to every person his due title, according to his degree and the custom of the place."

Many persons ask why do we have so much about so few people? It is because so few people send in news items. Which reminds us of the small town editor who when his collections were slow coming in stated, "You can't run a newspaper on hot air and cold potatoes. People come and go but nobody tells us." . . . Just talked to Cliff Milnor about the mystery melody. He didn't have it as of Jan. 24, so we don't feel so bad. He expects to have it by today or Sunday. Watch "Lines and Angles." . . . S. A. Palmer, formerly of Suggestions, visited Bldg. 31-1, Monday, Jan. 24. Glad to have seen you again, Si. . . . Did your house shake on the evening of Jan. 15? Did your private seismograph register mild tremors in the downtown Fort Wayne? If so, don't be excited, Mother Nature was not up to any tricks. The earth shocks developed in the Junior Hall at Harrison and Berry St., where Joe Neal was square dancing. . . . "Big John", president of Ed Foley's American Greeks attended a Greek New Year celebration which started New Year's Eve and continued through Sunday. John proved to be a mandolin virtuoso and performed during the celebration. Time and effort exacted their toll. When the party broke up only one string was left on the instrument. . . . Dick Hobson came to work last week with a dandy shiner. The explanation was that Junior Hobson had socked him in the eye. Perhaps, because we know Dick, we doubted this story. The writer tried putting himself in Junior's place and on analyzing his reactions, decided we would have given the old man not one, but two shiners for monopolizing our new electric train the way he has. This analysis proved to us that the story did not ring true so we investigated to find the truth. Dick went out to the garage to drool over his new Buick, stepped on a hoe lying on the floor, the handle flipped up, hitting him in the eye. . . . Roscoe Markley of Bldg. 19-1 is a very modest and retiring man who keeps his light so well hidden under a bushel that few people appreciate his versatility. In addition to being a hog fancier and dirt farmer, Mr. Markley is also a hog caller of renown. He referees basketball games and entertains between halves by tossing eight out of 10 shots from the center of the floor through the basket without touching the rim. (Pistons, please note). He is an expert square dancer and teaches this art. He is also a carpenter of no mean ability, a leading light of Roanoke and member of that city's Lions Club. . . . Not to be outdone by Brosius, Foley and Hobson, who bought toys for their Christmas, Bob Tieman of Bldg. 19-3 purchased a mechanical train. He donned his overalls and engineer's cap and unpacked the railroad preparatory to setting up his transportation system. When the unpacking was completed he had an engine and coal car but was short a piece of track, so now Mr. Tieman has given up railroading and just sits back and dreams.

They Got The Limit



Frank Hall, a boring mill operator in Bldg. 27, and Al Hutchisson, an assembler in Bldg. 19-1, are very proud of their hunting ability. On the last day of the season, Al and Frank took no chances of not getting their limit. They each took along two guns. When one got hot they switched to the other gun until it cooled.

Ramblings 31-2

"Drafts" from the Drafting Room—We have in this world cigarette, bromo-seltzer, and dope fiends. However, in a class by themselves are the fresh-air fiends. Some people think it is a joke to open the windows a dozen times a day. . . . There are only two "HE-MEN" left in the drafting room. R. A. VanHorn, who chews cigar clippings to keep his hair from turning gray, is one. The other fellow is Walt Coolman, an ex-Golden Glove champion. . . . Dwight Meyers laughingly drove over to the curb on Washington St. He wanted to let a wrong-way driver past. After pulling over, he discovered that it was he who was going the wrong way. . . . For what the best dressed man is wearing today, see Dick "Beau Brummel" Hickman. When it comes to good looking clothes, he gives Charlie Thompson some competition. . . . Curley Mannan is off the wagon. He drinks four glasses of water before rising in the morning, three after rising, three or four cups of coffee for breakfast, and a few glasses of water before leaving for work. He says water is a hair grower. We think that he thinks he is a battleship trying to launch himself.



All of us in the Sample Shop say "so long" to John Hunnicutt who is leaving. It's been nice knowing you, John, and come back and see us sometime. . . . We wonder how Jean Fry can think of all those nice pet names that she calls Harry Rollins. That's all right with us, Jean, as sometimes he deserves them. Rollins is also known as "Crooney boy." P.S. He couldn't sing a note last year. . . . We hear that our boss Mr. Hobbs was in the money last Friday as far as he knows in the City Bowling League, here's wishing you luck, Glenn.

Some folks may dislike lipstick, but it usually makes a good impression.



So you don't like the "pint" sized columns. Sorry, folks, but seems like nothin' happens 'round here no more. However, now that Cliff Clauser is working days, we'll expect big things from Taylor St. . . . Monday we bid farewell to Jap Davis. Hope you enjoy many pleasant hours on your farm, Jap, but don't forget your old friends. Drop in and see us once in awhile. Bob Hatfield will be taking over Jap's duties. . . . The ice fishing crew and spectators in Bldg. 20-2 slipped into boots, heavy underwear and what have you Friday night for a chilly trip to Barbee Lake. Yep, some 22 made the trip to see the boys do their stuff only to find no ice. So the gang holed up in the cottage for a very enjoyable evening. That is, for some who did not have a lot of explaining to do when they got home. The gang had a wonderful ham lunch when they arrived. The reason for having ham instead of a roast pig was that "Tez" Trump's sick pig took a turn for the better. Don Brayer had Andy Frank very much confused, and over an innocent little portable radio. Andy came up with a few jokes—the boys are still trying to figure them out. Jim Leeper was in the dog house for tearing down the fortifications the boys had put up to keep out the cold. In general, the gang had a swell time and all thank Wiley Shockney and the guys who helped do the work and also for the swell feed. . . . It is with pride that we again mention Dorcas MacKay in our column. This time as being the first local musician ever to appear in a solo role with the Philharmonic orchestra. Miss MacKay (that's Charlie's daughter) will be guest soloist at the "pop" concert tomorrow night at the Quimby Auditorium. . . . Bill Gregg had the whole floor in a dither one day last week when he actually started cleaning off the top of his desk. The moths flew—a little unfinished business from 1945 made its appearance, some old prints and many other odds and ends were discovered in the heap. Anyway the glare of a shiny topped deck was too much for Bill at the time of this writing you can bet your bottom dollar it's right back in the same condition it was a week ago. . . . Bad luck follows Rollin Eagleson who works in the Power Plant. He upset a bench and mashed his toe and later he stumbled over the family's pet cat and fell down the basement steps. He is living to tell about it. . . . Our best wishes go to Joe Banks for a quick recovery. . . . Dick Kastings is leaving us today. Good luck on your new assignment, Dick.

Reserve Officers Hear Talk By Robert Hanna

Robert C. Hanna, Assistant Manager of the FHP Motor Divisions, Apparatus Department, was the speaker Wednesday night at the regular monthly meeting of the Anthony Wayne Chapter of the Reserve Officers Association.



Teams 3 and 5 of the Apparatus League are tied for first place in the league, each with three wins and no defeats.

C. Redding started slow with a 102 count, but ended the evening with his season's high of 246. Other 200 scores were rolled by O. Anderson, 200 and 204; Willie Bushong, 212, and Hal Spath, 211.

The boys were fighting the pins all evening, evidently they don't like to shoot at new wood. "Sore Thumb" Blomker shot a measley 470 count; but to his dismay, he took over first place in the individual averages. Who did he pass? P. S. Vic Rump. Wonder what will happen this week.

Masonic League

Gavels and Plumbs tied for first with a record of five and one.

Two hundred scores were rolled by Gidley, 225; Meyer, 215; May, 212; Sap Quinn, 207; Martz, 205; E. Bailey, 205; Ed Crabill, 204; Gilchrist, 202, and Schaberg, 202.

We wonder who won all the pot games on the Composite team? You should know better than to gamble by this time, Harold Garrett.

Office League

Those amazing Alternators are still out in front with nine straight victories.

Two hundred scores were rolled by Paul Perry, 224; Vic Rump, 212; Les Shroyer, 212; Wes Goss, 205; Miller, 204; Harry Goheen, 202; Ralph Kaeck, 202; and Johnnie Johnson, 201.

Paul Perry missed that 600 count by just one pin. It seems to be a habit for him. Maury Cox filled in for Shockney Monday evening and came up with a 227 and 201 count.

Small Motor League

Production is leading the pack with a 5-1 record.

Ray Matthews splintered the wood for a 601 total on games of 210, 201, and 190.

Two hundred scores were piled up by Ken Highland, 224; Hubartt, 218; Orval Doherty, 212; Walt Lamboley, 208; "Sore Thumb" Blomker, 204, and Frank Gitter, 200.

Interdivision League

Brouwers Tire and Battery team, commonly known as the Screwballs, are on top with a 6-0 record.

Russ Rose was the only one to crack 600 Wednesday. Russ had games of 169, 220 and 247 for a 636 total. Keghead missed that 600 by one pin.

Two hundred scores were rolled by Noah Kuntz, 214 and 200; Frank Kopp, 209 and 202; Les Shroyer, 217 and 201; Herb Habig, 214; Erv France, 211; Paul Walker, 206; Carl Stout, 205; Don Dimke, 204; Bill Stute, 203, and Wayne Weimer, 202.

Transformer League

E-I is out in front with 16 wins and 8 losses. Two hundred games were rolled by Lord, 203; Hoopingarner and Lenz, 204; Downie, 206; Hazelett, 214; Rowe, 220; Beery, 237, and Feaser, 246.

Ladies Monday Night League

Vivian Fleckenstein rolled 166, 160 and 175 for a 501 series. Other high games were kegled by Edna Koester, 202; Nellie Wendt, 187; Evelyn Mattes, 170; and Emma Vaughn, 176 and 178.

Decatur G-E Bowling

Teeple Truck Line with a total of 3030 captured the team event in the Annual City Tournament being held at the G-E Club alleys. The winning team is composed of McIntosh, H. Murphy, G. Laurent (G-E Employees) and G. Schultz and E. Faulkner. With one more week-end to go, G-E bowlers stand a good chance to finish high in the other events. Bob Lord is presently in second in the singles with .675. Johnnie Berry's 672 is holding third place. Chuck Cook-H. Strickler are in fourth place in doubles while Bob Lord-Babcock are in fifth place. George Laurent holds top spot in the All-events with 1774, followed by Bob Lord in second with 1771.

In the G-E Fraternal League, high games were rolled by J. Murphy, 202; Miller, 207; Faulkner, 205 and 212; Laurent, 216; H. Murphy, 211; M. Brown, 212; Zelt, 203; and Baumgartner, 201.

G-E Monday Night League bowlers rolled the following high games: Cook, 208; Schultz, 237; Gage, 209; Shoaf, 206; Andrews, 213; H. Murphy, 235; and Strickler, 246.

Much interest is being shown by the second shift bowlers in the newly organized Owl League. This league is composed of four teams, with bowling on Friday nights following the end of the second shift work. We haven't heard the results of the first session, but as soon as the boys get the kinks out, you can expect some high class results.

The Murphys continued to dominate first place in the mixed doubles by overpowering the helpless Basharas, 3 to 0. Bakers (Gutter-Ball Jay, that is) again bowled consistently and lost all three to Hiltys. Laurents subdued the Nelsons, 3 to 0 (Peggy is now rolling over 100 and carrying most of the load). Gary and Helen Schultz, newcomers to the league, served notice that they are going to be tough by edging Appelman-Faurote, 2 to 1.

Jay Baker is getting peeved because he never gets his name listed among the high scores, so to appease him and some others we hereby diverge from regular procedure and list the low scores: (Hold your temper, Jay).

Mamie Bashara (90-98-98), Fred Bashara 82, J. Baker 122, Marge Baker 137, Peggy Laurent 97, Jack Nelson 120.

Bowling and Stuff

This week-end will end the team event in the City Tournament. The Ionie team dropped baek one slot further last week. They are now in fourth place.

FLASH! Ed Crabill of the Masonic League shot 277 to take over high single game of the year. W. Goss's 276 was the previous high.

Golden Gloves Tourney Is At Halfway Mark

The second session of the Golden Gloves Tournament last night at North Side high school narrowed the field striving for the eight championships and the right to compete in the Tournament of Champions at the Chicago Stadium on Feb. 21, 22 and 23.

The local tournament is being sponsored by the G-E Club and the Journal-Gazette.

There is certain to be at least six new champions, since only Bob Thomas, lightweight, and Odell Billingsley, light heavyweight, are back. Jim Calland, welterweight champion the last two years, weighed in as a middleweight.

Training will continue next week at the G-E Club on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Tournament tickets are available at the Main Auto Supply Company for the next two nights, Feb. 3 and 10. The box office will be open Monday night until 8 o'clock.

G-E Rod, Gun Loses Match To City Club

The G-E Rod and Gun Club lost to the Fort Wayne Rifle Club in a match held at the Armory, Monday night, Jan. 24, by 1119-1096.

Fort Wayne Rifle Club

	Prone	Sit.	Stand.	Total
L. Roussel	99	94	91	284
L. Feldes	100	99	85	284
R. Stevens	99	90	89	278
V. O. Miller	98	88	87	273
			Total	1119

G-E Rod, Gun Club

	Prone	Sit.	Stand.	Total
L. Bland	97	97	84	278
R. Wickliff	99	96	83	278
O. Emrick	100	94	79	273
K. Hart	97	92	78	267
			Total	1096



The G-E Club basketball team lost to Inca last Tuesday in a league game by the score of 33-19. The score was 11-11 at the half, then the Club fell apart both on offense and defense.

On Thursday, Jan. 20, the Club was a victim of injuries, other appointments, and out-of-town visits. They played the First Evangelical church team and had to use the manager in order to have five men to start. As the game progressed some of the fellows were able to arrive late and made a fair game, being defeated by the score of 48-55.

On Saturday, Jan. 22, the Club played Indiana Tech J.V.'s at Concordia College and beat the J.V.'s, 58-35. All the boys played good ball in this game and looked as if they may be on the winning trail again.

The next games are: Tuesday, Feb. 1, at Central at 7.:30 p.m. in a league game against A.C.W.A. and Thursday, Feb. 3, at 8 p.m. at the Club against Wayne Pump.

Main Office Captures Volleyball League's Title For First-Half

The Main Office team won the first-half in the Interdivision Volleyball League play, which ended Friday, Jan. 21.

The Apprentice Machinists won from General Tool in games of 15-7, 15-3 and 15-4. In the Small Motor and Winter St. Game, the scores were Small Motor, 15, 1 and 12; Winter St., 7, 15 and 15. The Apprentice Drafsmen lost to the Squares 4-15; 14-16, and 6-15. The Main Office defeated Taylor St., 15-6, 15-5, and 15-5.

Standings

	WON	LOST
Main Office	21	0
Squares	18	3
Winter St.	12	9
Taylor St.	9	12
Appr. Machinists	9	12
Small Motor	8	13
Appr. Draftsmen	6	15
General Tool	1	20

Dick Buckley To Broadcast Games For G-E

Dick Buckley will announce the General Electric-sponsored basketball games over the week-end. Tonight will be another city series game between South Side and North Side, while tomorrow night North Side will meet the Adams team. Both games will be aired over Station WANE.



Mary Hartwig is wondering if Pat Moran and Sally Bryan are testing her willpower or really think she has an honest face, as they have both left their billfolds at her place recently. . . . Birthday congratulations are in order for Phyllis Borkenstein and thanks for the treat. . . . We take this opportunity to welcome Maude Harden back to the Green Room. . . . The finishing section welcomes Bonnie Hefner, Wilma Morgan, Mary Murphy, Ethel Lockett and Lois Weeks. . . . Bill Rectanus was seen trying out the new aisle for the 100-yard dash the other day. . . . Virginia Reed offered her picture for Mike Dunscombe's picture. We wonder which one was the most glamorous. . . . Dean Lockwood planned an ice fishing trip last Saturday and then was informed he had to attend a meeting. The trip was cancelled, but the boys didn't let him forget about his trip. They asked him all during the meeting how the fish were biting. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. James Baker on the birth of a son. . . . Anyone wishing to learn the rumba can take lessons from Pat Moran. . . . Tom Hildebrand is back from his vacation. While in Florida, the Trumans invited him to the inauguration. . . . Jackie Boxberger won't bite anyone anymore. She had four teeth pulled this week. . . . Wonder where Lois Debolt got the burr she was wearing on the back of her coat. . . . We haven't heard any complaints from Millie (as well as can be expected) Kouder lately. . . . It seems like Helen Eger gets all her exercise opening the windows and shutting off the heat.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



1948 SUGGESTION CHAMPS



Harold **GICK**
TAYLOR ST. - DIV. 13
$300



T.G. **HUTSELL**
TAYLOR ST. - WIRE and INSULATION
$285



Arnold **BERNING**
BLDG. 17-1
$235



Wm. B. **CROZIER**
BLDG. 20-2
$230



Harold **FRAZIER**
BLDG. 2-2 $225



Max **FEILITZ**
BLDG. 17-2
$190



Gladys **BALLIET**
TAYLOR ST. - DIV. 17
$1,000



Emit **OWENS**
TAYLOR ST.
$135

Ferrol **HILL**
BLDG. 22
$135



Loyal **HILSMIER**
TAYLOR ST. DIV. 17
$200



Howard **SHIPMAN**
BLDG. 26-2
$150



Jessie **ELDER** TAYLOR ST. - DIV. 17
$965



Emily **NIERMAN**
BLDG. 4-3
$125



Jack **BOYCE**
TAYLOR ST. DIV. 17
$130



Richard **EVANS**
BLDG. 17-1
$120



John **DRIVER**
TAYLOR ST. - DIV. 13
$175

Lowell **FERGUSON** KOKOMO $320
Chas. **HOLLINGSWORTH** KOKOMO $315
Walter **KRETZMAN** KOKOMO $105

Josephine **IVETICH** DECATUR $100
Martha **REINKING** $150

Charles **SHERLAND** and Albert **TIMME** TAYLOR ST. - DIV. 13 $240 (JOINT AWARD)

Kenneth **GUISINGER** BLDG. 4-2 $110

Wayne **COLVIN** BLDG. 26-4 $100

Ray **EPPERSON** BLDG. 17-1 $100









Four Here Receive Coffin Awards

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Schild, Hodges, Skinner, Marsh Are Honored Today



C. A. Schild

Charles A. Schild, Foreman in the Engineering Development Section of the FHP Motor Divisions, received the Coffin Award today from M. E. Lord, Manager of the FHP Motor Divisions.

Mr. Schild won the award for his multitude of outstanding accomplishments extending over a great many years in the operation of the Developmental Shop in the FHP Motor Divisions. His citation read:

"For his consistent interest, enterprise and cooperative effort in the design and manufacture of fractional horsepower motor

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R. D. Hodges



W. G. Skinner

Ralph Dudley Hodges and Willard Guy Skinner were presented Coffin Awards today by C. H. Matson, Works Manager.

Mr. Hodges is an engineer in the Chemical Section of the Works Lab, Bldg. 28. Mr. Skinner is an engineer in the Wire and Insulation Division at Taylor St.

These awards were presented because of the outstanding development work carried on by Mr. Hodges and Mr. Skinner which has resulted in a means of recovering 95% of the cresylic acid and 27% of the naphtha from wire coating machines where it has been used. The annual reduction in cost, resulting from the use of this process, is currently $300,000. Of great but intangible value is the elimination of cresylic acid in the atmosphere from the vicinity of G-E wire plants.

The citation for both awards is as follows:

"In recognition of outstanding application of technical knowledge to design and development work, which made possible substantial economies and improved method in the manufacture of Formex coated wire."

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M. O. Marsh

Myrle O. Marsh, Division Engineer in the Specialty Transformer Engineering Division, was presented the Coffin Award today by W. C. Wiehman, Manager of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions.

This award was made because of the outstanding improvement in the Company's commercial position and resulting increase in G-E prestige in the field of specialty transformers, brought about through the unusual design ability of Mr. Marsh. By the exercise of ingenuity, resourcefulness, and perse-

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55 G-E Men Cited For Outstanding Accomplishments

Company's Highest Honor Bestowed In Ceremonies At Plants Across Nation

General Electric's highest and most coveted recognition of employees, the Charles A. Coffin Award, was achieved in 1948 by 55 employees for accomplishments far beyond the "normal expectations" of their duties. Four from Fort Wayne were recipients: C. A. Schild, R. D. Hodges, W. G. Skinner, and M. O. Marsh.

Identities of the award recipients were revealed today by President Charles E. Wilson as ceremonies honoring the employees at 15 locations across the continent, gave tribute to those whose "signal contributions" won for them the special honors.

More employees attained the treasured recognition than in any year since the awards were established in 1923.

Presented at 11 A.M.

In shops, laboratories, and offices at 11 o'clock this morning from Coast to Coast, families, friends, fellow workers, and supervisors applauded as the award winners stepped forward to receive from Company officials the citations signed by Mr. Wilson.

Each award winner was presented with a certificate bearing the description of the accomplishment that warranted the award. With the official citation there is paid an honorarium and, representative of the citation is a gold lapel button.

Nearly $20,000 in honorariums was distributed to the award winners, raising the total to almost $225,000 paid to 834 persons granted Coffin Awards in the 26 years they have been established in honor of General Electric's first president.

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U. S. Industry Faces Biggest Task; C. E. Wilson States In Washington

A vigorous defense of the free enterprise system and of reasonable and equitable profits which he termed the "life and vitality" of America was made by Charles E. Wilson, president of the General Electric Company, when he appeared recently in Washington before the Joint Committee on the President's Economic Report.

"Next to manpower and the spirit of the people, the greatest asset of any country is the strength and productive power of its industry and agriculture," he told the committee. "Profit, whether plowed back or paid out in dividends and reinvested, is the food on which American industry has grown to an unchallenged position of leadership and usefulness in the world's economy.

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Partizan Chapter To Attend Station WOWO Broadcast

The Partizan Chapter of Elex will hold its monthly meeting at 1 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 15, at the Leisure Electric Home, 122 W. Wayne St. Those wishing to take part in the Jane Weston program over Station WOWO must arrive by 12:30 p.m.

Squares Club Plans Three Social Events

A bridge tournament, valentine dance, and barbershop quartet contest have been scheduled by the G-E Squares Club for the coming two weeks.

Tonight the Squares' bridge tournament winds up. Those who participated in the first half of the event will return for the finals tonight at the Squares hall.

A St. Valentine's Day dance, featuring the orchestra of Hod Kreigh, will be held Friday, Feb. 11, from 9:30 to 12:30 p.m. in the Squares hall. Members and guests are invited. An added feature of the program will be a Chinese auction. R. C. Hanna and R. B. Hors-

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Booklet On Safety Issued Next Week

C. A. Biedenweg Is Guest Speaker At Safety Committee Meeting Wednesday

A safety booklet titled, "The People, Why and How of Our Fort Wayne Works Safety Organization," was reviewed Wednesday at the February meeting of the General Safety Committee.

The booklet will be given to all foremen, supervisors and safety committeemen next week. It contains the names of 683 employees who will serve on the 35 divisional and special safety committees at the Fort Wayne Works. The booklet also features general information and statistics concerning the local safety record and plans for 1949.

Clarence A. Biedenweg, director of physical education, health and

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G-E Police Chief Recommends Safer Driving At Parking Lot

G-E Chief of Police, A. R. Vegalues, recommended today that employees drive safer while parking their cars in the West lot at the Taylor St. plant. He has received numerous complaints from employees concerning those who have been driving recklessly while entering and leaving the lot.

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Coffin Awards Are Presented For Creative Accomplishments

Today—amid the swarm of a busy 200,000 workers in G-E shops and laboratories and offices across the nation—55 individuals stand out prominently—55 who have distinguished themselves by earning the highest honor the Company can confer—the Coffin Awards.

Accomplishment—creative accomplishment, achieved by the well-known formula of hard thinking, hard work, determination and perseverance—gained for these men deserved recognition for deeds far beyond anything that could be expected of them by their company.

Conferring of the Coffin Awards upon employees for "signal contributions to the progress of the Company" is in keeping with a highly cherished quality of American life—recognition of individual merit and achievement—that ability and accomplishment in America can and does attain rightful acknowledgment.

It is this spirit of American life that pervades General Electric and with that spirit America and General Electric have grown. The Company attained leadership in the electrical industry by reason of the exceptional capabilities of its several leaders and first among them is G-E's founder and first president, in whose honor the Awards conferred today were established a quarter century ago—Charles A. Coffin.

Behind the vanguard of its leaders a great many men have contributed something to the Company's development. For those who make greater contributions there are reserved by the Company greater rewards, and at the top of the stack of greater rewards stand the Coffin Awards.

It is reassuring that accomplishment is forever present and at this moment in G-E shops, laboratories and offices—in the American and General Electric tradition—other employees are on the way to accomplishments that will merit the applause of their fellow workers just as those honored today are applauded.

Profits Are Only Source For Industrial Development

The question of industrial profits is again in the headlines, due in large part to the varied testimony given to congressional committees which are looking into this matter. President C. E. Wilson's appearance recently in Washington before the Joint Committee on the President's Economic Report was a highlight of one of these sessions.

Those who consider only the total figures can very easily reason that industrial profits are excessive and unreasonable. On the other hand, it is an obvious fact, recently stressed here by Dr. Neil Carothers, one of the nation's noted economists, that the dollar buys only a fraction of what it bought in prewar days, and that the cost of building and improving industrial facilities adequate for our needs makes large earning necessary in the public interest.

It is true that General Electric's net income in dollars is about twice what it was in 1940, because today's volume of business is much bigger than it was pre-war. But profits after taxes are currently running at only seven cents in each sales dollar, as compared to 12.4 cents in 1940. To obtain even this return, G-E sales volume has had to increase to three and a quarter times that of 1940, and the total permanent capital investment in the business has been more than doubled.

In short, those big profits we read about aren't all "velvet" by any means. They represent the only source of money for industrial development which provides more and better jobs, which helps maintain the living standards of the people, and which guarantees that the United States shall hold her place as the strongest economic power in the world.

What is true of our company is generally true throughout the industrial structure. The old idea that high industrial profits are the fruit of exploitation of the country, was never more wrong than at present. The larger part of them, to the contrary, are used to make the country stronger, and to benefit everyone in it.

In Your Hands



HUGH CRANE discusses Changes In Our Economic System

NEW YORK—By all the old-fashioned signs and portents, this country ought to be headed right now for an old-fashioned, heart-rending depression. Like 1932, or 1921, or 1907—or, for that matter, like 1890, 1884, or 1873.

Business Still Booming

But it isn't. It isn't working out as it used to. Industry is still spending billions on expansion. There are still 60,000,000 people working. The steel industry expects to run at capacity all year. I went to the automobile show this week and Detroit expects to make (and sell) 6,000,000 cars this year for a new high record (in fact the automobile people expect that the less steel other people use the more cars they will build).

If you ask most people they will say that our economic system today is fundamentally the same as it was a generation ago. "It's a capitalist system now," they will figure, and it was a capitalist system then. So it must be still the same system, with perhaps a few frills and some larger government controls." They feel that if you don't have a revolution you don't have a fundamental change.

Something New Added

But the proof of the pudding is in the eating. Our system doesn't work the way it used to. It works better. Something has been added.

The economists didn't add it. In fact they can't seem to understand it. Wall street economists think the system is just suffering a temporary derangement and will ultimately pay the price. Radical economists think it's still much the same bad old system. Russian economists wait for it to have an old-fashioned smash as it used to every 10 or 20 years.

Here are three fundamental changes.

One. In the old days the first rule about the national budget was that it must be balanced. Today that rule has been scratched out, and the first rule is that it must be used in such a way that the nation's manpower be used to capacity, that there be no depression, and that so long as the nation has the capacity for it, the standard of living shall keep on rising and no one shall want.

Step by Step Progress

It took a lot of steps for us to get to this point. In the 1921 depression the budget was kept balanced and Congress took no responsibility for unemployment. President Hoover urged such responsibility. President Roosevelt carried on the idea. The war required it. The Full Employment Act of 1946 expressed it. The "cold war" continued it. And the majority of voters have ratified it, again and again.

Two. In the old days it was considered good business and good morals to put your prices as high as you could, or to "charge what the traffic would bear"—and to pay as little as you could. Today that principle has slowly changed, particularly in large industry, to the principle of "fair prices." You can see the difference in the gray markets. The steel industry sells steel for about $80 a ton; for a while last year the same steel was selling in the gray market for $250-$300. Or you can see it in the recent premiums for "new-used" cars over list price.

And it took a lot of steps for the country to get to this point also. Railroad and utility rates have been regulated for forty years. Industrial prices were first held down during World War One. After that war, however they were marked up to "the market"—and fell accordingly. But raw material and manufactured prices began to get political attention during the 1930's. Then World War Two put them under a lid again. And since the war, big industries have come to act on prices almost like regulated utility companies.

Three. There is no credit shortage. Despite the postwar boom, interest rates have stayed down at levels that used to prevail only during hard times. The banks no longer have to call in loans because they're short of cash.

These are fundamental changes. Remember the old saying, "Comes the Revolution?" Well, to a large extent the "revolution" has already arrived. More on this next week. There are causes behind these causes for the new "dynamic stability" of modern capitalism.





The Grim Reaper has struck again, taking from our midst one who, by his kind deeds and friendly words, has endeared himself to all who knew him. It has been my good fortune to have known him many years, both in the shop and out. Having spent some years as fellow officers of the Moose Lodge 200 and as fellow chairman in the M.B.A. Al, as he was known to his friends, was four square. When he thought he was right, he felt it a loyal duty to stand by those convictions, a trait that made him stand out among his fellow workers and friends. Along these lines he was never vindictive, but rather forgiving. He was always ready with a helping hand when help was needed. So with these few words, in my humble way, I wish to pay our respect to our friend, Alois Schonheinz, who died suddenly last Friday morning after seemingly well on his way to recovery from an operation. . . . We have a newcomer in the group—Howard Shay, our helper. . . . Now that Ground-Hog Day is past we can sit back and see how the weather prophets made out on their predictions. . . . Richard Nix is on a search for a croquet file. Anyone who can help Dick in this search please do so. . . . George Lambroff became so hungry last week he started chewing his tongue. After several bites he decided the hunger pangs were not so bad after all. . . . The winter fishermen are again getting their tackles out as the ice on the lakes again thickens, but at this writing no good catches are reported.

Four Here

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The awards mark "signal contributions by employees of the General Electric Company toward the increase of its efficiency or progress in the electrical art." All employees have an equal opportunity to achieve the award; a workman in the shops or a clerical employee receives the same consideration as an engineer doing important design or application engineering. The achievements of workmen are compared with those of other workmen; engineers with those of other engineers.

Four Previous Recipients

Four of this year's recipients have the distinction of having won the award in previous years for other outstanding deeds. One of the four, Alfred Duglin of the punching, tool and die punch press section, Apparatus Department, Schenectady, has achieved Coffin Awards for each of three accomplishments, in 1938 and 1941 and again last year. Duglin is 49 years old and a G-E veteran of 34 years' service.

Another of the four was cited twice before, in 1942 and again three years later. He is Richard Lamborn, section engineer of the electrical design and development propositions sections, Erie Works. He is 45 years old and has 26 years' service.

Another award winner this year, previously cited in 1940, is Ira W. Lichtenfels, proposition and requisition engineer, urban transit equipment at Erie.

The fourth of the group of previous Coffin Award recipients is Harold E. Trekell, assistant designing engineer of the meter engineering division at West Lynn, who won his previous award in 1936. Trekell collaborated with a group of five men in the development of the basic design of a new single phase watthour meter. All are receiving Coffin Awards.

Schild Retires Today

Youngest of today's winners is 29-year-old John M. West, who has been two years with the Nucleonics Department at the Hanford Works, Richland, Wash. Eldest winner is 64-year-old Charles A. Schild, 38 years' service, foreman of the engineering development section, fractional horsepower motor division, here at Fort Wayne. He is leaving today to retire on the Company's Pension Plan.

Among the rarer accomplishments meriting a Coffin Award is that of Harry A. Kramer, power plant operations analyst for the Nucleonics Department at Hanford. His accomplishment was the organization of a system of meteorological stations to receive information on the probable crest of the flood of the Columbia River, which prevented loss of life and property.

Brothers Get Joint Awards

Two brothers, Clifford and George Benander, were the recipients of joint awards at Monowatt, Inc., Providence, a G-E affiliated company.

The names and locations of the 55 Coffin Award recipients for the year follow:

Aitchison, T. C., Apparatus Dept., Pittsfield.

Almassy, G. W., Apparatus Dept., Los Angeles Office.

Bakke, H. A., Apparatus Dept., West Lynn.

Benander, C. N., Monowatt, Inc.

Benander, G. B., Monowatt, Inc.

Betz, J. F., Apparatus Service Shop, Chicago.

Bonesteel, L., Apparatus Dept., Fitchburg.

Brightman, J. B., A & M Dept., Erie.

Bullis, J. M., A & M Dept., Erie.

Clapp, Dr. C. W., General Engineering & Consulting Lab., Schenectady.

Crowley, G. C., A & M Dept., Bridgeport.

Dalton, E. C., Apparatus Dept., Erie.

DeMichael, D. J., General Engineering & Consulting Lab., Schenectady.

Duglin, A., Apparatus Dept., Schenectady.

Fischer, L. J., Apparatus Dept., Lynn River.

Flynn, E. J., Works Lab., Schenectady.

Foster, R. F., Electronics Dept., Syracuse.

Gabrielson, S., Apparatus Dept., West Lynn.

Goodrich, S. W., Apparatus Dept., Pittsfield.

Gray, W. F. M., Apparatus Dept., Pittsfield.

Hansen, A., Jr., Apparatus Dept., West Lynn.

Harris, R. T., Apparatus Dept., Erie.

Hobday, H. W., Apparatus Dept., Schenectady.

Hodges, R. D., Apparatus Dept., Fort Wayne.

Hoyt, G. A., General Engineering & Consulting Lab., Schenectady.

Jacobs, S., Apparatus Dept., Fitchburg.

Kizaur, A. J., G-E X-Ray Corp.

Kramer, H. A., Nucleonics Dept., Hanford Works, Richland, Wash.

Kreitl, C., Apparatus Dept., Schenectady.

Lamborn, R., Apparatus Dept., Erie.

Lehman, E. H., Electronics Dept., Schenectady.

Lichtenfels, I. W., Apparatus Dept., Erie.

Marks, C. E., Jr., Apparatus Dept., Pittsfield.

Marsh, M. O., Apparatus Dept., Fort Wayne.

Meckley, W. O., Apparatus Dept., Lynn River Works.

Mendelsohn, L. I., Apparatus Dept., West Lynn.

Miner, E. F., Jr., Apparatus Dept., Pittsfield.

Nonken, G. C., Apparatus Dept., Pittsfield.

Pfuntner, R. A., Apparatus Dept., West Lynn.

Pohl, R. V., General Engineering & Consulting Lab., Schenectady.

Robertson, A. D., A & M Dept., Bridgeport.

Schild, C. A., Apparatus Dept., Fort Wayne.

Seeley, H. T., Apparatus Dept., Philadelphia.

Skinner, W. G., Apparatus Dept., Fort Wayne.

Solberg, W. O., Apparatus Dept., Pittsfield.

Stanley, M. F., Apparatus Dept., Pittsfield.

Tinsman, H. E., A & M Dept., Erie.

Travis, E. H., General Engineering & Consulting Lab., Schenectady.

Trekell, H. E., Apparatus Dept., West Lynn.

VanBennekom, C. F., Apparatus Dept., West Lynn.

Vogt, P. O., Apparatus Dept., Schenectady.

West, J. W., Nucleonics Dept., Hanford Works, Richland, Wash.

White, L. D., Apparatus Dept., Schenectady.

Wright, J. H., Apparatus Dept., West Lynn.

Young, G. W., Works Laboratory, Schenectady.

Credit Union Elects Officers



The G-E Credit Union election of officers was held Monday night in the G-E Club lounge. The new officers and members of the office staff are shown above.

In the front row, left to right, are: Lee Cupp, treasurer; Carl Nix, vice president; Glenn Stapelton, president; Vern Gratts, director; Elmer Abbott, director, and Willard Smith, director.

In the back row, left to right, are: Edward Kronmiller, director; Lewis Barrow, secretary of the supervisory committee; Naoma Hippensteel, assistant treasurer; Charles Spice, chairman of the supervisory committee; Dorothy Dreyer, office clerk; Roy Berdelman, chairman of the credit committee; Florence Bennett, office clerk; Clifford Baker, credit committee; Agnes Hohman, Winter St. representative and Loyal Decker, director.

Absent when this picture was taken: David Slater, director; George Fields, Loretta Bloom and Evelyn Blakley, credit committee; Elmer Harshman, supervisory committee, and Ora Ferrey, office clerk.

(Editor's note: The following is a copy of the telegram which was read during the presentation ceremonies)

Will you convey my congratulations to the Coffin Award recipients you are honoring today.

Because the Coffin Award is not easily achieved, it is an honor of significant importance. Excellent performance on the job alone does not merit the Award, commendable as that performance may be. There are thousands upon thousands of General Electric employees who would qualify on that basis.

Only signal contributions to the work of the Company, which surpass in great measure the accomplishments expected of the employee, are recognized by the conferring of a Coffin Award.

May the initiative, enterprise, and perseverance which has won for them this high honor carry them forward to other and even greater accomplishments.

President

Honored Today

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C. A. Schild

samples."

Mr. Schild works in Bldg. 17-4 and has served the Company for 38 years. He started as a toolmaker at G-E on April 19, 1910. Named an assistant foreman in the FHP Developmental Shop on Jan. 31, 1921, Mr. Schild became a foreman there on Jan. 6, 1927.

Photography and fishing are Mr. Schild's major hobbies. He resides at 1207 Elmwood Ave.

Mr. Schild has three daughters and three grandchildren.

R. D. Hodges

Mr. Hodges graduated from the Virginia Polytechnical Institute in 1927. He was employed by the U. S. Gypsum Co. before he came here on Dec. 31, 1929. He started as a chemist in the Works Lab, Bldg. 28.

Mr. Hodges left the Company to enter the Army Air Forces on Dec. 6, 1940. He was a lieutenant colonel and saw overseas duty in Hawaii.

When he returned to G-E on March 25, 1946, Mr. Hodges was given the responsibility of setting up chemical sections at all the branch plant laboratories.

Mr. Hodges is married and has one child. He resides at 4827 Montrose Ave.

W. G. Skinner

Willard G. Skinner attended Ball State Teachers College in 1936. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering from Indiana Technical College in 1938.

Mr. Skinner started as a chemical engineer in the Works Laboratory nearly seven years ago. He was transferred to the Wire and Insulation Division on Feb. 5, 1944. On June 10, 1947, he was transferred to the Taylor St. plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Skinner have two children and reside at 829 McKinnie Ave.

M. O. Marsh

verance, often under extreme competitive pressure, he has brought out units possessing superior electrical characteristics, pleasing appearance, and at costs which have allowed the General Electric Company to obtain business heretofore not obtainable.

The citation states:

"In recognition of the resourcefulness and perseverance reflected in the design of specialty transformers, which have enhanced our commercial and design leadership in this field."

Mr. Marsh graduated from Purdue University in 1928 with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering. Shortly thereafter he entered test at the Fort Wayne Works.

He was transferred to the Specialty Transformer Engineering Division in November, 1928, and was assigned to the design of large air-cooled transformers. In 1938 he was appointed Section Engineer of the High Voltage Section, which position he held until September, 1947, when he was made Section Engineer in the Radio and High Voltage Section in the Specialty Transformer Engineering Division.

He is married and resides at 1407 Taylor St. He has two sons.

Safety Booklet

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safety for the Fort Wayne public schools, was guest speaker at the meeting. He is a 1926 graduate of the Apprentice School here.

Mr. Biedenweg outlined the safety program for schools as it dealt with student and teacher participation, accident investigation and reporting, safety education, and training of specific subjects.

Short talks on current accident experiences were given during the meeting by Kenneth Zurbach, Warren Sheets, W. K. Holloway, and D. E. Waldrop.

Ed Cade and Veda Orff, nurse, presented talks on modern methods of first aid.

U. S. Industry

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"With the population increasing faster than at any previous time in its history, and with that population demanding both a higher standard of living, and greater security, we think American industry has its biggest job ahead. We know General Electric has. Profits sufficient not only to keep its facilities up to date in an expanding economy, but also to underwrite that security and to help to provide that standard of living, must be our goal in the public interest as well as our own.

"Industry does not ask that these profits be guaranteed. It will earn them, if given a fair chance. And the free play of competition, plus the long-range interests of the producer, as he seeks the consumer market, will assure that the profits which are earned are not excessive and are equitably divided among the appropriate groups."

Other quotes by Mr. Wilson included:

"The sharing of the benefits of progress—the benefits of increased efficiency, labor-saving machinery, scientific discoveries, and increased production—is fundamental to any approach to the problem of the adequacy of prices and profits. For those benefits are claimed—and rightly—by several groups; the customers, in lower prices; the workers, in shorter hours and higher wages, the owners, who have invested the risk-capital, in increased income. None of these groups can be denied."

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"It is in the interest of our company and of every company, to seek to pass on to the customer as many as possible of the savings resulting from increased efficiency and output, from the economies of mass production and standardization, in order thus to increase the demand, enlarge the sales, create new jobs, and again reduce the costs of production. Certainly it is this passing on of benefits to consumers in lower prices which must be the only healthy answer to the problem of halting inflation without involving considerable unemployment."

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"The objective of passing on to the consumer his proper share of the benefits of progress through price reductions has—particularly since the war—been greatly impeded by the erroneous belief of some that all such gains belong to employees to the exclusion of consumer and owner alike. It should be apparent that to give to labor all the gains of technological improvement would eliminate the incentive for future risk-taking on the part of capital; it would deprive the consumer of lower prices and increasing purchasing power—with the inevitable result of ultimately discouraging further technological improvements and prolonging the inflationary cycle."

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"Constant raises in wages and salaries, to the extent they are not balanced by a comparable increase in output per manhour, can only result in higher prices. It follows that unless prices are to keep on climbing, higher wages can be paid only out of the increased productivity of labor. And to achieve that there must be greater capital investment per worker. So it is that in the long run labor can gain only as American industry itself continues to prosper and expand."

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"It is, of course, fundamental to the whole subject of profits that the investment of so-called risk-capital must be accompanied by at least a reasonable expectation of a return. The common stockholder is in reality the key man in the corporate undertaking. Industry operates on capital supplied by risk-taking investors—including the employee, the butcher, the baker, the teacher, and the cop on the corner. Of the 250,000 shareholders in our own company, no one holder owns as much as 2% of our stock. It has been estimated that there are 12 million corporate stockholders in America today. It is this typical American, it must be remembered, who is the owner of the business. Any consideration of the problem of profit must recognize the fact that unless investment by the stockholder is encouraged, the interests of the entire national economy will suffer."

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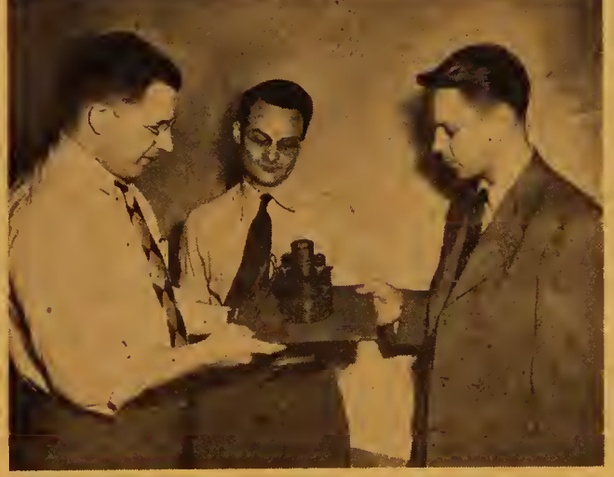
"It is our serious conviction that the present margins (of profit) are lower than they should be to provide the necessary cushion to protect us against any sudden drop in the market and to assure us of the opportunity to continue with our endeavor to show progress in the field of industrial achievement."

Brinker Given Gift At Retirement



When Ed Brinker, FHP Motor Div. 1, left to retire, after 35 years service, his friends in the division gathered to give him a farewell gift. In the above picture, which was taken at the presentation, are left to right, Florian Korte, Mr. Brinker, O. J. Mettler, Div. 1 Supt., and Ed Robin.

Draftsman Builds Model Generator In Spare Time



Norman Jueschke, Bldg. 31-2, is showing the model generator, above, to Richard Hanson and Lester Schowe, the draftsman and engineer who designed the generator.

Norman Jueschke, draftsman in the Motor and Generator Division, built a model alternating current generator during his spare time at home. The vertical generator, measures approximately six inches high and four inches in diameter. It was made according to scale, 1/16 the size of the big ones built in the factory. Norman spent at least 30 hours on the model, which is an exact duplicate even down to the G-E monogram. The blue-gray generator is mounted on a red piece of textolite board. The biggest part of the model is made of wood, but the stairway up to the exciter is of metal. It has pipes for the cooling system, conduit box, bearing thermometer, oil sight gage, and all the other parts.



Did you see the "Light Sorcery" show? The loss is yours if you did not. Did you, as G-E employees, ever stop to realize just how many very nice things the Company does for your entertainment and education, in addition to your pay check? . . . The much dreaded "zero" has hit us and we have lived through it. I am sure the writers who insist that snow is beautiful do not leave their warm quarters until spring. By the way, did you check your anti-freeze in time? . . . Marion Champion, the messenger girl in Bldg. 18-4, surely must find a spot pretty soon. First she is here, then there, but always punctual with her work. Her home is in Angola, where she visited over the week-end. We are glad she did not get lost in a snow drift. . . . Carol Waterman, a former Bldg. 18-5 employee, who was home from college over the week-end, visited us and displayed a very pretty new engagement ring. . . . The data Bureau is now located in Bldg. 18-4. . . . Anyone wanting to visit the Credit Union, please contact Ginny Bradtmiller, Bldg. 18-5. She will be sure to get you into the wrong house. . . . J. Leininger is back in Bldg. 18-4 with C. R. McLaughlin. Incidently, both Mr. and Mrs. Leininger are employed in Bldg. 18. . . . Mary Slater, Bldg. 18-4, is recovering from a mild eye infection. . . . Mary Alice Herber, Bldg. 18-4, is a lover of good books. Ask her the latest book, movie or review and she has the information. Welcome to Pat Beebe, who transferred to Bldg. 18-5 from Winter Street. . . . Annabell Redding, Bldg. 18-4, attended the performance of Allan Jones Sunday evening. Her only regret was that he didn't sing "Begin the Beguine," her favorite song. . . . Barbara Meyer enjoyed the CYO sleigh and skating party, Tuesday evening. . . . Jeanne Grant, Bldg. 18-4, has been rather sleepy these days. Everyone said she should have more sleep. Her alibi is that she and her husband have been attending church. . . . Dorothy Ehernman has been transferred from Bldg. 18-5 to Bldg. 18-4 Data Bureau.

Paging Mr. White

Bldg. 18-4 has three Mr. Whites. Doyal, Ray and Fred, but they don't have any Jones, Browns or Smiths. Incidentally, when writing to a Mr. White better give an initial. . . . Curled up in the photograph section, Bldg. 18-5, beside Bob Hawkins' boots was a little mouse—quite dead. Comment: Ever hear of a mouse dying with his boots on—well, he tried! . . . Who said there were green leaves on the rose bushes? After this week there won't be any!

Squares Club

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man are co-chairmen of the arrangements. Tickets are $1.50 per couple.

The Squares' annual Barbershop Quartet contest will be held Wednesday night, Feb. 16, when groups will again vie for the Howard Miller trophy.

Sleuthing IN BLDG. 4-6

By Joan Poos

Aching muscles seem to be a disease these days. Ray Jones took a beautiful tumble down his front terrace the other morning when "pulling a Dagwood" to join his rider colleagues. Having started down the steps, he turned to wave to his son, David. Oh, what a mistake! It seems that he ended in a heap at the bottom of the wet bank, necessitating a change of clothes and a lonely ride to work in his own car. Can't you just see the gleeful look on Babe Dave's face. He didn't know that Daddy was such a clown! . . . "If at first you don't succeed try, try again," seemed to be the motto of a group of our test engineers plus Messrs. Clarkson, Johnson and Sims, who were trying "En Masse" to locate Frank Olney's septic tank, Sunday, by the "Hunt and Dig" method. Success resulted at last, after five attempts. Small volcano craters in the Olney front yard tell the tale, but they were rewarded for their efforts with apple pie among other morsels of delight to soothe their "achin' backs" and shrunken tummies. . . . Fred Suhr seemed to 'ave 'ad a bad day, Monday, as he caught his umpteenth cold of the winter and while eagerly cleaning his pipe, dropped it making a neat cut and severing it into two pieces —bowl and stem. A thoughtful bystander suggested that some of C. J. Herman's nylon sleeving would make a unique stem, but for some unknown reason it doesn't seem to be useful for anything except artificial spaghetti these days. . . . Gilbert Baker tried an experiment last week. First, he sat down in a lonely puddle of ink, and then shortly afterward in a large puddle of water. How about it, Gilbert, was it washable ink, or not? . . . A hearty welcome for Walter R. Seigmiller, new test engineer in the A.C. Division. . . . C. B. Smith, Production, is sporting a new secretary these lays. Name, Helen Meador. Other info—she's from Kokomo. . . . Several people seem to be "cookin'" these days. For instance, there is Wilma Kirby, who had to go home to practice her talents and also Jack Graff who, we hear, is a "Sharpie" on the pancake detail. . . . We are all familiar with "The Sweetest Music This Side of Heaven," but when the subject is pipes, that's different. However, if any of you pipe smokers are bothered with a soggy heel or get up with a dark brown taste in your mouth, it will be worth your time to see Norm Oetting. Norm claims that he has the perfect remedy for sweetening pipes, just boil them in water over night, and if it's a severe case, add a pinch of Duz. Duz does everything. . . . Anyone wishing to hire an experienced painter should contact Ella Cox, Tabulating Section. All work guaranteed to give satisfaction. Or, if you wish to buy or sell any antiques, contact Reba Coppock or Dorothy Bolins. A big deal was made last week. . . . There isn't quite the same thrill to be had from being reinstated in a very popular club as the original initiation, but the Floor Sitters Club welcomes back John Chijko. John's only comment was that he missed the chair and about that time gravity set in. . . . And the only comment your blabbermouthed correspondent has at this time is—"Nuf Said."

Lloyd Keller Retires On Pension



Lloyd Keller, who retired Feb. 1, received a going away present from his friends and co-workers in Bldg. 19-1. Shown in the picture, left to right, are Tom Hayes, George Fields, Lester Patton, Chalmer Steele, Frank Rathert, H. L. Stevenson, Joe Taylor (in background), William Hanke, Mr. Keller, Russell Genth, Ed Lebrecht, Louis Koop, Joseph Dahman and Glenn Billman.

Behind The Cracker Barrel In General Stores

By Marie Kettering

Seven come eleven! The other day the great Fraternity of Bone Rollers suffered a terrific shock which fairly froze them in their tracks. The place—a downtown hotel. The time—two hours flat. The winner and new champion—none other than the great "Count" Albert Von Behrens. . . . Noland Meyers must really have had a bad time one Saturday night. Things are really rough when the next morning you see the holes where night-crawlers had been instead of seeing pink elephants. . . . For a few moments of enjoyable reading, see the Grinding Room Bulletin Board. A series of "Out Our Way" cartoons, clipped from past issues of the WORKS NEWS, have been posted which ably (?) portrays various members of our crew. For example, there's "Bull of the Pen" Karl Soest, "Dignity of the Office" Lloyd Platt, and many others. For more enjoyment, drop over and see Harry Golden's drawings. Where—in the Grinding Room, of course. Note—the best ones are inside the cabinet door. . . . Birthday Greetings to Byron Simmons and Traverse Chandler. . . . Rosie Smead says goodbye today to her many friends in this section. These friends wish her the best of luck and hope she will take time to drop around and see us now and again. . . . Your reporter reminds you that if we are going to keep this column up she must have some news. It's all done in the spirit of friendship, you know.

Elex Club To Hear Men's Concert Choir

The Men's Concert Choir from Indiana University School of Music, under the baton of George Krueger, will present programs for the Elex Club's regular monthly meetings, Monday, Feb. 7. The first concert will be held for the night girls at the Y.W.C.A., with the luncheon beginning at 12 noon. The day girls will hear the choir at the G-E Club gym following the dinner hour. Serving hours will be from 4:45 until 6 p.m.

Foremen's Association Re-elects Lindeman

The Foremen's Association re-elected Everett Lindeman, Bldg. 4-3, its president at a meeting Wednesday evening in Kreis Stoltzenau hall.

Others elected were Joe Wyss, Taylor St., vice president; Leon Bond, Bldg. 26-3, secretary; Fred Pyle, Bldg. 4-1, treasurer; Ewald Steinsmuehlen, Taylor St., director, and Edward Hesher, director from the Decatur plant.

Dr. Ralph D. Lee, of General Motors Corp., was the main speaker of the evening.

Two Receive Patents



M. W. Sims

M. Wilson Sims, Designing Engineer of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Engineering Divison, has been granted a patent covering a Selsyn control system for radar antenna. It was granted jointly to Mr. Patterson of Schenectady. This is the third patent granted to Mr. Sims.



E. J. Zelt

A patent relating to a mechanical arrangement for holding a terminal board to the end of a fluorescent lamp ballast case has been granted to E. J. Zelt, Design Engineer in the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Engineering Divisions. This is Mr. Zelt's thirteenth patent.



The Big WIND

DIVISION 17 TAYLOR STREET

by Dorothy Heinzelmann

We are sorry, dear readers, that our column is so short, but we only have one reporter bringing in news lately, and seems that yours truly just can't find the time to go out and round up any. That is the reason for the briefness, so if any of you have any news, just drop it off and we will try to put it in your column. . . . Tommy Williams is getting very disgusted lately as her Tuesday night bowling scores are the ones that count in the bowling pool in her section. These scores just aren't too good lately, but on Friday night when the scores don't count, you should see how she bowls them over. Seems like you are a little mixed up on your night there, Tommy, and here's hoping your luck changes pretty soon for you. . . . We welcome Lulu Vore, and hope she will like it here. . . . Sure wish that Rose Liby would learn how to walk out of work at night without falling down, and especially falling in a puddle. Did you have any trouble explaining the scratches when you got home, Rose? . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur (Bud) Gerardot on the arrival of a 9 lb. baby girl last Thursday. . . . It seems that Jerry McKown was about the only one willing to risk going out in the cold weather last week-end, as he is our only reported out-of-towner. Jerry went to visit his father-in-law in Antwerp. . . . How about some news from our second shift people, Mildred? I know that some you turned in the last couple times didn't make the column, but it was due to yours truly being absent from work, and the gal who pinch hits for me didn't know where it was. We miss your news as it was interesting and we do like to tell on our second trick now and then.



OUT OF THE BLUE in 26-2 office

by Delores Patterson

They have been doing quite a bit of changing in Bldg. 26. Dick Rump, formerly of Bldg. 26-3, is welcomed to Production Div. of Bldg. 26-2. We are also happy to welcome Betty Carter and Bob Burns, who have also come from Bldg. 26-3. Betty and Bob are now in the Cost Div. of Bldg. 26-2. . . . Has anyone noticed Jim Locker's new look? He has curly hair now! I wonder if he's tried the new capsule curl set! . . . Somebody should tell Phyllis Fisher that a clock has two hands. She seems to think the minute hand is the only one that counts. Don't we wish that were true! . . . Pat Lauer, Div. 93, ran into a parked car one day all because Vivian O'Neill, Bldg. 26-2, was describing the delicious steak she was going to have when Pat came over for dinner. . . . Bob Thomas, Service Bureau, has been on our sick list for a week and a half. We are sorry to hear this, Bob, and hope you'll be back soon.



Thirty-nine years ago, Charlie Schild began his employment here at G-E. This week he will join the retirement group of employees. To many of us who have many years until we retire, Charlie is a lucky fellow. We can imagine all the benefits of not having to get up and go to work, but sleep in late; or when the fish calendar looks good, to go fishing; or when the icy blasts of winter whip about us, to go to Miami; but Charlie probably doesn't agree, at least he is non-committal on his future plans. Many of his friends surprised him with a party at Squares hall last night. Among the gifts he received, the most prized possession, is a model desk complete with swivel chair, Charlie, cigar and all. To appreciate the gift one has to have known him, for the life-like miniature is a compliment of the skills of the men whom Charlie directed. Of all the words that might be written here, none can quite express the thoughts as well as this gift. On Wednesday the girls surprised Charlie with a potluck dinner. As guest of honor he received all the extra large portions of all the good things to eat. He also received a giant ash tray with cigar to fit, a bright new tie, the latest in fishing equipment, complete with fish and all the best wishes of our gang. We wish to say to you, Charlie, "May your new experiences be as pleasant as those you have had here in these many years. Good luck and best of everything." . . . Anyone trying to get on the streetcar—don't depend on Jean Forst to get you there! She'll zig-zag you across the street five or six times first. Then there you are with your coat tail caught in the door, just lucky you even got on. . . . Lucille Welch and Ruth Baker are learning a few new punches these past few weeks. You've guessed it, they're ardent Golden Glove fans. Maybe we'd better stay out of their reach for awhile. . . . Glad to hear Edna Ward is recovering nicely and hope she's back soon. . . . Margie Kramer, we'll change our card game to crocheting lessons if you come back to work. . . . The wind removed a part of Ida's farm recently and she has been worried ever since. . . . It just doesn't pay to mention basketball around Joe Quillan since those Monroeville Cubs were rated fourth in the state. Until the Sectionals roll around it's "Put up or shut up, Buster." . . . Now that the new Chevy "bucket of bolts" is on the market it is hard to get the minds of the two Bills (Geist and Johnloz), and Paul Schlie onto any other subject. . . . We all hope that by the time this goes to press Cliff Imbody will be back with us. Of all things, he had chicken pox. . . . All conversation of a technical nature is going from the ridiculous to the sublime. The latest query is "How long is a short circuit? . . . Don Kruse finally experienced one of life's most embarrassing moments After ribbing Ray Solga for so long about a hair cut it finally dawned on Don that he needed one. So one night he went to a neighborhood barber shop. Upon arriving he discovered the barber had a boy about five years old in the chair, so he took his coat off grabbed a magazine and sat down to await his turn. Soon the barber turned the chair around and the boy saw Don. He gasped, pointed at Don and exclaimed in a loud astonished voice, "Gee whiz, what are you doing here? You don't need a hair cut!" . . . Anytime you think the leads on a motor are too long, see Lawrence Baker. He will cut them off to any desired length Just be sure it isn't an explosion-proof motor that takes long leads!

C. A. Degitz Dies Saturday

Chester A. Degitz, 49, died at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, at his home, 2425 John St. after two years of illness. He was employed by General Electric in 1917, and before his retirement in November, 1947, was an assembler at the Taylor St. plant. He was a member of the Quarter Century Club and St. Peter's Catholic Church.

Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Joseph Degitz, and a brother, Lester.

Services were held at 9:15 a.m., Tuesday, at the Mungovan and Sons Mortuary and at St. Peter's Church at 9:45 a.m., the V. Rev. Msgr. John Bapst officiating. Burial was in the Catholic Cemetery.



LIFE CAN BE HORRIBLE!

A Tragedy in One Act

The Time: Monday, Jan. 17, 1949.

The Place: A suburban Fort Wayne home.

Scene I takes place in the bedroom. The husband is in bed, "sawing wood." The floor is covered with sawdust! The wife enters. . . .

Wife: (Softly) Honey, it's time to get up.

Husband: (Flopping over) Ugh!

Wife: (Louder) Come on, dear, get up!

Husband: (Head buried) Ugh!

Wife: (Yelling in his ear) HIT THE DECK, YOU BIG LOUT!!! (Husband leaps out of bed dragging covers with him—promptly stubs toe on door—swears loudly—and staggers blindly towards the bathroom.) (Curtain.)

Scene II takes place in the kitchen. Wife is merrily preparing breakfast. From the bathroom comes the sound of man splashing in tub. (Production note: this sound may be simulated by placing a live walrus into a large tank of scalding water.) As wife breaks eggs into the skillet, she looks at clock on wall. Suddenly, an expression of horror comes over her face. She looks at clock again. She drops three dozen eggs on floor and dashes to the bathroom door.

Wife: (Calling) Dear?

Husband: (Off) Huh?

Wife: Are you in the bathtub yet?

Husband: (Off) Uh-huh.

Wife: Oh! Well, I must've made a mistake—it's only six o'clock.



Husband: (Appears in door dripping wet, with towel around middle) WHAT?????

Wife: (Sweetly) Now don't get all excited, dear, I just made a little mistake—I got you up an hour early!!

Husband: (Exploding) Great cauldrons of boiling fat!! You mean it's only six A.M.???

Wife: (Meekly) Yes, dear.

Husband: And I'll get to work BEFORE eight o'clock?

Wife: Yes, dear.

Husband: Great Cauldrons of Boiling Fat!!! Do you realize what you've done?

Wife: Yes, dear.

Husband: Why . . . why . . . why I'll even get to work before Mr. Staehle!!!

Wife: Yes, dear.

Husband: GREAT CAULDRONS OF BOILING FAT!!! (Curtain.)

(NOTE: The character's used in this play are entirely facetious, and any resemblance between them and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ondrovik is purely intentional!)

Alois Schonheinz Dies At Hospital

Alois Schonhcinz, 57, died at the St. Joseph's Hospital at 12:25 a.m., Friday, Jan. 28. He had been a patient at the hospital since Jan. 13.

Born in Germany, he lived at 3031 Warsaw St. Mr. Schonheinz was employed by General Electric in 1917 as a helper in Bldg. 26-4. He later worked on various jobs such as boring mill operator, die repairman, machinist and leading operator. At the time of his death he was a leading operator in the Tool Room, FHP Div. 13, at Taylor St. He was a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church, its Holy Name Society, the Moose Lodge and the Knights of Columbus.

Surviving are a son, Fred, and a brother, Emil, New York. His wife, Maude, died in 1940.

Services were held at the Mungovan and Sons Mortuary at 8:30 a.m., Monday, and at 9 a.m. at the church. The V. Rev. Msgr. John Bapst officiated, with burial in Greenlawn Memorial Park.

An opinion is an idea that you hold; a conviction is an idea that holds you.



We thought that all of the ice fishermen would welcome all of this nice cold weather. From what we hear it scared Charlie Engle out of fishing as he sent up north somewhere and ordered some fish. They were supposed to be pike, but Charlie says they looked more like carp. . . . If you have wondered why Larry O'Shaughnessey has been so quiet lately, it is due to his having a little trouble with his bowling. Maybe you had better talk to Oral Emrick on this subject, Larry. . . . The fellows in Final Test and Inspection are a very unhappy group, and they have just about lost all faith in humanity. It seems that "Moe" brought in a very beautiful calendar; it had a lovely scene on it. The first day the boys had it up, everyone remarked about its beauty, so the boys decided that they had better put it away when they went home that night. The next morning they hung it up again, and that night they decided that no one would take it, so they left it hang. So-o-o, they did, and that's right—someone took it. Now the boys are very sad, so will the person or persons who took it please bring it back so all of the boys can smile again. . . . Congratulations to Li'l George Ryan, who celebrated his birthday last Friday. . . . Our Jackie Elder, went and did it again, only this time it was just her picture in the news. Jackie went to visit the Windy City over the week-end, and did not get to see her picture in the WORKS NEWS until she returned Monday. Glenn Miller had it all painted and hung up for her when she came into work. . . . Welcome to the packing section, Noel Boelinger, and it is also welcome to the stock room for Harry Byall. . . . We are sorry to hear that our good friend Ed Bandt is on the sick list, and sure hope that you will have a speedy recovery, Ed. . . . We also learned from a very reliable source that Ted Budecki is classed as an EXPERT when it comes to starting cars with automatic chokes. If you are interested in getting any of this valuable information just contact Ted. He will tell you a beautiful way to spend your week-end, especially one as cold as last week.

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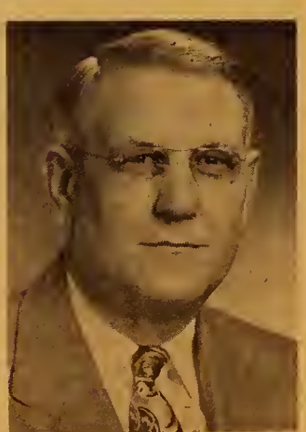
Harold George
Bldg. 2-E



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Bldg. 4-5



Mildred L. Gertz
Taylor St.



Elmer F. Fretz
Bldg. 4-5



Ruth M. Baker
Bldg. 4-3

Fort Wayne Division Provides Motors, Generators For Modern Ferry Boats



An artist's sketch of the new ferry boats is shown above.

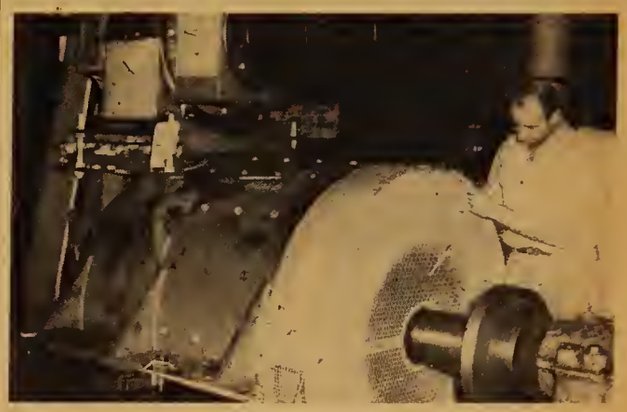
Two modern ferry boats will go into service this spring for the Norfolk County, Va., Ferries, it was announced recently by Charles Freund, superintendent of the ferry line. Diesel-electric drive on the new craft, will be equipped with General Electric main and auxiliary generators, motors, and controls. The main motors and generators are being furnished by the Fort Wayne Large Motor and Generator Division.

The propulsion plants on each will consist of two Cooper-Bessemer 580 hp diesel engines, two G-E 350 kw propulsion generators, and two 400 hp G-E marine propulsion motors. In addition to the propulsion equipment, General Electric will also supply auxiliary generators and controls.

A new system of controls will make it possible for the new boats to deliver a greater amount of horsepower at the initial turn of the screws than is ordinarily possible. Because the main propulsion motors might be damaged by sudden applications of full power, special designs and devices have been incorporated to make it possible for the motors to accelerate faster, building up rapidly to the full 200 rpm of the propellers. The double-ended boats will be able to operate in either direction with equal ease due to the adaptability of the diesel electric system of propulsion.

The ferry boats, now under construction at the John H. Mathis Co., in Camden, N. J., will be 180 feet long and will be able to carry 40 vehicles each. They will operate across the ⅞ mile stretch of the Elizabeth River between Norfolk and Portsmouth. Traffic over the river at this point averages about 8,000 cars and 20,000 pedestrians daily.

Until the new boats go into service, the traffic will continue to be handled by two diesel-electric ferries and three old steam-powered vessels. One of the steamers is propelled by paddle wheels on the sides.



John Caston, Tester in Bldg. 19-1, is shown above with a 350 kw marine propulsion generator on test.

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Eugene Werling

A warm "Welcome Home" was extended to Dick Gebert and Don Konow in full fashion Monday. Banners were unfurled as greetings to our Navy Reservists. The welcoming committee's surprise came when the banners were noticed and acclaimed by everyone except Dick and Don. The outside banner withstood the blizzard very well. As the bench section watched out the west windows for Gebert to make his entree, he was already back at his desk in the office. Konow also missed the outside banner by coming in from the north rather than the usual way, from the west. Don claims the clock wasn't set but the truth probably is that he had to get the Navy started out right this week. Dick didn't see the banner at the end of the aisle either. His reason was that he was checking on the swabbed deck. . . . It looked like homecoming Monday with Arv Jones, Ward Staley and B. O. Smith putting in an appearance. Smith and White didn't waste any time comparing mail order fish. . . . Dick Nix had his troubles this past week. Dick arranged to have some work done on some chisels. One of Dick's friends finished working on them and so put them in Dick's pocket. It seems as though they weren't entirely cooled and after a short time Dick was doing a terrific jive number. His rhythm was fast until he finally got the chisels out of his pocket. Dick also had pronunciation trouble at the tool crib. Be careful, Dick, they have most anything now days. . . . The basketball team came through very well in its first, second-half game by winning 36-23. It took sometime to get started, but got rolling in the second half. Cliff Bieber made his first appearance of the season and canned a long toss. . . . Shidler says that he's going to help his wife do the washing. Duane's part will be to hang up the clothes because his wife has dreams and thinks she has the clothes pins in her mouth but instead it's Duane's shoulder. Why don't you feed her? . . . Monday is usually a pretty dull day but not for the draftsmen. A group of the boys belong to the Air National Guard. So after school off they go to Baer Field. Homer Carson displayed how to look dressed up when going to work. Stripes, ribbons and all. Carl Lommatzsch and Harold Fremion still showed they have some soldier ability left in them, the General complimented both boys on the way they shined their shoes. We found out later Harold made a special trip downtown to get them shined. . . . Birkenbeul wants it understood that he can play euchre too. He says he won a few games, but his partner lost a couple. Figure it out. . . . The volleyball team has been playing their hearts out but can't raise the won-lost column very much. Jack says wait 'till these boys with the spirit get a few years' experience under them. Then they will go. . . . What's the matter with John? It's getting to be a familiar question. Yes! men, it's the truth John has been sick. The doctor bills are getting higher than his pay check.



Glad to have True Sheets back after an absence of three weeks due to illness. . . . Joe Trentadue wants everyone to know that he had a birthday last week. Belated congratulations from all of us, Joe. . . . Ed Gebhart has invested in a pair of nice warm fishing pants and is hoping the weather will stay cold enough so he can have an opportunity to use them some of these week-ends. Maybe he can borrow some of Heaston's night crawlers for bait when he does go. . . . Best wishes for a speedy recovery to George Seabold, who is ill at his home. . . . Congratulations to Kenny Guisinger who has his picture along with the other 1948 suggestion champs. . . . We are welcoming Elsie Fabian, Viola Martin, Mildred Greene, Hazel Leonard, Flora Crawford and Laurene Kraus who have come to work in our division.

A guest like a fish becomes superfluous at the end of three days.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

Wilbur Ayres gets the "Oscar" for absent-mindedness this week. He left Bldg. 19-3 the other day with Rudy Rastenburg and Paul Lichtsinn and walked all the way to the College St. parking lot before he remembered that he was parked on the Fairfield lot. He believes now that what you don't have in your head, you have in your feet. . . . Frankie Enderle, our "bon vivant" and gay dog in general, has been contemplating a week-end trip to Hamilton, O., to check his financial holdings in the Rub-No-More Machine and Gear Works, and a little bird told us perhaps to check up on a certain little Irish Colleen, named Margie. . . . Leroy Cook will answer to the name of "Skinny" from now on, but don't call George Wolfe, "grandpa." . . . Tom Closson left us to work for Lec Anderson in Bldg. 19-2. . . . Howard Musselman is still looking for about 40 acres in the heart of Fort Wayne, so he won't have far to go to work, and still farm on the side. . . . Some of the fellows are wondering what size bowl Elmer Minnick's barber uses when he gives Elmer one of those deluxe Minnick Haircuts. . . . We were right when we predicted that when Cal Case had his haircut recently a few days later he would come down with a bad cold. Cal vows no more haircuts until early summer. . . . Happy birthday to Bill Hale. . . . We are sorry to hear of Clara Hoeh's unfortunate accident. . . . On our sick list are Maurice Archbold, Cora (Bonnie) Asies and Manford Lee. We hope it won't be long until you will be with us again.

Ode To A Five Dollar Bet

The die was cast
Each man to the last
Had pledged himself
Of smoking he'd fast.

Five dollars was the bet
Bob, Ed and Heiny had set
Would cost the man
Who smoked a cigarette.

The day grew nigh,
Each throat grew dry
Until one man
Was heard to sigh.

"If I don't smoke a fag
To the floor I will sag
Like a man suffering
From a thirst jag."

Ed Hormann did slip
And up to his lip
With trembling hands
A cigarette did flip.

The first puff was nice
The second suffice,
Then he thought of the bet
And the terrific price.

His head did spin
As he got his wind,
And he vowed never again
To be taken in.

It just goes to prove it
That you can't always win it
For, Dear Reader, you see
There is one born every minute.

Anonymous.

Pound Of Coffee Given With Each Maker Purchase

A pound of coffee will be given away with each G-E coffee maker purchased in the Employees' store, it was announced today. The offer will continue for a limited time only. A card entitling the buyer to a pound of coffee if sent in to the coffee company has been placed on all coffee makers now on sale at the store.



"A half-truth and a whole lie are congenial companions."

This little rhyme was given us by one of the Punch Press men. Perhaps some others have the same problem.

"In our gang there is a fellow named Keck
When he opens the windows he sure has us wrecked;
We turn on the heat, he turns it off,
I guess we will have to work in the Loft."

We welcome several newcomers to Group 16x42. They are Dick Raber, Mary Beamon, Camelita Fough, Virginia George and Arlouine Wise. . . . Virgil Fogel has joined the early risers. . . . Charlie Thomson's wife will not let him help her with the washing anymore. Charlie was in a hurry to go someplace and tried to put all the clothes in at once. . . . Speaking of washings, Kenny Johnston is getting to be quite an expert. Since his baby daughter arrived he doesn't get Saturdays off anymore. . . . Dave Slater says that winter is going to be mild. He has been feeding two robins in his back yard since last fall. I was inclined to agree with him until last week-end. . . . Gertrude Moss celebrated her birthday by treating the gang to spice cake. . . . The second shift lost some of their co-workers recently. Among them are George Foster, Tom Goodenough and Maud Runyon. . . . We hope that Dick Madden will be back by the time the NEWS goes to press. Dick has been ill. . . . Herman Wiegman had a cyst removed from one of his hands and is unable to work for a couple of weeks. . . . Bill Straub bought his wife a little puppy—a Pekingese. . . . Jerry Wert had some of the fellows a little curious about why he was handing out cigars. It was his birthday. . . . We're certainly proud having such a polite fellow working with us. The other afternoon Eldon Robey parked after hours. As Eldon came up to his car he thanked the cop for the ticket. The cop was polite too. He said, "You're welcome."



Mr. Hobbs' boy is on the road to recovery from pneumonia. . . . We sure would have liked to have seen Harry Rollins doing the Barn Yard Polka when he dropped the tongue of his trailer on his fingers. He said he also invented some new words. . . . If any of you people in Bldg. 26-3 heard a loud shriek the other day, it was coming from our winder Jean Fry. It was a mouse which someone put right in front of her when she started to work. Yes, Jean, it's a little too early in the morning for that kind of visitors. . . . By the way, Bldg. 26-3, when are you going to put some more write-ups in the WORKS NEWS? We need a little help as we are a little group and are slowly running out of news, so come on and let's keep this column going. . . . When anyone can beat Stan Emery in biting on a tall story, they really have to get up early in the morning. How about it, Cueball? . . . Does everyone know we have a Barney Oldfield in our group. He passes everything on the street and I will give you one hint as to who he is. He drives a '37 Ford. . . . The neighborhood in the southwest part of town will soon be brightened up by the presence of a new tenant. Congratulations on the completion of your new bome, Gladys.



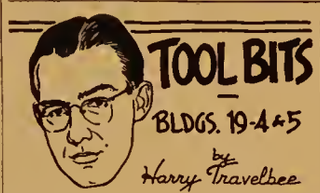
If any of you good people have been driving down any of the Summit City's fair avenues lately (after dark, of course) and noticed (possibly bumped into) a car being driven witbout lights it migbt have been Luella Welbaum. Luella, you really should use them, they are a marvelous help. . . . Lenora Hanley and Sbirley Renkenberger enjoyed a few days in the sunny state of Georgia this past week, (Augusta, Ga., to be exact.) Lenora states that the whole tbing was "ooh, Peachy." . . . "Here comes the bride!" and it's Alice Strahm, oops pardon us Mrs. Walker Jr. The Walkers were married Saturday, Jan. 29. Best of luck to you both. . . . Just a week ago Teresa Arend celebrated her 1949 birthday. Happy birtbday, Teresa. . . . Wbat could be more irritating to one's noon day meal, than to go to all the trouble to hunt up a salt shaker, carefully cover same with wax paper so the salt won't all drip out, and then find out when the time for salt approached that the shaker was empty. Such was the sad plight of Ruth Kibiger. Bet you'll look next time, Ruth. . . . Speaking of sad plights, how about that swollen jaw of Viola Haiber. Now regardless of what you may think Vi fell down (face down) and that is the real cause of the swollen jaw. No one socked her.

Too many kind acts that speak for themselves, talk in a whisper.

Schultz Completes 30 Years



William C. Schultz, Bldg. 4-3, recently celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric. At that time, he received a congratulatory letter. Standing left to right in the above picture are Harry Magner, W. W. Winner, O. J. Mettler, Supt, of FHP Motor Div. 1; Mr. Schultz, Florian Korte, Frank Laier, Robert Blee, and George Prince.



Rumors are that a lathe man, John Roemer by name, is seriously considering going on a diet since a rather embarrassing experience last week. The story is that he had the radiator off his car for repairs. When putting it back and tightening the rods holding the radiator, John had to do some high class wiggling to work himself into position to tighten the rod from inside the car. He started to crawl out of the car, but to his surprise and embarrassment, he found himself stuck up under the dash and couldn't get out. After using every trick he knew, he finally called his wife who helped him. We think the Mrs. should have honorable mention. If you're serious about this diet business, just pass your lunch pail back to us, John. . . . Is it true that Bob Goers and Harry Travelbee are seriously considering placing train whistles on their Fords rather than the usual horn? Nothing like keeping yourself reminded of your favorite hobby. . . . Last week's wet weather seems to be having a growing effect in the lathe section as a small pine tree made its appearance back of the small lathes. . . . Gus Wiedleman says manufacturers should make car doors that close automatically. . . . Strange and different sandwicbes seem to be the rule rather than the exception in the lathe section these days. Keep your eyes open as you may be seeing a newer one appearing in a few days in the form of a fox sandwich. . . . Cliff Clapesattle has been doing a lot of fox hunting lately. From the stories we hear, he and his hunting companions have been getting a number of foxes. He is trying to put the fox meat to good use as he was heard offering John (Expansion) Roemer a hind quarter if he would come out to the locker to get it. John isn't too sure about the merits of fox meat. He has been trying to find someone who has eaten it before, but to our knowledge, he hasn't been able to find anyone yet. Keep trying, John, and we will be looking for that fox meat sandwich. . . . Correction: Bob Green and not Waldo Reed had the fender trouble described last week. We thought a libel suit was upon us when last week's WORKS NEWS came out. . . . George Luker, Drafting, joined the Tool Division basketball squad. We understand that there was some misunderstanding about the team needing an anchor-man.

Blackburn Appointed Shipping Supervisor



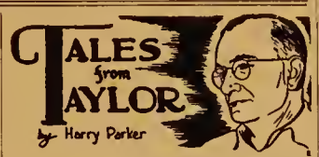
R. E. Blackburn

Russell E. Blackburn has been named Supervisor of Shipping, FHP Motor Division 36, at Taylor St.

An employee at General Electric since 1937, Mr. Blackburn first worked as a raw-material clerk in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division. In 1940, he transferred to the Motor and Generator Division doing similar work and scheduling.

Mr. Blackburn was transferred to Kokomo in 1944 as a raw-material leader, and in 1948 was made Assistant to the Supervisor of Production at that plant. He was appointed Supervisor of Production at Kokomo in September, 1948, the position he held prior to his recent appointment.

He is married, and at the present his family is still in Kokomo. The Blackburns have three children, a daughter and two sons.



Charley Odom, who left the Company a week ago Friday, was given a rousing send off on his final day at work. The boys presented him a lovely log chain type dog collar which they locked securely around his neck. . . . Art Brandenburger was subjected to a blackhead massage one day last week. As you know his hair is of the "gone with the wind" type. He looked so well with a black head that he is now thinking of having a black crinkle finish put on his dome with a permanent part built into it. . . . The punch press and plating gangs are still riding Frank Blotkamp about his euchre playing. Frank always claimed to be a champion at this but somehow he seems to have lost his artistry. One of the boys brought him in a corn cob and told him to rub it behind his ears before and during the game and this would surely restore his lost ability to play a good game of euchre. . . . The raising of a mustache seems to be the vogue. The latest one to grow fur on his upper lip is Paul "Speck" Wilcoxson. We do not know what his motive is, but we do hope that this one does not die an untimely death as did Kenny Applegate's flowing beard. It became entangled in a drill press and had to be destroyed. . . . Britt Skevington, who has been absent eight weeks due to illness, is back, and we are glad to have him with us again. He looks good and tells us that he is hitting on all eight again. The boys on the assembly line were very considerate and gave him some very nice remembrances. Britt appreciates these and wishes to take this means to thank them. . . . We see by the daily papers that Ray Heck of our rotor section entered the Golden Gloves contests in the light heavyweight class. All of us are giving him our support and sincerely hope that he smashes his way to victory.

A grown-up usually means about half he says and a youngster says about half he means.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot he repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not he accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone numher may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will he received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday, February 7, 1949

BROADWAY LOST AND FOUND

LOST—One pair of brown leather gloves.

FOUND—Two keys on a chain and a small roll attacbed with name H. W. Oetting on it. Found in Bldg. 4.

FOUND—Package of valentines on west side of Broadway.

TAYLOR ST. LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Five keys on a ring.

FOUND—Single key.

FOUND—Small brooch with blue sets.

FOR SALE

KITCHEN SINK—With drainboard and fixtures. H-59105.

FORD-FERGUSON TRACTOR — With two bottom plow, cultivator, and tandem disc. A-68270.

G-E RADIO PHONOGRAPH COMBINATION—Five years old. $50. 338 W. Leith St.

BLACK COCKER—Female, 18 mo. old. Distemper immuned. Phone Monroeville, Ind., 2061.

GIBSON ELECTRIC RANGE—Almost new, deluxe, deepwell, "Updaisy" burner. A-67169.

LADY'S WOOL COAT—15; dresses, 32-34; wool slacks, 26-28. H-35932.

PINBALL MACHINE — Man's wrist watch. Will trade for guns. H-57343.

HOOVER SWEEPER — With attachments. Reconditioned. $25. Steel coal window. Cheap. A-98112.

WANTED

SMALL LAVATORY—A-65893.



Old Man Winter really gave us a taste of the weather they have been having in California. One consolation, spring is only 45 days away. Speaking of spring, a tip to Edith Bohde would be to wait until spring and shoot marbles. Bowling seems to get her down. . . . Minnie McCague, Fern Monroe and Eileen Steinacker helped Verna Bullerman celebrate her birthday with a dinner at the Candlelight Cafe. Verna received a pretty present. . . . Doris Ryan was in such a hurry to go to lunch one day that she forgot what she was doing. She took off her apron and then put it on again. Next time try grabbing your sweater. . . . Happy birthday to Faye Stockberger. . . . Rose Heche is back in the fold of Bldg. 17-3 after being absent for sometime. . . . Sorry to report Stella Kemp is on our sick list this week. . . . Bob Rehrer has gone to Bldg. 17-2 to work. The same Fun Loving boys, Inc., (that Jeanette Blough writes about) have initiated him into the Blue Bloods. Don't try to high-hat us, Bob, we remember you from Bldg. 17-3.



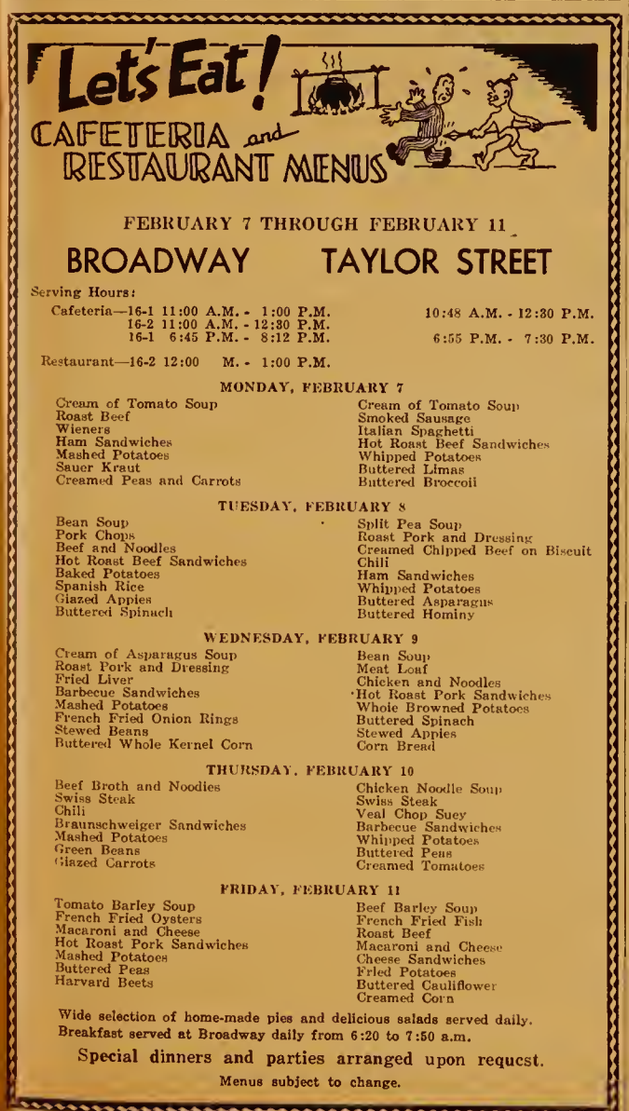
John Anspach is in the "lime light" this week. His wife presented him with an 8 lb. 9 oz. baby girl Jan. 26. Johnny says that his wife and Linda Diane are doing nicely. . . . Katie "grandma" Auker is also very proud of her new grandson. . . . A group of girls were entertained at Kathryn Erwin's home and a very interesting program for the "March of Dimes" was given. . . . Orville Robinson would like to have a map of the United States, and would someone explain to him how the State of Washington got further north than Oregon? . . . Bill LaVine wants to know if he really looks like a guy that would fib to anyone? . . . We welcome Elizabeth Hudson, Grace Wall, Martha Lee, Etta Everly, Irene Bowman, Dessie Jackson, Alva Hake and Cecelia Sidney to first trick. . . . Margaret Lepper set a new record driving back from Cleveland. Rather "foggy" wasn't it, Margaret? . . . Ann Johnson seems to be having trouble with "Susie" again—new springs and gas tank this time. . . . Mac seems to have dinner pail trouble. He is either going to get a bigger lunch pail or quit eating between meals.

Fractional Fiction 4-5

By Elaine Sutter

Does anyone have an extra ribbon we could give to George Seabold. He was seen chasing his hat for half a block last Friday morning. . . . The pinochle players of Bldg. 4-5 are on the lookout for a good scorekeeper. The previous ones can't be trusted. . . . Overhearing a conversation last week, we believe Joe Parent would make a good salesman. He sold Gene Berg the idea of buying a thermos bottle. Could it be, Joe, you would like to drink all of your own coffee? . . . Last Thursday night when we had those high winds, Dale Peden made the remark that he wasn't too afraid, for his neighbor's garage doors were flying back and forth. As long as they didn't fly off he knew his house would stay on the foundation. . . . We welcome Basil Squires to Bldg. 4-5 who hails from Div. 17. Basil will follow shipment parts on aircraft. We also welcome Jein Badders to Bldg. 4-5. . . . George Seabold has a new grandson. Congratulations, Grandpa. . . . Say, girls, what do you think of that nylon machine? Can you imagine nylons for $1.00. . . . Most of you remember Joe Bruns. Joe was up to see us to say farewell. You will probably see him in a white truck with the name of a local laundry printed on it. He says that will be his new job. Good luck to you, Joe. . . . Clara Ringenberg was all smiles last week. She left for St. Louis to visit her first grandson. Also Neva Scott is in New York visiting her daughter. . . . Paul Castle says, "It's news. The weatherman predicted snow and we got it." . . . Herbie Landstoffer said he had all the thrills he wanted and still stay on four wheels. A friend drove him home from Ossian at 98 miles an hour. Herbie doesn't like flying any better. . . . The co-workers of Mark Brindle learned the secret of his eating chicken every other day. Mark's story is that he takes his casting rod and puts a grain of corn on the hook and throws it over the neighbor's fence. . . . In aircraft, Virginia Shambough, Joye Boyd and Ilo Kraft have gone on a diet. They have monopolized all the rye-krisp from the candy lady. . . . We welcome Jim Clark back to Bldg. 4-5.

. . . Milo Heller has a new dessert. Whipped cream with pie on the bottom. . . . Chairs have a way of slipping away from Ester Watson. It just wasn't there when she sat down. . . . We hear Mike O'Grady is having trouble with his car. When asked if he was going to work on it himself he said, no, as his wife objected highly of him using the living room for a repair shop. . . . Wash day worries are over for Mildred Wineman. Her husband gave her a new G-E washer. . . . Happy birthday to Grace Anderson.



FEBRUARY 7 THROUGH FEBRUARY 11

BROADWAY **TAYLOR STREET**

Serving Hours:

Cafeteria—16-1 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. 10:48 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-2 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-1 6:45 P.M. - 8:12 P.M. 6:55 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Restaurant—16-2 12:00 M. - 1:00 P.M.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Cream of Tomato Soup	Cream of Tomato Soup
Roast Beef	Smoked Sausage
Wieners	Italian Spaghetti
Ham Sandwiches	Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Sauer Kraut	Buttered Limas
Creamed Peas and Carrots	Buttered Broccoli

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Bean Soup	Split Pea Soup
Pork Chops	Roast Pork and Dressing
Beef and Noodles	Creamed Chipped Beef on Biscuit
Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches	Chili
Baked Potatoes	Ham Sandwiches
Spanish Rice	Whipped Potatoes
Glazed Apples	Buttered Asparagus
Buttered Spinach	Buttered Hominy

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Cream of Asparagus Soup	Bean Soup
Roast Pork and Dressing	Meat Loaf
Fried Liver	Chicken and Noodles
Barbecue Sandwiches	Hot Roast Pork Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whole Browned Potatoes
French Fried Onion Rings	Buttered Spinach
Stewed Beans	Stewed Apples
Buttered Whole Kernel Corn	Corn Bread

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Beef Broth and Noodles	Chicken Noodle Soup
Swiss Steak	Swiss Steak
Chili	Veal Chop Suey
Braunschweiger Sandwiches	Barbecue Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Green Beans	Buttered Peas
Glazed Carrots	Creamed Tomatoes

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Tomato Barley Soup	Beef Barley Soup
French Fried Oysters	French Fried Fish
Macaroni and Cheese	Roast Beef
Hot Roast Pork Sandwiches	Macaroni and Cheese
Mashed Potatoes	Cheese Sandwiches
Buttered Peas	Fried Potatoes
Harvard Beets	Buttered Cauliflower
	Creamed Corn

Wide selection of home-made pies and delicious salads served daily.
Breakfast served at Broadway daily from 6:20 to 7:50 a.m.

Special dinners and parties arranged upon request.

Menus subject to change.



Here's a tip, folks, don't trust Vaughn Sheets or Harry Perl too far. Socially, that is; they are the kind of guys who let you win a few games of euchre just to gain your confidence. Then they come up and even the score which still doesn't make one feel too bad. But for a night cap on the play-off they will give you a good skunking. Now we ask you, Vaughn and Harry, is that the way to keep or win friends? . . . Bill Irwin seems very happy these days. He says he is the only one he knows of who ever got a treat off of Bill Rohe, without using coercion. . . . If any of you boys and gals have a record of "Preacher went out a hunting one very fine Sunday morning," please send it to Ray Kierspe. Ray likes this record so well that last Saturday he broke up a good night's sleep just to hear it played over the telephone. . . . We notice by the last safety report that Vaughn Sheets has changed his name to Sheep. Folks, figure it out for yourself. You know, boy on a farm, Waynedale, etc. . . . Congratulations to Harold Parkison and Warren Harding who are the proud new fathers of sons, and to Phil Feiburger and George Andorfer proud new fathers of daughters.

The difference between good luck and bad luck is usually the frame of mind you happen to be in.

Inquiring Reporter

SHOULD FORT WAYNE INSTALL PARKING METERS?



IMO JEAN SCHWARTZ

Bldg. 21

"Yes, I think it would help reduce the parking problem in the downtown area, and perhaps be a start in solving the traffic situation in Fort Wayne."



ROBERT S. LUSK

Bldg. 17-4

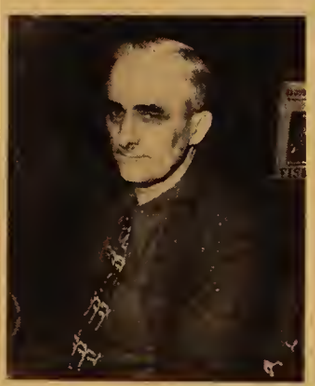
"Yes, I think parking meters should be installed. They would give more people a chance to park downtown for shopping; also would be a source of income for the city."



GRACE BEDSWORTH

Bldg. 12-B

"I do not think Fort Wayne needs parking meters. Besides being an added expense to the car owners, it detracts from the appearance of the city streets."



LUTHER ABNER

Bldg. 19, Elevator

"Yes, Fort Wayne should have parking meters as it would create better parking facilities. I suggest the money be used for the upkeep of the city."



VERNON C. DAFFORN

Bldg. 4-5

"Yes, it would eliminate all-day parking, and parking places would be more convenient to find. It would also be a good way to pay the Soldiers' Bonus, if all towns would take a revenue from parking meters."

6,000 Attend Performances of 'Light Sorcery' Show







Approximately 5,200 persons witnessed the eight performances of the "Light Sorcery" show Monday and Tuesday in the G-E Club auditorium.

Presented under the sponsorship of the Fort Wayne Apparatus, Lamp and Air Conditioning Department facilities of General Electric, the show was given at 1:30 p.m., 4 p.m., 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. both days. There was also a special showing Tuesday morning for school children of Fort Wayne and Allen County. Nearly 800 students attended this performance.

The scenes above were taken at the first show, to which all pensioners were invited. An estimated 325 pensioners and their wives attended.

James Jensen, master of ceremonies for the show, is shown in the picture at the left playing a "Ukelitely," an instrument resembling a ukelele which produces music played by a light beam.

The center photo shows a section of the crowd, while in the picture at the right are two ushers from the Elex Club showing one of the pensioners to his seat. They are, left to right, Rachel Fisher, vice president of Elex, Bldg. 4-2; Al Shroeder, and Barbara Wilson, Bldg. 17-3.

P's and Q's of 17-1

by Joe Kramer



Silence, when nothing need be said is the eloquence of discretion. . . . Whoever heard of playing golf in the winter time? A few of the rabid golfers went to Kendallville last Saturday for the annual Screwball Golf Tournament. One of the prominent, and should we say gracious, at least he looked very graceful when he fell out of the barrel, was none other than our own Harold Red Braden. Red did pretty good for himself too—came in and tied for fifth place which wasn't bad considering the competition in the tournament. . . . You don't believe the weatherman? We know a certain party in Bldg. 17-1 who has no faith in the weatherman. It seems that the weatherman said we would have freezing weather so a member of the hand screw machine section partook himself to the lake. With the daily reports of colder weather coming, he waited for the lake to freeze. No freeze, no ice, no fishing—disgusting isn't it, Harry. . . . It was a unique stage presentation that was given at the Moose Auditorium recently. Among the acts was a spectacular knife throwing exhibition. For some reason, the knife thrower's helper failed to show up—so believing the old adage that the show must go on, our Art Brockmeyer volunteered to be the victim. He stood at the board without a blindfold. A few flicks of the wrist in throwing the knives, and Art was pinned to the board. All in all, it was really an enjoyable affair. . . . Ernie Reiley believes in following the advice of Horace Greeley who said, "Go West young man, go West." Ernie has been planning all winter how he is going to spend his three weeks' vacation driving West to visit his daughter, but there seems to have been changes in his plans. What is the matter, Ernie, doesn't Mrs. Reiley agree with your idea of a nice trip? . . . If you would care to see how Ed Martin looked in his "Little Lord Fauntleroy" suit back in 1907, see George (Goldie Locks) Mosshammer or Frank (Nature Boy) Martin for the evidence.

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Aubrey

Some people will believe anything they are told. It seems the other day when the elevator stopped on the second floor by mistake, and Charlie Gable yelled "third floor." Alma Witte and Perry O'Neill were half way down the hall before they woke up to the fact that they were on the wrong floor. . . . Charlie Gable is really getting very good with his ceramics. He had two figurines here the other day that were really beautiful. Are you open for orders yet, Charlie? . . . When Hugh Neely was asked the other day what his bowling average was, he very quickly changed the subject. What's the matter, Hughie, aren't you doing so well? Maybe you need a few more of Charlie Briggs' instructions. . . . Eleanor Lambroff had that happy gleam in her eye Monday morning when she came into work. It seems the boy-friend was in town over the week-end, so she was all smiles. . . . We were very sorry to hear of the fatal accident of Perry O'Neill's father-in-law in San Diego, Calif. . . . Here we are again at the end of another week. What can you say that you have really accomplished this week, or was it just another "wasted" week? When you stop to think how short life really is, we should try and make the most of every day. . . . See you next week.

Bring on the below-zero temperatures! It's a relief to have anything drop!

Shorts and Snorts from General Service

by Katie Steinman



Carl Campbell was recently awarded a "special edition" of the Works News in honor of his working at G-E 25 years. He was also given half of a $5 check and will get the other half in 25 more years. Carl's only remark was "I'll be here 'til I do." Then he was helped into a waiting ambulance. Anyone wishing to gaze upon this special work of art may see same in rustic, palatial, vine covered Bldg. 20-2. Congratulations, Carl. . . . It seems even with all the water we've had, Forrest Carr still has to have some for his new home. By the way, Frosty, we have a song request for you. The next time you're out by the elevator will you please give us your rendition of "Buttons and Bows?" . . . Have you seen the Albert English Funeral Parlor for dead chickens? . . . Willard Fuller sure acquired a black eye, (and at "Golden Gloves" time too). Pick on someone your own size next time and don't lead with your eye, Willard. . . . We say goodbye to Tim Timberlake. Good luck, Timmy. Ray Quinn is an ungrateful guy, just doesn't appreciate pretty calendars or nuthin' . . . Lee Miller, would you like to buy a new shovel? . . . Wouldn't you know the photographer would have to catch up with three of our boys at the Golden Gloves the other night. That look on Bill Garver's face spells "murder," whereas Wiley Shockney and Tez Trump seem to be taking things a little calmer, or were they just posing to have their picture "took." . . . It's a baby girl at the Rudolph Wuttke's. Congratulations, Rudolph. . . . The fellows in the shop at Taylor St. would like to know just what size heater fits Frank Kilcoin's little finger. . . . Harold Smith seemed to be "all up in the air" the other night when he got in his car to go home. It seems there wasn't even a truck around to help him out. However, Carl Furge gave him plenty of moral support. . . . The gang at Taylor St. says it just doesn't seem right not to see those No. 12's propped up on your desk when they go by the engineering office, Jim Hubbard.

Thisa and Thata

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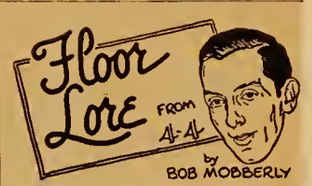
By Helen Engle

Funniest sight of the week—seeing Gordon Jackson sitting on the floor after falling backwards from his desk chair! Was his face red? . . . Harlon Brown has a dog that is so mean that the newsboy is afraid of him, and now Brownie doesn't get the paper anymore. . . . Ray Soest is having trouble with his chickens already. He couldn't keep a fire going to keep them warm so he had to take them home over the week-end. . . . Beatrice Michels is now Mrs. Raymond Bley. Best wishes and lots of good luck, Bea. . . . Sorry to hear that Theresa VanBlarcon and Edna Houser are on sick leave. Hurry back, girls, we sure miss you. . . . Eleanor Kohrman, Secy. of M.B.A. has been having a lot of nice looking visitors lately. I wonder if they all see her about M.B.A. . . . Mardo Tobias had better get a corner on the peanut market. That way it wouldn't cost him so much to buy peanuts every week. . . . We have two St. Valentine babies in 1x29, none other than Lester Shirley and Charlie Hendrickson. We wish you both a very happy birthday. . . . Faye Folk thought she was carrying her umbrella on her arm the other day. Imagine her surprise when she discovered all she had was the handle and the umbrella was lying in the street about a block back. . . . Veva Healy really has something to be proud of when she shows the twin granddaughters' pictures.

Few girls have any particular views on kissing, says a writer. Pehaps hecause they close their eyes.

Floor Lore from 4-4

by Bob Mobberly



A ray of sunshine has broken upon Europe. While the papers talk about the Russo-American cold war, the depression of 1949, millions who will starve this winter, the crime wave everywhere, the advance of Communism and how Indiana shall raise money for the soldiers bonus, the news goes around that the Swiss have invented a runless stocking. A daring reporter says he slashed one with his pocket-knife and made no impression. You can have them—in time—in silk, rayon, nylon or lisle. The secret is in the weaving, not the material. There is, apparently, hope yet of science inventing a fool-proof statesman! . . . Amid all the noise and solid colors of machinery, it is refreshing to look at the fresh green of the sweet potato growing near Mildred Hoover's table. . . . From our personal observation, we believe Clarence Didier has a working formula for the purchasing of foundation garments! . . . The "Jolly Dot" Dorothea Swank has returned from her wonderful vacation in the deep sunny south. Welcome back, Dorothea. . . . Earl Galland claims, and he should know, that there is a "d" in his last name. Since it is generally a silent letter, we still feel that in the metric system it still equals "four quarts." . . . Remember when? Bill Putt whistling such songs as "Don't Fence Me In," and "The Gypsy?" . . . Oh, Mr. Bell! Miss Foster, after a long waiting period, finally received her much wanted French style phone. It is reported Nena tested the new phone immediately to see if her voice sounded different than it did over the conventional type phone by calling various friends. . . . Our parting thought: The more things a man is ashamed of, the more respectable he is.



The Patrols, Gavels and Levels of the Masonic League are up at the top, each having a record of seven wins and two losses. Ed Crabill came through in excellent style with a 277 for high single game of the week. His second game was 212 and then he dwindled down to a mere 168. However, he still had a nice fat total of 657.

Lauterberg with a 213 game to his credit and M. Bailey with 212 were Ed's closest competitors.

Small Motor League

The production team still has a firm grip on the lead with seven games won and two lost,

The boys that broke the 200 count this week were Jim Daley, 212; Otto Proehl, 211; Kammeyer, 210; Herman Doehrman, 209; Lowell Welker, 209; Bill Miller, 208; Ife Holmes, 202; and Leo Reffelt, 201.

Apparatus League

Team 5 is in the lead alone now with six wins and no losses chalked up for them. The boys that piled up the 200 scores were John Root, with 202; Charlie Redding, 203; Westrick, 203; Russell Sealover, 214; Bob Stute, 214; Frank Schlink, 226; Fred Schafenacker, 211; and F. Bienz, 229.

Office League

Poor old Keghead is still up in the clouds. In case you haven't heard (but you must have, he's been telling everyone he sees). Last Monday evening he rolled a total of 689 for three games. That's the record so far for this year. But he's been so excited about it, he just couldn't concentrate on such prosaic things as writing columns. So his ghostwriter is pinch hitting for him this week. The rest of the boys in the Office League weren't doing so badly either. Just look at this nice list of 200 scores: First, of course, there was Keghead who knocked off a 246, 230 and 213. Not far behind him, was Paul Hattendorf with 235. The others were Frank Schlink, 225; Don Waldrop, 225; "Popeye" Patterson, 216; Bob Knepple, 208; Vic Rump, 204; Johnny Johnson, 202; and Dick Gettys, Hal Fanning, Walt Nitz and Miller each rolled a 200 game. Incidentally, we think it's worth mentioning again that Walt Seidel held the record for the three-game total. He stacked up a count of 681. They don't come that high every day, you know.

Monday Night Ladies League

High games in the league were rolled by Vivian Fleckenstein, 193; Helen Wagner, 188, and Emma Vaughn, 182.

Open Bowling

EVERY SATURDAY
3 P.M. - 11 P.M.

At The
G-E CLUB

G-E Club Breaks Even In Basketball Games

The G-E Club basketball team won one and lost one game in Industrial League play at the Central High school gym. The Club lost to Zollner, 32-29, Thursday, Jan. 27, and won from ACWA, Tuesday, Feb. 1, by a score of 32-13. Bucher was high score man for the Club in the Zollner game, piling up 10 points for his team. He shared scoring honors with Carr by getting eight points each in the game against ACWA.

Box scores:

G-E	G.	F.	T.	Zollner	G.	F.	T.
Davis	1	0	2	MacDonald	3	2	8
Lowden	2	0	4	Bail	0	1	1
Bucher	5	0	10	Keller	4	5	13
Zimmerlee	1	1	3	Johnston	0	0	0
Slack	0	0	0	Huth	1	0	2
Stoup	1	0	2	Kamp'midt	1	0	2
Carr	4	0	8	Barrile	2	1	5
Gettys	0	0	0	VanDerVort	0	1	1
Totals	14	1	29	Totals	11	10	32

ACWA	G.	F.	T.	G-E	G.	F.	T.
Johnloz	0	0	0	Bucher	4	0	8
D'Angelo	2	0	4	Carr	4	0	8
Kamp	1	0	2	Slack	1	0	2
Neat	1	0	2	Lowden	1	0	2
Barile	2	1	5	Davis	1	2	4
Ross	0	0	0	Gettys	1	1	3
Smethers	0	0	0	Zimmerlee	1	1	3
Rowan	0	0	0	Stoup	1	0	2
Bullerman	0	0	0	Junk	0	0	0
Totals	6	1	13	Totals	14	4	32

16 SURVIVE THIRD ROUND OF GOLDEN GLOVES MATCH

The third round of Golden Gloves boxing was held last night at the North Side high school gym, with 16 survivors left to try for the championships, Feb. 10. This 12th annual event is sponsored by the G-E Club and the Journal-Gazette.

G-E Volleyball League Opens Second Half

The Interdivision Volleyball League opened its second half of play last Friday with three teams winning all three of their games. The three teams are Squares, Winter St. and Main Office.

The scores for the evening's play are as follows:

General Tool—3-2-5.
Squares—15-15-15.

Taylor St.—6-15-4.
Apprentice Machinists—15-8-15.

Winter St.—15-15-15.
Apprentice Draftsmen—13-5-12.

Main Office—15-15-15.
Small Motors—7-0-5.

Two High School Basketball Games To Be Broadcast

Dick Buckley will be on hand to air the G-E sponsored broadcast over station WANE of the North Side-Central city series game tonight at 8:30 p.m. Tomorrow evening he will broadcast the South Side-Gary Tolleston high school game to be played at the South Side gym starting at 8:15 p.m.

Last Friday, North Side came through to win an overtime thriller over South Side by a score of 43-40. This game put the Redskins in the lead for the City Series crown. The next night, North nosed out South Bend Adams by a score of 64-45.

G-E ENGINEERS HOLD MEETING

The Fort Wayne Association of G-E Engineers held its semi-annual general membership meeting, Wednesday, Feb. 2, at the Squares' clubrooms. K. K. Cooper and C. M. Summers, chairmen of the statistical and the engineering efficiency committees, led discussions relating to the engineering profession.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS





The Firemen initiated the second half with a victory over Winter St. in the Interdivision League. As usual the game was close all the way. Tied at 45 points each at the end of the regulation playing time, the Firemen won their ball game in the overtime period. This was Winter Street's first loss of the season.



"Trusts may solve the world's problems if Trust in God is one of them."

We extend our deepest sympathy to Evanell Holman in the recent death of her grandfather. . . . Last week when we said Loyd Bodenhamer had a new son, the news was so fresh that we didn't have the name. But it is Fred Orville. . . . Our proud grandfather, George Waldschmidt, tells us how he varnished the baby's crib to perfection last week-end, but only to find the varnish wouldn't dry, so now he has to remove it and start over. Shall we remind you, George, not to use the same can of varnish this time? . . . Our flash-flash news for this week lets us in on a new love life. Laurine Phillips is sporting a lovely sparkler on her third finger, left hand. The lucky fellow is Keith Procise, a student at Indiana Tech. We wish you both all the luck and happiness in the world, Laurine. . . . Gene Moss has taken just the opposite turn, as she is living alone the next few weeks while her folks are tending some friends' farm duties. (Maybe this lonely life will change your mind about hating men, Gene. We're only kidding, of course.) . . . Have you seen the pictures of Bill Hartman's newly adopted dependent? It's a toy peke, about as little as a minute, and is he ever adorable! Mr. Stauffer wonders if you claimed him for exemption in filing your income tax, Bill. . . . Ken Michael feels ditto with Dagwood Bumstead that "Husbands are a sorry lot" because he has been spending nearly all his home life on his knees in the basement. (Always thought probably his wife had to ball-and-chain him to keep him home). What he's really doing is putting new switches, etc., around the walls. . . . Royal Stauffer was another prayer-bone type recently, keeping his nose to the grindstone in finishing up his house. He is laying flooring at all hours of the day and night. Doesn't even have time to cry because his wife and daughter are visiting her relatives in New York. He tells us they'll be back in about a month. We hope they're having a wonderful time, and that you're not too unhappy there by yourself, Mr. Stauffer. . . . The Personnel Group at Taylor Street is glad to have Ceal Romary back after several days' illness. . . . The people here in Bldg. 8-2 seem to be going to the dogs lately. Besides Bill with his toy peke, Al Hartman and Herschel Smith are having troubles with their dogs, too. Al Hartman heard the door downstairs close and decided it was Tyke getting up to feed the dog, so it must be morning. He got all cleaned up, ready for work, when Tyke came upstairs and informed his father that it was only 12:00 o'clock midnight. And poor Uncle Herschel's dog has eloped again. Dog-owners are a sorry lot, too, I guess. . . . Those who attended the Light Sorcery show this week claim it to have been very successful. We're glad so many of the employees and their families and friends were able to see the exhibition. . . . "We are peace-loving people, seldom paying pensions for more than three wars at a time."

Transformer won over Fractional, 50-23, to mark up victory No. 1 in the second half.

The Apprentice boys, trailing 16-10 at the half, came back strongly and decisioned Tool and Die, 36-23.

Small Motors played one of their better games and sank Taylor St., 48-31. Voors and Wickliffe got 14 points each for the winners. Trott played a nice game for the losers, getting 11 points.

Box scores on games played on Jan. 26.

Winter St.	G.	F.	T.	Firemen	G.	F.	T.
Beneke	6	4	16	Stemmler	6	6	18
W. Reitdorf	5	1	11	Baals	0	0	0
Kent	0	0	0	Morkoetter	4	1	9
Richardson	1	2	4	Moodie	2	1	5
D. Reitdorf	5	2	12	Etter	1	4	6
Schinbeckler	0	0	0	Somers	0	0	0
Fisher	0	0	0	Vance	1	0	2
Blauvelt	2	2	6	Lambroff	0	0	0
Gallmeier	0	1	1	Meyers	3	6	12
Turner	0	0	0	Schible	0	0	0
Totals	19	12	50	Totals	17	18	52

Transformer	G.	F.	T.	FHP	G.	F.	T.
Taylor	3	0	6	Hower	2	0	4
Wehrle	6	0	12	Hopper	3	1	7
Jamison	0	0	0	Brown	1	0	2
Kramer	0	0	0	Howell	0	0	0
Woodward	7	1	15	Wilson	2	0	4
Byers	2	1	5	Troysin	1	0	2
King	2	2	6	Trabel	1	2	4
Carpenter	3	0	6				
Totals	23	4	50	Totals	10	3	23

Box scores for games played Jan. 27.

App. School	G.	F.	T.	Tool & Die	G.	F.	T.
Rasor	0	3	3	Van Orsdale	2	0	4
Gottshalk	0	1	1	Clark	1	1	3
Staley	2	0	4	Romey	1	0	2
Wuttke	2	1	5	Staley	0	4	4
Werling	5	1	11	Luker	0	0	0
Owens	0	0	0	Trulove	1	3	5
Beibers	1	0	2	Dunlap	2	1	5
Wagner	3	2	8	Summers	0	0	0
Allen	1	0	2				
Totals	14	8	36	Totals	7	9	23

Sm. Motor	G.	F.	T.	Taylor St.	G.	F.	T.
Voors	5	4	14	Pappert	0	1	1
Wickliffe	7	0	14	Reichert	0	2	2
Benz	0	2	2	Growcock	1	0	2
Rosswurm	1	1	3	Lothamer	3	1	7
Keister	1	0	2	Angel	2	0	4
Scheare	3	1	7	Frott	3	5	11
Drayer	2	0	4	Guingrich	2	0	4
Markey	1	0	2				
Totals	20	8	48	Totals	11	9	31

STANDINGS

	WON	LOST
Firemen	1	0
Transformer	1	0
Small Motors	1	0
Apprentice School	1	0
Winter St.	0	1
Taylor St.	0	1
Tool & Die	0	1
Fractional	0	1
Squares	0	0

The Tax Collector Is Here Again

1. If your earnings were less than $5,000 and you did not get more than $100 of other income, such as dividends or interest, you should file **Form 1040A or 1040 and attach Form W-2, your withholding statement.**
2. If you earned more than $5,000, or earned less than $5,000 but also received more than $100 from such things as rent, you must file **Form 1040 and attach Form W-2.**
3. You may have the privilege of splitting income which may result in a smaller tax by filing a joint statement with your spouse.

Most payroll sections of the Company by this time will have completed distribution of statements to employees which show the wages or salaries paid to them during the calendar year of 1948 and the amount withheld for Federal income taxes. The statement is known as Form W-2, your withholding record.

That means that the Federal tax collector is just around the corner and wants you to send him your tax form not later than March 15, or he will penalize you for delinquent filing. You can settle your tax obligation anytime before that date if you wish and, as a matter of fact, there's an attractive reason for doing so—you'll get any refund owed you much sooner.

Form W-2, just distributed by the payroll sections, is an important item in filing your tax return covering your income for last year. The withholding statement is given to you in duplicate, the original to be attached to your tax return as evidence to the government of the amount paid you in salary or wages; the carbon copy you keep in your own files.

Must Attach Statement

The withholding statement no longer can be used alone as a tax return. It is necessary this year for you to file a tax form and attach the withholding statement to your completed return, which will be Form 1040A for most wage earners, or Form 1040. The latter comes in two styles, a short form and a long form.

You may report your income on Form 1040A if all of your income came from wages or salary and amounted to less than $5,000, if it is reported on your withholding statement, and you did not get more than $100 from other sources, such as in dividends and interest.

If your income was more than $5,000, or if it was less than $5,000 but you also received other income amounting to more than $100 from such things as rent, for example, you must file Form 1040.

May Send Refund

If you use Form 1040A the tax collector will compute your tax for you and send you any refund that may be due you because of an excessive amount withheld from your pay.

FORM 1040A
Treasury Department
Internal Revenue Service

EMPLOYEE'S OPTIONAL
U. S. INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RETURN
IF YOU USE THIS FORM, THE COLLECTOR OF INTERNAL REVENUE WILL COMPUTE YOUR TAX

1948
CALENDAR YEAR

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ATTACH ALL YOUR ORIGINAL 1948 WITHHOLDING STATEMENTS (Forms W-2)

Name John J. Doe + Jane A. Doe
(PLEASE PRINT. If this is a joint return of husband and wife, use first names of both)

HOME ADDRESS 333 Elm Street
(PLEASE PRINT. Street and number or rural route)

Valleyville (City, town, or post office) 2 (Postal zone number) N.Y. (State)

Occupation Machinist Social Security No. 333-03-3333

Your Exemptions

1. List your name John J. Doe
Were you as of December 31, 1948: 65 years of age or over? Yes ☐ No ☒; blind? Yes ☐ No ☒.
2. If married, does this return include all income and exemptions of both you and your wife (or husband)? Yes ☒ No ☐. If answer is "Yes," list her (his) name Jane A. Doe
Was she (or he) as of December 31, 1948: 65 years of age or over? Yes ☐ No ☒; blind? Yes ☐ No ☒.
3. List names of other close relatives with 1948 income of less than $500 who received over half of their support from you. If this is a joint return of husband and wife, list dependent relatives of both and write letter "W" after name of any dependent supported by wife.

NAME OF DEPENDENT RELATIVE (please print)	RELATIONSHIP	ADDRESS—if different from yours
Macon Doe	son	—
John J. Doe, Jr.	son	—

Your Income

4. Enter income tax withheld and wages shown on all your 1948 Withholding Statements (Forms W-2). If this is a return of husband and wife, enter income tax withheld and wages of both. Attach all Forms W-2.

Print Employer's Name	Where Employed (City and State)	Income Tax Withheld	Total Wages
General Electric Co.	Schenectady, N.Y.	$ 106 00	$ 3,399 00
Enter totals		$ 106 00	$ 3,399 00

5. Enter total of interest, dividends, and any wages not shown on Forms W-2. If this is a return of husband and wife, enter total of such income of both 72 00
If item 5 is over $100, or if you had any other income (such as rent, etc.) use Form 1040.
6. Add items 4 and 5. If total is $5,000 or more, use Form 1040 instead of this form ..... $ 3,471 00
If item 6 includes income of both husband and wife, show: husband's income $ 3,399; wife's income $ None

If you filed a return (Form W-2 or Form 1040) for a prior year, what was the latest year? 1947
To which Collector's office was it sent? Albany, N.Y.

Is your wife (or husband) making a separate return for 1948? No (Yes or No)
If "Yes," write her (his) name —
Collector's office to which sent Albany, N.Y.

I (we) declare under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing statements are true to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief; and that ALL 1948 INCOME IS REPORTED HEREON.

(Signature of person, other than taxpayer, preparing this return) (Date)

(Address)

John J. Doe (Signature of taxpayer) Feb. 28/1949 (Date)

Jane A. Doe (Signature of taxpayer's wife or husband if this is a joint return) Feb. 28/1949 (Date)

➔ To assure any benefits of split-income provisions, husband and wife must include all their income, and BOTH MUST SIGN, even though only one has income.

THIS SPACE FOR COLLECTOR'S USE ONLY
TAX DUE OR REFUND WILL BE COMPUTED BY COLLECTOR

Credits	$
Tax	$
Balance due or refund	$
	$
Total	$

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If you want to compute your own tax liability, even though your income is below $5,000, you may do so by filing in Form 1040. There are good reasons for filing 1040, even if income is below $5,000, such as claiming all possible deductions for large medical expenses that may exceed the normal allowance.

Remember that on May 1, 1948, Congress placed into effect a new schedule of withholding tax rates which were lower than the rates in effect during the first four months of the year. Because the tax reduction of the 1948 Revenue Act applies to all of the 1948 income, taxpayers might have had an excessive amount withheld from their pay. If that is so they will have a refund owed to them by the government.

May Split Incomes

There's something else that is new this year in paying taxes that may prove to be an advantage to you. There is a new provision permitting married persons to split their income when it is reported in a joint statement, even if all of the income for the household was earned by only one of them. The advantage may be that your tax may be smaller on the split-income basis.

The split-income provision applies to statements filed jointly on either Forms 1040 or 1040A. Both must sign the statement.

The tax collector wants to make sure that you get the better break about the split-income provision. Therefore, if you file Form 1040A as a joint return with your spouse, the tax collector will compute your tax for you in two ways—as an individual return and on the split-income basis. He will charge you whichever is the lower of the two computations.

Collector Computes Tax

This service will be given only if you file a joint statement with your wife or husband. If you file as an individual, he will not compute your tax on the split-income basis.

In filing 1040A the taxpayer does not compute his own tax. The collector does that, based on the facts you place in your return. If you have had withheld from your salary or wages more than was needed to pay your tax he will return the excess to you. If not enough has been withheld he will bill you for the difference owed.

It is important that you attach all your 1948 withholding statements, Form W-2, to your tax return, whether you file Forms 1040 or 1040A.

FORT WAYNE WORKS
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This nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.

—*Abraham Lincoln*

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Subscribers Given Renewal Blanks For 'Adventures Ahead'

Teenagers May Receive Free Magazine By Mail; Voltmen In Next Issue

Renewal blanks will be inserted in the March-April issue of Adventures Ahead, it was announced today.

Adventures Ahead is a bimonthly publication for teenagers. The magazine is mailed free to sons, daughters, or other near relatives of G-E employees.

All subscribers must fill out a renewal blank if they want to continue receiving the magazine. These renewal blanks may also be used for new subscriptions. Additional blanks are available from foremen and supervisors.

The blank must be signed by the sponsoring employee, as well as the subscriber, and given to a supervisor.

Stories About Science

Each issue contains stories of new things in the world of science which would appeal to teenagers.

One of the leading articles in the current issue outlines the parts young women play in such General Electric operations as the General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory in Schenectady, N.Y. Other stories include one on how to draw and another explaining how to build a crystal set. The

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ABRAHAM LINCOLN



Bill Junk and Sondra Kronmiller, whose fathers work in Bldg. 17-1, stand at the base of a statue of the young railsplitter from Illinois who later became one of our greatest Presidents. Young Abe Lincoln exemplifies the opportunity offered American youth in his pioneer day as well as today. The statue, above, is located in front of the Lincoln Life Insurance Co. building on Harrison St.

76 Employees Share $1,225 In G-E Suggestion Awards

J. A. Haggenjos Tops List With $435; F. E. House Receives $115

Seventy-six employees have shared $1,225 in suggestion awards since the beginning of the year, according to the list released today. John O. Haggenjos, FHP Motor Division 17, received the highest award, $435, for his idea which incorporated a shaft undercutting operation on Brown and Sharpe machines.

Another Division 17 employee, Fred E. House, was next on the list by receiving $115 for his suggestion for salvaging castings. Eighty-five dollars went to Grover F. Rhodes, Specialty Transformer Division 91, for his suggestion on office routines.

For his suggestion pertaining to the third operation on certain stackers and test, Verlin Biggs, Danville plant, received $37.50. Edwin W. Stute, FHP Motor Division 13, was awarded $55 for his suggestion for magazine feed spring supports. Twenty-five dollars went to Charles K. Winans, also of FHP Division 13, for his idea involving the repairing of winding machines.

Those who received awards ranging from $5 to $20 are listed below:

FHP Motor Division 13: Clarence W. Watterson, Anna E. Griebel, Fred K. Vietmeyer, Kenneth C.

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Family Night Will Feature Square Dance

A square dance for G-E Club members will be held Friday night, Feb. 25, in the club's gymnasium, the Family Night committee announced today.

Admission will be by free tickets which may be obtained at the candystands in Bldgs. 18-B and 23-B. Attendance will be limited to 1,000 persons.

All family night attractions are free and are sponsored by the G-E Club. Future programs will include basketball, volleyball, outdoor sports show, and the 1948 World Series movie.

Employees' Store Displays New Remote Control Wiring System



Ray Fischbach, manager of the Employees' store, is shown above turning off the switch on a display board being used to demonstrate the new G-E Remote Control wiring system. At the bottom of the board is the transformer; at either side, the new type of push-button switches, that clamp three to a box; the relay, in the center; and the lamp socket, at the top. Because of the low voltage it is now possible for a person to insert his fingers in the lamp socket without danger of shock.

Attractive switches, a safer system of wiring, and a new conception of switch control are a few of the advantages offered by the G-E Remote Control wiring system now on sale in the Employees' store.

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Valentine Dance To Be Held Tonight At Squares' Hall

The G-E Squares Club will hold its annual St. Valentine's Day dance tonight from 9:30 to 12:30 p.m. in the Squares' hall. Hod Kreigh's orchestra will present the music for the informal dance.

The Squares' Barbershop Quartet stag night will be held Wednesday, Feb. 16, at 8 p.m. Quartets from the FHP Motor, Transformer, Works Lab and general divisions will compete in the contest. The Indiana Tech Glee Club will also be featured on the program.

The Squares' bridge tournament was concluded last Friday night with the following winning top places:

Mr. and Mrs. James Townsend, Winter St., placed first with a total score of 9,750; Mr. and Mrs. Herb Behm, Bldg. 4-6, came in second with 7,920, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Killian, Bldg. 4-6, were third with a total of 7,580.

Company Prints New Apparatus Handbooks



Patricia Olinger and Clara Richter are shown above looking at the new Apparatus handbooks, which contain complete buying and selling information on the products of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Divisions and the Specialty Transformers and Ballast Divisions.

More than 40,000 G-E customers, distributors, and salesmen have received the new G-E Apparatus handbooks. The project of printing and distributing the books was completed on schedule recently after two months of assembling material.

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FORT WAYNE WORKS
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Don Campbell ..... Editor

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Edison Day Has Become A Tribute To A Great Public Benefactor

Today the entire nation commemorates the birthday of Thomas Alva Edison.

Born in Milan, Ohio, in 1847, young Tom Edison first revealed his inventive talents at the age of seven, when he set up his chemical laboratory in the cellar of his home.

When he was 12 years old he got a job as train-boy on the Grand Trunk Railroad. Edison's career as a telegraph operator began when he saved the station agent's young son from the path of a moving freight car. Out of gratitude the father taught Edison the new science of telegraphy. By the time he was 17, Edison was "on the road" as a telegraph operator. He drifted from Stratford, Canada, to Adrian, Michigan, and even spent some time in Fort Wayne.

At the age of 29, he went to Menlo Park to make the greatest of his inventions—a successful incandescent electric lamp.

It was in 1892 that the Edison General Electric was combined with the Thomson-Houston Company to form what is now our own General Electric Company.

The many achievements of Edison are too well known to need repeating. Foremost among them were his successful experiments in the science of electricity which provided the groundwork on which the whole vast power industry was built, and which have revolutionized the living and working habits of the American people. Edison Day thus becomes a tribute to one of the greatest public benefactors the world has ever known.

America's Security Depends On The Spirit Of Its People

The Reserve Officers Association of the United States has again planned its traditional observance of National Security Week during February 12-22.

It is most appropriate that the period lies between the birthday anniversaries of our two greatest Presidents; one whose efforts created our country; the other whose efforts preserved its unity.

This week should make us aware of our national heritage and the priceless liberties which we must preserve. It should bring us another thought as well. This nation has never provoked a war. No people on earth is more peaceful in intention. None will do more to achieve a just and lasting peace for all countries. If ever we are again forced to engage in war, it will be because we can find no other means of maintaining those rights and freedoms which make up the American tradition.

The United States must build and conserve its strength. That means, on the surface, that we must have a strong military force capable of dealing with aggressors, and a mighty industrial structure to back it up. But these things, vital as they are, represent a reflection of our strength rather than the substance of it. For the core of this nation's strength and power lies in the spirit of its people.

The spirit is the spirit of freedom. It is based on the knowledge that every American has inalienable rights which cannot be abrogated. The right to speak our minds, the right to own property, the right to engage in a business of our choosing, the right to be free of dictation by government—these and other rights constitute our strength. And that too is the significance of National Security Week.

Safety In Shoes Remove Causes For Many Serious Foot Injuries

Safety reports indicate that a foot injury can cost you full pay for weeks. In these modern times practically everyone believes in and does carry life insurance. They may carry accident insurance too. All of these are very good and should be part of every worker's budget, but he should go even further and relieve himself of the pain, misery and expense caused by accident to the feet.

Workers should not be handicapped in this manner when safety shoes are yours for such a small amount. This is to you an insurance of another sort and you will be removing the cause for an accident. Thin soles are another source of trouble. Keep your shoes in good condition, and by all means wear safety shoes whether your work is hazardous or not.

THOMAS ALVA EDISON



WHAT'S NEW IN G-E PLANTS & LABS

SOMERSWORTH. N. H. — First place trophy in the national 1947-48 safety contest between units of the metal industry for no lost-time accidents during the year was awarded to the G-E plant here by the National Safety Council, Chicago. Man-hours of work for the year, the period covered by the award, amounted to 716,397. In accepting the plaque, Leo P. Hannaway, manager, pointed out that there had been no employee accident at the plant for more than a year and a half, involving 1,342,512 man hours. The plant's accident frequency rate is zero compared to the national average of 7.7 for the industry as a whole.

SYRACUSE—A new single-unit mobile FM transmitter-receiver for communication in the 152-162 mc frequency band is announced from Electronics Park by the Transmitter Division. High selectivity is the major feature of the new unit, designed for use by police, public utilities, taxis, and similar agencies. It operates on 6.3 volts d-c and furnishes transmitter power of 20 watts. The electrical design includes quick-heater tubes in the transmitter; positive action in relays in all control circuits; jacks to measure directly all important receiver and transmitter circuits. The new unit is 8 inches high, 8 inches wide, and 26 inches long, and weighs 46 pounds.

CLEVELAND — Brighter and surer screening of motion pictures is available to users of 8-mm. and 16-mm. projectors as a result of a major improvement in construction of movie projection lamps, it is announced at Nela Park. Engineers revealed that, after years of effort, there has been devised a method of forming mechanically the complex filaments used in the projection lamps, resulting not only in improved screen illumination initially, but also in better light maintenance. The new technique supplants the tedious system whereby an individual's trained manual dexterity could do no better than form filaments for about 80 projection lamps daily. The new construction now applies only to a 500 and a 750-watt lamp, each rated with a burning life of 25 hours, and a 1000-watt lamp, rated at 10 hours.

A new electrical system which automatically controls the weight of an oil-well drilling bit hundreds of feet below the surface of the ground is announced by the Materials Industries Division. The new control consists of a drag generator, an amplidyne-controlled regulating generator and exciter, a main control panel, and an operator's control panel. It can be applied to any kind of rotary drilling-ing operation, electrical, mechanical, or steam. This device is expected to speed up drilling operations by minimizing the number of times the entire drill stem must be wornout drilling bits.

The OLD PHILOSOPHER *Says:*



Long ago when we all were mere children, Valentine's Day was a party-party day at school. Ice cream, cake, and heart-shaped candies imprinted with "I love you," "Be Mine," or "My heart yearns" were part of the delightful tradition.

The highpoint of every party was the big box on teacher's desk decorated with red and white crepe paper frills and overflowing with assorted white envelopes. Almost every little boy and certainly every little girl had watched the gradual swelling of the box for days with great anticipation and no end of trepidation. It was an unwritten law that whoever gained the greatest number of Valentines was the most popular person in the class.

We all sent Valentines to teacher—everyone from her pet to the class dunce. Decorated with rulers and blackboards, the card told of our appreciation and devotion to her. What little hypocrites we were!

The types of Valentines we received were varied. There were the clever ones sent by casual friends. There were insulting comic ones sent by the little boy from whom we had won 76 marbles or from the little girl whose boy friend we had borrowed for awhile. There were the handmade ones, still smelling of paste, with the lace slightly askew. There were the hearts and flowers variety that dripped lace and sentiment.

We've almost forgotten the day a shy little boy slipped a bashful little girl a lace bedecked supplication. With a big smile and a lisping, "Happy Valentineth Day."

SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q. What fraction of a horsepower can a man exert?

A. Naturally this will vary considerably with the individual. However, a healthy man, driving bicycle pedals attached to an electrical generator, can keep a 100 watt lamp burning for a short time, and this takes about an eighth of a horsepower.

Q. Why does a small jewel in a record player usually sound better than a steel needle?

A. Because the jewel has a smaller mass than the steel needle, it responds more easily to variations in the groove on the record. This gives a more faithful reproduction of the recorded sounds.

Foremen Hear Talk On Leadership



Everett Lindeman and John E. Estabrook are shown above discussing the main points of Dr. Lee's talk with him. Dr. Lee, in the center above, is a member of the public relations department for the General Motors Corporation, Detroit. He was introduced by Mr. Estsbrook.

Approximately 140 members of the Foremen's Association heard Dr. Ralph D. Lee talk on "Leadership and What It Takes" at a meeting Wednesday night, Feb. 2, in Kreis Stoltzenau hall.

A member of the public relations department for the General Motors Corporation, Dr. Lee is a noted speaker as well as an engineer and inventor. At the meeting Wednesday he outlined some of the requirements of being a good leader.

Dr. Lee stated that followers look for the following in a good leader:

One who is not afraid of his job, for his job, of his boss, or of his followers; believes his work is important and is not a slave of economic necessity; enjoys his work; is willing to fight for those who are under his leadership; has the workers' interest at heart; recognizes those under him as fellow human beings; knows most of the answers, but not all of them and will admit it when he doesn't; is predictable; honest; accessible when wanted; can show others how to do something without showing off; will listen to otbers and pay attention to what they are saying; respects others and would never humiliate anyone in the presence of another; knows all that is going on and yet turns his ear against gossip; loyal to himself and the things he is doing; and, uses his authority to promote, demote, correct or protect wbenever necessary.

"All leaders have found in work not only a means for living," Dr. Lee pointed out, "but a reason for living."

He gave the following as signs of good leadership:

"Low voice; slow speech; neat appearance; moderate style; rarely in a hurry; doesn't show all he feels and thinks; looks you squarely in the eye; punctual; rarely interrupts; doesn't tell everything he knows; is easy to meet; never takes himself too seriously, and really likes the people he meets."

In conclusion, Dr. Lee added, "There never was a human being, no matter how great a leader, who was absolutely perfect."

Dr. Lee was introduced by John E. Estabrook, Assistant to the Works Manager. The election of officers was held following the talk.



Following their election, the new officers of the Foremen's Association held a short powwow session to discuss plans for the coming year. They are, left to right: Edward Hesher, director from the Decatur plant; Joe Wyss, Taylor St., vice president; Ewald Steinsmuehlen, Taylor St., director; Fred Pyle, Bldg. 4-1, treasurer; Everett Lindeman, Bldg. 4-3, president; and Leon Bond, Bldg. 26-3, secretary.

Employees' Store

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This recent development of the General Electric Company opens up an entirely new conception of light and outlet control.

A remote control system is a method of wiring which has controlling devices, such as relays, at the equipment which is to be controlled and auxiliary means to operate the controlling device. A dial telephone system is probably one of the best known remote control wiring systems.

Low Voltsge

The G-E Remote Control system works on a similar principle, but is designed to control lighting, convenience outlets, or small appliances in home or office, factory or fsrm. It consists of low-voltage, 25 volt relays with built-in high-voltage, 115 volt switches, and low-voltage controlling switches.

The relay, a simple device of small dimensions, is mounted at the light or convenience outlets which it has to control; the low-voltage switches are installed in all locations where regular switches were formerly used. In this way, a light or convenience outlet can be controlled from any number of points, without the use of comparatively high-priced three- and four-way switches and large quantities of three-conductor and four-conductor cables. To obtain the low voltage, it is necessary to install a small transformer, slightly larger than a standard bell transformer, somewbere on the premises. One transformer can be used for many relays and control switches. Only one is normally needed in the average home.

Switches are so easily installed that tbe addition of one switch or many does not present any problem. It does not make any difference whether a light or a number of lights is to be switched from one, two, or ten points: always the same type of switch and the same type of wire is used. There is no use for special cables like those normally needed for three-way and four-way switch hook-ups; on the contrary, all switches are wired solely with an annunciator type of No. 18 Awg wire, which is easy to handle, very low in cost, and hsrdly noticeable should it be installed on the surface.

Many Advantages

The switches are very small, attractive looking, of simple, long-lasting design, and cost but little. They do not need large switch boxes to be mounted, and eliminate the use of wallplates and other accessories. Only one type of switch is installed, no matter how many control points are needed.

The system is safer than the ordinary method of wiring. Since the switches are connected to the harmless voltage of 25 volts, the danger of shock is completely eliminated. This is especially important where switches have to be operated from wet floors, around sinks and lavatories and in bathrooms.

Due to its economy, the remote control system permits an entirely new conception of switch control. With this system, it is possible, st a reasonable cost, to have three and four controls for certain lights or outlets where formerly the cost of installing more than a single switch would have been prohibitive.

Trsnsformers Msde Here

The remote control system consists of the relay, which is of split coil design: one coil to close the 115-volt circuit, the other coil to open the 115-volt circuit; the switch, whicb is a SP, double-throw momentary contact switch which is normally open; the conductors, which are either two or three No. 18 solid conductors; and, the transformer. The transformers recommended are G-E 72G4 or 72G14, which are made here at tbe Fort Wayne Works by the Specialty Transformer Division.

Not Subject To Restrictions

The remote control system, using low voltage, is not subject to the same code restrictions as the conventional system. Because of its inherent safety, installation is simplified. The low-voltage system can be short-circuited at any point, without danger to the installation of excessive beat or fire.

The G-E Remote Control System is equally adaptable to old or new construction.

Bangert Named Assistant To FHP Purchasing Agent



R. E. Bsngert

R. E. Bangert has been appointed Assistant to the Purchasing Agent of the FHP Motor Divisions.

An apprentice school graduate, Mr. Bangert began working for General Electric in 1931. He then went to Bldg. 4-5 in 1936 as a toolmaker. In August, 1936, he transferred to Bldg. 4-6 as a clerk. The following year, he became a tool and equipment engineer in Bldg. 4-4.

Mr. Bangert, on Jan. 24, 1938, became a machinist in Bldg. 4-5, and in November of that year transferred to Bldg. 19-3 as a planning engineer. He later became a dispatcher until 1940 when he entered the Company's Production Training Course in Schenectady.

In 1941 he returned to Fort Wayne as a production clerk in Bldg. 18-4. He also did subcontracting. He then worked on subcontracting in Bldgs. 4-6 and 6-2, and at one time was Supervisor of Subcontracting in Bldg. 4-6. On March 31, 1947 he became a section leader in Bldg. 18-4 and last year was section leader in the Purchasing Division, the position he held prior to his recent appointment.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

Here we are again and things are still booming in Bldg. 26-1. We have a fellow wbo enjoys drawing pictures and printing on all the trays that come down the conveyor. He can draw almost as good as any 6th grade child. He is none other tban McConnehey. Anyone wishing to make Mac happy just give him a piece of cbalk. . . . We also have a big butter and egg man in our midst. More eggs than butter, I understand. Bill Edmunds is supplying half of the factory and office force with eggs. . . . "Gorgeous George" Barker has just returned from his tour at Winter Street. . . . Jake Fullner became tbe father of a bouncing baby, 7 pounds, 13 ounces. Congratulations, Jake. . . . Now that Ed "Hop-along Hotspurs" Parker has his own radio program we suggest tbat he get bimself a supply of autographed pictures. We hear that a fan club has been organized. . . . One of our truckers, George Schafer, will probably be recognized by the National Safety Council for having the best set of brakes on bis automobile, even when compared to those on the late model cars. . . . Some more picturesque characters in the punch press section have been receiving three valentines quite early this year, and these people are being referred to as "politicians." Yes, men, Gamblers and even Clock Watchers. We still wonder why Fred Thieme and Gerald Crum don't follow suit and display their greetings by posting them some place where all the boys can see tbem. . . . Sam Rhoades' luck is still holding out as he got a fair sized return from a small investment he made one day last week. . . . That sly old fox Robert Bunyan came out of the deal with free ice cream, as he always refuses to lose at his own game. . . . If you have any old cuff links bring them to work. Ralph Milligan, our ex-G. I. antique collector, is paying a high price for them. . . . We would all like to express our deepest sympatby to Paul Conrad upon the death of his fatber.

Offer Home Demonstrations Of G-E's Flatplate Ironer

A free home demonstration of General Electric's flatplate ironer is now being offered to all those not familiar with its operation.

Mrs. Darrel Wilson is conducting the demonstrations through the sponsorship of tbe Schueler Appliance store, Fairfield Ave. Mrs. Wilson's husband was a former G-E employee.

The ironers are on display and may be purchased at an employee discount at botb Schueler's and Wolf & Dessauer's.

76 Employees Share $1,225 In Suggestion Awards

Haggenjos Gets $435



In the above picture are Arthur Luessenhop, John O. Haggenjos and Carl Sorenson, FHP Div. 17, looking at the application of the suggestion that netted Mr. Haggenjos $435 in a suggestion award. His idea incorporated a shaft undercutting operation on the Brown and Sharpe machines.

New Idea Merits $85



Grover F. Rhodes and S. A. Macy, Specialty Transformer Div. 91, are looking at the file cards effected in Mr. Rhodes' suggestion to change the office method of handling record cards. This suggestion was worth $85 to Mr. Rhodes.

Company Prints

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One hundred tons of type was used along with 11,176 engravings to print 41 million sheets of paper. Stacked in one pile, these sheets would be 1,889 feet high, well over three times as high as the Washington Monument. In all the books there are more than 9,800 pages of information, three times as many pages as in Webster's Unabridged Dictionary. To publish the handbooks on schedule, nine typographical houses, nine engraving firms, 14 printing houses, three binderies, and one electrotype foundry cooperated.

Several of the books showing the products made at the Fort Wayne Works are shown in the photograph. One handbook contains a complete listing of standard fractional horsepower motors; such as general-purpose motors and motors for pumps, fans, blowers, oil burners, stokers, and hair dryers. The other book includes a complete listing of specialty transformers; such as Types M & D, control and signal, machine tool, automatic voltage stabilizers, ignition transformers for oil burners, transformers for electronic applications and ballasts for fluorescent, mercury-vapor and uviarc lamps. The booklets on the table contain complete selling information on specific products. They are inexpensively prepared from existing handbook information.

The handbooks enable G-E salesmen to quickly and efficiently price and sell any of the thousands of G-E Apparatus products from ballasts and fractional horsepower motors to turbines and cyclotrons. The streamlined, easy-to-read handbook also offers an added inducement to customers of General Electric.

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Miller, William A. Sivits, Ardell W. Hambrock, John Wood and Charles H. Bell.

FHP Motor Division 14: Fred H. Vogt.

FHP Motor Division 15: Vergie Stephen (two awards), Thyral L. Neu, Forrest R. Allman, Paul F. Boyer, Lloyd Ernst (two awards), Forest E. Monroe, Charles Dingman, Park E. Schemchorn, Edwin C. Rodenbeck and Lewis H. Hutchinson.

FHP Motor Division 16: Garland K. Keister (two awards), Donald H. Witte (two awards), Charles H. Francies, Geraldine I. Snyder, Herb Halley and Paul E. Beaver.

FHP Motor Division 33: W. H. Mills, William Decker, Lawrence A. Baker, Donald F. Thomas, Joseph E. Quinlan and Herman T. Ambrose.

FHP Motor Division 10: William W. Johnson and Raymond J. Stout.

Tiffin Plant: Russell L. Semer, Gilbert E. Theis, John A. Burkhardt, Everett F. Crum, Richard A. Reamer, Donald W. Shutt, Dora Jumper and Lucille Mount.

Specialty Transformer Division 91: Owen R. Allen, William Swander and Harold Jamison.

Specialty Transformer Division 93: James E. Quinn, Lavona Porter, Margaret Reynolds, Levi C. Carpenter and Clifford P. Thompson.

Specialty Transformer Division 95: Dale F. Stuckey, Agnes M. Jump, Raymond R. Crippen and Betty Jean Sapp.

Danville Plant: Verlin L. Biggs, and Wilson D. Halls.

Motor and Generator Division: Margaret Fletcher, L. W. Griffith, Philip E. Lydy and Frank A. Fordham.

General Tool Division: William M. Lipp.

Miscellaneous: Virginia E. Worden.

Decatur Pensioner Dies In Hospital

Agnes E. Conter, 63, retired Decatur G-E employee died at the Adams County Memorial hospital Wednesday, Feb. 2, after an illness of more than three years.

Miss Conter started at General Electric in February, 1924, and retired because of ill health in February, 1945. Prior to her retirement Miss Conter was active in GeCode Club activities.

She is survived by a sister, Christine Conter.

Funeral services were held Saturday at St. Mary's Church.

PARTIZANS TO SPONSOR KAFFEE-KUCHEN DAY

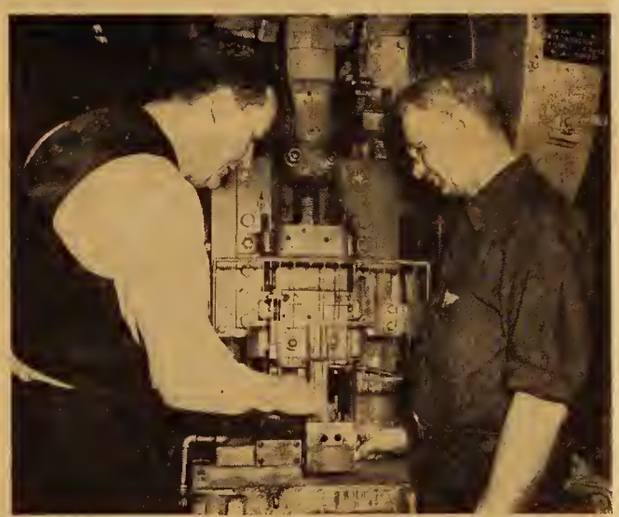
The Partizan Chapter of Elex will sponsor a Kaffee-Kuchen Day at 2:15 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 17. At that time there will be homemade coffee cake sold at Irene Meyers' office in Bldg. 8-2. Anyone desiring to purchase a cake must make arrangements to pick up the cake before 3 p.m.

House Receives $115



Fred E. House, FHP Motor Division 17, received $115 for his recent suggestion on a better method of salvaging castings. The picture above was taken at the time Mr. House received his award check. Left to right are R. C. Dennison, Supt. of FHP Motor Division 17; Mr. House and A. L. Nicholson.

Suggestion Brings $55



Edwin W. Stute, FHP Motor Div. 13, recently received $55 for his suggestion to make a magazine feed for a spring support instead of hand feeding. Basil Bowley, left, and Mr. Stute are looking over the application of this suggestion.

Subscribers Given

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latter article was written by Charles E. Ream, supervisor of the mechanical section in the Fort Wayne Works Laboratory. He has also written a subsequent story telling how to add a one-tube amplifier to the set. This article will appear in the March-April issue, which will be mailed the second week in March.

Voltmen Are Featured

The next issue will also contain a story about Fort Wayne's Voltmen. The national semipro champions are introduced to G-E teenagers in a story titled, "Two Down —One to Go."

The story of Gerhard Neumann, Lynn River Works, is one of the leading articles of this issue. Mr. Neumann has the unusual distinction of being a citizen of the United States by act of Congress.

He fled Germany, went to China, became identified with the "Flying Tigers," joined the U.S. Army Air Force, was voted citizenship, and then went with his wife on a jeep trip that started at Hong Kong and ended at Palestine.

Another interesting story is "Salute from the Isle of Capri," which is about Henriette Dorris, an industrial nurse at the Erie Works. While a Captain in the Army Nurse Corps during the war, Miss Dorris did such outstanding work among the children and mothers on the Italian island of Capri that the island's mayor asked the Army to let her remain. Pictures from her own photographic album illustrate this article.



I Greet My God

However wearily at dawn . . . I leave the Land of Nod . . . I never greet the world before I say "Good-morning, God" . . . And when tbe day is done and I . . . Have reaped my just reward . . . I never go to sleep until . . . I say "Good-night, O Lord" . . . Because there is no surer way . . . To keep in constant touch . . . And though my eyes are weary I . . . Can do at least this much . . . And whether I am glad or sad . . . And skies are bright or dim . . . It is a way to dedicate . . . The day and night to Him . . . My happiness is in The Lord . . . Who solves my every plight . . . And that is why I always say . . . Good-morning and Good-night.

By James J. Metcalfe.

Last Friday we received word that Josephine Foster had died. To the family we wish to express our deepest sympathy. . . . Also Chester Degitz, a co-worker, who has been ill for the past few months, died last week. To his family we express our sympathy. . . . We understand the "Gutterball" last week mentioned several guests who were present at a party for Carl Langas and his wife. However two couples, Mr. and Mrs. Voltz and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson who had quite a lot to do with arranging the party, were not mentioned. You're slipping, boys. . . . Meredith Trout came to work wearing two different socks, but he insists he had the mates to them at home. Seeing is believing. . . . We hear Bill Weber had asked his wife to mail a pen to a certain company for repairs and when he asked his wife if she did, she replied, yes. Later that day Bill found the pen on the desk, so after contacting the postmaster the empty box was returned. . . . We wonder why Elmer Buuck has decided to give up smoking? At least at home, anyway. . . . Arlo Hawk fell asleep the other night on the davenport at home, and at 12 o'clock his wife called him to come to bed. But Arlo seemed quite confused and went upstairs to dress for work. Was he surprised when his wife informed him of the time. . . . Betty Harrold has a certain "glow" these days. She has set the day for Feb. 12. . . . "Doc" Les Greene has been giving some good advice for curing colds. Sitting on the ice is one way to catch them, Les. Know what we mean? . . . Ask "Mac" how he likes making "Sorority Contacts." . . . Congratulations to Mary Rueswald, who has a baby boy. Michael Jay is his name. . . . If anyone hears Ina Armey giving out with a certain kind of "lingo," don't become alarmed. She is learning to speak Spanish. . . . Lucy Whitlock was so sleepy the other morning she sliced her fingers instead of the ham she was preparing for her breakfast.

Who remembers when parents could wait up to kiss the kids good night and still get to bed at an early hour?

Concert Choir Appears At Elex Meetings



The Indiana University Men's Concert Choir sang at two programs for the Elex Club last Monday, the first at the Y. W. C. A. for a luncheon meeting of the night girls and the other in the evening for the day girls. The program was varied, including selections from the classics, spirituals, as well as popular songs and novelty numbers.

In the above picture are the choir with relatives of some of the boys who live in the surrounding area. Left to right are George Krueger, choir director; Forrest Mulvane from Ossian and former G-E employee; his mother, Mae Mulvane, a nurse in Bldg. 21; Mrs. Cora Revert, mother of Glen Miller, a former G-E employee and native of Yoder; Mr. Miller; Mrs. Miller; Mrs. Howard Horn; Leonard Horn, the only member of the choir from Fort Wayne; Mrs. Sally Ross, and Harold Ross from Garrett.



Did you hear about Butch Vegalues losing his billfold the other week-end? Butch spent a couple of days in Toledo and while there lost his billfold and a pack of tobacco. Some honest fellow found the "moth haven" and returned it to him, but Butch wasn't satisfied because he didn't get his tobacco back. The latest report is that the guy in Toledo is sending Butch 15¢ to cover the loss of the tobacco. . . . We wonder if the boys in the drafting room are collecting those pipes as a hobby or is it a profitable business. Wiley Shockney prefers the unfinished kind while "Hoot" Gibson goes in for the more beautifying type, such as the one he wears around his neck, with the deep bowl. . . . You should have seen the look on Tez Trump's face the other night when he went all the way out to the parking lot for his car and suddenly remembered he had taken it to the garage that day. . . . Will someone please explain to Roger Pierson just how Sonja Henie "twirls"? Rog says she twirls on her toes. Erv Huth says if she did she'd bore holes in the ice, and the rest of us just wish they'd forget the whole tbing before we all go "nuts." . . . If you read that write-up in Lines and Angles about Dorcas MacKay, you couldn't help but chuckle—just a chip off the old block. How about it, Charlie? . . . Elton Swank has sure been having luck ice fishing. Every time he goes he always brings back at least 15, that is when they're biting. . . . Did you know Bill Altekruse was a valentine? That probably accounts for those "taking ways" of his. Anyway, happy birthday, Bill, and to Lois Ulrey and Oscar Rodenbeck too.

H. O. Telley Dies In New Mexico

Herbert O. Telley, 30, died at 5 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 1, at his home in Tucumcari, N. M., where he had lived the past year and a half. He was employed by the Fort Wayne General Electric in 1937, working in Bldg. 17-1. He left the Company in 1945 to enlist in the Navy, and upon his discharge was re-engaged to work in Bldg. 4-3. He was working at Taylor St. when he moved to New Mexico for his health.

He was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church and its Holy Name Society.

Surviving are his wife, Florence, two sons, Patrick and Michael; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Telley, and a sister, Mrs. Gustav Schmiemann.



This week we say farewell to Bernie English and Louie Starr. Bernie is going into the tool room in Bldg. 19, and Louie is going on pension. To both we wish good luck and say that both will be missed very much. . . . Now we have heard of girls swapping clothes but men seldom do, however Larry Gase decided that Paul Merkey's coat would look better on him than his own, so he swapped. The only thing is, Larry is short and wide where Paul is long and thin. . . . It was a swell wrestling match, or was it? Don't ask the time clerks in the office. They were all set for a large evening at the arena, but just like a woman one of them was slow getting ready. When they got there they couldn't even get in the door, so they proceeded to the apartment of Joan Toderoff and really had a good time eating hamburgers. Those enjoying the "Burgers" were Eveleen Bennett, Laurel Weaver, Eileen Hennen, Dorothy Askren and their hostess, Joan Toderoff. . . . What is this we hear about Harry Chism house hunting, and in the country too. Maybe he thinks like the rest of us city farmers that at least he will be eating regularly.



Bud Lindeman has taken up needlework. If you are interested in taking lessons, prices will be reasonable. . . . Some men never know when to stop. We are told Virgil Nash has taught his wife to run the bulldozer. It probably was Virgil's bulldozing that put her in the mood. He told her she could earn lots of extra money in her spare time. How do you do it, Virgil? . . . Belated birthday greetings to Harley DeWitt, Cletus Lothamer and Bill Stearns. . . . Congratulations to Bill Skinner, who was the recipient of a Coffin Award. Nice going, Bill. . . . We welcome Joe Goodman to Wire Cost. Hope you like us, Joe.

Insulation News

Congratulations to all employees of the Insulation Section for their splendid safety record. You have not only come through with no lost-time accidents for the year 1948 but have also saved someone from many hours of pain and suffering. Last but not least for this reason that good old weekly pay check wasn't short. Keep up the good work, gang. Practice and work as safely in 1949 as you did in '48. It pays to cooperate with your Safety Committee. . . . Phyliss Braun and Irene Stucky thank their co-workers for that swell dinner. Sorry to see you leave, girls. . . . Welcome Elaine Allen and Josephine Balsamo to our Insulation Office. We hope that you find working with us a real pleasure.

Three Join Q-C Club



Simon W. Knapp
Bldg. 20-1



Jay H. Michael
Bldg. 4-4



Fred A. Thompson
Bldg. 6-B

Starr Receives Retirement Gift



The friends of Louis Starr, Bldg. 17-3, gave him a goodbye gift on the occasion of his retirement last Friday. In the picture are, left to right: Verne Castle, General Foreman; Harry Starr, Harry Chism, foreman; Jessie Wilcox, Ray Johnson, Ray Miller, Ralph Meschberger and Henry Pliett.



Last Friday Louis Starr folded his apron, dusted off his work bench and bid us all goodbye. He is exchanging a clock card punching life for one of ease. Best of luck, Louie, and may you enjoy all the things you have said you were going to do when you didn't have to work anymore. . . . Did you see that big smile of Martha Arnel's this week? She is a brand new grandmother. . . . Dorothy Johnson is now honorary Fire Chief of Maumee Avenue since the big fire last week. . . . I wonder if we went over to see Rose Dowling if she would give us a ride in her new Packard? . . . Mary Wright likes to cook so well she even brings her cookbook to work. . . . Francis Eckrote says Mary Shumm and Virgie Mayer are poor hostesses. After asking her to have lunch with them, they let her to go by herself. . . . Lucille Allen has been making old Hap Hazard's eyes glitter by taking a tumble. It wasn't Hap that helped her up either. . . . Willa Williams, our matron, invited some of the girls to a sacred concert at the St. John's A.M.E. Church. Those attending report a wonderful concert and appreciated the invitation. . . . Happy birthday to Mary Foster, Doris Ryan, Martha Rice, Ralph Armey and Madalyn Briggs. The 80 frame group had a potluck on Mary's birthday. A few friends helped Doris celebrate her birthday. . . . It's "hello" to Elsie Klemm, Clara Dixon, Alice Robinson, Bertha Furge, Ruth Troyer, Lela Schaper and Ada Byerly. They have all joined the early bird shift. . . . Tomorrow is the big day for Anne Chomey when she says that all important, "I do." We wish you lots of happiness. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Mary Foster and Bertha Furge in the death of their fathers.

Magazine Article Describes Layout Of Tiffin Plant

The layout for mechanization of materials-handling at the Tiffin, Ohio, plant is described in an article by George W. Auer, Tiffin Plant Manager, that appeared in the December issue of "Factory Management and Maintenance," a McGraw-Hill publication. The story, titled "Mechanized Handling Brings Two-Week Inventory Turnover," contains three pages of photographs illustrating the stator and rotor lines at the plant.



"I run things at my house" declares Herschel Smith. (Yes, probably the lawn mower and the washing machine.)

Welcome to Ruth Dingman, test engineer, who has been spending some time in the Personnel Division recently. We hope you enjoy your short stay with us, Ruth. . . . We congratulate Herschel Smith and all who had a share in making the new Safety Booklet such a success. . . . Minnie Fryback celebrated her birthday in a big way last week. The dispensary group remembered her with numerous gifts which made a lovely display when they were arranged on a card table. . . . The girls in Bldg. 21 would especially like to wish a belated birthday to their friend Anne Murtaugh, formerly a nurse, who is now a patient at the Irene Byron. Anne was employed at Decatur, but, of course, had many friends at the Employment Office. The group here is very alert to do any little thing they can for Anne, and would like her to know they are thinking of her often. . . . . Doris Dreyer is a little ray of sunshine this week—Walt is home. 'Nuff said. . . . "Mrs. Catt says war can be talked to death. If that is true, Mrs. Catt has her mission in the world, and there is no reason why she should not proceed."



Ethel Koontz enjoyed the circus Sunday, especially when the elephant did its dance. We sure thought you were grown up, Ethel. . . . Jerry McKnown had to go fishing twice over the week-end to get a few fish. . . . Chet Carey reports he sat for eight hours and finally caught fish but too small to even keep. . . . We're happy to have Arvedia Neal and Emma Vaughn back with us. . . . Maxine Jones came in Monday morning with a new short hair-do, and we all think it's very becoming to you, Maxine. . . . Tommy Williams sure had her tough luck. She started out to the car for work with both hands full when all of a sudden she sat down on the ice. She didn't think so much about that but when she got here in the parking lot and got out of the car she thought she felt a breeze and when she looked she decided to go home and get more clothes to replace those she tore. . . . Ruby Allen attended a birthday dinner for her daughter. . . . Ernie Raypole came into work last week, his chest twice the size because his basketball team had won the league championship. Later we found out Ernie didn't play, he just carried the water and threw in the towel. . . . Harold Mosshammer is fishing just like he hunted rabbits; no evidence to show.



Letter No. 1. To Any Policeman It May Concern: If my lifeless body is found jammed head first into a wastebasket, some dark night—the editor of this paper is an accomplice before the fact! It figures—and here's how. The blue-pencil boy is always after we columnists to get people's names into our penmanship practice. We may fancy ourselves as a budding de Maupassant, but, he thinks of us as nothing but a Winchell! Do we rebel? Well, no. You see, the Boss' letter assigning us this task is beautifully framed in our mind—so we use names! For instance, we used the name Ann Wade in our column a number of times. Now, that was fine—until one day Miss Wade came around and threatened us with all kinds of dire consequences, unless we stopped publicizing her exploits. And that's only one instance. We've had similar threats from Harry Dolson's wife, Mr. and Mrs. F. Ondrovik, and practically everyone else whose moniker has appeared under our byline! So here we sit, between the devil and the deep-blue sea—and after consuming three packs of Luckies, we still do not feel our level best! Our problem, Dr. Anthony, is this: How can we use people's names (to satisfy our editor) without using people's names (in order to stay alive)?

Letter No. 2. To Bud Nesvig and Johnny Plate: Fellows, we haven't known you as long as some of the office staff, but believe we speak for all in saying, "We hate to see you go." To this columnist, you've both been good friends and grand sports. Since this may be the last one of these things you will read, we want to wish you great success and much happiness in your new adventures.

Letter No. 3. To the Entire Staff: We won't discuss how he acquired them, but Andy O'Dwyer returned from the NESA show with the largest collection of "gimmicks." If you haven't already seen them, contact Andy, and we're sure he'll be glad to arrange a private showing. But, let us remind you—adults only!

Letter No. 4. To Ray Rogers, the Super Impersonal Salesman: We think your efforts to cram Valentine Dance tickets down the throat of a certain young bachelor test engineer, in view of the noble cause, is O. K. But, we strongly object to your tactics. Reducing our local beauties to a position of having to scramble for the coveted honor of attending said dance with said T. E. Tsk, tsk, tsk! If you could have seen Avanel's tear stained cheeks as she crawled on her hands and knees to my desk, and sobbed out her pitiful story about how Sam had cast her aside, in favor of Ann, I'm sure you would have repented your selling tactics. As suitable punishment, we suggest that you furnish one exclusive item to this reporter for the next seven consecutive weeks.

A professor says grade school teachers should know 4000 words—and Junior says "study this at home" should not be among them.

Gregory Honored On Retirement



On the occasion of his retirement, friends and co-workers of Herbert Gregory, Bldg. 22, gathered to wish him good-bye and to present him a gift. Left to right in the picture are Farrell Hill, Clarence Miser, Louis Fox, Floyd Brown, Forest Sutter, Waymon Morton, John August, George Winan, Jacob Mattes, Charles Nord, Edgar Ball, Mr. Gregory, Emery Cramer, Louis Meyers, Guy Carnes, Ralph Garrett, Charles Castle, Adam Farrell, General Foreman; Erwin Jurgens, R. M. Hartigan, Manager of Motor and Generator Manufacturing; Donald Voorhees, Rowland Braun, Oliver Miller, Al Mason, Foreman; and Roy Brimeyer.

Celebrates Eventful Month



The month of February has been an exciting one for Charles Schild, Foreman in the FHP Motor Development Div. 33. Last Friday he received the Coffin Award for his accomplishments in the operation of the Developmental Shop. This was also the day he left General Electric for vacation and finally retirement on the Company's Pension Plan. For a finale he will celebrate his birthday, Sunday, Feb. 13.

In the above picture are Mr. Schild and several of his associates looking over the various gifts he received as retirement presents. The outstanding gift was a model desk and chair complete with a miniature of Mr. Schild. It was made by the employees in the Model Shop. Left to right in the picture are Ida Witte, Clara Gehring, Ruth Baker, Bill Hurtt, Mr. Schild, Ross Harter and Jim Smith. Don Baker, who made the figure, is holding the model of Mr. Schild, at the right.



OUT OF THE BLUE in 26-2 office

by Delores Patterson

The "For Sale" sign has been hung in the Service Bureau. Audre Waltze is selling miniature crocheted hats to be used for pin cushions and crocheted chickens that fit over eggs which will be just the thing for the kiddies at Eastertime. Louise Klinker is selling boxes of everyday cards which are very nice. . . . The Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions are very proud of M. O. Marsh who was one of the four Fort Wayne employees to receive the Charles A. Coffin Award! . . . The welcome mat is out in Purchasing for Bernard Christie. . . . The Drafting Section is going to buy M. Cox's latest engineering book, "How to Start a Fan," for Wayne "Buzz Bomb" Bergman. . . . Barbara McGuire of the Service Bureau has been on the sick list for the past two weeks. We all miss you, Barbara, and hope you get well soon. . . . Congratulations to M. W. Sims and E. J. Zelt who were granted patents recently. . . . Would anyone like to donate a small sum of money to buy Ruth Fields a new dictionary? She seems to have made a dreadful mistake while typing the other day. . . . C. A. Ellis and his secretary, Ruth Ehrsam, have finally found a permanent office. They are now located in the Main Office of Bldg. 26-2. . . .

Roses are red.
Vlolets are blue.
If you don't send your girl a
Valentine.
She won't love you.

It's just about as easy to find an argument as it is to lose one.

All people worry because they are either married or single.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

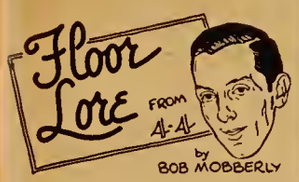
ODE TO RUDY

There is a man named Rudy.
Who tries to do his duty.
But whenever he is late
He blames his Ford V-8.
He knows his money is sunk
In a pile of junk.
The shiftless skunk.
And that's no bunk.

Leroy Cook almost did himself brown one day. His apron caught fire right on the tummy, and Roy did a lot of fancy dancing to put out the conflagration. . . . Henry Becker almost went home with one of those artificial tails hung on him last week. Henry threatened mayhem if it happens again. . . . Frank Elder has a job playing a horn at the Shrine Circus, at least that's his story. Some of the boys claim he is substituting for an indisposed elephant. . . . What connection is there between Frank Enderle and the alleged F.B.I. man who interviewed him at the gate house recently? . . . It sure doesn't take a man long to get into the dog house with the little woman, as Glenn found out not so long ago. Glenn was getting ready to retire, and during the process was chatting with his wife. He glanced casually out the bedroom window, lo and behold his startled eyes alighted on a damsel in the neighboring house, who had neglected to pull down her shade. The Mrs. whose back had been toward the window, scented something amiss, veered around and right then is when Glenn entered the dog house. We can't figure out just what crime Mrs. G. charges Mr. G. with for exiling him to his canine Siberia, but a woman doesn't always need a reason, I guess.

Some men can't get along without a woman—until they get one.

Happiness is not given; it's exchanged.



Although we didn't go out and keep a vigilant watch over a groundhog's lair, we know that when the perennial bewhiskered woodchuck came forth from his subterranean bedroom, he saw a shadow black enough to last until June—which time it will probably be before it is warm! . . . Dot Swank really acquired a wonderful sun tan! A genuine "made-in-Florida" tan from Miami to be specific, where she spent a wonderful vacation. . . . To return to reality, or Indiana actually, we noticed Edith Venrick checking her ice-grips which fasten to her shoes to make certain they were sharp. . . . John Bechtol became grandfather again last week. Congratulations, John! . . . Things there should be more of: The way Margaret Parisot greets you with that cheerful "Hello." . . . We bid farewell to three swell fellows this week, Martin Vogel, Dave Miller and Bernie Kelker. Here is wishing you all the very best of luck in your new jobs. . . . We understand that Florence Behrens doesn't care for pink as a color, especially the shade of pink the traffic bureau uses on their overtime parking tickets. . . . We put out the welcome mat for Carl Reeves, who is a newcomer to the office. . . . Our parting thought: Vice itself lost half its evil, by losing all its grossness.

Fractional Fiction 4-5

By Elaine Sutter

A wonderful spirit was shown by the employees of Bldg. 4-5, when misfortune struck Gladys Groh's home. One hundred and six dollars was presented to her. Gladys was very appreciative and thanks everyone from the bottom of her heart. . . . We were very sorry to hear Harry Brunner died Thursday, Feb. 3. Harry retired from our floor in 1945. He had many friends and we will all miss him. . . . Co-workers of Bernice Lund were wondering if she knew the postal rates increased instead of decreased. She sent several letters with no postage at all. . . . Ed Rodenbeck's two and one-half year old son sure is learning fast. Ed tried to take his picture, but Sonnyboy showed him instead. They snapped pictures but not sure of what they took. . . . If any of Norma Werling's friends hear her use big words it is because she looks up a new one every day. . . . Pete Macke's 15-year-old son had a birthday recently. Pete thought he would turn him across his knee. Results: Pete sprained his back. They do grow up. . . . The KC lines welcomes Elmer and Neil Anderson to their division. The aircraft girls welcome Helen Struver and Ruth Gunn to Bldg. 4-5. . . . We have talent on our floor. Dessie George is the girls' hair stylist, and Rose Moody is the songstress. . . . Dale Fredricks and Roy Woods had an unusual contest. They both planted a tomato seed to see who could grow the tallest plant. Dale won and Roy paid the bet, buying Dale's dinner. . . . Pauline Taylor's husband has his own band and makes Red Bird records. . . . Happy birthday to Marie Hayes, Delores Gladback and Don Coolman.

Retires Under Pension Plan



Rosella Chambers, Taylor St. Plant, recently left to retire on the Company Pension Plan. On her last day at work, her friends in FHP Division 17 gave her a send-off by giving her a farewell gift. In the above picture, left to right are: Sarah Moore, Ralph Hare, John O'Neil, Clarabelle Castle, Morris Roe, Gladys Pantizan, Dale Ross, Louis Kurtz, Darrel Dennie, Rosella Chambers, Ted Budecki, Thomas Cannon, Zella White, Clark Holmes, Hugh Johnson, Clarence Morris and Art Hubler.

Taylor St. Employee Dies Last Friday

Mrs. Josephine W. Foster, 38, died at 7:45 a.m. Friday at her home, 528 Fairmount Place. She had been employed at General Electric since 1929 and at the time of her death was a coil placer at Taylor St. She was also a member of the United Brethren Church at Ossian.

Surviving are a son, Raymond, of Avilla; a brother James W. Confer, of Avilla; five sisters, Mrs. Alda Rybolt, of Avilla, Mrs. Louis Herman, of Yoder, Mrs. Mary Kumfer, of Markle, Mrs. Florence Droege, of Waynedale, and Mrs. Vergie Woods.

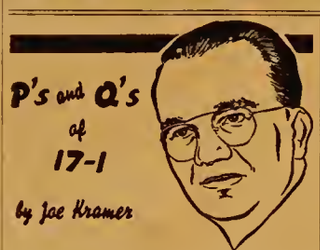
Services were held at the D. O. McComb Funeral Home, Sunday, at 1:30 p.m. and at 2:20 p.m. at the Ossian Methodist Church. The Rev. Paul Parker officiated and burial was in Oak Lawn Cemetery.

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Eugene Werling

This past week was ideal for the ardent ice fishermen of the school. They all talked about going more than they did about the fish that were caught. I wonder why? Some people had luck from the report on rumors but Aughinbaugh claims they had an early start. Dick White lined up the Paul Bunyans of Bldg. 12-2 and had a tree-cutting party Saturday morning. Those present were Chappel and Zurbuch. One of their main objectives was to look for bait but that proved fruitless. They arrived at Hamilton lake about two o'clock and left before dark without any fish, then on to Fox lake where they really were hitting. The grand total of fish, after they were carefully counted, was three for Chappel, one for Zurbuch and none for White. The reports aren't completed yet since Mort hasn't compiled his total taken on his new ice poles. With all that equipment, Howard, you shouldn't miss. . . . Congratulations to Berdell and Mrs. Smith on the birth of a baby girl. All three are doing very well. The theme song for the toolmakers and draftsman next week will be "Smoke, Smoke, that big cigar." . . . Carl Hubartt is the most talked about draftsman this week. Carl is the proud papa of a fine baby boy. Congratulations to Carl and Joan. We hope you get along fine. Dennie won't be lonesome now. . . . None of the other boys have accomplished as much as Carl this past week but they are still doing their best. The volleyball team claims they have at least gained the support of the other team in the cheering department. But they don't let down any in play when the draftsmen meet them. The won and lost column still remains the same. . . . It's getting close for the draftsmen to shift, so the boys keep pretty busy spreading rumors. Each guy makes one up with his own version and then they begin to spread. Of course, just the good ones keep going around and the others drop by the wayside.





Nothing is so good for an ignorant man as silence; if he were sensible of this he would not be ignorant. . . . We're glad to welcome Cliff (Tidy) Combs back after his recent illness. . . . Another partnership bas been formed in Bldg. 17-1. This time it is the D. and G. Poultry Farm. It is the prime purpose of the poultry farm to operate in competition to the B. and K. Stock Farm. Clarence Doctor and Paul Geiger are to be the partners in the new undertaking, providing Paul can talk Doc into buying the chickens. . . . John (Vitamin first) Quinn comes forth with this famous saying, "Reach for a carrot instead of a smoke." . . . Red Pettit now knows what tbe red light on the street signs mean. The judge really wasn't too rough on him. . . . We welcome two new men to Bldg. 17-1 tool room—E. Kelley and C. Gill. . . . It has been rumored the reason Jack Lewis doesn't catch any fish is because he continually talks to himself. Some people say he gets more like Red Braden every day. . . . Fred (just call me engineer) Shutt was seen displaying one of those pointed-bill caps the other day. Fred's explanation was, he was tired of driving a car and was going to become an engineer. . . . We are glad to hear that Elizabeth Love has left the hospital and is recuperating at home. . . . We were sorry to see Bill Miller leave Bldg. 17-1, but we wish him a lot of luck in his new job. Come back and see us often, Bill. . . . Remember when Henry Papenbrock was in the south end of Bldg. 17-1 and the pass word was, "Do you want to buy bull?" This has been changed to "Do you want to buy a suit." . . . The name is spelled Riley and not Reily. We are sorry we made the mistake, our apologies to Mrs. Riley.

E. C. Mannet Dies In Yoder

Edward C. Mannet, 67, of Yoder died at 10:20 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 25. He was a former employee of the General Electric Co. He left the Company because of illness in 1945.

Surviving are tbe wife, Cora; three sons, Marvin, of Huntington; Earl, of Cleveland; and Clem, of Provo, Utah; a daughter Mrs. Della Friedman; three stepsons, Clifford, Ivan and Herschel Swank; three stepdaughters, Mrs. John Jetmore, Mrs. Paul McKee, Anderson, and Mrs. William Meyers, Waynedale; three sisters and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. in the Missionary Church at Yoder. The Rev. Charles Kaufman officiated and burial was in the Uniontown Cemetery, near Zanesville, Ind.

COUNT OFF 10·20·30



Taylor Street DIVISION 17

Dorothy Heingelmann

Fred Young went to Chicago over the week-end to get his grandson, who arrived from California. Fred must have wanted to give him a good impression, as while in Chicago he took a bubble bath. He says he can't get rid of the bubble odor and that the stuff makes you itch. . . . Rose Chambers went on pension last Friday. Her co-workers gave her a gift and had their picture taken with her. Best of luck, Rose, and come back to see us anytime. . . . Lillian Brandyberry returned from a two week's vacation. It won't be long until she will be leaving us too on retirement. . . . Kathryn Chilcote and Sarah Pulfer said they could never drink Sanka coffee as they didn't like the taste. Louise Sinn thought she would have some fun and see if the girls could tell the difference; she brought some in a different brand can. Sarah and Kathryn drank the coffee and remarked how good it was. If the girls haven't found out yet what kind of coffee they drank, here's the answer. . . . The fellows in Division 17 have started a recreation club. Once or twice each week they get the G-E club right after work and play basketball until about 5 p.m.; they have a darn good time and it takes care of a lot of muscles. Last Friday, Andy Anderson and Bill Pappert were guarding one another and both were travelling down the floor when they got their legs tangled and Andy came into work with some nice floor burns. Andy said, that Bill doesn't play fair as Bill tripped him; and Bill says "I'd never do a thing like that." . . . Charlie Engle has been rushing Earl Fredricks to join the South-West Conservation Club. Earl says he will join when he's 64 and when you are 65 your dues are paid for life, but Charlie says he can't do a thing like that. We don't know whether Charlie is an officer of the club, but we hear he is getting up a petition to keep all present officers. . . . Someone said if you see a junk-heap out in the parking lot think nothing of it as it's only two '36 Chevrolets that plowed into one another.

Thisa and Thata

SPECIALTY MOTOR

By Helen Engle

When Lee Raver returned Ernie Pfeiffer's fishing pants he was very much surprised to find the pretty pink border that had been crocheted on the bottoms. . . . Edna Braur was way down between first and second floors when she discovered that sbe forgot to ring out so up the steps she ran and rung out and then rode the elevator down. . . . Pauline Irey left last week to become a full-time housewife. Good luck and let us know if it is a boy or a girl. . . . Congratulations to Ruth Baker for becoming a member of the Quarter Century Club. . . . You girls who didn't attend the Elex party last Monday don't know what you missed. That choir was wonderful. . . . A speedy recovery to Vivian Curran. . . . Ray Snyder is buying a new car so when he starts to Florida he can get farther than Chattanooga, Tenn. Last year Ray started to Palm Beach and stopped in Chattanooga. . . . Everyone is wondering why Louis Sauers has been so happy the last few days. We knew everything would turn out all right, Lou. . . . We wonder if Carl Harman is going to get that new rug for the kitchen that his wife wants or if he is going to get the dog that he wants. Will let you know the outcome. . . . Glad that Sam Beers made it back in time for dinner last Friday after that long rest he had. . . . Say, Harry Berry, after this when you go to a meeting, please try to get to the right one. It is quite embarassing to sit two hours in the wrong meeting. . . . Anyone taking up donations don't pass up Merl Keesler. He always gives, even if it is for a cookbook for himself. . . . Edna Hauser, who is on sick leave, was operated on last Wednesday at the Lutheran Hospital. She is getting along fine. . . . Happy birthday to Bernice Johnson. . . . It sure is hard on the people that are used to coming in to work at eight and now have to come in at seven, especially when they lay awake all night listening for the alarm. How about that, Ella?



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office. Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday, February 14, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Pair of safety glasses. Found in Fairfield parking lot.

FOUND—Pair of pearl beads in stairway in Bldg. 18-3.

FOUND—Five small keys and a house key on a bar. Found in McCulloch Park.

FOUND—A fountain pen in Bldg. 31-1.

FOR SALE

GIRLS ROLLER SKATES—And case. Size 4. H-79033.

G-E PORTABLE IRONER—Large roller. Very good condition. Reasonable. H-64362.

BOYS COATS—Size 12-14, 14-16; Girls coats, size 12. 2720 Central Drive.

YOUTH BED—Maple with innerspring mattress. E-1188.

DEEP FREEZE—Three cu. ft., brand new. A-56433.

FIVE-LIGHT DINING ROOM FIXTURE—Pair, ladies ice skates, size 9. A-19893.

RABBITS—Four proven does, one first litter, and two bucks. A-86640.

MOHAIR DAVENPORT AND CHAIR—Monitor Top refrigerator. A-89373.

WANTED

ELECTRIC BASEMENT PUMP—H-39334.

GIRLS SNOW SUIT—Size 3. A-97695.

FOR RENT

TWO SLEEPING ROOMS—With kitchen and bath. Furnished, all private. H-64732.

LARGE FRONT ROOM—Gas heat, employed couple or gentleman preferred. H-4316 after 6 p.m.

ROOM—Automatic heat and hot water. Near car line, north residential. A-67634.

TWO ROOM APARTMENT—Furnished. On bus line. H-44032 after 4 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS

SEWING AND ALTERATIONS—Reasonable. H-36016.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Clarence Rosselot, from Road 427 north to G-E Broadway plant. Works from 7-3:30 p.m. A-68270.

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Aubrey

Last Monday the sun was shining so brightly that one couldn't help but notice the glare in the office. But it was the middle of the afternoon before someone noticed that part of that brilliant glare was caused by Vera Schweir's engagement ring. Congratulations, Vera, and you certainly do have a beautiful ring. . . . Joan (Pete) Liebig is having a hard time trying to decide what to do with her future. As of today, she is still debating about whether or not she wants to be an air hostess, take singing lessons, dancing lessons, go to business school, or just settle for a few sewing lessons. With such a large selection to choose from, Jo, you should be able to make something out of one of those things. . . . It seems that car trouble is the best sport around this office lately, or so George Denner has found out. He says it's especially disgusting when his car won't start in the morning, and he has to take a bus to work. We other bus riders know what you mean, George, and sincerely sympathize with you. . . . Perry O'Neill is all smiles again this week, as he finally received that long awaited letter from his wife, who's with her mother in San Diego, Calif. That old adage of "Absence Makes the Heart Grow Fonder" certainly seems to be true in Perry's case. . . . Norma Bastian's most embarrassing moment was one day last week when she discovered that upon turning out the lights in the Cost Section, she had also turned out the lights in the conference room where a meeting was in progress. That certainly left the boys in the dark as to what they were going to do next, didn't it, Norma? . . . Trusting that with Smitty's careful supervision in the moving of his household furniture and personal belongings, everything was moved in perfect order. Here's hoping that he and his wife will enjoy their new domicile on Washington Blvd. . . . See you next week.

Behind The Cracker Barrel In General Stores

By Marie Kettering

If some people would use the same amount of energy saying "I will" that they use saying "I can't" there'd be a lot more constructive action going on. . . . We all wonder why Byron Simmons wasn't able to work last Friday afternoon. Could it be the effects of the "paddling" he received earlier in the day—or did he just want to get an early start on his birthday celebrating? . . . That reminds me that Howard McMaken and Blaine Webster are celebrating birthdays this week. . . . Just pick up any old newspaper and whose picture do you see—Ed O'Neill, of course. Who knows—you'll probably see it in "Who's Who" next. . . . We welcome Chris Riez, who comes from Bldg. 6-1. . . . Kenny Redding sure is a "Jack-of-all-Trades." He buys his wife a new electric sewing machine and then spends an evening showing her how it works. He's also handy at tying bow ties and teaching the office gang the latest way of winning at pinochle. . . . We noticed this morning that one of the carboloy grinders was wearing colored glasses. Upon investigating it was none other than our good friend Alvin McCullough. Al started working first trick today and isn't used to the sunlight yet. . . . Kenny Redding hasn't decided whether or not to be insulted. Someone offered him a quarter Monday morning for his bow tie, and Chris Riez told him he should have sold it and bought two more like it. All kidding aside, Kenny, we really do like your bow ties.

Transformer Tattles

By Mary Ann Miller

Due to the lack of people working on the floor this column will be in every other week, unless we can get more news. . . . There will be a Valentine box in the Green Room. Anyone wishing to get even with their friends, keep this in mind. . . . Gladys Getts' famous last words: "I'm the best puttier in the Green Room." . . . During this recent rainy weather, Virginia Meier and Mary Hartwig thought they had it over on the rest of the gang by keeping an extra umbrella at work. Everything was grand until they arrived at the gate house when along came a gust of wind and turned it wrong side out. . . . Congratulations to Berniece Bechtol on her new grandson. . . . Archie Rian and Dutch Norwald have decided they are getting too old to ice fish and are taking up tiddleywinks. . . . Frank Keck is wearing all-spice instead of old spice these days. . . . Dutch Norwalt must be anxious to get home from work. He doesn't even remember to take his dinner pail with him. . . . We wonder how long Buzz Hiser is going to nurse his fingers. The boys are getting tired of doing his work for him. . . . The Bldg. 26-4 office welcomes Kathryn Schieferstein, Camella Raucci and John Darnell. . . . The Bldg. 26-4 office is sure getting toothless. Jackie Boxberger started out by having hers pulled, so Johnny Robinson and Edna Bailey felt sorry for her and had theirs pulled also. . . . Anyone having a bad case of hiccoughs see Tubby Scheumann. . . . The latest wrinkle, Frances Batzner is making coffee with no grounds. . . . We see one of our present employees and one of our ex-employees have gone into a new business. Anybody having any nitro, please contact Bill Hildinger and George Golden. . . . Paul Gressley went fishing Saturday and netted seven fish. . . . We understand Otto Braun and Benny Keller have become efficiency experts. For details ask Bill Crouse. . . . We hear Ted Lauterberg is getting singing telegrams on his birthday, by our songstress Mary LeBeauf. . . . Norb Sordelet is a teacher on ice fishing now. . . . Russ James sure is getting absent-minded these days. He locked the door of the cage two different times and left the key inside. . . . We are sorry to hear that Jay Wickliffe became ill at his home last Saturday. We all wish him a speedy recovery.

Sleuthing

IN BLDG. 4-6



by TEDDY NEDS

Wednesday, Feb. 2, proved to be one of our very nicest sunshiny winter days, and we all know that Mr. Ground Hog saw his shadow. The old saying goes that we shall now have six more weeks of winter weather. But don't be distressed, spring is just around the corner! . . . Wallace (Doc) Potter celebrated his birthday on Feb. 2. Many happy returns, Doc! . . . We bid farewell to Muriel Smith, of the Production Section, who will be leaving for Cincinnati soon. . . . Have you noticed the snazzy how tie Al Voltz is wearing? It lights up at night, too! . . . We wish Delores Soule a very speedy recovery and we send a cheery get-well-soon to Esther Baurmeister's husband whom we hear is in a hospital in Cincinnati. . . . Last Wednesday noon the Payroll girls honored Mildred Lewark with a bridal shower in the Works Restaurant. Mildred will become Mrs. Leslie R. McQueen this Sunday, in the United Brethren Church, Roanoke. We wish you loads of luck and happiness. . . . Irene Kleber of Purchasing is the very latest member of the Bldg. 4-6 Floor Sitters' Club. . . . Last Friday morning, Helen Hemmeter was telling her husband to be careful not to slip and fall in the "slush." She no more had uttered the words when "kerplop," she slipped and fell. From now on, Helen is going to "practice what she preaches." . . . That racket you heard last week suddenly piercing the semi-quiet atmosphere of the DC Div. was Ed Whipple trying to find the square root of "0" on the Friden Calculator. It jammed the machine and put up a terrific screaming protest until Ed pulled the plug. . . . The clever little "thing-a-mu-jig" Ray Jones brought back with him from New York called "Twink-a-Toes" caused quite a bit of excitement and interest. . . . There appears to be quite an exchange of money going on in the DC Div. Ted Ross saves dimes and Paul Lange saves half dollars. That's a good way to save, boys, but having it "forced" on you makes it a little rough at times, doesn't it? . . . Wade Tyler is still receiving a lot of help in getting rid of the mints that Ted Ross gave him for Christmas. Ted manages to eat at least one a day. . . . Don Reek should be more careful about who he accuses of taking his pencil since his was found in Bob Dobbin's desk, and Dobbin's was found in Reek's pocket. . . . A chemical analysis of Walt Gerke's pipe tobacco proved it to be half eraser rubber. Walt thinks he was a victim of a practical joker. But we think he did it himself—just to get his name in the column. . . . Jim Capps is the second member of the Dev. Section who has been testing telephone breakage. Just like C. J. Herman, Jim has decided they break very easily when they're dropped on the floor. He not only broke the receiver but also the base. . . . Happy birthday to Doris Downs of the Service Engineering Div. . . . It is rumored that Mike Davich likes ham so well that when he can't eat all he gets in a restaurant, he takes it home with him.

Inquiring Reporter

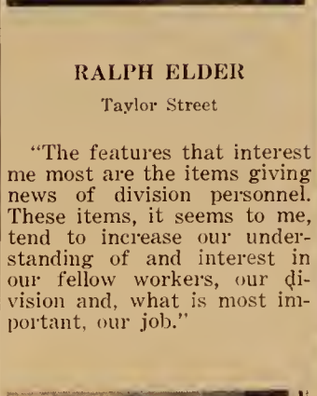
WHAT NEWS OR FEATURES IN THE WORKS NEWS DO YOU ENJOY MOST?



JOAN SEERY

Bldg. 2-2

"Those little bits of human interest as presented weekly by our various division columnists have always interested me. They make the WORKS NEWS our paper. Let's encourage their efforts."



RALPH ELDER

Taylor Street

"The features that interest me most are the items giving news of division personnel. These items, it seems to me, tend to increase our understanding of and interest in our fellow workers, our division and, what is most important, our job."





OPAL RUNION

Bldg. 26-3

"I like to read the cartoon, 'Out Our Way', and the news of our own division."

M. D. WALSH

Bldg. 19-4

"I enjoy reading our own column 'Tool Bits', also the 'Science Question Box' and the 'Ad-lets'."





LORETTA L. RUNYON

Taylor Street

"I like to read the sports section, especially 'Foul Line Fables', as I enjoy reading the bowling scores of fellow employees."

MOTOR and GENERATOR Static



Thought for the week: "Associate yourself with men of good quality, if you esteem your own reputation, for it is better to be alone than in bad company."

Stanley Marquardt is now known as the Bat Man. He spent almost an entire evening last week chasing a bat. Every time he tossed it out the window, it flew back. The noise became such that his neighbors were about to call the police bnt when Stan explained to one, he became the man of the hour. The next night this was offset when Stan met the same neighbor about 11 p.m. and said to him, "Do you know what I saw just as I crossed Calhoun St., three elephants walking in the snow storm." The neighbor smiled, raised his eyebrows and went on down the hall. Of course, the elephants were from the Shrine Circus.

I've heard of funny pets
Some snakes, some crows, some monkeys;
I've even heard of Westerners
That made a pet of donkeys.

But Doris Olinger's new pet
Is as active as a crater,
For when her folks were way down south
They sent her a small 'gater.

It wouldn't eat a blessed thing,
It kept her in a tizzie,
But fishworms finally did the trick
Now Doris' smile is busy.

If you have a desire to step into someone else's shoes, forget it. That condition can be most uncomfortable as proven by Pete Dannecker in a sort of "People Are Funny" situation. Recently Pete and Bob Bender went on a trip and arising after a night's rest, dressed and went about their day's business. All day long Pete limped, complaining that his feet hurt and in the evening discovered why. He and Bob had exchanged shoes when they dressed in the morning. Remarked Mr. Bender, "My shoes did feel a little loose." . . . Mert Baird remarks "Pappy Archbold is a more reckless driver sitting still than most people are at 60 miles per hour." . . . One of our downtown sconts informed us Friday evening, Feb. 4, that the name of the Mystery Melody is "Toast to the Marines." Cliff Milnor scooped us on this, however, as he gave the title in his Sunday's column. . . . We bid Virginia Hatch goodby today. All her many friends wish her the best of luck. . . . Mary Bollinger received a nice wedding gift from the girls in her section. The wedding took place Saturday, Feb. 5. . . . Carol Boyce had a minor problem which was solved very nicely. On arriving home from work, she asked her young son, just starting to kindergarten, what be did and if he played with tbe other children. He said, "No, Mother, I was too bashful, but I won't be tomorrow." . . . Donnabel Dawson is doing very well with her skating. Her life has its ups and downs.

Ramblings 31-2

The Motor-Generator Engineering and Drafting Div. points witb pride to the results of the Fort Wayne Camera Club's annual salon. Of the Club's 60 odd members, three who work in Bldg. 31-2, and one ex-coworker walked off with seven out of eight awards. Kenneth McDougal took the award for the year in the scenic class. Norman Juescke won for still life and architecture. Paul Perry placed first in tbe classes of human interest and animals. Bill Willig, our ex-draftsman, received a trophy, the highest yearly honor, for the No. 1 print of the past year, which was first in the portrait class. Besides the awards for the portrait, he placed first in the open class. . . . Two familiar faces are missing this week. Eugene Mattes, draftsman, left us to study at a Chicago Art School. Bob Gillum, engineer, got enlisted by Uncle Sam. . . . "Dinner-winner, Dinner-winner," the loud speaker blared. Fred Eisenbiegler said "Darn" and tuned in "The Lone Ranger." A few minutes later tbe "Dinner-winner" program called Fred on the phone. Fred said, "Hello." Don't be surprised if Fred keeps saying "steak and potatoes" instead of "hello." . . . Girls! You have a new member for your Noon Hour Knitting Club. None other than Phil Potts, who now wears Argyle sox knitted by his own hands. The Duke of Windsor has notbing on Phil since Mother Potts taught Phil and his wife to knit. ATTENTION: Irene Meyers! The next time you visit Bldg. 31-2, all the gents may be knitting, too. . . . DISCOVERED! Magdalene Beck found a new species of mouse on the keyboard of her typewriter. "Becky" nearly had a heart attack when she lifted the typewriter cover and saw the white mouse with black stripes, black ears and black tail. Some Pixy planted it there, when he found out how well "Becky" liked mice. Mrs. Beck set a trap and caught two mice which were nibbling the candy in her desk. . . . We hear that Mr. Kern's initials H. L. now stands for Honey Lamb. Enough said.

Work seems to come easiest to the folks who work hard.

Employees Present Check To Victim Of Fire



A delegation from all the employees in Bldg. 4-5 is shown, above, presenting a check for $106 to Gladys Groh. The gift collection was made last week after a fire destroyed the interior of Mrs. Groh's house. Her son, Robert Bonar, resided in the four-room dwelling that caught fire when a coal stove exploded. Nearly $1,800 worth of new furniture was lost in the blaze. The entire damage was estimated at $3,000. Upon learning of the fire, her fellow employees took up a gift collection and several have offered to help in the remodeling of the house.

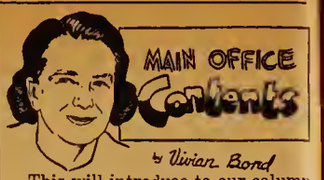


"There are two classes of people, the righteous and the unrighteous. The classifying is done by the righteous."

Louis Starr is really out of our territory, belonging in Bldg. 17-3, but since he spent several years on our floor we feel that we too would like to say something about him. Louie retired last Friday, and we here in Bldg. 17-2 got to reminiscing and were reminded of the little pranks he pulled on his fellow-workers. I remember one time receiving a live mouse as a gift. The donor stood in the aisle laughing as be watched the proceedings and the sudden departure of both the recipient and the mouse. Well, it was all good fun. Your friends in Bldg. 17-2 wish you and your wife many happy years ahead as you leave us. Don't forget us, Louie. . . . Jim Kavanaugh found out that Chicago is a good place to wreck a car. He jnst got a 1946 Nash on Saturday at 1 p.m. and approximately 24 hours later he met someone quite forcibly on the Outer Drive in Chicago. . . . Bob Reher is now working with the other boys down in the tool room. . . . Joe Griffen is glad when the ground is frozen. He doesn't have to worry about getting stuck in the driveway then. . . . Gene Dahmon has bad enough practice making signs lately that we feel he will soon be going into business. (Monkey business). . . . Harold Hohman is still trying his luck at fishing. When asked about it the answer is always, "No Luck." . . . Gene Kester is still trying to find something good about his new car. . . . Ed Bienz says be knows how to drive in Chicago after all his trips and that he will be glad to teach Kavanaugh so he won't have the same trouble again. . . . Mel Keesling always looks to see if his name is in the WORKS NEWS. He looks in the wrong column to find it.



Did everyone see Van Osdales' picture in the "News-Sentinel" the other day? If we see you at the lakes this summer, Ralph, we expect a boat ride. . . . We sure are glad that our Sample Shop got moved last Friday as some one down in Bldg. 26-1 must have blown their top as we sure got a hard jolt in Bldg. 26-3. . . . We would like to congratulate Millie on winning a suggestion award. . . . Since Irma Zion quit smoking, we see her gnawing on carrots all the time. . . . It will be safe to fish on the dry end of Adams Lake since Charlie (Water Cooled Clutch) Gass, (as he has been called lately) has been too busy with his building project to do any ice fishing. . . . We also would like to know what came over Carl Fletcher recently as we see him around a little more often than we used to. It's not such a bad place to be, Carl, with this cold weather we have been having. . . . We heard that Lucille Stover's daughter was married Feb. 5. We wisb her a lot of happiness. . . . Wedding bells will ring for Mary Johnson at the Cathedral tomorrow. We hope it's a nice day, Mary, and good luck. . . . Now we will give out with the bad news. Stucky is back with us winders. . . . Lonnie Rockstroh, why is the No. 333 always on your mind? . . . It looked as if the dentist took a sock at Wanda Grim last Thursday on the jaw. Did it hurt?



This will introduce to our column readers, Pat Olinger (her pictnre is on tbe front page of this WORKS NEWS), the poet from Bldg. 18-5. We are sure you will enjoy her weekly rhyme:

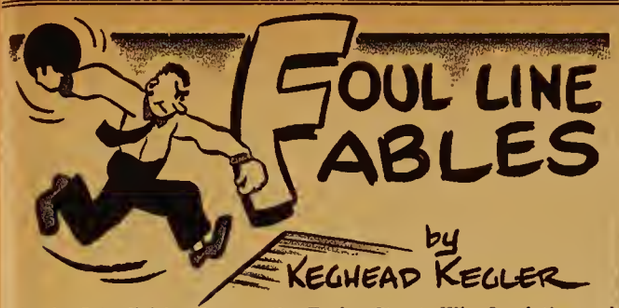
It was the day before the day of doom.
The bride to be was happy, not so the future groom.
For Papa Snyder said to Dudley, our boy,
"The state of marriage won't be solemn bliss and peaceful joy.
'Women,' he said, 'No meals will cook,
No socks will they mend,
The pennies you slave for, they will all of it spend.
The house will be left dirty as to bridge clubs they roam.
So please listen to me and never leave home.'
But Dudley, poor kid, even though he now knew,
Decided to be one of the many, instead of the envied few.
So wedded he'll get and he'll learn like the rest,
All we can do is give them our best . .
Congratulations to Norma Jean Johnson and Dudley Snyder, Bldg. 18-5."

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kappel spent the week in Coral Gables, Fla., and attended the wedding of Mrs. Kappel's son, Harold Janes, on Feb. 9. His bride is Jantje Johanna Knul, a native of Holland, attending the University of Florida. . . . W. H. Kellermier of Bldg. 18-4, was ice fishing at Lake Wawasee, over the week-end. He said he didn't catch a thing, with the possible exception of a cold. . . . Wednesday of last week tall tales were being told about three elephants holding up traffic. It seems three elephants from the Shrine Circus were taking an evening walk just as G-E employees were en route home and consequently traffic was slow. . . . We are happy to welcome J. V. Johnson back from DeKalb. . . . Happy birthday to Al Tharp, Bldg. 18-4. . . . Two girls wbo formerly worked in Payroll, had baby daughters, Daisy Knipstein and Catherine Sowers Schmidt. Our best wishes to you both. . . . The Data Bureau is very proud of their new home with clean windows, venetian shades and a roomy file room. The new location is not so new, however, as the Data Bureau originated in Bldg. 18-4. As the Bureau expanded they were moved to Bldg. 18-5 and now that still more room is needed they are back in Bldg. 18-4. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Paul Muller (Betty, to us) of Bldg. 18-4, visited their parents in Churubusco over the week-end. . . . Barbara Meyer, Bldg. 18-4, and Pat Olinger of Bldg. 18-5 have enrolled at Indiana Extension. (Off the record—Barbara is studying criminology, so be warned!) . . . Juanita Spicc and Hazel Meyers of Payroll, are absent this week with the influenza. . . . Dorothy Ehrman is the new file clerk in Bldg. 18-4. Hope she enjoys her work and new associates. She was formerly employed in the vault.

Elex Board Meetings To Be Held Wednesday

Charlotte Stanford, Elex President, announced today that there will be an Elex Board meeting Wednesday, Feb. 16, at 7:30 p.m. in the Bldg. 8-2 conference room.

The night girls' board meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. the same day in the small conference room, Bldg. 8-2. Rachel Fisher, Vice-President, will preside at this session.



In the Interdivision League the Taylor Street, Wire-Insulation and Motor Generator teams are tied for first place.

We missed last week's 200 scores so for that reason we have quite a string of them. J. Saylor, coming up with a big count each week, tops the list with 257 and 222; Walt Buescking, 248; Carl Stout, 238; Herb Habig, 237; Hal Spath, 228; Noah "Snake Hips" Kuntz, 224; Hal Fanning, 218; Walt Berning, 217; Paul Billman, 214; Clarence Rump, 213; Paul Walker, 213; Frank Kopp, 213; D. Miller, 212; "DoDo" Matthews, 212 and 200; Bob Buck, 206; Adam "Lazonga" Farrell, 206; Ivan Parrish, 206; Bainbridge, 203; Bill Glenn, 200.

Office League

The Alternators are out in front by a very comfortable margin.

No 600 counts this week, but I know of a couple of fellows that should have, namely Vic Rump, 203 and 234, and Les Shroyer 207 and 216. Other 200 counts, Sam Moore, 242 and 200 (P.S. That second 200 is the total of Sam's last two games); "Sore Thumb" Blomker, 235; Frank Schlink, 221; Clarence Rump, 220; Ed Hagadorn, 216; "Popeye" Patterson, 216; Johnnie Johnson, 210, and Miller, 201.

Apparatus League

Team No. 5 finally lost a game, but still continues to lead the league by two games.

Two hundred scores were acquired by A. Bresler, 224; Erv Aumann, 223; A. Horner, 211; Frankie Schlink, 204; E. Boester, 203; Dick Blust, 202, and "Sore Thumb" Blomker, 202.

Masonic League

The Gavels are out in front by the slim margin of just one game.

Two hundred scores were rather few and far between. Gerber came up with a neat 241, and Art Crayton latched onto a 214 and 203. Other 200's were Harris, 227; Hinrichs, 210; May, 203; "Sapp" Quinn, 202, and Schaberg, 200.

Small Motor League

Production is still out ahead of the pack.

The boys were quite warm Wednesday evening as they came up with fifteen 200 counts. They were as follows: Howard Reinking, 202 and 223; Ife Holmes, 201 and 201; Ray Matthews, 201 and 203; Paul Walker, 225; Runyan, 225; Jim Daley, 215; Harry Brown, 212; Bob Walt, 212; Bill Miller, 211; Vance, 203; Erv Aumann, 201, and Bob Blomker, 200.

Transformer Division League

E-I and D teams are tied for first place with 20 wins and 10 losses each. Two hundred games were rolled by McAllister and Meeker, 200; Feaser, 215, and Wyckoff, 223.

Decatur Plant Bowling

H. Murphy and Faulkner bowled 624 and 620 respectively in the G-E Fraternal League. High Scores were rolled by McIntosh, 214; Laurent, 205, and Lord, 201.

George Laurent rolled a 626 series in the Monday Night League, while high games were piled up by H. Murphy, 203; Strikler, 213, and Cook, 232.

In the Mixed Doubles League, high scores were kegled by Murphy, 202; Schultz, 206; Nelson, 243; Appelman, 225 and 204, and Laurent, 205 and 212.

McDougal bowled the highest score in the Owl League with a 204 game.

Bowling and Stuff

Don't forget the annual meeting of the Fort Wayne Bowling Association. It will be held Saturday, Feb. 19, at 8 p.m. at Maenerchor Hall, 1802½ W. Main St. Checks for the city tournament will be given out.

It looks like Walt Mertz and his brother Andy might become the proud owners of those actual pin belt buckles which the city association passes out. Hang on, Walt.

High scores for those trophies are Les Shroyer, 689; Helen Wagner, 594; Ed Crabill, 277, and Tommy Williams, 247.

We hope to hold the annual G-E Tournament April 9, 10, 16 and 17. The tournament will be run the same as in the past with competition in team, doubles, singles and all events. The prize kitty will be swelled by $150, a neat sum of money kicked in by the G-E Club. Entry blanks and further information will be available next week some time.

It's too bad we don't have more ghost writers for this column. Last week's column was worth reading for a change as we had a ghost writer by the name of Ruth Maher. Are there any more volunteers?

Taylor St., Main Office Win All Volleyball Games

Two teams won all their games in the Interdivision Volleyball league play last Friday evening at the G-E Club gym. Taylor St. won from the Tool Division team and Main Office won three games from the Apprentice Machinists.

Scores for games played that evening are as follows:

Small Motor 15-15-2
Apprentice Draftsmen 5-10-15

Taylor St. 15-15-15
Tool 5-7-3

Winter St. 15-2-7
Squares 9-15-15

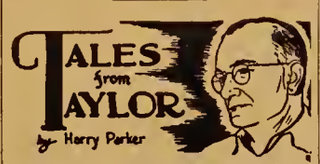
Main Office 15-15-15
App. Machinists 0-7-1

Most wrinkles in faces are caused by worrying over things that never will happen and never have.

Basketball Team Schedules Three Games Next Week

The G-E Club Basketball team will play the Van Wert Independents, Sunday, when the Pistons play New York. This game will be at North Side high school at 7:15 p.m.

They play the First M.E. Church team Monday, Feb. 14, at 8 p.m. in the G-E Club gym. The team then plays the Indiana-Michigan Electrics Tuesday, Feb. 15, at 7:30 p.m. in a league game at the Central High School gym. On Thursday, Feb. 17, they play the Wheatley Center team in the G-E Club gym at 8 p.m.



Now that Ross Hobbs has left us Clarence Stove will have no one to sing the famous "Turtle Bird" song to him. Both the music and lyrics were written by Hobbs, and it surely is some song. To really appreciate it, one would have to hear him sing it to Clarence who misses this treat greatly and is quite perturbed about it. Perhaps we can find another baritone who will do it justice. This is not the only thing Clarence is put out about. During the high wind one night the past week the corner street light was put out of commission. He claimed that he had to use his flashlight to find his way about. He does not like to do this as it runs the batteries down. . . . The contest to decide who is the greatest watchdog in Div. 13 is still on with a vengence. According to the onlookers, Ward Grim will put Buck Adams in the shade by a wide margin. Ward will go as far as to mount a stepladder so as to enable him to look over his battery of drill presses to keep an eye on a suspected one, while Buck still sticks to the time honored method of dodging around corners. At any rate all of us are interested in the outcome of this sleuthing race. . . .



Winter St. lost its second game of the year dropping a 37 to 33 decision to Transformer. Winter St. held a one point lead at the half but could not hold Transformer from then on.

Fractional Horsepower bowed to the Firemen, 61 to 36. The Firemen are tied for the league lead. They piled up a big lead in the first half and then played their opponents on about even terms for the rest of the game.

The Squares won their ball game from Tool and Die by a score of 60 to 39. O'Keefe had another good night getting 22 points for the Squares, while Krieg totaled 21 points for Tool and Die.

Taylor St. was forced to forfeit their game to the Apprentice School, having only four men on the floor at game time.

Box scores:

Winter St.	G.	F.	T.
W. Reitdorf	3	1	7
D. Reitdorf	0	3	3
Schinbeckler	5	0	10
Gallmeier	2	1	5
Blauvelt	0	0	0
Richardson	2	1	5
Kent	1	1	3
Fisher	0	0	0
Totals	13	7	33

Transformer	G.	F.	T.
Taylor	1	4	6
Werhle	3	0	6
Jamison	4	0	8
Woodward	4	0	8
Kramer	2	0	4
Byers	0	0	0
King	1	3	5
Felger	0	0	0
Totals	15	7	37

Firemen	G.	F.	T.
Stemmler	2	0	4
Baals	0	0	0
Morkoetter	4	3	11
Moodie	4	2	10
Etter	5	1	11
Somers	2	0	4
Vance	0	0	0
Lambroff	2	2	6
Meyers	5	1	11
Schible	1	2	4
Totals	25	11	61

F.H.P.	G.	F.	T.
Hower	4	0	8
Hopper	1	1	3
Brown	0	0	0
Wilson	1	2	4
Howell	0	0	0
Fraysin	1	0	2
Trabel	6	7	19
Totals	13	10	36

Tool & Die	G.	F.	T.
Clark	0	0	0
Staley	5	2	12
Lukes	0	0	0
Trulove	0	0	0
Dunlap	0	1	1
Sommers	2	1	5
Kreig	7	7	21
Lucas	0	0	0
Anderberg	0	0	0
Totals	14	11	89

Squares	G.	F.	T.
O'Keefe	10	2	22
Eisenbeigler	1	1	3
Eaton	2	0	4
Robertson	3	2	8
Hart	3	2	8
Rogers	2	0	4
Antalis	2	2	6
Parent	2	1	5
Totals	25	10	60

STANDINGS

	WON	LOST
Apprentice School	2	0
Firemen	2	0
Transformer	2	0
Small Motors	1	0
Squares	1	0
Fractional	0	2
Taylor St.	0	2
Tool & Die	0	2
Winter St.	0	2

North Side Wins City High School Basketball Crown

Last Friday, the North Side Redskins won the city high school basketball crown by handing the Central Tigers a 46-43 defeat. In the game the next night, South Side was downed by Tollestoon, 42-36.

Dick Buckley will announce the week-end high school basketball games between Concordia and North Side tonight and the Central-South Side game tomorrow evening. These General Electric sponsored broadcasts will be aired over station WANE, starting time at 8:15 p. m.

Ed Schaefer, as you all know, has a cottage at Big Long Lake. He is always telling the boys what wonderful fishing there is at this place and is forever bragging abont his big catches. The secret leaked out when one of his co-workers visited him and while inspecting the place happened to glance into the pantry. There neatly arranged in rows were cans of pickled herring, mackerel, salmon, tuna fish, lobster and sardines. Evidently all of Ed's big catches come in cans. . . . Two more of our euchre champions have been dethroned. For a long time Everett McKee and Niles Reynolds have been playing the game with some girls in the switch section and have trimmed them everytime. Now the worm has turned, the girls have become experts and are now taking Niles and Everett to the cleaners, but the boys cannot take it and decided to quit playing altogether.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



12 Men From G-E Take Active Part In Scout Activities

Twelve G-E employees, all of them scoutmasters, have a prominent part in the 39th Boy Scout Anniversary Week celebration at the Wolf & Dessaner auditorium. "The Trail of Citizenship" displays have been open to the public daily from last Tuesday until tomorrow from 9:30 to 5:30, with demonstrations hy the scouts from 4:30 until 5:30. The demonstrations will be given all day tomorrow at the store.

Those scoutmasters whose troops have an active part in the demonstrations are Max Buskirk, Taylor St.; W. T. McDougal, Bldg. 26-3; C. B. Crankshaw, Bldg. 17-4; Wayne Henderson, Bldg. 26-2; John Bastian, Taylor St.; Clande Hoover, Bldg. 4-3; M. W. Ploughe, Bldg. 19-1; Roy Hans, Bldg. 17-2; Ross Domer, Bldg. 17-3; Roy Berdelman, Bldg. 4-1; Frank Valentine, Bldg. 17-2; and Richard Smith.

Four Men Are Presented Coffin Awards







Last Friday at 11 a.m. four Fort Wayne Works employees received the Company's highest honor, the Charles A. Coffin Award, for outstanding accomplishments. Those honored were C. A. Schild, R. D. Hodges, W. G. Skinner, and M. O. Marsh.

The above pictures were taken during the presentation ceremonies. In the picture on the left are P. M. Staehle, Mgr. Specialty Transformer and Ballast Sales; E. J. Thomas, Mgr. of Engineering; W. F. Oswalt, Asst. Mgr. of Mfg.; Mr. Marsh, Division Engineer; C. H. Rinne, Divisions Accountant; W. C. Wiehman, Mgr. Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions; and C. W. Kronmiller, Asst. Mgr. of Engineering.

The center picture shows, left to right, H. A. Hire, Supt. of the Wire and Insulation Division; Howard Miller, Engineer, Works Lab; Mr. Hodges, Mr. Skinner, and C. H. Matson, Works Manager.

Mr. Schild is shown receiving his award in the picture on the right. Left to right are P. O. Noble, Mgr. of FHP Motor Engineering; D. H. Hanson, Supt. of FHP Motor Development Div. 33; Mr. Schild; M. E. Lord, Mgr. of FHP Motor Divisions, and L. D. Hodell, Mgr. of FHP Motor Manufacturing.



The best fishing story this week is about Bill Johnson when he went fishing at Pleasant Lake with Louie Watt. When they arrived at the lake, Bill very gracefully rolled out of the car onto the ground, spilling tackle and equipment in the snow and breaking his spud. After getting things together and locating a place to fish he sat down on his tackle box to relax and laugh at Louie as he attempted to make his way out where he was. Louie would cautiously slide his feet along then boom would go the ice and Louie would quickly go in reverse then cautiously he would start again. Then came a booming of the ice and a crack right through where Bill was sitting, whereupon Bill took off for the car. Then he decided a cup of hot coffee would do him some good, so he sat in the car and poured a cup of coffee, placed the thermos between his knees while he drank it. After a healthy swig he glanced down and the steam from the thermos bottle startled him so, he thought he was on fire whereupon he again took off, tumbling out of the car door again into the snow. Sounds like you sure had a case of bad nerves that day, Bill. . . . Jerry Knight is getting to be quite a politician, anyway he is a pretty good vote getter. . . . Last week the Burlap Bags went to Paul Armstrong and Ray Bowers. But they soon passed them on to John Bastian and Yours Truly, but it couldn't be my fault we got skunked. . . . Harold Whonsetler came rolling in late one morning last week, or maybe I should have said later than usual, with the excuse that he has been trying to wean that Ford but it just won't run without gas. . . . Speaking of being late, we thought someone had not informed Marcellus Junk, our new representative from the apprentice school, that we start work at 6:48 but he said he had been told and would have been here on time except for a flat tire. . . . Belva Imel has the most original excuse for wrecking a car. He says it was the fault of the carburetor that he went through the fence at Brooklyn Ave. and Bluffton Rd. . . . Ed Smethers and Clarence Stolte take the cake when it comes to operating the Do All Saw. They couldn't figure why a new blade wouldn't cut until they were told they had the blade on upside down. . . . Henry Bradfield is also a newcomer to the group working second trick with the machinists. . . . Ewald Stinsmuehlen has had enough scrambled eggs at home to last for sometime. His son wanted to see what was in the sack on the kitchen cabinet and pulled it off on the floor. So they had two dozen scrambled eggs. . . . February, being the month of famous birthdays, I want to remind you that Chris Delagrange and Lyle Claphan celebrated birthdays this week, too. . . . The odor of burning rubber was quite evident around Russ Deveny's machine last week. Cause: Rubber bands cut in his tobacco. . . . Jack Pollock was calling all his friends last week trying to get Harold Whonsetler's phone number so he could call him for tickets to the Shrine Circus. Upon questioning we found he was still using a 1945 phone book.

John Boese Dies Sunday

John C. Boese, 431 West Pontiac St., an employee of General Electric for 30 years and at one time a foreman in the FHP Motor Division, died at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6, at his home. At the time of his retirement in 1946 he was a power shear operator in Bldg. 6-B. Mr. Boese was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church and the Quarter Century Club.

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth; one daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Glenn; two sisters; one brother, and one grandchild.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. at the Mungovan and Sons Mortuary and at 9 a.m. at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. D. L. Monahan officiating. Burial was in the Catholic Cemetery.



Harry Coffelt has gone into the dog buying business. Harry says he will buy any dog sight unseen providing he is not gun shy. . . . Verena Meyer got a big surprise when she pecked into a certain box. Verena, the sign said, "Don't open this or you'll be sorry," and now she says she is a believer in signs. Laying all joking aside, those mice would make nice pets wouldn't they, Verena? . . . A farewell dinner was given for Lucy Daniels of Payroll, who was also pleasantly surprised with a beautiful birthday cake, since her birthday was the following day of the dinner. All the girls from the office were able to attend the dinner but one. . . . We still haven't seen that new car of Chet Kleinknight's, but maybe one of these days he will drive it to work and show it off. . . . What's this we heard about Fern Passwater trying to get in the bank on Thursday afternoon? . . . If you want to see something very interesting watch Mary Ann Laurent take a pill. . . . Milt Brown is off work due to a wrenched knee which he suffered last week while bowling for Moose 1 team in the G-E Fraternal league. Hurry back, Milt, before your team hits the skids. . . . Leo Hackman, G-E Club president and other Club officers and directors, were guests of the Club at the recent Zollner-Piston-Minneapolis basketball game. They were treated to a thrilling overtime game won by Minneapolis. . . . Our sympathies to Leo and Richard Bogner, whose mother recently died. . . . "Peck" Hilton, the electrician "deluxe", is recuperating at his home from painful injuries received recently when he lost control of his car and crashed into a tree. . . . Friends of Russell Weldy wish a speedy recovery to Russ, who is convalescing at the Indianapolis Veterans' Hospital. . . . Who was it that put that hand full of snow down R. Shackley's neck—it was none other than Jay Moser. . . . Alice McBride has found a new way to walk on the ice—on all fours. Kind of slippery wasn't it, Alice. . . . Have you ever noticed what words some people's initial's spell out, here are a few: Ardella Heare, Ah; George E. Myers, Gem; R. E. Owens, Reo; S. O. Lord, Sol; G. A. Gage, Gag. . . . The new test engineer is Herbert Duane Frye. Welcome to Decatur, and we hope you like our little city. . . . The GeCode Club girls entertained their fathers, Feb. 5. The party was entitled "A Date With Dad." It was a combined day and night force party with Dorothy Schnepf, chairman, for days, and Norma Bower, chairman for nights. During the dinner hour Betty Frauhiger rendered music on the solovox, after the delicious dinner a quartet headed by Dave Embler sang some favorite songs, and Neil Thomas sang two solos, "Ol' Man River" and "It's Magic." The oldest father there was Florence Schultz's father. The youngest father there was Virginia Heller's. The father with the most daughters was Mildred Geimer's. The father that came the longest distance was Norma and Betty Bower's father. Bingo was also played later in the evening. The guests all received a lovely gift from the Club.

Bruner Dies In Hospital

Harry E. Bruner, 71, 1236 Huestis Ave., died at 9:19 Thursday, Feb. 3, at the Lutheran Hospital. He was a member of the West Creighton Ave. Christian Church and also the Quarter Century Club at General Electric. He was first employed at General Electric in 1918 as an assembler and was retired in 1945.

Surviving are his widow, Myrtle G.; two brothers, Waldron and Forrest; two sisters, Miss Nettie and Mrs. Mary Brown, both of Washington, D. C.

The funeral was held Saturday, Feb. 5, at 2 p.m. at the West Creighton Ave. Christian Church, the Rev. Ernest Harrold officiating. Burial was in Prairie Grove Cemetery.



Our main topic of conversation recently has been Charlie Schild's retirement. So many things have happened to him that it is doubtful if he will come down out of the clouds for several weeks. As a climax to the wonderful experiences he has had, was the presentation last Friday of the Coffin Award. Certainly nothing could have thrilled him more. This award along with the surprise parties, gifts, cards and congratulations, which have been coming thick and fast, will give him a warm remembrance of Bldg. 17-4. About the party last Thursday, one man said, "Every one had a swell time at Charlie's retirement party, and talk about hot music, we had the hottest music that ever hit Fort Wayne. Charlie received several useful gifts including burned out flash bulbs, used film, a tripod with one leg a foot short, a developing tray with only one hole in the bottom, a nice folding camera that won't work. He did receive several nice things in the last week. He had most of them on display last Monday so everyone could see them. We all congratulate Charlie on his receiving a Coffin Award, that was quite an honor for our boss and friend." . . . Larry Reed didn't have much to say this week, his Central Tigers have blown up. He's going to move to Huntington and help Bill Dimond root for the Vikings. . . . We all wish Ray Hoelle's wife a speedy recovery from her recent operation. . . . Ruth Theurer has been singing so much lately that we wonder if someone mixed bird seed in with her precious whole wheat germs she's been munching. . . . In private life she's known as Betty Rygowski. When she interrupted our conversation with "Patsy is just like her mother, too," we were curious to learn who Patsy was, knowing there were no children in the Rygowski home. Finally Betty announced, "Oh, that's my doll." . . . That was a pretty expensive dozen eggs, eh, Lucky Roskuski? Lucky it was the eggs that broke and not your bones.

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The preservation of the sacred fire of liberty, and the destiny of the republican model of government, are justly considered as deeply, perhaps as finally staked, on the experiment entrusted to the hands of the American people.

—George Washington

The Rumor Clinic

RUMOR:

Why does General Electric continue to build products in such quantities for Russia when the two countries are at such great odds?

ANSWER:

We can say with complete confidence that no orders are accepted for apparatus from any foreign country without a license from the United States Government, and these licenses are subject to cancellations. This is exactly what happened in the cases referred to in the RUMOR CLINIC question.

The apparatus in question was ordered, from the General Electric Company by several of our good domestic customers, to supply power for their product at a time when Russia and the United States were on more friendly terms and were exchanging goods. When the United States Government decided to cut off the flow of materials and apparatus going from this country to Russia, these orders were held up. Shortly after they were held up, our customers decided to transfer these requisitions to domestic orders.

In conformity with our shop practice on all manufacturing instructions, when these requisitions were received we showed the customer's name and the ultimate user. Therefore, when these requisitions were transferred to domestic use, we did not feel it necessary to go through all the paper work and change the name of the ultimate user to which it had been consigned, but simply changed the necessary ones which dealt with the modifications to the apparatus and the new shipping instructions to the domestic customer.

RUMOR

I have heard that when I am called for jury duty the Company will compensate me for the difference I receive between what I receive from the court and my normal pay.

ANSWER

Non-exempt salaried employees having one or more years of service, and all exempt salaried employees, will be paid full salary while serving on jury, without respect to fee received as juror.

Hourly rated and piece workers having one or more years of service shall be paid the difference between average normal earnings (for normal work week, Monday through Friday) and the fee received as juror.

RUMOR

I have heard that the items sold in the Employees' Store are not first class merchandise; they are seconds.

ANSWER

The Employees' Store sells both Class "A" and Class "E" mer-

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Red Cross Drive Opens March 7



Glenn Reynolds, Executive Director of the local Red Cross Chapter, is shown at the left, above, presenting an official Red Cross campaign poster to K. W. Michael, chairman of the Fort Wayne Works drive. The poster, a dramatic depiction of the tension and danger inherent in Red Cross disaster relief work, was painted by Jes Schlaikjer, celebrated illustrator and portrait painter. His design was inspired by an incident which occurred shortly after an airplane crashed on Thing Mountain near San Diego, Calif., Christmas Eve, 1946. Red Cross workers served rescuers three days and nights in freezing weather as the search went on for the missing plane and its passengers.

K. W. Michael Named To Head Campaign Here

The annual Red Cross Fund-Raising campaign will be conducted at the Fort Wayne Works beginning Monday, March 7.

K. W. Michael, Assistant to the Supervisor of Personnel, has been named chairman of the drive.

Soliciting groups will be formed in all sections throughout the Works, and they will contact every employee personally sometime during the week-long campaign.

Solicitation at the Winter St. Plant will be held the same week under the direction of J. W. E. Humphrey, representative of employee relations in the Works Manager's office at Winter St. The Decatur Plant will hold its campaign Thursday and Friday, March 10-11.

The national goal for 1949 is $60,000,000 and the goal for the city is $110,225.

G-E Club Committee Maps Plans For Square Dance



Charles Ream, at the left above, explains the steps and techniques of square dancing to the others on the G-E Club Committee: William Allen, Family Night chairman; Erv Huth, and Charles Wilt, G-E Club President.

Tickets for the G-E Club's square dance will be available, Monday, Feb. 21, at the candy-stands in Bldg. 18-B, the G-E Club, and at the Taylor St. employment and personnel offices.

The dance will be held Friday night, Feb. 25, in the club's gymnasium. Joe Taylor and his Red Bird orchestra will provide the music for the dance, which will start at 8 p.m. Mr. Taylor works in Bldg. 27. His band has made several records and is heard over Station WFTW Saturdays at 12:30 p.m. Ed Parker, Bldg. 24, will call the dances.

Charles Ream and Erv Huth, co-chairmen of the dance, stressed today that one need not be an experienced dancer to enjoy the excitement and color of square dancing. Special dance sets will be arranged for the inexperienced or less ardent dancers.

All family night attractions are free and are sponsored by the G-E Club.

Attendance will be limited to approximately 1,000 persons.

Spring Bonnets To Be Theme Of Elex Breakfast

Elex Club's first and second shift girls will hold a combined meeting Saturday, March 5, in the form of a Spring Bonnet Breakfast at the Y.W.C.A. Breakfast will be served from 10:30 until 11 a.m.

Two spring hats will be given as attendance prizes, and each girl will receive a favor. The Sunshine Islanders will furnish music during the breakfast.

Tickets for the breakfast are $1 each and can be purchased from contact girls. Reservations must be made by Wednesday, March 2.

SQUARES WOMEN PLAN POTLUCK, BRIDGE PARTY

The Women's Division of the Squares Club will hold a potluck and bridge party for their husbands Saturday, Feb. 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the Squares' clubrooms.

George Washington's birthday will be the theme for the party.

Mrs. W. A. Pringle and Mrs. E. M. Stanbery are the co-chairmen. They will be assisted by the following: Mrs. Leonard Erickson and Mrs. John Flickinger, coffee; Mrs. I. H. Freeman and Mrs. Maurice Felger, bridge; Mrs. J. F. Formanek and Mrs. R. A. Gallmeier, decorations; and Mrs. P. L. Deal and Mrs. Robert Drake, prizes.

Visitors At Broadway Granted Parking Space

A parking space for representatives of other companies visiting at the Broadway Plant has been established at the north end of the restricted parking lot on Lindley Ave. The restricted area is identified by yellow timbers and signs, according to A. R. Vegalues, G-E Chief of Police.

G-E Remote Control Wiring System Now Available At Store

Switches, wiring, relays, transformers, and all other equipment necessary to install General Electric's new Remote Control wiring system is now on sale in the Employees' store, it was announced

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Barbershop Quartet Wins Miller Trophy At Squares' Party

The Transformer quartet won the Howard Miller trophy at the Squares' Barbershop Quartet contest and stag party Wednesday evening at the Squares Hall. Quartets from FHP, Transformer, Works Lab and general divisions entered this annual event. Fred

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Free Enterprise System Is Our Country's Greatest Resource

By George S. Benson, President Harding College

When you enter the gates of our huge factories and industrial plants, do you see what is really there?

Many of you are more familiar with hydraulic presses, annealing ovens, and catalytic crackers than I am.

But whenever I do go inside factory gates, the wonder of it all amazes me.

Where did all the equipment come from? By what magic was all of it assembled into such a gigantic unit for production?

What a tremendous outlay of capital it takes, just to get the machines running!

Before a worker can start drawing a paycheck, the average American industry has brought together $6500 worth of machinery and facilities for this workman to use.

Somebody had to pay for all of it. What great benefactor accomplished that deed?

Do you suppose it was a capitalist? Are capitalists guilty of that kind of thing?

Yes, capitalists did the deed. It is interesting that they keep doing that type of thing, all along.

They keep building steel mills and putting up new oil refineries.

New assembly lines are continually set up, the old ones improved. Plant expansions are undertaken. Modern tools are installed to replace worn ones.

And one of the most amazing things about it is that nobody has to tell them to do it!

No dictator commands that all this money be spent.

No government bureau has to send out a directive.

It's all just part of the system that is the mainspring of America.

This system of free and individual enterprise has made possible the building of our nation. Whenever the incentive of profit or reward is there, both men and money will be put to work.

Capital comes to the job in hope of a reward, just as a man expects a paycheck as the result of his labor.

Money and men work side by side, then.

These things are so common under the enterprise system as we know it in America, that most of us take them for granted.

It is a commonplace experience to see people deny themselves luxuries they otherwise might have, in order to supply the capital for a business enterprise.

They look for profit, yes. Yet, these capitalists (sometimes attacked so bitterly by unthinking persons) constantly supply the essential ingredient that makes jobs and produces goods.

Actually, the six or seven cents profits out of each sales dollar, which is typical of industry as a whole, does a tremendous job for you and for me.

It pays for all the machines that, in turn, do most of the work.

This makes it possible for 60 cents or more of this same sales dollar to be given to those who supply the human energy, the workmen.

Some three cents, or only about half of this small profit, is used on the average to pay investors for the use of capital that brought these industries into being.

The other three cents or so of the profit goes back into the business.

This portion of profit is used to pay for wornout equipment and other replacements, and to keep up with rising costs and increased taxes.

Today, that part of the sales dollar called profit is hardly ever enough to meet industry's real and urgent needs.

In late years our industry has had to borrow more and more to meet rising inventory and equipment costs.

The nation's industrial enterprises cannot exist now, and never could have been developed, without the use of capital.

This is the way America's tools of production are brought together and put into action.

Capital very effectively teams up with labor and management to bring great benefits to every citizen.

Each of the partners—investor, worker, manager—has his own incentive.

This system, free and unhampered, brings forth the best effort from each.

The enterprise system is our country's greatest resource.

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Haste Makes Waste



WHAT'S NEW IN PLANTS & LABS

A new single-phase combination watt-hour and thermal watt demand meter for industrial use has been announced at West Lynn by the Meter and Instrument Divisions. Designated as the Type IHM-1, the new meter is housed in a case slightly larger than that required by a conventional watt-hour meter. It can be installed wherever rate structures require the determination of demand as well as energy, without increasing the size of the original installation. The revolutionary new damping system and electromagnet of the recently introduced I-50 watt-hour meter, adapted to the new design, comprise the watt-hour unit of the Type IHM-1 meter.

Rain may be the best remedy for putting out a fire, but the time may come when fire may prove a useful tool in starting a rainstorm. Several different silver iodide smoke generators which make use of fire to produce snow and rain have been developed in the Research Laboratory. The generators are expected to undergo extensive experimentation in actual weather conditions by the Army Signal Corps and the Office of Naval Research. Chief among the generators developed are two charcoal-burning units, one for use on the ground and one for use on a plane, and a hydrogen-burning unit for use on the ground.

The "Carnival of Measurements," G-E's traveling exhibit of electrical measuring devices has embarked on a 14,000-mile tour of 80 major U. S. industrial cities. Feature of the display is the new I-50 watt-hour meter, in which the principle of magnetic suspension is applied. The meter's rotating disk and shaft are suspended in space by the interaction of two tiny magnets. The collection of instruments manufactured by the Meter and Instrument Divisions at West Lynn, Mass., includes aircraft instruments, photometric devices, remote position indicators, portable testing instruments, telemeters, and many others.

A new and separate sales district — Michigan District — became effective the first of the year, it was announced by the Apparatus Department. The district will embrace all sales areas presently in the Detroit, Jackson, Grand Rapids, and Saginaw Sales Office territories. A. R. Hines has been named manager.

SCHENECTADY—A new low-cost Thy-mo-trol drive, Type H1, designed for constant torque loads, is announced as available from stock by the Control Division. The new drive, in ratings through ½ hp, utilizes a simplified half-wave circuit to provide d-c flexibility from a-c power, and smooth stepless speed control on small lathes, grinders, drill presses, conveyors, pumps, packaging equipment, and paint and varnish mixers. The drive operates from 220-volt, 60-cycle a-c. For other voltages a suitable anode transformer is available. The complete drive is easily installed, either separately or directly on the machine, and requires little maintenance.

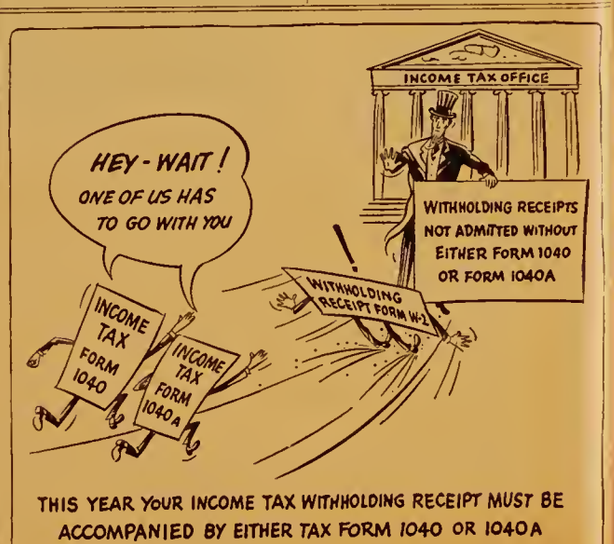
The OLD PHILOSOPHER Says:



In this little space every now and then we talk of many things, most of them closely connected with the work in hand. Suggestions, safety, better workmanship, etc. It is good sometimes to turn away from the customary and give a thought to something foreign to the immediate need. So, for a change let's see what there is to this business of getting a thrill out of life.

This is a hectic age we live in and to many minds there are ways of getting a thrill out of life not found in the story books. But I wonder sometimes if folks who think that way, really do get what they're after. Most thrills the world knows are but passing imitations of the real thing . . . for the real thrill in life comes out of service to someone else.

A veteran newspaperman, if you'll pardon again my quoting these chaps, finds that folks who get the most out of life, live objectively. They have a cause to fight for. They know where they want to go. They proceed to get there, hell or high water and in the journey they find happiness. No man need miss happiness, whoever or wherever he may be, if only he establish his objective and then gets there.





Fred Hurry celebrated his 23rd wedding anniversary Thursday, Feb. 10. Fred had two chickens all picked out for the occasion but it seemed that his dog thought they were for him, so he killed both. Oh well, Fred, if you filled up on chicken there wouldn't have been any room for that 60 gallons of beer, anyway the dog has to live too. Congratulations, Fred, and here's wishing you many many more anniversaries. . . . If anyone wonders why Frank Sprunger is always wearing that big smile, it's because he is the proud owner of a new Hudson. . . . The way we get it John Loshe and Jake Keller take their wives to Preble to play the game of shuffleboard. Don't worry fellows we'll never tell why your faces were so red when the game was over. . . . Andy "Romeo" Andrews sure has taken an awful liking to the city of Celina here lately. Watch your step, Andy, one of these days you're liable to lose that lucky rabbit foot you carry around. . . . Last week you read in this column that Florence Shultz's father received the award for being the oldest father at GeCode's "Date with Dad" party. Nosie Rose of this column snooped around and discovered Bill Schnepf was present at the head table next to chairman daughter Dorothy. Counting her fingers and multiplying by 5, adding her toes and one ear, Dorothy discovered Bill's age to be 2 years more than Mr. Schultz's 59. This story could stop here except Ray Leitz, George Buckley, and several others, who consistently have had to listen to Bill's own version of how to raise the biggest families, the biggest corn crop, the biggest steers, the best soy beans, cannot understand why Bill did not grasp this opportunity to explain his theory of clean living habits being a major contributing factor to his zestful living these many many years. They know there isn't anything timid or bashful about him. . . . Over in Bldg. 1 the other morning everyone was wondering who the new girl was in the Credit Cage. To their astonishment it was only Kate with the "new look." Even Dick, Kate's husband, has been having trouble finding his wife as he continually asks everyone if they have seen Kate. . . . Guess who was back on the job this morning? That's right, Pick Hilton, the electrician. . . . If you see Harriet Haines coming late to work it won't be because her clock stopped or her alarm didn't go off, but because she just had to listen to her new portable radio five minutes more. . . . Our sincere sympathy to Ray Crist and family upon the death of his father. . . . Big things almost happened in the mixed doubles league last Friday. George Laurent (average 186) had to come from behind and roll a terrific 152 to top wife Peggy's 142. Andy Appleman got a double in the 10th to squeak out a topper of Bess Faurote's 169. Julie Baker got "tapped" in the ninth frame and "robbed" in the 10th in his effort to win the third from partner Marge, which he didn't. . . . Mary Jones is very proud of the 180 she bowled the other night. . . . George Myers got so excited the other noon in euchre when he played and made four points he knocked his chair over and almost landed on the floor himself. Take it easy, George! . . . The GeCode Club is planning on a trip to Chicago on April 2 and 3. A tour is planned for the Sunday which will include a Lake Shore drive to Evanston, Chinatown, The Ghetto, Hull House, Bahai Temple, and many other points of interest. Sounds like fun, doesn't it! All you have to do is have your reservation in by Feb. 28, so don't forget that date. . . . Wanda Bailey, Joan Liechty, and Mary Jones gave a shower for Esther Teeple whose wedding took place on Feb. 12. We wish you all the happiness in the world, Esther. Those present at the shower were Genevieve August, Lydia Lehrman, Esther Meyer, Alice McBride, Mary Miller, Florence Schultz, Dorothy Schumm, Barbara Roop, Earleen Steffen, Wanda Bailey, Joan Liechty, Mary Jones, and the honored guest Esther Teeple. Those unable to attend were Dorothy Schnepf, Mary Ann Laurent, Fern Passwater, Irene Holthouse, Lucy Daniels, Ardella Heare, Harriet Haines, Cathryn Steele, Mary Fennig, Frances Terveer, and Eloise Noll. . . . Dorothy Schnepf bought herself a bowling ball, so we hear. How about a 300, Dort? . . . Did everyone receive a Valentine on Valentine Day? If you didn't maybe it was because the sender did not put the right amount of postage on it as it takes a two-cent stamp instead of a one-and a half cent stamp. . . . Decatur Bowling League — Monday Nite League high scores were rolled by Schultz 246, Shoaf 201, Strickler 204, Murphy 213-216. G-E Fraternal League high series were rolled by: H. Murphy 627, Zelt 620. Other high scores were Beery 220, Faulkner, 216.

Frank Quinn Here 45 Years



Frank Quinn, Bldg. 17-1, celebrated his 45th anniversary of service with General Electric, Feb. 12. Several of his friends gathered Friday to congratulate him. Seated, left to right, are Robert Dent, W. H. Franke, FHP Motor Div. 19 and 20 Supt.; Mr. Quinn, Fred Schafenacker, Quarter Century Club president; Henry Wichern, and Norman Bender.

Standing, left to right: Frank Hickman, Ed Kronmiller, Ed Brosche, R. E. Zook, Supervisor of Personnel; Marion Sprague, Clyde Crabill, Ernie Riley, and Paul Geiger.

INSTALL PAY PHONES

For the convenience of Broadway employees, pay phones have been installed at the East Broadway gate and at passenger elevators in Bldgs. 19-1 and 4-1.

Edison Pioneers Mark 102nd Birthday Of Famed Inventor

Six "Edison Pioneers" who worked with the renowned inventor prior to 1892 at the Edison Machine Works, tiny forerunner of today's giant General Electric Company, gathered at a dinner in Schenectady last Friday to mark the 102nd anniversary of the birth of Thomas A. Edison.

The toot of the whistle that summoned these men with their coworkers to the job at the two small shops at seven each morning more than 60 years ago called them to their dinner last Friday in the Van Curler Hotel as guests of General Electric. The toot started a hum, above which could be heard a familiar "Do you remember when. . ." The whistle was loaned for the occasion from the Edison relics in Henry Ford's Dearborn museum.

The half-dozen men who traded anecdotes about the "good old days" when two small shops on a 12-acre site were their workrooms in the Nineties are still residents of Schenectady, including Tom Dempster, Peter Kirsch, Fred P. Wilson, John Weber, August Tinnerholm, and David Miller.

Three Are Absent

Three other Edison Pioneers in the Schenectady group were absent from the small gathering—William F. Madigan, now living at the St. Mary of the Angels Home, near Buffalo; A. Leio MacPadden, in Florida, and John P. Kelsey, Sr. The latter attended the reunion of Pioneers in East Orange where Dr. C. G. Suits, G-E vice president and director of research, was the main speaker.

The nine are the only old-timers in Schenectady who are officially enrolled in the "Edison Pioneers," an organization with New York headquarters which observes Edison's birthday with a pilgrimage to Edison's laboratory in East Orange, N. J.

Edison's small beginnings at the Schenectady machine works he secured in June, 1886, remain part of the vast Schenectady Works of today, and are historically significant to General Electric. One of Edison's two structures, now known as "Building 10," is intact. In 1889 the small works changed its name to Edison General Electric Company. Three years later, in 1892, it merged with Thomson-Houston Co., Lynn, Mass., to become the General Electric Company.

Grows from 25 to 33,000

When Edison actually placed the two abandoned buildings into operation in December of 1886 there were about 25 employees on the job. A few weeks later they grew to 300 and in 1892 at the time of the consolidation the total had climbed to around 3,400.

The Schenectady area of today with its offices and laboratories boasts about 33,000 workers. The Works of today numbers about 240 buildings on a tract exceeding 600 acres.

Out of the union of the Schenectady and Lynn operations of 1892 giving General Electric its birth, the Company has spread from coast to coast with locations in one-hundred-odd cities, employing almost 200,000 workers.

Edison discovered the incandescent lamp that lights those cities, but none shines as brightly as the fame of its inventor.

Barbershop

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Hagadorn, a representative from the local SPEBSQA, headed the judging.

The Indiana Tech Glee Club entertained during the evening, and later led community singing. A social hour followed the quartet contest.

"These Parlor Pinks remind me of Uncle Ben. Said he was always kinda fond of wimmen . . . 'til he married one."

Rumor Clinic

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chandise at a discount to employees. Class "A" merchandise includes all items which are first class goods, the same as sold at any independent dealer. Goods in Class "A" are in perfect condition. Class "E" merchandise includes all items which, though mechanically perfect, have some small imperfection in the finish, such as a dent or chip on a vacuum cleaner or iron. These items are not only sold at an employee's discount but have an additional discount to more than compensate for the minor imperfection. Class "E" merchandise carries the same guarantee as class "A".

RUMOR

Why should I put out more than eight hours' work? I don't get paid any more for it?

ANSWER

The General Electric Company has in the past and is at the present time making a sincere effort to improve the jobs of its employees. The Company found that General Electric employees wanted jobs which contained the following:

1. Good pay.
2. Good working conditions.
3. Good bosses.
4. Steady work.
5. A chance to get ahead.
6. To be treated with respect.
7. To get the facts about what's going on.
8. To be doing something worthwhile.
9. And to have other reasons for really liking their jobs, such as finding them interesting and deeply satisfying.

In return for furnishing a job containing the above ingredients the Company expects the employee to:

1. Use his full skill.
2. Use conscientious care in all phases of his work, including the maintaining or improving of quality, the avoidance of spoilage and the elimination of waste of time, materials and effort.
3. Put forth a full day's effort.
4. Be on the job promptly, regularly, and agreeably.

If each of us fulfills his part of this bargain we will produce more and thereby decrease costs which in turn is passed on to the consumer. This then places us in a strong competitive position, increases sales of our products and provides job security for all connected with the Company.

No one is asking the employees of General Electric to put out more than eight hours' work in an eight hour period. We are interested, however, in having the employees give their full skill, care and effort to their day's work.

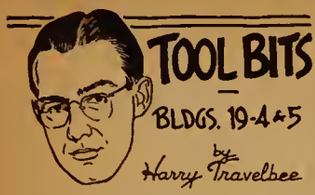
"More goods for more people at less costs" is more than a motto to us in General Electric. To us, as employees, it means steady jobs and steady wages.

Remote Control

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today by Ray Fischbach, manager.

Contrary to a statement beneath the photograph in last week's announcement of the new system, there is danger of a shock if a person inserts his fingers in the lamp socket.



We were pleasantly shocked at the modesty of two of our co-workers. The "Please," request of the Inquiring Reporter for opinions and pictures was politely—but firmly—refused by H. Theile and Dan Willike. Oh, well, those red ears wouldn't look good in the papers anyhoo. . . . We see where Clyde Spangler's son Bobby is going great guns on Huntertown's Wildcats. Clyde is predicting that Bobby will be another Joe Foulks. . . . Carey Baker is walking around with a big broad smile since brother Floyde's Richmond Red Devils trimmed Huntington. . . . Bernie Byanski's Sunday fishing trip almost ended in disaster. B. B. B. was coming home and decided to stop for lunch in Kendallville. When he emerged from the snack bar, he found that the car had the lights on, the motor running, and the doors locked. The day was saved when Bernie's son Beezie produced an extra set of keys. . . . Harold Wherry had trouble keeping the engine in old Betsy running on his merry way to work last week. He thinks the icy roads frightened her so bad, she began coughing. Harold was so upset over his misfortune that he got off the elevator on Bldg. 19-3. You shouldn't feel so bad, Harold. Your good friend, Henry Gick, rode his G-E special in late the same day. . . . Elmer Sauerwein was keeping the telephone wires a humming recently when his son Jack broke his glasses with exams coming up at Hillsdale College. The glasses were in Jackson, Elmer's son was in Hillsdale and the prescription was in Fort Wayne. Elmer has decided in the future Jack shall have the prescription with him at all times. . . . Ed Schafenacker is checking up on Kaiser and Frazers. Walt Greiner thinks Ed should buy a Jeep to make sure he would have plenty of head room. . . . Smoke gets in your eyes is what the host of people at the Lake George fishing party are mumbling. . . . George Hartman can't understand why the new chimney on his cottage plugged up. However, we're sure his guests Swede Moser, Joe Mettler, and brother Joe Hartman could help solve the mystery. . . . Bob Goers is thinking of taking up big game hunting after an experience a couple of weeks ago. The reason: small game is too hard to bite. Seems that Bob saw a rat run across his yard, so he rushed to get his gun and ammunition which were at different parts of the house. Then he dashed to the window, raises it just as Mr. Rat was on his way back. Bob took careful aim and fired, only to see said rat proceed on his way. From what we hear, Bob took quite a razzing from his family. Why don't you try a 12-gauge next time, Bob? . . . We are all mighty happy to see John Hensler back in the tool crib after being off work for five and a half months. John will work half days for a while until he feels stronger. . . . Cake and pie (apple, that is) were enjoyed by the boys in the lathe section as a farewell party for Del Stickler, who is leaving to work in Bldg. 17-1. We all wish you good luck on your new job, Del. . . . Neukam and Reynolds furnished the cake and pie, but Chet just got behind the eight ball with his wife as he forgot to tell her to bake a pie until 8 o'clock, the night before he was to take said pie to work. To make things more complicated, the Reynolds had company, but Mrs. Chet rushed out bought apples for the pies then proceeded to bake two pies, one to eat at home, the other for the party. Everything worked out fine, but Mrs. Reynolds asked to have an advanced notice the next time.

Wilson Completes 30 Years



F. D. Wilson, FHP Motor Sales Division, recently completed 30 years service with General Electric, at which time he received a congratulatory letter from the Company. The above picture was taken when Mr. Wilson received his letter. Left to right are: A. W. Bartling, Manager of Sales, FHP Motor Divisions; Mr. Wilson, and M. E. Lord, Manager of FHP Motor Divisions.

Charles Gorden Dies After Heart Attack

Charles Gordon, 55, died Tuesday morning at his home in Churubusco after a heart attack.

Mr. Gordon first came to General Electric in 1926 as a laborer in the General Service Division. He later became a machine mover, and in 1934 transferred to the Winter St. plant. Returning to Broadway the next year he worked on Japan dipping in Bldg. 4-2. From 1938 until his death he was an annealer in Bldg. 4-2.

Surviving are the widow, Dollie; a son, Robert; two daughters, Mrs. Naomi Frazier and Mrs. Amber Tanner; his mother, Mrs. Alice Gordon; five grandchildren; four brothers, Roy, Elmer and David, Churubusco, and Lawrence in Florida; and five sisters, Mrs. Nora Bates, Kendallville, and Mrs. Mary Crabill, Mrs. Amy Raypole, Mrs. Laura Gray and Mrs. Iva Gorsuch.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. today at the EUB Church, the Rev. Alfred Burk and the Rev. R. R. Wilson officiating. Burial will be in Eel River Cemetery.

Krumbigel Is Appointed Assistant To Supervisor In FHP Motor Div. 10



L. F. Krumbigel

Leonard F. Krumbigel, Bldg. 4-6, has been appointed Assistant to the Supervisor in charge of Tabulating in FHP Motor Div. 10.

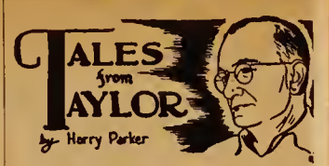
Mr. Krumbigel began his General Electric career in 1922 as a winder in the Transformer Division. He then transferred to the Motor and Generator Division. He held such jobs there as winding armatures and field coils and followed production.

Since 1933 he went to the Fractional Horsepower Motor Divisions, and from 1938 until 1947 did production correspondence. Mr. Krumbigel has been with the Tabulating Section since 1947.

He is married and has two daughters. The Krumbigels live at 2024 Kentucky Ave. He is the General Superintendent of the Forest Park Church Sunday school, and a member of the Supervisors' Club and the Quarter Century Club.



Question of the week: Does Jeanne Holthans enjoy ice skating as much as she used to before the accident. . . . Today the gang bids farewell to Maxine Ramm. Best of luck, Maxine, come back and see us soon. The same best wishes to Helen Priddy who left last week. . . . The Distribution gang had a nice dinner and gift for Herb Grueb, Thursday, in honor of his 35 years with the Company. Congratulations and best of luck. . . . We extend our sympathy to Shirley Hughes whose mother died last week, and to Helen Elbert upon the death of her husband. . . . Have you noticed the proud look Max Harris has lately? The reason is a car. Now Max has no more worries about catching that Bluffton bus. That'll add 10 years on your hairline, Max. . . . If there is a living soul who has more trouble than Eileen Fitch will he or she please step forward. Eileen's crowning catastrophe occurred Friday morning. Seems she came racing from the house to catch her bus (which was already at the corner) and out of breath she crawled aboard and reached into tbe crowded depths of her purse for her billfold (you all know what the inside of a lady's purse looks like no doubt so I shall not explain that it sometimes takes a whole block to find a billfold). After a block's ride the thought hits our heroine that the purse is no doubt home on the dresser. Then the race back home and the thorough search of the Fitch household in the vain effort to uncover the last billfold. Many searching hours later Eileen received a phone call from the detective bureau stating that an honest soul had found her billfold and turned it in to them. Eileen was really relieved, because you see the billfold contained friend husband's check and her only remaining street car check. As any wife can testify most husbands get very upset when the little woman loses their weekly earnings. . . . Happy birthday to Dot Fletter. A little valentine yet. Dot had a nice big chocolate cake from the gals to celebrate.



Harold Richmond had a terrifying experience one night last week, his wife awoke him by screaming. There were sparks flying all around the room. He was a little bit groggy when he awoke and thought a Fourth of July celebration was in progress. All the trouble was caused by a short in some electric wiring. Harold, finally coming to his senses, pulled the main switch, made the necessary repairs; and the rest of the night proceeded peacefully. . . . Cecil Gordon has acquired some new attachments for her sewing machine and had a wonderful time trying them out. Every evening finds her seated at the machine trying out these different gadgets. So far she has not come up with anything sensational, but promises that she is going to come up with some new inventions in this art. It would not surprise us a little if we saw some ruffled button holes on her clothing. . . . If there is anything that terrifies Josephine Eme, it is a mouse. She tells us that just the sight of one puts goose pimples all over her. The other evening a dead one lay on the floor and Jo had just as big a fit about it as if it were alive. . . . "Baroness" Kathryn Miller's husband, the "Baron," surely concocts a mean sauce for hot dogs. He, being quite an artist at preparing savory dishes, tried his luck at condiments and came up with this super hot sauce. The Baroness said that after taking one bite of a hot dog smothered in the sauce, blue flames spouted forth from her mouth. . . . Newton Poland tells us that he has been bothered lately with window peepers and is preparing to do something about it. He has oiled up his heavy field piece and if this prowler ever shows his mug at one of Newt's windows again, he will get a fiery reception. . . . O. J. "Fuzz" Meyers reports that he is a grandpa again and he is right proud. He wants us all to know that he now is two times a grandpa. We think that one of the reasons why he is so thrilled is the fact that he will have another member to listen to his French horn tooting, who may be more appreciative than the dog.

It takes 16 years for some orchids to bloom. Behind the wheel a human being can become a blooming idiot in a split second.

No matter how bad the weather may be, it's far better than none.

You can't stop people from thinking—but can you start them? That's what counts.

30 Year Employee Honored

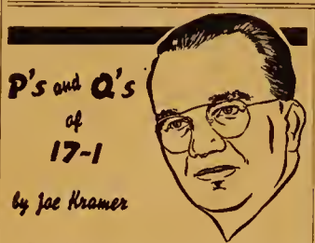


Oliver H. Bowman, Bldg. 4-2, rounded out 30 years service with General Electric, Feb. 13. On this anniversary he received a congratulatory letter from the Company. Left to right in the above picture are Gayle Stripe, Mr. Bowman, Andrew Nichter, Virgil Allmandinger and H. G. Siebold, FHP Div. 15 Supt.

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Myron Auer

Last Monday the office personnel and several of the students were greeted with timely comic (?) valentines. Some gay soul had spent lots of time finding such appropriate verses for the gang (Wasted Effort). . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dimke who were the proud parents of a red headed package of dynamite. He's some boy I hear. . . . On the feminine side of the fence Mr. and Mrs. Duane Shidler boast a baby girl, Martha Kay. . . . Dick Gotschall has been on the sick list for two weeks. All kinds of information was received as to the trouble. Everything from going under the knife to stubbing his big toe was turned in. Joe Fulks gave Dick a setback when he threw in the amazing total of 63 points last week. Gotch had vowed to match him in the Apprentice School games. He fared pretty well, he got the three but failed on the sixty part—50-50 not bad at all. Dick, keep in there as we all wish you a speedy recovery. . . . The smiling faces of two comrades will be missed as Paul Chappel and Jess Sircle are leaving. Paul informs us he will give us a break by attending bowling on Friday afternoons. We hope Jess returns to visit us often. Good luck both of you. . . . To some veterans, V.A. spells trouble. Just ask Whitie Fremion. . . . The basketball aggregation is leading the league in the win column with a healthy two while a goose egg constitutes the setbacks. Keep up the good work, fellows, and keep us in the running. . . . Fish, fish, who caught the fish? Zurbuch and White turned in their usual report of catching nothing but a cold and the devil from their wives. This isn't the only report. Howard Morton along with his ancient methods brought in 52 over the week-end. Kane Lake is where they were 'till Mort left. The question is, where are they now? Mort informed me that for a small fee he will lend you his patent on his exquisite reel for ice fishing. White wants to know, is it possible for all the "good" fishermen to always be at the right place at the wrong time? . . . The B.A.A. has nothing over on the Apprentice School in the trading division. Morton and Barnes made a trade with no cash involved. Merle Auchinbaugh, 201 pound mill operator, was swapped for 143 pound Paul Wuttke, a double experienced lathe operator. . . . Fred Stoup put his money on the wrong team last Saturday as the mighty Tigers from Central ate the helpless South Side Archers who had nothing but a broken-down bow and a split arrow. Fred still has a chance to regain his pennies in the Central-Concordia game. I wish you lots of luck, Fred (All bad as I want to win again). . . . Paul Mischo comes to work every other morning with his queen's good-bye still on in the morning. I think Paul is proud of that red stuff. Is tbat right, Paul? . . . W. H. O. better known as William Henry Owen lost a half century to a policeman for going 70 down Broadway. Bill lost the bet it seems because old John Law caught him. Speaking of Old John, Bill Mowery wanted to race his buddy. His buddy turned out to be a squad car. . . . Just think, fellows, March 11, is almost here. Those exams, aren't they exciting to think about? . . . This spring weather sure is fine isn't it? Morton predicts it's here to stay.



Consideration for others delays traffic, but permits a few people each day to live out their natural lives. . . . Belated valentine greetings to everyone. . . . Valentine cards were much in evidence last Monday especially the comic type. George (Goldie Locks) Mosshammer is still looking for the person or persons who pinned on him the title of Baby Sitter. Orval Haver and Ray Epperson were very much surprised and flattered by the lovely cards they received. . . . It was Valentine's Day, but maybe it should have been April Fool's Day. Betty Baker came to work with a different style anklet on each foot. . . . A celebration was held at the Yacht Club last week to honor Frank Quinn on his completion of 45 years service with General Electric. It was also a bidding farewell to Carl Reiter, who left Division 19 to join the Cost Division at Taylor Street. Carl received a number of nice gifts from the Cost Section Supervisors. . . . Betty Sue Morris suggests that a foot stool be installed at the drinking fountain in Bldg. 17-1. Sue says it is dangerous to attempt to get a drink at the fountain at the present time. . . . We haven't heard of any big cattle or poultry deals being advanced in the south end of Bldg. 17-1. Our reporter seems to be slipping. Come on, Mike, get us some news for the column. . . . If we are fortunate in securing the services of the new member in Group 19x72, I am sure this column will improve 100%. The noted columnist who wrote "Floor Lore from 4-4" has joined the gang in Bldg. 17-1.

Edward G. Brinker Retires On Pension



E. G. Brinker

Edward G. Brinker, Bldg. 4-4, retired Feb. 1 after 35 years of service with General Electric. Starting work in 1913, Mr. Brinker's first job was that of a grinder. He later became a machine operator in Bldg. 4-3, after which he was made a turret lathe operator. Since then Mr. Brinker has worked in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division as a miscellaneous small drill operator, and multiple spindle drill press operator. He was a layout man from 1943 until his retirement.

We shouldn't say joined. We should say rejoined as Bob Mobberly worked in Bldg. 17-1 before his greetings from his Uncle Sam. Bob, can we depend on you for some help in writing the column? . . . Frank Quinn would like to have it made known that the cane he received at the Yacht Club is to be used in meetings of the N.H.P.C. as he does not need a cane to lean on when he is walking. . . . Philosopher Argend Denney really has one to figure out now. He was handing out his little bundles of sunshine and explaining very successfully that 2 and 2 make 4 when the villian D. Leo Pershing came upon the scene and said this is not always true. Denney has gone into research.



In reading "Flicker Flashbacks" in the "Echo" reminded me of a conversation on the bus the other night. Some of the girls from our floor were reminiscing about the days of long underwear and high top shoes. Speaking of the "Echo" again, I think we should all appreciate the time and work that is put in this publication. The girls are doing a fine job. . . . It's congratulations to James and Helen Pogaizelski Mattes on their new blue bootied tax deduction. Helen was a former co-worker. . . . Harold Kiel has a pair of pockets that he tries to carry full of water. Maybe he thinks he needs a little ballast on the windy days we had last week. . . . The tiers in group 562 think that Walter Kryder should move near Monroeville. Wonder if the Leo-Monroeville game had anything to do with it? . . . Happy birthday to Mary O'Shaughnessy and Otto Brandt. . . . If you saw all the scrambling at the insulate between table, it was Lola McCague finding a mouse in her glove. . . . Have you noticed that Violet Brower is changeable about when she wants to sit at the cafeteria? . . . Emma Bennett was really having a time last Friday. The excitement was over the fact that she was getting ready to say "I do" Saturday. . . . Newcomers to the early bird shift are Helen Biddle, Beulah Huff, Jeanette Brienfalk, Julia Heuer, Pauline Stocks, Gertrude Martin, Betty Blackburn and Augusta Boehm. Hello to all and hope you enjoy working with us. . . . We bid farewell to Ruth Troyer and Gladys Strong. They have gone to Taylor St. . . . If you have noticed Margie McDonald limping it was because she slipped and twisted her ankle. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Marge Kennel in her recent bereavement.

The best tip to purchasers of automobiles is don't tip!



The photographer forgot one picture at last week's Foremen's meeting — the one where Ozzie Nahrwold was sitting on the floor after the collapse of his chair. . . . Arnold Engle is now smoking cigars with a bang after getting that Buick. He has also issued a challenge to Russ Deveny, but he will have to wait 'till Russ gets the Mercury fixed again. Someone skidded into it while it was parked in front of his house. . . . Our hats are off to Lyle Claphan this week for getting his picture in the evening paper with the other officials of the Northwest Community Association. . . . John Repine decided to take a little evening snooze while sitting by the stove waiting on the Mrs. to prepare his supper. He was rudely awakened by her batting him with a large towel putting the fire out where his shirt caught on fire. . . . It ought to be about time for Capt. Hendrickson to take another one of his submarine trips in Big Lake. . . . I miss those reports I used to get about the roads up north in the Indian country from Virgil "Potsie" Anderson. How about it, Potsie, is Sunset Pass drifted shut this winter? . . . We have another representative from the Apprentice school. Eugene Werling and another newcomer to the group, Hubert Sherlock, who is helping with the oiling. . . . Harold McMaken also celebrated a birthday last week. . . . Jess Batchelder was having a time trying to lift the top off a press last week when someone told him if he would take the other four bolts out it would come off easier.

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Aubrey

Monday morning the girls in the office were very pleased with the hankies they received from their secret pals for Valentine Day. Peg Turschman was taking no chances in not thanking the right person. She made the rounds of the office telling everyone how much she liked her pretty yellow and brown hankie. . . . We were sorry to hear that George Denner was struck by an automobile over the week-end, but we understand he was not injured seriously. . . . Happy birthday to Roy Rippe today. . . . Welcome back to Paul Miller in the Cost Section who has been on the sick list for sometime. . . . At last the fellows were able to do some ice fishing over the week-end. When we left work Friday evening Charlie Gable, Kenny Sheehan and Gordon Smith had some big fishing plans for the week-end, but for some unknown reason there was very little said about the trip on Monday morning. What was the matter, boys, not so proud of the results? . . . Ann Smith is very happy with her new apartment and is very anxious to move in. . . . That's all for this week, see you later.

Marie Kettering Writes 'Behind Cracker Barrel'



Marie Kettering

Marie Kettering, Bldg. 8-1, is the Division Editor of the Week as the author of "Behind the Cracker Barrel in General Stores."

A G-E employee since 1943, Marie first started as a blueprint clerk in Bldg. 4-4. She then transferred to Bldg. 20-2 as an order clerk, working for E. J. O'Neil. Last July she came to Bldg. 8-1 as secretary to Lloyd Platt, Supervisor of General Stores.

Reading and record collecting are her hobbies. She likes to read all kinds of books. Marie has a collection of about 600 or 700 records, with the Andrew Sisters and Bing Crosby as her favorites. She also has a sizeable collection of religious records and some of Glenn Miller's recordings.

Marie has a staff of three reporters to gather the news for General Stores. They are Carl Soest, Ward Staley and Henry Guenther.



Advice to all wives whose husbands are working short time. Be smart, girls. For example: Melvin Bill has to do the weekly family wash; Fritz Rudusky, the weekly family ironing. Of course, Melvin is smart, he has only to turn on the switch and let the washer go to town, but poor Fritz has to stand many weary hours on those No. 12's pushing that old iron. The only thing in Fritz's favor is that he is able to stand the heat since his job is working around enameling ovens. Now, girls, we don't say that this will always work. It depends upon who's the boss, but here's an idea, since marriage is supposed to be a 50-50 proposition, let your husband be boss while he is at work and you be the boss the rest of the time. (Boy, is yours truly ever due for a panning.) . . . Fatty Morse received a nice Valentine, but the question is who had it first. Could you by chance, Leo Elward, have the answer? . . . Bill Rohe also received a Valentine. It was the Super Salesman type which we thought was very appropriate. . . . Who's giving the cigar to who now days? Wimpy Lemper was seen giving cigars to Gene Coulter, we wonder why? . . . Our absent employees due to operations are Jake Arnold, David Troyer, Delmas Detter and Johnny Powner. On the sick list are Lloyd Cowell, Harold Sorg, and Altos Corson. Here's wishing you fellows a lot of luck and a speedy recovery and that we will be seein' you soon.

Young men who drive with one arm are liable to run into a church.

Tanks To You From Plating-Two

By Marie Lantz

Sometimes we believe this world is becoming more civilized; it's noon on St. Valentine's Day and no comic ones have arrived as yet. (Valentines—we mean). Then, seriously, we know this world is civilized—but we wonder. That happening in Hungary that left the whole world shock-bound was horrible. Encouraging, somewhat, is the fact that goodness abounds in this old world yet; peoples of all nations join in mutual protest of Communism's outrage on Christianity. . . . Around here they call him "Shorty" Robinson—but certainly not because of stature. At least we think Cliff is of average height. In brief, the "short" of it comes from this tall fishing tale. Along with Angler Andrews, "Shorty" went to Witmer Lake last week-end, to "fish", of course. As usual, his "luck" was bad, he eyed Andrew's half-dozen enviously and felt disgust that the only gill he got was "short," at that. Meanwhile their attention was distracted to a spot on the lake where all the fishermen were gathering. Investigating our platers found that a small boy, about six years old, who accompanied his father, fishing, astounded his audience with the amount of fish he caught. "I'll show you how," he offered. "I just jerk the line a little," and, incredibly, he pulled in more fish. Wide-eyed with wonder, Robinson wanted to "buy" his fishing hole. The youngster refused. We'd say he was "Johnny-on-the-spot." . . . "Pouff" Decker has threatened to expose your scribe and make a real story out of this minor episode if Tanks doesn't. They credit me with hitting a new high—so startled with the ensuing noise when accidentally leaning against an air-hose, I was up "in the air" and not with the greatest of ease, please.



"Would to God that harmony of nations were an object that lay nearest the heart of sovereigns." George Washington.

You've all heard of automobiles called "hot rods." It seems that's what Cliff Smead has. In fact his car got so hot it caught on fire and Cliff needed the city firemen to put out the flame. . . . Max Clum says he hopes he can get a new car in the spring. He's not satisfied with his brand new Oldsmobile. . . . After ending in third place the first half, our Bldg. 17-2 bowling team went into the second half with a slow start. So far it has won five and lost seven in three weeks of bowling. . . . We were glad to have Roy Mentzer pay us a visit last week. Being a man of leisure seems to agree with him, he looks fine. . . . Mrs. Vance Burnau was pleasantly surprised with the box of plastic greetings her husband brought to her, purchased from Elex. He gave them to her a few days early for Valentine Day so he had another purchase to make—a heart box of candy. . . . At this writing Mrs. Dave Slater is improving in health. She has been ill since November, and we hope her improvement will continue until she has completely recovered. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Herb Winter certainly have a cute little son. His pop brought some pictures of him to show the gang. His name is Denis. . . . Erv Lange is right on the job as to fire prevention. He made sure that Harold Kiel's pocket would not catch on fire. He saw a pipe protruding and didn't want to take chances of his trousers catching fire, so he put enough water in his pocket to make sure.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

Frank Enderle was somewhat late leaving the shop one afternoon. In fact he was 15 minutes late. Some fun-loving, red-blooded co-worker had put about 200 staples in Frankie's clean shirt and it took him a quarter of an hour to pick them out in order to don the garment. . . . George Wolfe suffered a minor injury to his left leg last week when a commutator fell over and badly scratched his shin. George is bearing up bravely; he says he has the only technicolored leg in the plant. . . . Henry Becker is sporting a very bloodshot right eye, but he assures us that it's neither from bad liquor nor the wife's fist. Just an inflammation due to more or less normal causes. . . . Elmer Minnick says, "What's wrong with my haircuts, are they really that bad?" . . . Elvie Nicholson wonders why his cow doesn't have any confidence in him. "Why," says Elvie, "when I go to milk her I've got to chase her down, and then she holds out on me on the amount of milk she gives." It is alleged that one time when Elvie was milking her she switched him across the face with her tail. Elvie fixed that tail by fracturing it. Maybe Bossy remembers that incident, Elvie. . . . Ruth Bell of Mr. Wagner's office retired last week, receiving gifts and a send-off from her fellow employees. Good luck, Ruth.

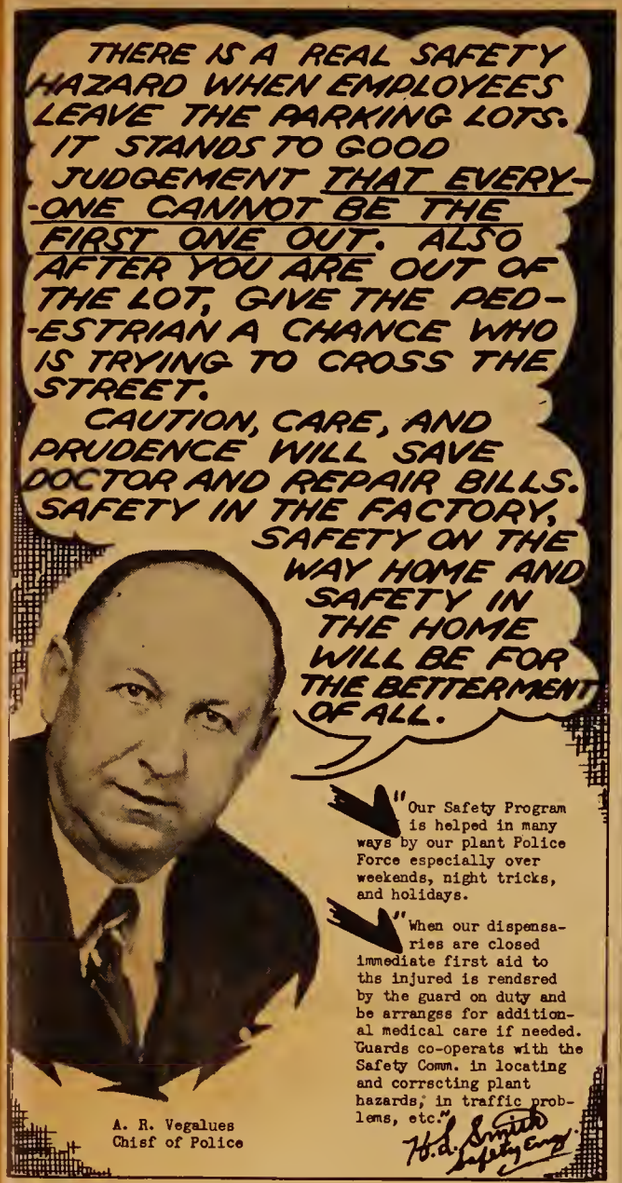


We wonder who in the tool room sings the "Pussy Cat Song" every morning. We will have to slip over there and see, as it doesn't sound half bad. . . . We wish Jean Fry a happy birthday which was on Valentine Day. . . . If anybody needs any chiropractor treatments see Mac McCray, as he really can take the kinks out of your neck. . . . Irma Zion is back to work after having her vision blurred when drops were put in her eyes. . . . We wonder if Kenny Casselman still has that gun that he's been shooting the bull. Say, Kenny we would like to hear all of the story behind this report. . . . If you feel a draft whizzing by, it's only Louie Miller going by after some material.

Reiz Serves Company 30 Years



Christian A. Reiz, Bldg. 6-1, recently celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric. At that time he received a congratulatory letter on the completion of his long service. He also received a gift from his co-workers. Left to right in the picture are Richard Robertson, Mary Warren, Ruth Schroeder, Henry Bruggeman, Ann Lapidot, Phyllis Nordyke, Mr. Reiz, Marie Alleger, Marie Renz, Tom Dent, Harry Beatty, Joe Hambrock and Ruby Flaugh.





The Big WIND

DIVISION 17
TAYLOR STREET
by Dorothy Heinzelmann

If you wondered why there wasn't enough WORKS NEWS to go around last Friday it was because John Haggenjos took them all home to show his relatives his picture and the write-up about him in the NEWS. That's O.K., John, as there isn't everyone who makes the news for such a good purpose. We don't blame you for showing off. . . . Chet Carey really had some tough luck over the week-end. He hit a slick spot on a black top road and his car hit a telephone pole. We are glad, Chet, that you weren't hurt. . . . Maxine Luker is the latest city farmer. The Lukers bought a new farm, and we do hope that you will like it very much, Maxine. By the way we are all invited out for a chicken dinner if we bring the chicken. . . . Maggie Moore spent the week-end in Indianapolis visiting her sister. She saw some of her relatives which she hasn't seen for "ages." Maggie says it sure was good to see them all. . . . Welcome back to days, Rose Liby. . . . The girls on silver soldering are all thrilled over their new shields and thank all who were responsible for them. . . . George Miller has made another resolution. This time it is to never go fishing with Harold Mosshammer again. He says it is the same as going hunting with him, you never get anything. Oh yes you do, George, Harold got a good cold out of it. . . . Jerry McKown thought maybe if he took his wife fishing his luck would change, but even that didn't do any good. Maybe you and Harold should go together. Since you are both so bad you could maybe have a little luck. . . . Congratulations to Roy Orr. Bob Federspiel reports that Roy's car will now run without being pushed. . . . Have you noticed how much earlier Robert Boone gets to work recently? It is because Bob doesn't have to spend that time in the morning "steaming his hair" to get that pretty wave, as his life gave him a "Toni" a week ago. Do you know, Bob, you can't tell it from the real thing. . . . Welcome back to the reporter staff to "Braunie." She will be our second shift news gatherer again now that she has been called back to work. Our thanks to Mildred Snyder for her willing help.

The younger generation learns things quickly from the older, says a writer. And maybe the younger generation is making a mistake.

Four G-Enerations

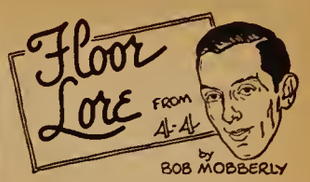
If the two youngsters in the photographs, below, follow in their parents' footsteps, they will someday be joining General Electric. Four generations of G-E folks are represented in these photographs that were taken by Leamon Huffman, Division 17 at Taylor St., both youngsters' grandfather.



Left to right, above, are: Mrs. Mildred Phillips, Bldg. 4-4, mother; Mrs. Mary Woodward, retired from the Cafeteria at Broadway, great-grandmother; Larry Phillips, and Mrs. Huffman, Bldg. 17-4, grandmother.



Left to right, above, are: Mrs. Mary Eversole, mother; William Woodward, retired elevator operator for the office of Bldg. 19, great-grandfather; Dianna Lynn Eversole, and Mrs. Huffman. Dianna has nine grandparents.



Today we are saying "30" to the column "Floor Lore From 4-4" as written by this reporter. "30" in journalistic circles signifies that is all, the end has been reached. Its primary function is to designate that there is no more "copy." In other fields of journalism "30" has been used by some radio commentators to let the audience know that is the end of the news for that particular period of time. . . . For the past three years we have received great pleasure in bringing news items and small bits of color concerning the members of the Repair and Return section. We have attempted to the best of our ability, to make the column one that could and would hold your interest. If we have failed then we are really sorry, but on the other hand if we succeeded in some small measure to add to your relaxation, then we feel the task has been more than well compensated. . . . It has been a great pleasure not only to write of you fine folks, but it has been a greater pleasure to work with you. . . . If by chance this column is continued by someone else, we wish them the very best of luck and best wishes for a successful news coverage. . . . Thus for today on this Friday, Feb. 18, your reporter closes this column with a sincere goodbye and "30."

Then there is the woman who couldn't figure out what her husband did with his evenings. So one evening she went home and there he was!



"It is about as hard for a rich man to enter heaven as it is for a poor man to remain on earth."

Our very best wishes for a successful recovery to Evelyn Blakely's mother, who has been at the St. Joseph Hospital during the past few weeks. . . . Mr. Zook has been as busy as a bee recently, as two days of this week were spent in Schenectady, and one day last week was spent at the Chamber of Commerce where he served as president of the Fort Wayne Personnel and Industrial Relations Ass'n. Several of the fellows from the Personnel Division attended the evening affair. And Jean Smith, one of the two ladies attending the meeting, enjoyed everything, especially the lovely corsage. . . . We're glad to have Betty Zieg back after her recent appendectomy. . . . Loyd Bodenhamer tells us at his house they have changed the hit song "Buttons and Bows" into something like "Bottles and Bibs". . . . Dorothea Swank exhibited her skill at the Pistons-Jets ball game last week. During half-time a women's basketball shooting contest was held, and Dorothea walked off with first prize. (She sunk two out of five.) . . . Duane Stroud, dispensary, is sporting around his new Nash. You make a nice looking couple, Duane. . . . Little red hearts were popping all around Herschel Smith when he opened one certain piece of mail last Monday. It was a sweet Valentine from his wife. (We think he had her send it to impress us). This one must have been quite touching, because he usually erases the signature from cards he receives and mails them back to the sender with his own name on them. "Just being economical," he says. But this one, he wrapped in asbestos and is carrying it close to his heart. . . . The other day I read where a "prominent dentist announced that Eskimos enjoy pain." It seems that dentists have that idea about practically everybody.



Honored On 30th Anniversary



Hilda Mueller, receptionist at the Bldg. 18-Gate, recently celebrated her 30th anniversary with General Electric. The above picture was taken when she was presented her 30-year congratulatory letter. Standing behind Miss Mueller are, left to right, A. R. Vegalues, Chief of Police; J. B. Greer, Supt. of General Service Div.; Roy Weick; E. H. Hanauer, Fire Chief; and F. O. Harrold.



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Tank Type Cleaners
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Radios, Table Models
Clock Radios
Occasional Clocks
Alarm Clocks
Stainless Steel Sinks
Fluorescent Fixtures
Chime Clocks
Wire and Wiring Devices
Paints, Colors
Coffee Makers

George A. Block Dies At Hospital

George A. Block, 78, 415 W. Butler st., died at 9:15 p.m. Saturday at St. Joseph's hospital after an illness of several months. He was a member of the Quarter Century Club, and the Men's Bible Class at the East Creighton Ave. Church of Christ, where he was also a deacon.

Employed as a carpenter in 1907, Mr. Block retired from General Electric in 1932.

Surviving are four sisters, Mrs. Louis Pequinot, of Pierceton; Mrs. Mary Stewart, Mrs. Emma Hatch, and Mrs. Laura Bailey.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the East Creighton Church. The Rev. Charles Matthews officiated and burial was in Lindewood Cemetery.



Our sympathy to Floyd Murray on the death of his son. . . . Our friend Walter McKinney celebrated his birthday Wednesday and we hope it was a pleasant one. Walter is taking his three weeks' vacation, and then retirement. We sincerely hope your health improves, Walter, and may you enjoy many more happy birthdays. . . . Congratulations to Esther and Johnny Root, the proud parents of a 5 lb. baby girl. . . . Lew Barney will look twice the next time he leaves a certain theater to make sure the door is marked "Exit" and not "Ladies". . . . That greenish pallor on Rog Pierson's face when he left the office recently was the result of a good old "smokehouse" cure. Rog sat in his corner in a cloud of smoke coming from the pipe of a well-meaning friend for about an hour, and it just got a little too stout for him. (Plenty of cured ham on hand, folks, or should we say "on foot".) . . . Harry Nickels received a large fancy valentine on Monday, which just did his ole heart good—to think his friends remembered him in this manner. . . . Works Service Division and Shipping and Receiving put on a real show for the Supervisors and Foremen's party one night last week. It was an old time medicine show—barring nothing. The "bugaboo juice" sold fast with Harold Smith as the medicine man. Ernie Hanauer convinced the boys he's all muscle and was under a terrific strain at times. Elmer "Emily" Mesing met up with "foul play"—and it was Arnold Landis, tottin' a shootin' rod, who tried to straighten out the affair. Besides a snake charmer (Hap Leider), there was a fan dancer, none other than Bill Gregg—swinging a mean leg, concealing his shapely "figger" behind one fan and a flower. It was said Bill Altekruse did a bit of good acting—so natural! Charlie MacKay was m.c. and from all reports, did a swell job. . . . Sorry we missed your birthday last week, Gloria, will try to do better next year, I hope. . . . We understand Dick Gallmeier is getting that new house paid for in a hurry, according to the poker game boys. . . . The other morning coming to work, Charlie Hartman ran out of gas. After having someone push him into a filling station he discovered that it wasn't open. After debating what to do, he took the hose and drained it, and came merrily to work. . . . Has anyone noticed the rare stamps that Whitie Van Auken and Oscar Rodenbeck have been sending to each other? . . . Skin McGary doesn't think he got much of a welcome when he came out to T.S. Everything was going just fine until he and Vern Smith went up to the monitors. When Skin opened the door, off came his cap and he didn't see it again until quiting time when it was formally presented to him torn to shreds. . . . Ted Waggoner thought it was a big joke when Mrs. Stuart had to make a rush trip to the plant last week. Joe seems a little reluctant about telling what happened, especially if there are any ladies present.

Little Valentine



About 47 years ago a little valentine arrived at the Henry household and was named Sammy. Mr. Henry, who now works in Bldg. 10-1, celebrated his birthday Monday, St. Valentine's Day.

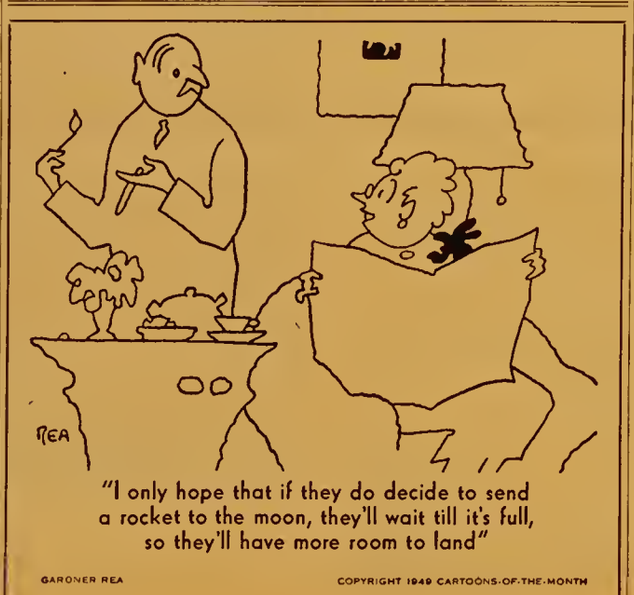
Sleuthing IN BLDG. 4-6

By Joan Poos

Another new car! The new Hudson becomes proud Papa Claude Voss. . . . Gwen Stienbarger has been searching for the prankster who took her street shoes. She didn't have to look far, for the next rainy day she discovered them in her boots. Bad luck seems to come in streaks as does absent-mindedness to some people. Shortly afterwards she left a pair of new hose as well as a new pair of gloves on a store counter while searching for bargains. However, all is well now and the sun has come out again. . . . You'll be missing several familiar faces in case you haven't noticed. Face No. 1, Pete Fenoglio, DC Section, transferred to the Pittsfield Works. Face No. 2, Warren Brown, who has transferred to Motor Generator. Face No. 3, Jack Grafe, Motor Sales, who will be seen in the "Windy City" from now on. . . . New faces (all in DC Div.) are William J. Caruso on a three months assignment, and Garland Roby and Carl Hubbartt, who are taking over Brownie's vacancy. . . . If you happened to see Helen Brosche covered from coiffeur to corns with mud recently, the answer is "Sir Walter Raleigh" dropped her as he tried to carry her across the street. . . . Rumor has it that Ray O'Keefe has them swooning these days. Just call him "Frankie." . . . If you have noticed the smog which has settled down over the AC Section, you can attribute it to Norm Oetting, who is the proud Pa of a 7½ lb. baby gal, Suzanne. . . . And speaking of smoke, have you noticed the smoke screen that Howdie Gerlaugh, Development Division, has been working on lately. Why? . . . Joke: Jack Jennings, Bob Knepple and Shorty Poyser can't wait 'til golf season opens, so they can "clabber" G. P. Baker. . . . Correction, "Esther Bauermerster" should have been Esther Batchelder, whose hubby is ill. So sorry. . . . You should see Gene Hart's "wild pink" apron, which matches his eyes. . . . Happy birthday to Reba Wilkerson and Catherine Gardt. . . . Will all members of the FHP Motor Engineering Division please save your copies of this week's WORKS NEWS (if you can't use it yourself, that is) and send it to Glen Stapleton. Autographed copies are welcome. What are you going to do, Glen, paper your doghouse? . . . We hope Nina Andress has recovered from her attack of messed up 'itis! Seems she couldn't find her belt one day and substituted another only to find her belt, after she had gone to work, in a sleeve. She also tried to put both her coat and hanger on the other evening. What is her main maladjustment?

Spring is here—almost
And with it comes the urge to coast
A lovely lazy mood prevails
To do nuthin 'cept count puppy dog tails.

Valentines were flying Monday. For instance we have "Conceited" Marge Murphy, "Bargain Hunter" Ruth English, "Grumpy" Gerlaugh, "Radio Fiend" Neds, "Wolf" Mesing and numerous others. We wonder what April Fool's Day will bring. . . . "Bye for now from your "pleasant peasant" friend.



McCULLOUGH DIES IN CALIFORNIA

Word has been received here that Francis W. McCullough, a former Fort Wayne resident and employee of General Electric since 1928, died at his home at Riverside, Calif., Jan. 26. He worked in several buildings here as a balancer and assembler in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Division. In 1942 he left the Company to enter the Army.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday noon, February 21, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—A gold glove holder. Lost between Bldg. 19-Gate and the corner of Lavina and Broadway.

FOUND—Pair pink shell rimmed glasses in brown leather case. Found in front of G-E Club on Swinney Ave.

FOR SALE

1937 OLDSMOBILE — Eight cylinders. A-1 condition, $300. H-59363.

CHAMBER FIRELESS GAS STOVE—A-1 condition. $20. 2209 Curdes Ave.

ZENITH CONSOLE RADIO — Seven tubes. H-60864.

12 FT. CAR-TOP BOAT—Brand new, very reasonable. H-67395.

CHILD'S SPRING COAT—Gleaned and like new. Size 2-3. H-20322.

UPRIGHT DEEP-WELL HAND PUMP—Only $2. H-37777.

1930 4-DOOR PLYMOUTH—Newly overhauled motor, two new tires. $75. 2215 Curdes Ave.

12-GAUGE SHOTGUN — Gleaning rod, hunting coat, size 44. Two boxes shells. A-95495.

PUPPIES—H-15168.

ELECTRIC BROODER HOOD—10 hole metal nest. H-77165 after 4 p.m.

VANITY DRESSER—Walnut, triple mirror, very nice. $18. H-55901

APEX REFRIGERATOR—6¼ cu. ft. A-1 condition. H-50784.

1948 WESTERN ELECTRIC HEARING AID—Just used 3 days. A-55015.

THREE 6:50-16 TUBES — Half price H-48345.

LADIES WHITE FIGURE ICE SKATES—Size 8. $8. 2622 Fox Ave.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Mary Schwartz, from Leo. Works for Ralph Keller, FHP Div. 17 at Taylor St., from 6:48-3:18.

Former Fort Wayne Man Named N. Y. Dist. Mgr. For Electronics Dept.

Grady L. Roark, formerly of Fort Wayne, has been appointed New York District Manager for the General Electric Company's Electronics Department, it has been announced by Arthur A. Brandt, General Sales Manager, at Syracuse, N. Y.

He succeeds Howard J. Mandernach, recently deceased. Headquarters for the district office is at the Company's building at 570 Lexington Ave., New York City.

A native of Oklahoma City, Okla., Mr. Roark is a graduate of Oklahoma A and M College with B. S. degrees in electrical and mechanical engineering. He has been associated with General Electric since 1933 in various sales, customer relations, and manufacturing activities.

Mr. Roark was an Assistant Section Superintendent in the FHP Section 14 when he left here in 1945.

Thisa and Thata "SPECIALTY MOTOR"



by Helen Engle

We thank Merl (Cookie) Keesler for those wonderful cookies he brought to work. Merl says he made them but we know better. He had better stick to golf and let his wife make the cookies. . . . We sure have talented girls on the winding table. Malinda Gehle is knitting sweaters and baby things; Clarice (Oh, when am I going to get them done) Woodruff is knitting socks; "Instructee" Esther Fagan is knitting sox and more sox. . . . Kathryn Hepker can bake another upside-down cake, as we are getting hungry. . . . We wish Olive Adams a speedy recovery. She is ill with the flu. . . . We welcome Florence Byers, who is now working days. . . . Marie Griffin is back after being on sick leave since Christmas. It's good to see you back, Marie. . . . Billie Tucker brought a get-well card to send to Edna Houser, but when Billie went to sign the card she found it was a birthday greeting. Better luck next time, Billie. . . . Carl Harmon, our boy in Bldg. 4-3 test, is back on his old job. How do you like Bldg. 4-3, Carl? He and his wife are still debating the question of dog versus linoleum. . . . Lester Hubartt says that you can't eat a good meal in a half hour. Time goes too fast doesn't it, Les? . . . Hilda Seiler was walking home from church last Sunday when a gust of wind came along and blew her hat off. Hilda was wearing a new pair of shoes and she stopped, looked down at her shoes debating the question: "do I get the new shoes muddy or do I let the hat go?" The result—she let the hat go. She wanted a new one anyway. . . . Thelma Purdue is a grandmother again. . . . Speaking of grandmothers, those pictures Ethel Younker had of her granddaughter were all right, too. For the life of us we can't figure out how Carl Metker could lose Skin-head Bain. I would think his head would shine like a beacon anyplace. . . . Mary Nute and her husband are on their second honeymoon in Chicago. . . . George Prince and his wife are taking care of a six year old boy for some friends. Can you imagine the results as they have never had a six year old in their home and especially a boy. . . . Hazel Herron's father fell the other day. We hope it isn't too serious and he gets well soon. . . . We extend our sympathy to Evelyn McClain Muller whose daughter died last week. . . . We were reading a WORKS NEWS from 1917 that Harry Haberkorn gave us. We noticed that the Fire Department and Band had an annual outing and that Fred Duryee read the Gettysburg Address instead of the Declaration of Independence by mistake.

Every one desires to live long, but no one would be old.

Let's Eat! CAFETERIA and RESTAURANT MENUS



FEBRUARY 21 THROUGH FEBRUARY 25

BROADWAY	TAYLOR STREET

Serving Hours:

Cafeteria—16-1 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. 10:48 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-2 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-1 6:45 P.M. - 8:12 P.M. 6:55 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Restaurant—16-2 12:00 M. - 1:00 P.M.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Cream of Potato Soup	Beef Barley Soup
Roast Beef	Roast Pork and Dressing
Karu	Italian Spaghetti
Pork Barbecue Sandwiches	Chopped Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Buttered Spinach	Stewed Apples
Escalloped Corn	Buttered Broccoli

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Vegetable Soup	Bean Soup
Baked Ham	Baked Ham
Beef Pot Pie	Chicken and Noodles
Hamburger Sandwiches	Chili
Parsleyed Potatoes	Hot Roast Pork Sandwiches
Buttered Cabbage	Whipped Potatoes
Creamed Green Beans	Escalloped Corn
Apple Sauce	French Fried Onion Rings
	Corn Bread

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Chicken Rice Soup	Vegetable Soup
Fried Liver	Meat Loaf
Chicken and Noodles	Beef Stew
Ham Salad Sandwiches	Ham Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whole Browned Potatoes
French Fried Onion Rings	Buttered Asparagus
Buttered Whole Kernel Corn	Buttered Carrots

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Old English Beef Broth	Tomato Noodle Soup
Swiss Steak	Swiss Steak
Italian Spaghetti	Ham and Limas
Wiener Sandwiches	Barbecue Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Buttered Peas and Carrots	Buttered Cauliflower
Harvard Beets	Buttered Squash

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Cream of Pea Soup	Cream of Potato Soup
French Fried Oysters	French Fried Oysters
Macaroni and Cheese	Baked Hash
Ham Sandwiches	Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Buttered Asparagus	Baked Beans
Fried Apples	Buttered Peas

Wide selection of home-made pies and delicious salads served daily.
Breakfast served at Broadway daily from 6:20 to 7:50 A.M.

Special dinners and parties arranged upon request.

Menus Subject to Change

HERE and THERE in BUILDING 17-4



by Maxine Baker

Friday, several men of the Test Section were enjoying the aroma of an after dinner cigar, presented by Kenny Gilwater who papa-ed again, with a daughter. Congratulations, Kenny. . . . Ray Solga has had several offers by ice fishermen to join the group in session of frigid capers with bluegills some Saturday. Ray hasn't figured out yet how much the last three months resting from a previous ice folly has cost him; at least $100 for those he believes he might catch in the future. . . . Everytime Tony Miller goes fishing something goes wrong with his equipment. One time last fall when the water hadn't turned to ice he dragged his outboard motor some 300 miles to discover that it wouldn't start. Last week he hauled his gasoline lantern to the lake to keep warm while fishing, but its generator wouldn't work. It has been suggested that he should make a dry run in his back yard before he decides on a trip. . . . Every Saturday for several weeks, Bill Mills put on his red cap, shouldered his trusty rusty musket and assumed the role of the aristocracy. He joined the chase (fox hunt to us commoners) in and about Ossian. All owners of dogs of non-descript breeds have been duly warned and have hidden their pets or else the weary have not been able to catch the wary—anyway so far—no fox! . . . Lawrence Mellinger has a new assistant, Herb Tilbury. The first task Herb had to perform involved crawling around the cages on the life test (several comments against the dignity of man were passed on this occasion) but now Mellinger has him under control. Herb has a job with a 250-lb. weight to balance, so he keeps both feet on the floor and the theories of Darwinism have ceased. . . . Wonder where Clara Gehring learned her cave man tactics? Paul Woodard is mighty lucky Clara's aim was bad or he would be looking for a wig. Scalping was done in the frontier days, Clara; you'd better go West. . . . Welcome to Edith Childers and Edna Harkenrider. Hope you like your new work. . . . It's been said all important people have birthdays in February. If you don't believe it, just ask Lucille Welch. We hope you have many more birthdays, they're becoming to you, Lucille. . . . Edna Ward seems to be recovering nicely. Keep up the good work. . . . Have you seen the Arthur Murray of Bldg. 17-4 give out with some fancy foot work? We know him as Bill Turner. Nice going, Bill, do the Lindy Hop for us sometime, will you?

Oh see the jolly Pistons
Come racing down the floor
You'd think they'd never lose a game
But then they seldom score.
They're big and tall, and lanky
They're full of speed galore
But they seldom win a ball game
Because they seldom score.
Carl Brenner is a Pleton fan
He is disappointed more and more
It's hard to brag about a team
When they very seldom score.
Now when Brenner and the Pistons
knock at the Golden Door
St. Pete will send them down Below
With those who cannot score.

Cy Seymour will no doubt want extra copies of the above poem if all indications of the discussions in the cafeteria line with Carl are confirming.

Inquiring Reporter

WHAT ARE THE OBLIGATIONS OF BEING A GOOD CITIZEN?



DEWEY BAUMGARTNER
Taylor St.

"I think that application of the Golden Rule, 'do unto others as you would have them do unto you,' is the most important obligation of a good citizen."



H. J. LOWERY
Bldg. 27-A

"The obligations of a good citizen are courtesy, observant modesty, loyalty, honesty, refrain from all that is destructive, and abide by the laws of our government."



LOIS ULREY
Bldg. 20-2

"To abide by the laws of the state and nation; exercise the rights of the United States Constitution to the best of one's ability, and be honest and expect honesty in return are a good citizen's obligations."



R. F. MARKEY
Bldg. 4-3

"This question covers a large field, but one obligation as well as a privilege comes to my mind. That is casting your vote (according to your own personal views) on election day, which many of us fail to do. Minding your own business is also an important factor in my opinion."



LEONA M. BRANNING
Taylor St.

"I think a person should be dependable and help to make our country a safer and better place in which to live."

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Cora Asies, Earl Bartling, Kathleen Brinker, Maltha Burk, Mary Brand, Glenn Bice, Gertrude Bender, Joseph Banks, Joseph Connett, Charlene Cramer, Mada Candle, Elvin Dewald, Carl Ditton, Fred Ellinger, Ora Marie Fulmer, Elizabeth Furge, Franklin Gross, Kenneth B. Handschy, Francis M. Harter, William Heit, Janet Hiers, John Haberkorn, Ralph Hardy, Mrs. Irene Kleber, Marjorie Kramer, Elizabeth Love, Barbara McGuire, Charles Menefee, John Muller, Dorothy Monroe, Robert Nierman, Doris Olinger, Frank Olney, Robert Pickett, Francis Plaunt, Louise Perry, Charles Reed, Cecelia Romary, Pauline Selking, Jay Spiece, George Spittler, True Sheets, Aylene Speice, Virgil Spreer, Ruby Stucky, Leyoda Thomas, Oliver Tracey, Darrell Troyer, Treace Trout, Goldie Waikel, Carl Watterson, Betty Zeig, Eva Bobbish, Ben Beatty, Alton Corson, Vivian Curran, Delmas Detter, Garrett Enyeart, Marie Griffin, Elsie Houtz, Clifford Imbody, Manford Lee, Edith McKeon, Mary E. Mowry, Grace Neely, Edward Padgitt, John Rockhill, George Reed, Jean Reynolds, John Rushhart, Dolores Soule, Carl L. Smith, Virgil Spreer, Darrell Troyer, Alva Tucker, Theresa Van Blarcom, Edna Ward and Cecelia Winicker.

Returned to Work

Edward Boedeker, William Decker, Almeada Fairchild, Leslie Hines, James Kline, J. W. Cochran, Clara Cohagen, Glen Keck, Bertha Burnau, Kermit Griffin, Dewitt Carey, George Ely, Wayne Ellis, Oscar Baumgartner, Lucille Salas, Ray Solga, Cecil Onion, Zura Spriggs, Oliver Tracey, Raymond Smith, Maxine Bakle, Florence Behrens, Herman Breight, Ralph Callison, Amy Rupp, Dorothy Klug, Clifford Rodenbeck, Enoch Carpenter, Hattie Falls, Clara Krudop, Lelah Ryan, Wilma Lynch, Nona White, Albert Von Behrens, Lawrence Parks, Mary Standish, Preston Slack, Wendell Haiflich, Don Eichhorn, Guy Brickley, George Danehy, Dorothy McGowan, George Angel, Violet Draker, Eldon Vosburg, Anna Lehman, Hobard Friend, Phyllis Lupton, Walter Stoppenhagen, Robert Sweeney, Vernon Amons, June Capatina, Emily Colvin, Gertrude Koldeway, John Anderson, Edna Fletcher, Fred Kuker, Elmer Anderson, Lazern Hopkins, Wm. Hildinger, Mae Jones, Julia Heuer, Philip Roberson, Pauline Snyder, Beverly Springer, Virginia Mariotte, Betty Lupton, Emma Ragen, Richard C. Lare, Wayne Ellis, Donald Reed, Maxwell Hutchinson, Shirley Fisher, Rita Klingenberger, John Brandyberry, Marquerite Kohr, Earl Bartling, Bryan Brown, Jessie Jellison, Paul Arnold, Fern Monroe, James Linn, Janet Hiers, Roger Crabill, Martha Beugnot, Celeste Moran, Brittain Skevington, True Sheets, George Angel and Joseph Connett.

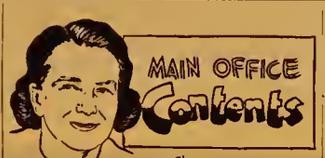
44 Years Ago

Firemen Get New Uniforms



The picture above was taken Sept. 4, 1905, when the Work's Volunteer Fire Department participated in the Labor Day parade. It was the first photograph showing the members in their new uniforms, which were presented to them by the Company in February, 1905. The complete outfit included rubber coat, helmet, boots and badge.

A record kept by the department revealed the following account of a fire the previous year, on July 10: ***"Fire destroyed the roof of Laboratory Power Plant (which is now the Plumbing Shaaty). Fire took place about 12 o'clock at night. The City Fire Department responded to the call and placed pump on our hydrants and sucked all the water out of the system. Therefore, an order was issued prohibiting the city department from hitching onto any of our hydraats. We also placed a twin-hose connection on the hydraat to take care of two lines of hose. This fire was caused by the raising of gas-pressure in heating-stoves. Orders were issued by Superintendent E. A. Barnes to do away with all gas-heaters about the Works."***



by Vivian Bond

The life of a column writer is not a bed of roses, some weeks all of the reporters come through with a quantity of news items. This week our reporters have been so busy admiring their valentines (or wondering who sent the comic ones) that they could not be bothered. Last week I confidently announced that we would have a weekly poem from Pat Olinger of Bldg. 18-5—the very next week she fails us. You can imagine our surprise and complete happiness when Dolores Connin of Bldg. 18-4 comes through with

THE NEWS IN RHYME

This week the men are in the news.
There are some things I cannot tell.
My rights as a reporter, I can not abuse
So here goes! Wish me well.
Ed likes his work and likes it well.
But those telephones ring like mad.
So he says—"I buy, not sell"
As things go from worse to worse—then bad.
Now we have a lucky guy named Paul,
He wins every round.
Now listen, I ain't telling all,
'Cause you see, I'm duty bound.
We had better get our reservations in
Before it is too late,
Because Fred, to the depot he's been,
To get our tickets on old No. 8
Herman seems to be in a flutter new.
Because the SN's aren't quite right,
But hold your temper, please do,
They'll be OK, just sit tight!

Emily Guth, Bldg. 18-2, entertained a group of friends at her home Saturday evening. . . . Thelma Stone, Bldg. 18-1, spent the past week-end in North Manchester with Betty Garber, a former Payroll employee. . . . "Roz" Cameron, Accounting Division, is convalescing from her recent appendectomy at the Lutheran Hospital. . . . Elizabeth Carnell, Bldg. 18-1, has been absent due to illness. . . . Walter Konow has been transferred from Bldg. 6-2 to the Accounting group replacing Richard Fry who has joined Internal Audit in Bldg. 18-1. . . . Rex Mericle, Bldg. 18-5, is a patient in the St. Joseph's Hospital. . . . The memorable Floyd Collins had nothing on Mae Lacy of Bldg. 18-1 Accounting. The only difference—it wasn't a cave but the Bldg. 18-1 vault. She didn't have a rock on her foot, the door was locked and she didn't have to stay in the vault quite as long as Floyd stayed in the cave. She assures us that 20 minutes is a long time to wait for someone to come along and let you out. The moral to this story is: Always take extra work along into the vault. Then if the door closes on you, you won't waste time!

G-E Club Scores 3 Victories

The G-E Club basketball team started the week off with an impressive win over St. Andrews church team, 75-42. The boys showed some fine team work and a lot of fast breaking and good pass work to run up the score. St. Andrews played good ball, but missed a large percentage of their shots.

Sunday night, as a preliminary to the Piston game, the Club team beat the Van Wert Independents, 27-24, in a good ball game that was close all the way.

Monday at the Club gym the G-E boys were too rugged for the First Methodist Church team. They won 75-38. Carr with 32 and Gettys with 17 were high point men for the team.

The next games will be played Monday, Feb. 21, at the Club gym at 8 p.m. facing the Maumee Club; Tuesday, Feb. 22, in a league game at Central at 7 p.m. against Salisbury Axle; and Thursday, Feb. 25, 8 p.m. at the Club gym playing the U.S. Naval Reserve club.

Box scores:

St. Andrews	G.	F.	T.
Woenker	2	2	6
Bulter	1	0	2
Wetzel	4	0	8
Bobay	2	3	7
Mayer	0	1	1
Goodman	4	2	10
Palmer	0	0	0
Nix	1	0	2
Fenker	2	0	6
Lothamsr	0	0	
Totals	17	8	42

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Lowden	4	0	8
Bucher	4	0	8
Stoop	1	0	2
Davis	4	1	9
Junk	1	0	2
Carr	9	0	18
Gettys	7	2	16
Schible	0	0	0
Zimmerlee	6	0	12
Totals	36	3	75

First Meth.	G.	F.	T.
McGraw	1	0	2
Hartman	2	2	6
McAlexander	6	2	15
Green	2	4	8
Ross	2	0	4
Chester	1	1	3
Totals	14	10	38

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Carr	14	5	33
Bucher	7	1	15
Zimmerlee	1	1	3
Davis	2	1	5
Gettys	8	1	17
Lowden	1	0	2
Stoops	0	0	0
Junk	0	0	0
Totals	33	9	75

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



GENERAL ELECTRIC

RUMOR CLINIC
FORT WAYNE WORKS

TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 8-2

I have heard that_____

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Please give me the true facts of this situation.

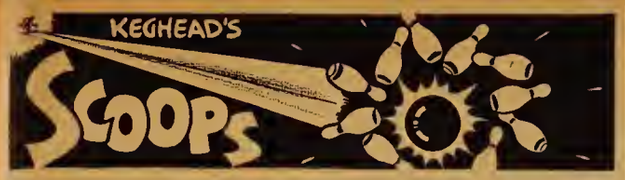
Signed_____

Location_____

Open Bowling

EVERY SATURDAY
3 P.M. - 11 P.M.

At The
G-E CLUB



The Big News of the week is the 279 score rolled by Orval Doherty of the Small Motor League. This is high single game of the season. Orv had a neat 658 series on games of 279, 223 and 156. .

Lowell Welker had a nice 616 count on games of 241, 168 and 207.

The Models team took over first place in the league by one game over the Inspection and Production teams.

Two hundred scores were rolled by Doehrman, 231; Erv Haugk, 223; Ed Reese, 204; Bill Walt, 203; Jim Daley, 202, and Kammeyer, 221.

Masonic League

The Patrols and Gavels are all tied up for first place with 11 wins and four losses.

Two hundred scores were kegled by Jones, 222; Ed Crabill, 218; "Sapp" Quinn, 216; Gidley, 215; May, 211; Harold "Homeless" Garrett, 210, and Marion Bailey, 200.

Office League

Those red hot Alternators are still out in front with a record of 15 wins and three losses. Oberlin of the Blueprint team shot games of 222, 232 and 159 for a 613 series.

Two hundred scores were rolled by Les Shroyer, 226; Bob Blomker, 224; Miller, 219; Fred "Big Hoor" Schafenacker, 213; Vic Rump, 202, and Thompson, 202.

Apparatus League

Team No. 5 is really rolling along. They have a record of 11 wins and only one defeat.

Bill "Detroit" Piercy came up with a 610 series on scores of 215, 200 and 195.

Two hundred scores were rolled by H. Fansler, 226; L. O'Shaughnessy, 225; Jimmy James, 221; Arnie Horstmeyer, 218; Bob Blomker, 216; Andy Anderson, 206; A. Thompson, 205; Hal Spath, 201; Paul Perry, 200, and Pappert, 200.

Interdivision League

Noah Kuntz was worried about not seeing his 200 score in the WORKS NEWS the other week. We hope he noticed that it was in last week.

The Taylor St. team is in first place all by themselves this week. Three 600 counts were rolled this week with "Do Do" Matthews showing the way with a 634 series on games of 232, 168 and 234. W. Berning rolled 210, 198 and 222 for a neat 630 total, and Jerry Saylor, 194, 238 and 172 for a 604 series.

Plenty of 200 scores were kegled with Clarence Rump showing the way with a 224, Doyle Miller, 222; Burnau, 211; Thiele, 211; Herm Westrick, 210; Giese, 210; Herb Habig, 204; Les Shroyer, 204; Milt Marks, 202 and 200; Tobias, 201; Paul Walker, 200, and Noah "Worried" Kuntz, 200.

Bowling and Stuff

After reading last week's "Inquiring Reporter" column you can see what a few good ghost writers can do for this column. Loretta Runyon of Taylor St. stated that she especially enjoyed "Foul Line Fables." Oh brother, I'm going to have to get a larger hat and more ghost writers.

There's going to be two nice shiny brand new belt buckles around the bowling alleys next week, as Ross Smith, Bldg. 27, who bowls on Thursday night in the Apparatus League, pulled down first place and $50 in the City Tournament. Ross had a 744 total with a 105 handicap. The other buckle winner was Walt Mertz who along with his brother, Andy, won the actual pin championship in the City Tournament. His share of the swag was $42.50. Congratulations, boys.

High scores for those trophies are Les Shroyer, 689; Helen Wagner, 594; Orval Doherty, 279, and Tommy Williams, 247.

The annual G-E Tournament will be held April 9, 10, 16 and 17. The team event will be held on Saturdays, April 9 and 16, with squads at 3:30, 6:30, and 8:45 p.m. Doubles and Singles will be rolled Saturdays, April 9 and 16, with a squad each day at 1:30 p.m.; also Sundays, April 10 and 17, with squads at 1, 3, 5:30, and 7:30. This will be an A.B.C. sanctioned tournament. Entry blanks are available at the Club. Guaranteed first prizes are team, $85; Doubles, $35; Singles, $20, and all events (actual pins) $10. Don't forget to get your entry in early as entries close April 2. If necessary the tournament will be extended. All G-E employees and G-E Club bowlers are eligible. Entry fee will be $1 per man per event.

Capacity Crowd Sees Final Clash Of Golden Gloves

A capacity crowd saw eight young boxers battle their way to win championships at the Golden Gloves Tournament last week at North Side high school. The twentieth annual event was under the sponsorship of the G-E Club and the Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette.

The champions include:

Flyweight—Salvador Garza, Decatur.

Bantamweight — Frank Davis, Fort Wayne.

Lightweight—Bob Thomas, Van Wert.

Welterweight—Roosevelt Dixie, Fort Wayne.

Middleweight—Jim Calland, Fort Wayne.

Light Heavyweight—Odell Billingsley, Fort Wayne.

Heavyweight—Herbert Weigold, Columbia City.

Bill Valjack, popular boxer and 18-year-old from Columbia City, was awarded the Sportsmanship Trophy this year after being eliminated from competition in the semi-finals. He lost to Bob Thomas in last year's finals.

The eight Golden Gloves champions resumed training Monday for the Tournament of Champions in Chicago Feb. 21, 22 and 23. They have been under the supervision of Trainer Frank Newport of the G-E Club.

Don't forget the annual bowling association meeting tomorrow night.



The Firemen beat the Apprentice School, 44-24, taking the Interdivision Basketball league lead with a record of three won and none lost. The Apprentice men held the lead through the first quarter, but midway through the second period the Firemen overtook them. The winners' scoring was well divided with each man getting at least three points.

G-E To Broadcast Two High School Basketball Games

The Central Catholic-South Side game will be broadcast tonight over Station WANE under the sponsorship of General Electric, while tomorrow evening the Central vs. Concordia game will be aired. Dick Buckley will be the announcer for both games.

Last Friday, the city champs, North Side chalked up their seventh straight win by defeating Concordia, 41-33, at the Redskin gym. The Central Tigers won its second straight game from South Side at the North Side gym, Saturday. The score for the game was 55-52.

A man in Ohio socked a bus driver for asking him to take a back seat. He took affront!

Winter St., after dropping their first two starts of the second half, trimmed Fractional Horsepower, 55-22. The Squares trailing for three quarters of the ball game came fast in the last period to top Transformer, 35-36. Tool and Die dropped a 43-18 decision to Small Motors.

Box scores:

Winter St.	G.	F.	T.
W. Reitdorf	7	0	14
Schinbeckler	2	1	5
Kent	1	1	3
D. Reitdorf	0	0	0
Fisher	0	1	1
Blauvelt	1	3	5
Gallmeier	4	3	11
Richardson	2	0	4
Beneke	4	4	12
Totals	21	13	55

Fractional	G.	F.	T.
Trabel	2	5	9
lower	2	0	4
lopper	2	0	4
Vilson	0	0	0
Troysin	0	0	0
Brown	0	1	1
Howell	1	0	2
High	0	2	2
Totals	7	8	22

Firemen	G.	F.	T.
Stemmler	1	2	4
Baals	2	0	4
Morkoetter	2	1	5
Moodie	3	0	6
Etter	2	0	4
Somers	3	1	7
Vance	1	0	2
Lambroff	2	0	4
Meyers	1	1	3
Schible	2	1	5
Totals	19	6	44

App. School	G.	F.	T.
Staley	0	0	0
Verling	3	5	11
Allen	2	0	4
Casas	2	2	6
Owen	1	1	3
Beiber	0	0	0
Totals	8	8	24

Transformer	G.	F.	T.
Carpenter	0	0	0
Taylor	4	0	8
Werhle	4	1	9
Jamison	2	0	4
Woodward	0	2	2
Byers	0	0	0
King	1	0	2
Felger	0	1	1
Totals	11	4	26

Squares	G.	F.	T.
O'Keefe	4	0	8
Eisenberger	0	0	0
Eaton	1	0	2
Robertson	4	5	13
Hart	1	0	2
Rogers	1	0	2
Antalis	4	0	8
Parent	0	0	0
Pittleman	0	0	0
Totals	15	5	35

Tool & Die	G.	F.	T.
Clark	0	0	0
Staley	5	2	12
Luker	0	0	0
Dunlop	1	0	2
Van Orsdale	1	0	2
Hursh	0	2	2
Totals	7	4	18

Sm. Motor	G.	F.	T.
Voors	2	2	6
Wickliffe	1	0	2
Benz	1	0	2
Rosswurm	4	0	8
Keister	3	0	6
Neu	1	0	2
Drayer	4	3	11
Markey	3	0	6
Totals	19	5	43

STANDINGS

	WON	LOST
Firemen	3	0
Small Motor	2	0
Squares	2	0
Transformer	2	1
Apprentice School	2	1
Winter St.	1	2
Taylor St.	0	2
Tool & Die	0	3
Fractional	0	3

Boxing Tournament Sponsored By G-E Club, Journal-Gazette



Photo by Bob Smith, Journal-Gazette

A portion of the sellout crowd in North Side gym last week is shown above at the twentieth annual Golden Gloves Tournament, sponsored by the G-E Club and the Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette.

Eight Teams Vie In Interdivision Volleyball

In the Interdivision Volleyball League, Friday, Feb. 11, the Squares won two games out of three from the Apprentice Machinists on scores of 7-15, 15-9 and 15-13. The Main Office team won all three games from Winter St. with scores of 15-5, 15-1 and 15-3.

Small Motor team was defeated by Taylor St. in games of 1-15, 9-15 and 3-15. An unusual series was played by General Tool and Apprentice Draftsmen. The scores of all three games were the same, 15-2 in favor of the General Tool team.

The Greeks enjoyed wrestling 2500 years ago—and they're still welcome to it.



Happy birthday to Neva Lutz and many happy returns of the day. . . . Jackie Elder was on our sick list the first part of the week, but we hope that she is feeling O.K. now. . . . Someone overheard Kenny "Baldy" Brown telling how much gravel is in a ton. This certain someone wonders if Brownie has purchased a gravel pit, as he is always trying to sell something, and if he doesn't have it, he knows where he can get it for you. Just a natural born salesman, aren't you, Brownie? . . . Gordon Smith and Glenn Miller were seen recently with their heads together so it shouldn't be long until they'll be telling us of another adventure they undertook. Those two really get some wild ideas. . . . We asked Harry Welches one day why he always wore two pairs of suspenders. He is probably the most Safety Minded man we know, as this is the answer we got: He wears one to keep up his underwear and the other to keep up his trousers, and says that way he is pretty sure that if he would happen to lose one of them he would still have the other. . . . We now have a "Floating Tester." Orrie Ogden floats back and forth between stator test and final heat run. . . . Dick Graham makes a very good lookout since he has been moved closer to the aisle. Nobody gets by him without a whistle. . . . Earl Fredericks and Fred Young received comic Valentines from (they would like to know just who they were from) someone. Earl's was about his fancy shirts and Fred's was something about watching a clock. Wonder why they would have sent you one like that, Fred? . . . The gang wonders what Clyde Cowan has been up to that he has to hide behind that "mustache" lately. . . . Melvin Riley finally got his new Mercury Special so that it will run. Congratulations, Melvin, we didn't think you could do it. . . . A happy birthday to Herman Watters, who is the same age as Jack Benny, he says. . . . Joe Cline has asked me to please ask the person who borrowed his cigarette lighter last Thursday to please return it, as it is a gift from his daughter and is very valuable to Joe.

Students Display 'Light Sorcery' Projects



C. H. Matson, Works Manager, is shown above looking at some of the displays prepared at L. C. Ward School by the sixth grade students of Mrs. Melvin Bill. Mrs. Bill's husband is a leading operator in the Wire and Insulation Division at Taylor St.

Sixth grade students at L. C. Ward School entertained C. H. Matson, Works Manager, last week. Mr. Matson received an invitation to visit their classroom and receive letters of appreciation for the "Light Sorcery" show. These students were among 800 that were guests of Fort Wayne General Electric at a special showing Tuesday, Feb. 1.

In addition to presenting their individual letters, the students also displayed drawings and charts that illustrated various phases of the "Light Sorcery" demonstrations. These displays will later be bound as books as an additional remembrance of the occasion.

Among those present at the class meeting were Mrs. Melvin Bill, their teacher; Catherine Daley, Principal of L. C. Ward School, and representatives of the Superintendent of Schools. Mr. Matson was accompanied by J. E. Estabrook, Assistant to the Works Manager.



OUT OF THE BLUE in 26-2 office

by Delores Patterson

Have you been wondering lately why Packards are becoming so plentiful? You too can own a Packard if your name ends in "meyer." To prove this, look up Proxmire, Mittermaier and Driftmeyer. . . . The Service Bureau had a potluck last week celebrating Solona Hunter's birthday. Lee Stein was in charge and everything turned out very nicely. . . . Virginia Harris, formerly of Bldg. 4-4, is the new girl in the Service Bureau. She was welcomed last Thursday. . . . Bouquets to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Kilian for placing third in the G-E Square's Bridge Tournament. Vera received a lovely sewing box and Dick a package of golf balls. . . . Ginny Winegart has been assisting her Mother with some interior decorating. You're doing a fine job, Ginny, but just put the paint on the woodwork! . . . Dick Birkenbeul, Wayne Bergman and Homer Carson are leaving the Drafting Division and will go to the Motor Generator Divisions Jack Kirlin is also leaving, but he is going to the Fractional AC Division. . . . Thanks to F. T. Game and C. E. Starke for the new coat rack in the Service Bureau. . . R. M. Donnell is leaving the Planning Division.



Forest Grimm was startled one day when he tried to start his tractor. We understand he was cranking it in the barn and it took off. When it finally stopped it had run through the door and was dangling over the edge of the barn. . . . Rev. Tucher was found weighing himself the other morning in the dark. It seems he must lose a few pounds before he can fit a television screen. . . . Wonder why George Miller's (feuding uncle) came down to see him last Friday? . . . If Elmer Buuck doesn't stop associating with Arlo Hawk and Fred Vogt his co-workers are afraid he will be a gambler. . . . Anyone interested in the finer arts should be sure to contact Johnny Wilson. . . . Lowell Arnold says one sure way to stay out of the dog house is not to buy bubble gum for his children. . . . Roger Green is walking heavy on one leg again. He claims he was kicked playing basketball. Is it a mule you play basketball with, Roger? . . . "Two Loves Have I" should be Sophia Bodigan's theme. Sophia will move to Detroit after her marriage this spring, and she wanted to find a home for her "Pooch, Tootsie." Myrtle Barfell was very happy to take the little fellow, but Sophia couldn't adapt herself without the puppy. She stood it for three days and asked Myrtle to give it back to her. We feel a certain gentleman in Detroit will have to share an apartment with Tootsie. . . . Louie Botteron certainly has had a lot of callers to see about renting his apartment, but no new tenants. How come, Louie? . . . Lottie McFarlan and Louise Roberts got new sewing machines last Thursday. Louise didn't make it in to work the next day. . . . Margaret Lepper is coming closer to that 500 series. She rolled 475 and 497 last week. . . . Mildred Orr is certainly a good housekeeper, according to her co-workers. . . . Best wishes to Helen Keims who was married last Saturday. . . . Happy Birthday to Nellie Ruger and Glenna Hyatt.



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120 Suggestors Share $1,542

This week 120 employees were presented suggestion awards totaling $1,542.50. Roy E. Woods, FHP Motor Division 15, headed the list with an award of $270 for his idea for packing motors.

Next in line of high award receivers is Robert J. Shirey, FHP Motor Division 13, who was awarded $100 for his suggestion about changes on end-punching materials. A Tiffin, O., employee, Alton P. Lonsway, received $55 for his suggestion to make double-wedge pressings automatic. Robert Maxwell, FHP Motor Division 1, made $35 on his idea to eliminate stamping the model number on motors and $15 for suggesting a bull ring on leads.

Thirty dollars went to Edward Cristallo, DeKalb plant, whose suggestion involved rotor and stator

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Roy Woods, FHP Motor Div. 15, has received the top suggestion award for this period of $270 for his idea of a better method of packing motors. He is shown in the center of the above picture demonstrating the application of his suggestion. Looking on, left to right, are Lawrence Chesterman, W. W. Ropa and H. G. Siebold, Div. Supt.

Wilson Gives Views To Senate Group On Labor Legislation

G-E President Urges Law With Equal Responsibilities, Rights For Unions, Employers

"Protection of the Public" is the first consideration in the adoption of any adequate and fair labor law, President Charles E. Wilson told the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare at a hearing in Washington last week.

In a prepared statement read to the committee, Mr. Wilson emphasized half a dozen principles he considered necessary in a labor law, regardless of the name the law may bear. They are:

1. Protection of the public.
2. Protection of the rights of individual employees from abuses either by employers or unions.
3. Protection of legitimate rights of both unions and employers.
4. Requirement of equal responsibility on the parts of both employers and unions.
5. Protection of free speech for both employers and unions.
6. Protection of freedom to earn a livelihood.

Voicing his apprehensions about the bill now under consideration by the Senate committee, Mr. Wilson declared that he is "genuinely alarmed" because of what seemed to him to be "its threat to our

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Red Cross Chairmen Appointed

Solicitors To Conduct Campaign March 7-11 At Fort Wayne Works

Campaign chairmen for the annual Red Cross Fund-Raising campaign at the Fort Wayne Works were announced today by K. W. Michael, Works General Chairman of the drive.

The divisional chairmen include Dwight M. Myers, Motor and Generator division; Robert J. Duras, Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions; R. W. Kent, Works Contributing and Service divisions, and R. L. Soughan, Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions.

Each will serve on a coordinating committee in making the arrangements for the plant-wide campaign.

500 Solicitors

The solicitation will be conducted again this year by nearly 500 persons throughout the Broadway and Taylor St. plants. These solicitors will be selected by the superintendents in each division.

The drive is scheduled to begin Monday, March 7, and will continue through Friday, March 11. The Winter St. plant will hold its solicitation during the same week.

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New Telephone Directory Is Distributed This Week



David Thiebolt, messenger, gives a new telephone directory to H. K. Zuber, Bldg. 19-2, last man listed in the book. The first man, A. J. Adams, Bldg. 27, leafs through the new directory, at the right.

The new Fort Wayne Works telephone directory for the Broadway and Taylor St. plants was distributed this week.

The directory has 12 pages and is bound in a tan cover. An index for frequent numbers has been provided on the cover, as well as information for making special phone calls.

For each phone, the telephone number, person's name, plant and division, classification and building is given.

The inside cover contains a list

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Apprentice Alumni Plan Two Meetings

The Apprentice Alumni Association will have a smoker Tuesday, March 8, at 7:30 p.m. in Kreis Stoltzenau hall. A business meeting, the first under the direction of the new officers, will be held as a part of the program; a buffet lunch will conclude the meeting.

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SUPERVISORS PLAN MEETING FOR MARCH 14

The G-E Supervisors' Club will meet Monday, March 14, at 8 p.m. in the Squares Hall.

The program will include a speaker, business meeting, lunch and refreshments. The committee from Group Three, sponsors of the meeting, consists of M. M. Ray and F. E. West, co-chairmen; A. C. Jenne, F. M. Gibson, Willis Lautzenheiser and W. R. Blomker.

Superintendents To Give Talks At Foremen's Ass'n

Superintendents at the Fort Wayne Works will address the Foremen's Association Wednesday, March 9, at 8 p.m. in Kreis Stoltzenau hall, it was announced today by Everett Lindeman, president.

Each superintendent will give a brief talk on a subject of his own choosing.

Installation of new officers and a buffet lunch will complete the program.

G-E Club Committee To Sponsor Square Dance For Family Night

"Alamande left, grand right, and left. Promenade, then swing your partner up and down. . . . Swing your ma. Swing your pa. Swing your gal from Arkansas."

These are some of the calls that will be heard tonight at the G-E Club's square dance. Erven Huth and Charles Ream are co-chairmen of the dance.

Admission will be free of charge to G-E employees and their families. Tickets are available at the G-E Club and Bldg. 18-B candy stands and at the personnel offices at the Taylor St. and Winter St. plants.

The dance, which is being planned as part of the Family Night series, will begin at 8 p.m. Joe Taylor, Bldg. 27, and his Red Bird recording band will furnish the music.

There will be special groups for those who are new in the art of square dancing. Ed Parker, Bldg. 24, will pipe the sets to the gay music of some real hoosier fiddle-busters.



Charles Ream, left, co-chairman of the square dance, is shown above talking over plans for the G-E Club's Family Night with Joe Taylor, band leader. The picture was taken last Saturday during Taylor's broadcast over Station WFTW.

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G-E Employee's Son Writes Prize Essay On Democracy

Editor's Note: A 17-year-old high school senior, whose parents are employed at G-E's Electronics Park, took top honors for his essay in a contest, "Letters for Democracy," at Syracuse. The winner, Richard Pierce, received a $300 Savings Bond and a recording by WSYR of the letter, addressed to "Friends of Freedom," was used in the State Department's overseas broadcast, "Voice of America." The prize- winning essay follows:

Dear Friends of Freedom:

I am writing as an American to all peoples of the world who want freedom for themselves and their families. For you are the kind of people that created America. There is no separate race of Americans. We are English, Russian, French and German; white, brown and black; Catholics, Protestants and Jews; representatives of every race, color and creed in the world, united by our desire for liberty. But this ideal, this determination, has been a real and vital force which has survived three centuries of wars and depressions, and is still growing stronger.

Many of us are trying to build a better life in homelands destroyed by war. Others are looking for a new home, for escape from depression. My story will be understood by all of you, for Americans are both refugees and builders. The first displaced persons came to America in 1620, seeking the opportunity to worship in their own way, to build a new world and put their ideals of freedom into practice.

A century went by and they were again threatened by the oppression and they came to America to escape. They were faced with a decision whether to give up their dream of a new kind of nation, or to put it to the test, where the odds were all against them. Yet, in 1776 these people issued a statement that astounded the world, a document that had all the strength of the people who believe in it.

It was idealistic, this Declaration of Independence, but it was direct and realistic at the same time. In it the colonies affirmed their belief that all are equal because they have certain rights, that these rights may be suppressed but can never be taken away. They said that the one purpose of a government is to protect these rights, and that a government's just powers to do this are given only by the people. They concluded that when a government ceases to serve the people it must be replaced by a new government, based on the principle of human rights.

The words were not original, but this document represented more than a passive hope for freedom. It expressed the determination of these people to stand or fall by their principles. They declared themselves forever independent—to be free to rule themselves. These people asked no help from rulers or nations. They were responsible only to God and mankind.

These were noble words, but were they practical? Was a people's dream of freedom worth the risk of their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor? Could this tiny group strung along the edge of an unmapped wilderness, hope to succeed in the unheard-of project of a nation ruled by the people?

Today, the privileges, the rights, the liberties that I and every other American take for granted are answers enough to questions like these. To think and speak and write freely, without restriction . . . to worship God as I see fit . . . to participate in the governing of my country and in the shaping of its destiny . . . to plan my own life, to educate myself in the profession or trade of my own choosing . . . that is the meaning of America.

Privileges like these that are established and guaranteed by a government of my own making permit the enjoying of a life that is fuller, richer, more worthwhile. I acknowledge my share of personal responsibility in the continuance of democratic government, realizing its imperfections but believing thoroughly in its power of self-remedy, knowing it a continuous endeavor, not an achievement. It makes me glad I am an American . . . proud I am an American, for I believe in democracy, its past, its present, its future.

Wrought In The Flames



HUGH CRANE *discusses* Television

NEW YORK—This television baby is certainly growing by leaps and bounds.

But it isn't so much how fast it's growing that matters as the changes it may make in the American way of life—or at least in our American ways of spending our spare time.

Faster Than Expected

Television keeps outgrowing its most optimistic friends. A year ago they predicted that 1948 might see an output of perhaps 700,000 sets. It went round 850,000. They were predicting 1,500,000 sets produced and sold this year; now the guesses are 2,000,000. The Federal Communications Commission gave it the wave bands of 44 to 88 and 174 to 216 megacycles; but the Commission had so many applications for that station permits that last September it had to call a halt on any more licenses until it could figure out how to get them all in and whether to go up to UHF (ultra-high-frequency) between 475 and 950 megacycles, where it refused to let them go only a couple of years ago. And now some authorities claim video set sales this year will beat radio set sales in dollar volume, and the video people kid the radio people by calling the latter "sightless radio." And they say that in a few years the country will have 15,000,000 television sets. Or maybe 18,000,000.

Changing Living Habits

The thing that video is doing is changing the recreation habits of the American people, and giving the heebie-jeebies to, among others, the movie people and the radio people, and even worrying the petroleum industry (people can stay home to look at the television set on Sunday afternoon instead of taking that ride in the country).

The movie business hasn't been doing so well anyway in the last year or two. In addition to losing a good deal of foreign sales, movie magnates find that people are staying away from the movies in droves—and one reason offered is that they are staying home looking at their television sets.

The radio people are also worried. They find that if people have a television set they would rather look at the weakest video show than listen to the biggest-pulling radio show. Even the stars in radio lose a proportion of their audience when there's a video set near-by.

And as the ownership of video sets runs up into the millions it will eat into the radio audience until advertisers may not want to spend anywhere near the money they used to spend on radio. The radio people feel somewhat indignant; they say that radio is still supporting television but that the baby threatens to displace its parent. As one observer said recently, "radio is about to undergo severe dislocations causing the quality of its shows to deterioriate just at the time when they should be improved to compete with video."

Some people even say that in 10 years or so, due to television, radio will survive chiefly by providing classical music and foreign-language broadcasts.

Effect on Advertising

Even the newspapers are giving it thought. Not that they'll lose readers, but for the possible effect on advertisers. Some things can be advertised much more effectively by television than in a printed picture; and television shows, it turns out, have a terrific "pulling power" for advertisers.

It all goes to show that in the American economic system "the only permanent element is the element of change." You may have a half-nelson on a particular industry, and get yourself way up at the top in a particular line, but some other industry may come along and pull the competitive rug right out from under you.

But in the last analysis it's a good thing that American industry is that way. It keeps everybody on his toes. It makes life more zestful for the producer, and more comfortable for the consumer. While we're exporting our goods and machinery to other countries, to raise their standard of living, it would be a good idea if we also exported this idea that competition is still the life of trade.

Meet the President



Receives $25 Award



William R. Epperson, Bldg. 17-1, has received $25 for his suggestion pertaining to cold head screws.

Red Cross

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The Decatur plant will conduct its campaign Thursday and Friday, March 10-11.

The national goal has been set at $60,000,000. The Fort Wayne-Allen County quota is $110,225. Those making a donation will receive Red Cross lapel pins and window stickers, as well as a national membership card if the donation is $1 or more.

Aid To Storm Victims

The Red Cross has been on the job recently bringing relief and care to people in western states hit by severe winter storms.

Here are a few highlights from the record of the last fiscal year: 303 domestic disaster relief operations, with assistance to more than 300,000 persons . . . $17,000,000 in lifesaving blood products distributed . . . assistance to 1,700,000 veterans and their families . . . service to 700,000 men in uniform . . . a half million Junior Red Cross gift boxes sent to children abroad.

This is only a part of the overall story—the report to the American people of how they helped, what their contributions and volunteer hours achieved through Red Cross missions.

Active In Disaster Relief

Since 1920 the Red Cross has assisted in 3,761 disaster operations in the United States and has expended $125,542,000 for disaster relief.

The Red Cross is also responsible for the National Blood Program. Based on current commercial values, $3,800,000 worth of immune serum globulin for the prevention and treatment of measles has been distributed by the Red Cross to state health departments throughout the nation — together with plasma worth $11,600,000 and serum albumin valued at $1,500,000. Already, 12 regional programs and one state-wide mobile unit program, operating with the participation of more than 300 chapters, serve an estimated population of 16,000,000 people.

There are many other Red Cross activities that help millions of people. For the first peace-time year in the history of the Red Cross Safety Services, certificates issued in first aid, water safety and accident prevention exceeded the one million mark. Teachers of more than 2,000,000 children in elementary grades last year received American Red Cross guides for safety instruction to prevent the large number of child accidents that occur enroute to and from school.

Home Service Program

A monthly average of more than 14,100 paid and volunteer Red Cross workers last year carried on the home service program in 3,746 chapters. This program provides counseling, emergency communications, assistance with applications for government benefits, financial assistance under certain circumstances and other services to veterans, servicemen, their dependents and civilians.

New Directory

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of the phone numbers of other plants; the back has a sketch of the leased telegraph network.

First Man Listed

A. J. Adams has the distinction of being the first person listed in the directory.

Mr. Adams started with the Company in 1929 at the Winter St. plant in inspection work. He transferred to the Motor and Generator division at the Broadway plant in 1938 and has had the same job since that time. He resides at 1420 N. Anthony Blvd. and has three children, two boys and a girl. His hobby is fishing and working at his cottage on Clear Lake.

The last name in the book is that of H. K. Zuber. Mr. Zuber has worked in the stock room of the Motor and Generator division since 1941. He is the father of twins, boy and girl.

The telephone section will accumulate the changes in telephone numbers, which will then be published periodically in the WORKS NEWS.

120 Suggestors

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magazine feeds. This was an additional award. Howard C. Taylor, FHP Motor Division 1; Arthur L. Bear, FHP Motor Division 14; Mary F. Rose, FHP Motor Division 17; William Epperson, FHP Motor Division 19; and Theresa Lindenberg, Transformer Division 93, each received $25 awards for their recent suggestions.

The following employees received awards amounting to various denominations ranging from $5 to $20:

FHP Motor Div. 1: Kenneth Bainbridge, Lillian Harris, Arthur M. McNamara (two awards), Carl W. Harmon, Billie M. Tucker, and Melvin R. Payne.

FHP Motor Div. 13: P. A. Schoppman, Sidney E. Hanson, Carl P. Snyder, H. G. Cowan, Paul J. Rummel, Charles Hayden (three awards), Louis A. Gocke, Arthur F. Sorg, Theodore C. Reed (two awards), and John F. Driver.

FHP Motor Div. 14: James O. Robinson, Delos Martin and Cecil E. Tarney.

FHP Motor Div. 15: Lloyd F. Ernest (two awards), Walter Amacher, Carl Maxfield, Franklin McCague, Kenneth L. Guisinger, Martha Smeader, Kenneth L. Allen, Paul Kennerk, Park E. Schemehorn, and Galen E. Krieg.

FHP Motor Div. 16: George Eshelman.

FHP Motor Div. 17: Eugene P. Kelsey, Lloyd A. Garrison (two awards), Harold Miller, Wilfred J. Yant, Ralph T. Martz, Howard D. Household, Florence Minnich, Darold H. Emrich (two awards), Red R. Boehm, Paul A. LeCoque, Melvin R. Payne, Marvin E. Fields, Charles Bell, Denver L. Coolman, Zella L. Witte and Maurice Roe.

FHP Motor Div. 19: Nora Williams, Elmer J. Jockel, Albertus F. Brown, Glen Buckmaster, H. Eldridge Gillum and Novis E. Hopkins.

FHP Motor Div. 10: Cleon O. Oyer, Richard C. Nix, Everett C. Smith, M. D. Warner, and John F. Driver.

Decatur Plant: Jason Moser, Raymond Bleeke, and Archie Smitley.

Tiffin Plant: Paul J. Raitz, Hiram I. Hippler, Gordon N. Reinhart, Alameda Oder, Hugh W. Hinsman (two awards), John C. Hepp, Malcolm C. Hamilton and Ann M. Rathburn.

DeKalb Plant: Alice Cooksey, Myrle Luoma, William Paseka (two awards), and June Bennett.

Specialty Transformer Div. 93: David F. Mannix, James T. Keller, Erma M. Wilkin, Mary B. Reed, Mildred A. Strickler, Cora Karnes and Harold J. McGary.

Specialty Transformer Div. 94: George W. Harmeyer, Paul B. Gressley, Frank C. Schlotter, and Mary E. Odom.

Specialty Transformer Div. 95: Agnes M. Jump, Ethel I. Hullinger, Max W. Lydy, Harold J. McGary, Walter E. Sorg, Robert R. Malone, Edward M. Dullaghan, Mary Fletter, and Harold C. Josse.

Wire and Insulation Div.; A. B. Corson, Albert Penrod, Ralph Remenschneider, Austin J. Garman, Harry Arnold, Jr., Ralph G. Lindeman (two awards), and Amel D. Beck.

General Tool Division: Glenn O. Hoon, Marion Williams, and Chester S. Burgette.

Distribution: William C. Miller, James H. Uhrick, Harry S. Price, and Richard J. Robertson.

Miscellaneous: Lester B. Redding and August J. Delagrange.

Gets $100 For Idea



Robert J. Shirey, FHP Motor Div. 13 at Taylor St., recently received a $100 suggestion award for his idea pertaining to changing of end-punching material.

Elex To Present Two Spring Hats At Breakfast Party

Two spring hats will be given as attendance prizes for the Elex Spring Bonnet Breakfast Saturday, March 5, at the Y.W.C.A. Breakfast for this combined meeting of the day and night girls will be served from 10:30 until 11 a.m.

During the party the Sunshine Islanders will furnish music. Tickets are $1 and can be obtained from contact girls on or before Wednesday, March 2.

Two Employees' Daughters At Decatur Plant Awarded Legion Oratorical Honors

Coleen McConnell, daughter of Mrs. Ercie McConnell, Bldg. 2 at the Decatur plant, recently won first place and a cash prize in the American Legion District Oratorical contest. Miss McConnell is a student at Decatur high school and will compete for further honors in the coming regional contest.

Joan York, daughter of Mrs. Marie York, also of Bldg. 2, took second place honors and cash prize, after being edged out by Miss McConnell in a one point decision. Miss York is a student at Decatur Catholic high school.

Apprentice Alumni

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A Civic Theater party will be held Wednesday, March 23, for members and their families. The group will see the play, "Spring Planting." Curtain time is 8:30 p.m.



"The expert fault-finder has no reason to be proud of his accomplishment."

George Miller, now known as the "Rookie," got the name from Art Maske. George was going to repair an outboard motor for Art; but after tearing it down, he had to return it in a bushel basket. . . . Dale Springer seems to be having his usual good times at square dances. . . . Don Shroyer was standing in a doorway the other day with his hand just a little too close to where the door closed and had a bone fractured in one of his fingers. He's using it O. K. now, but it's sort of uncomfortable. . . . We extend birthday greetings to Mary Beaman who celebrated on Washington's birthday. . . . John Lissius had to repair some plumbing the other day. It seems as though he was having some new floor put in and the nails used were long enough to put some holes in the lead pipe plumbing he has in his home. . . . Dick Maxton had planned to get a different car one Saturday. He took the children with him for the ride but the bank was closed for Lincoln's birthday. He took the family to the show and still drives the old car. . . . If there is anything you want to know about the Navy just ask Herb Langer or Charlie Laymon. They both belong to the Navy Reserve. . . . George Holthouse has a large kitchen sink he would like to sell. It is practically new and the price is very low. . . . The cigar business should never go under as long as Jerry Wert and Bill Huffman are able to smoke. One rarely sees either one of them without a big cigar in his mouth. . . . We wouldn't want to call Dorothy Kell "grandma," but her daughter became the mother of a baby boy last week. . . . Ed Meyer likes his Swiss cheese. He sent over to eastern Ohio for nine pounds of it. The samples were good.

Elex To Hold Bingo Party

The Elex Club will hold a Bingo party Friday, March 18, in the G-E Club gym, starting at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are 35 cents and can be purchased from contact girls and the personnel offices at Broadway and Taylor St. No tickets will be sold at the door, the evening of the bingo.

There will be cash prizes and various attendance prizes given during the evening.

Hilda Walda is chairman of the party. She will be assisted by Thelma Stone, Bldg. 18-1; Helen White, Bldg. 4-4; Loretta Bloom, Bldg. 26-5; Eva Tucker, Bldg. 16-1; Helen Miller, Partizan Chapter; Mable Miller, Taylor St.; Mary Leiter, Winter St.; Peggy Turschmann, Taylor St.; Loraine Von Behren, Bldg. 26-3; Olive Walters, Taylor St.; Jo Alles, Bldg. 4-2; Gladys McMillan, Bldg. 19-2; Dewey Wickliffe, Bldg. 91-2; Clara Gidley, Taylor St.; Josephine Eme, Taylor St.; Betty Garber, Bldg 4-6; Wilma Williams, Taylor St., and Alice Kreiselmeyer, Bldg. 17-3.

Luncheon Given For Grueb



Herbert Grueb, Supervisor of Office, Distribution Div., Bldg. 6-2, was honored Thursday, Feb. 17, with a luncheon on the occasion of his 35th anniversary with General Electric. Seated at the table, left to right, are Chester Kowalski, Asst. General Foreman; C. D. Uncapher, Supt. of the division; Mr. Grueb, D. R. Graybill and Charles F. Buchanan.

Waide McCutchen, 66, Dies Last Saturday

Waide McCutcheon, 66, died at 5 a.m. Saturday at his home, 1224 Oak St. A retired General Electric employee, he began his service with the Company in 1925 as a helper in Bldg. 17-1. He then became a packer at the Winter St. plant, and at the time of his retirement in 1946 was a helper in Bldg. 26.

He is survived by his wife, Bessie L.; a daughter, Mrs. Marion Weathers, Jackson, Mich.; and two sons, Alvin and Lester, also of Jackson; a step-daughter, Mrs. Ferney Lough, of South Whitley; 10 grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Services were held at the residence at 1:30 p.m. Monday, the Rev. R. E. Vance officiating. Burial was in the South Whitley Cemetery.

Wilson Views

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individual and collective freedoms through removal of safeguards now so wisely in force."

He added: "I have come more and more to see and to believe in both the human and the material values of our freedoms.

"My assumption is that what we all seek here is a labor law that serves the public interest—that is fair to employees, to unions, to employers—while adequately protecting innocent bystanders and the whole public."

Cites Freedom to Work

Regarding the freedoms he viewed as threatened by the labor bill now under consideration, Mr. Wilson said:

"The first of these threatcned freedoms is—the freedom to work.

"The present law's banning of the closed shop, together with the provisions protecting a man from losing his job because he may have offended those in power in his union, were important return steps toward again guaranteeing to the working force of our nation this basic right—the right to work.

"Such provisions need to be strengthened. To remove them would be to take a step backward. To permit a man or woman to be arbitrarily deprived of the very means of livelihood on someone else's whim—or to give one organization an entire monopoly on jobs—simply is not in accord with what public policy should permit.

"The second of our threatened freedoms is—freedom of speech.

Men Denied Rights

"In this respect, prior to the present law, one of the darkest areas in the whole country existed in certain union practices where economic oppressions and reprisals were heaped upon a member who dared oppose the group in power or boldly exercised freedom of speech, or who asked for an accounting of how his money had been spent, or for an honest election, or in some cases for an election at all. To say such practices were unusual or few in number is no answer. The fact is—men were denied their rights.

"Further, management certainly should have the right, equally with unions, to state its case to its employees and the public. Either side should be permitted free speech equally, as long as no unfair promises or benefits are held out and no threats of reprisals made.

"Third—freedom from waste, human and economic.

Labor Monopolies Hit

"The jurisdictional strike has no defenders. Likewise the true secondary boycott is, often, an effort to enforce labor monopoly practically at pistol point. Granted, the President has asked some curbing of these. To be effective, the machinery to do so must be instantly available and promptly used, so that the remedy is at hand before the damage is done.

"Featherbedding, also, is a burden on the backs of the whole public. Adding costs and delays that the public should not be asked to bear and that, in the end, benefit no one.

Stop Paralyzing Strikes

"Fourth—freedom from national paralysis.

"The whole prosperity of our people, our whole standard of living, rests on the use of our productive capacity. The entire productive facilities of the nation should not be subject all at once to stoppage by some strategically-placed union group. I believe in the right to strike, but I do not believe this right should be so abused by a relatively small group as to tie up and damage the whole country.

"The present power of the President to protect the nation from strikes that threaten the national health and safety certainly must not be weakened. On the contrary, you probably will want to explore how it may be strengthened and made more effective. Since General Electric operates the great plutonium plant for the AEC at Hanford, we naturally watched with concern during the atomic energy dispute at Oak Ridge last year, in which the President felt he needed all the teeth in the present law and used all six steps the act contemplates. Not only for atomic energy, but in other vital industries, the public interest must have effective protection. We have all seen the President need—and use—the machinery of the present law in what seems to be his annual coal problem and his periodic shipping problem."

Found No Abuses of Act

In cross-examination by committee members about his views on the present law, Mr. Wilson declared that he considered that the present law provided "Balance in the bargaining arrangements between labor and management" that was lacking under the Wagner. Act. He said that he was "honestly unable to find any abuses in the operation of the Taft-Hartley act," adding:

"I have talked to a great many of our people in shops and all over the United States, and I can tell you honestly that I have yet to find a man who freely uses the term 'Slave Labor Bill' that is applied to the Taft-Hartley Act. I have yet to find a man in the shops, the men really affected by this legislation, who object to the pattern of it in any specific thing. Indeed, they are for it, and I honestly do not know of any phase of it that the men really regard as unfair. I cannot think of anything in it that is unfair to the unions with which we have to do business."

Accompanying Mr. Wilson in the crowded committee room were L. R. Boulware, Vice President in charge of Employee Relations, and George H. Pfeif, Manager of Union Relations.

Boulware Testifies

Following Mr. Wilson's reading of his statement, Mr. Boulware presented detailed testimony on 12 subjects which expanded upon the general principles advocated by Mr. Wilson. They included non-communist affidavits, jurisdictional strikes, secondary boycotts, featherbedding practices, national emergency strikes, the closed shop, mass picketing and violence, free speech, mutual responsibility of employers and unions, political contributions, separation of the functions of advocate and judge (with respect to the N.L.R.B. and the U.S. Conciliation Service), and exemption of supervisors from unionization.

Mr. Boulware described for the committee actual examples of labor difficulties that illustrated weaknesses to be considered in forming new legislation. He concluded his testimony with the declaration that "despite any impressions you may have obtained from my testimony thus far, we are not here to defend each and every provision of the Taft-Hartley Act as such."

Proposes Two Revisions

He added:

"We believe an objective fresh appraisal of each of the ingredients of the present labor-management relations act will indicate that, although it is a good law and contains a great many important advances in the public interest which need to be retained, there is also need for two types of revisions.

"First of all, careful attention should be given to any specific instances in which the law is claimed to have operated unfairly against unions, employees, employers, or the public.

"Second, careful attention should be given to those instances in which the present law needs to be strengthened, in order to prevent such abuses brought to light in this testimony, which are not adequately provided for under the present law. The law should provide better protection against violent and coercive mass picketing and against monopolistic practices which can be effectuated through the use of secondary boycotts, closed shops, jurisdictional strikes, and the like."



We extend our sympathy to the family of Charles Gordon who died at his home in Churubusco on Feb. 15 following a heart attack. For the past 10 years he has been employed on this floor at the annealing ovens. . . . We also express our sympathy to True Sheets whose brother died in Decatur last Tuesday. . . . George Seabold, who has returned to work following a brief illness, is now in the hospital. We hope it won't be too long until he's on the road to real recovery. . . . Glad to have Charles Reed back to work after an absence of six weeks recovering from a broken bone in his foot; also Mary Mowry who has returned following a five weeks absence while recuperating from an operation. . . . One day last week the blue coats in a squad car stopped two of our solid citizens on their way home from work. For a while it looked like Roy Bracht and Clarence James might be on the way to the lock-up but it turned out to be only our old friend Bob (Red) Smith giving the boys a look at him in his nice new uniform. . . . Have you ever noticed the collection of pipes Charlie Curtis has displayed on his desk? Almost as many in his collection as Ed Glusenkamp has. . . . Arnie Johnson is still buying the cigars for Park Schemehorn and Ed Lothamer. It would be cheaper to buy them by the box and just give them away, but Arnie says it's more fun this way. . . . Ed Gebhart celebrated his birthday on Friday, Feb. 18. On Saturday Mrs. Gebhart wanted the windows washed, but somehow climbing a ladder didn't appeal to Ed so he washed the car instead. Many happy returns! . . . Birthday greetings also to Clara Outlaw who celebrated Monday. . . . Nothing in Dave Dulin's locker is safe from Lelia Byall and Evelyn Daugherty anymore. They even took their share of the "Kaffie Kuchen" he bought last week from the Partizan Chapter.



The Receiving Office of Bldg. 6-1 is still in the dumps over the loss of their "Dream Boy" Chris Rciz. However, they are sure that their loss is Bldg. 8-1 office's gain. Anyhow Chris, you are always welcome back to the Bldg. 6-1 fold. . . . There seems to be a big "blowout" in the air since a certain party in Bldg. 6-1 recently purchased a 10-ft. G-E refrigerator. For any details, see Tom Dent. Perhaps it is to hold those "Big Ones" he catches at Lake George. . . . The latest addition to the Bldg. 6-1 office family is a fine new boy, Michael, at the home of the Dick Robertsons. Congratulations, Maxine and Dick. . . . Frank Parker spends all his spare time hunting his cake. He buys it fresh off the candy wagon; but, by the time he locates it, it has green mold. Phyllis, now quit picking on Frank like that. . . . Anyone having any old safety pins please donate them to Harry Beatty. Just in case he gets in such a hurry and forgets his belt again. Those days of suspense are nerve-racking to all concerned. . . . Last week we had a sweet day around here. We still don't know if someone got married or had a new arrival, anyhow we sure enjoyed the candy. . . . A familiar face belonging to John Hensler (Bldg. 19-5 Tool Crib attendant) made its appearance in Bldg. 8 last week. We are very glad to see John back after an absence of six months of illness. Drop in and see us anytime, John. . . . We always regret goodbyes, but we must say so long and the best of luck to Jay Cornell, Jesse Sircle, Chester Gilliam and Al Buchheit who are now working in other parts of the plant. . . . Happy Birthday to Henry Guenther, Catherine Hirschman and Dennis O'Connell. . . . The price of automobiles is so high that when Norman Haugk went to buy a new car he thought the salesman was trying to sell him two. Result: Norman will continue to drive his old car just a while longer. . . . Fred Divelbiss' generosity will get him in trouble yet. Upon leaving lodge one night last week he invited some of the Grinding Room fellows down to his house for a few drinks. Not thinking the gang would accept his invitation that night, Fred left early, proceeded homeward and retired. About 1 a.m. Crash! Slam! Bang! was heard at the front door. The gang had arrived! Fred arose and invited them in for refreshments. Either the refreshments were too strong or the night was too long, especially for Al McCullough and Mell Rose, because they didn't make it to work the next day. . . . The boys in the Tool Cribs at Taylor Street would like to thank Fred Bishop for the Valentines he sent them. They were very appropriate. . . . Does anyone know how many knots a row boat makes? Howard McMaken has promised to break all records around Crooked Lake this spring by rowing around the entire lake in less than two hours. Keep us posted, Howard. We're anxious to see how you make out. . . . Every man should keep a fair-sized cemetery in which to bury the faults of his friends.

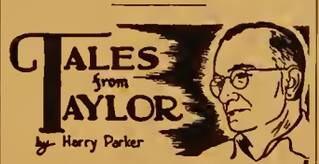
Celebrates 35th Anniversary



Mrs. Ruth Distel, Bldg. 16-3, celebrated her 35th anniversary with the Company recently. Starting in 1914, she has been with the Service Engineering Division the entire time. Standing behind Mrs. Distel, left to right are: R. P. Cheesman, Engineer, Service Engineering Div. at Ft. Wayne; W. C. Plumer, Asst. Mgr. of Service Engineering, Schenectary; and L. C. Yapp, Engineer, Service Engineering Div., Ft. Wayne, until his retirement.



Herb Grueb's 35th anniversary dinner not only proved to be a huge success, but it also brought out some real talent in the form of Gerald (Shorty) Becker. Shorty did a great job as MC and added to that talent he also boasts of his square dancing ability. It seems that some folks just have talent to burn; anyway here's a low bow, from the waist, to Mr. Becker for a job well done. . . . My spies report that several phone calls to and from Sherm (The General) Welch reveal that he is feeling some better, thank you, and would like to hear from all his friends. Hurry up and get back, Sherman, we all miss that hearty laugh. . . . Another anniversary for Shirley Hughes. Gee, seems like those birthdays really roll around, don't they? Don't despair, Shirley, they say life begins at 40. . . . The new face at the duplicator is that of Donna Grimmer. Welcome to the Shipping Division, Donna. . . . "Here Comes the Bride," and what a pretty bride Pat Newlin will make. Tomorrow is the big day. Pat is leaving us today to devote all her time to her new job. Best of luck to you both, and may you have every happiness. . . . If you noticed a speedy man last week during lunch hour it was no doubt Mart Witte, one of our packers in Bldg. 6-3, rushing during his lunch period to obtain some new seal-beam headlights for his truck. Mart purchased the lights and that evening after a good snack (dinner that is) proceeded to take off the old lights and replace them with the new ones. Was Mart surprised when after considerable work he discovered that the old lights were really seal-beams but all out of focus. Wasn't but a few days 'till Mart was seen trying to retrieve his money on those new seal-beams. . . . I tell this next yarn to save any of Harvey Adair's fellow colleagues from a similar fate which befell him recently when he missed his bus. Seems Harvey decided his best bet, and quickest transportation to the plant would be an automobile, so he thumbed a ride with a very willing fellow who offered to take him right to the plant. Now here, thought Harvey, is a man with a kind heart. For conversational purposes he asked the man if he was on his way to work and the man said he was working right then. Can you guess who Harvey had hailed—if you guessed a taxi driver you are absolutely right. "We both laughed heartily," says Harvey, "but he laughed longest because I had to pay the bill anyway." . . . There's a sure sign of spring in the atmosphere, and if you don't believe me ask Buck Buchanan, he's started spring redecoration already. So if it appears that Buck is always gazing upward it's only because he's spent the week painting the bedroom ceiling. They say liniment is good for aching muscles, Buck.



All of you will recall my telling a story about Sam Allmandinger's dog some time ago. The pooch that daily made the round of the neighborhood and brought home everything that was not nailed down and deposited it upon Sam's porch. The other day after work as he approached his home, he noticed the dog tusseling with a gigantic bone. This looked pretty good to Sam so he immediately yanked it away from poochie, took it into the house and suggested to his wife that she use it in brewing some soup. . . . Leo Herber, being in the market for some pigs and knowing that Charley Ruppert had some to sell, tried to make a deal with Charley. It seemed that they could not come to an agreement as to qualifications, as Leo was just a little too cranky about the pigs. He had to know the exact weight, color of their eyes, length of tail and snoot, how much swill they could consume and lastly how many grunts per minute they could emit. . . . Henry Bubb tells us that his shoe repair bill last Saturday was quite costly. He parked his car in front of a downtown shoe repair shop and not noticing the yellow line on the curb entered said shop, only to turn around and see a cop writing a nice ticket for him. . . . Last week Brice Martin told everyone in the switch section that he was going to butcher a beef and to get their orders in early. Basil Bowley gave him a big order, Brice delivered it, but when Mrs. Bowley tried to cook it, well, it just would not cook through. Basil suggested that they grind it up. This they tried, but the meat being so tough it broke the grinder blades. They now are in a quandary as to what to do with all this bull meat. We suggested that a corn shredder might do the trick. . . . Last Monday Phillip "Tiny" Schoppman appeared upon the scene wearing red trousers. When he ambled down the aisle he resembled the east end of a fire truck going west. Archie Boren opined that he must have filched them from Santa Claus. . . . Fur bearing lips seem to be the vogue. The latest addition to the already large number raising a mustache is Newton Poland and we'll say that it looks real good, but it could be greatly improved by the addition of a goatee.

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Myron Auer

"Someone get the key," "Open up," and "Where's Jess," were the morning cries early Monday morning as the school was locked up tight as a drum. Next to this, fishing was the next topic discussed. If you strike out the first syllable of the last word in my last sentence you have the fish story covered. . . . The past week we celebrated a great man's birthday. I think it only fair and appropriate we mention him now. so here goes:

Feb. 22. it comes once each year.
That is the day this great man came here.
The Army he led, in the hot battle spree.
All this he did, just to keep our America free.
He was a leader in war, with peace as his goal.
As he got equal rights, for each living soul.
We should all pay him tribute, as a great man he stands,
His name echoes far, to all other lands.
After the war, and victory was won
He naturally became, U.S. Pres. one.
He always was wise in each thing he had done.
His name of course is GEORGE WASHINGTON.

This algebra stuff is getting the best of me. I used to get the problems with the answer in the book correct. The book was wrong last week. It just goes to show you. "Ya can't depend on nuten." . . . Fred Stoup was reading the morning "Journal" one day. It must have been hot news the way I pictured it. Fred got frantic when it warmed his hand. It must have been a real story. . . . The Kendallville Kid Dick Wagner boasted squirrel tails last fall. Now that fishing season is open he shut up like a clam. What hails here, Dick? Is Rome city fished out or has it gone dry? . . . After several hours of work, Bill Jones, accompanied with the assistance of Dick Wagner, completed a tough job. The completion was proclaimed with a song and a drink of water. . . . The fairer sex hasn't a thing over on us fellows when it comes to coat designs. Don Macke came up with a humdusey. Usually in a coat the sleeve is open at either end. Mac's was open only at one. It looks neat but tell me, "How do you wear it?" . . . The two Einsteins and a fellow called Mortonstein solved a math problem. After several hours of study and research they came to a conclusion of .129. The Einsteins were the brains of the outfit. They said and I quote: "We took the other fellow along just for—for awhile as Paul Wuttke would say." . . . Gene Werling made a grand return last Friday afternoon. The finale was topped with a graceful bow and a round of applause. The big fellow has a smile a mile wide. . . . They tell me Kenny Zurbuch takes a swell picture. Just look in last month's Safety Report Manual and see. . . . The sectional draw—Discrimination galore was cast all over the school. Breaks? Were there any? I don't know. All I know is Morton's version is all wet. The winner of the North vs. South game will represent Fort Wayne, providing Central doesn't beat them to it. Monroeville? Not a chance. Monday if you don't know who won just look at one of the following faces, Merle Aughinbaugh, Paul Mischo or Myron Auer, one will tell you. (If you can bear the sight.) Millie was a very popular girl when she posted the complete data on the sectional. Thank you, Mildred.

Joan Aubrey Edits 'It's Windy Here'

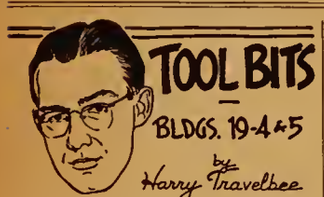


Joan Aubrey

Joan Aubrey, FHP Motor Division 17, is in the limelight this week as the Division Editor of the week. The column she writes is "It's Windy Here, FHP Motor Division 17 Office."

Having started in Bldg. 26-4, Joan's General Electric career began in 1939. She later transferred to FHP Motor Division 1 office to work in the wage rate section on operation planning. In 1947, Joan became associated with Division 17 in the wage rate section as a stenographer-typist.

Although she has no specific hobby, she helps her husband in his photographer's studio at their home. Joan helps apply make-up on the models for "glamour shots." She also sings in her church choir and is active in her sorority.



Russell Sage claims that he never has cared too much for taxis, but since last Friday he dislikes them a lot more. We have looked close, Russell, but we haven't noticed any grey hairs appearing. Maybe that taxi cab didn't scare you so much after all. . . . Bob Goers believes in giving his wife the best implements possible to do a good job. We hear he bought his wife a brand new washboard the other day. In fact, he asked one of the boys at the shop to write it down so he wouldn't forget to buy one. . . . We hear that John Roemer was dissipating over the week-end. The story is that he drank seven cups of coffee at one sitting. Better take it easy, John, or you won't be able to pick up your hat the next time it blows off. . . . Mr. and Mrs. John Stetler spent a pleasant Sunday afternoon and evening with their son Richard, who has just finished his boot training and will be sent to sea for 18 months. The Stetlers drove to Chicago where they met their son. Then they drove to Kenosha, Wis., and back to Chicago where they had their evening meal at the Naval Training Base. John says it really looks like winter up around Great Lakes as it is much colder and there is plenty of snow on the ground.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

Our boy, Frankie Enderle, has created news again. It seems that after he bade the girl friend good-night, he used to cut across the neighbor's lawn on his way home. One day unbeknown to Frankie, the neighbor in question, stretched a wire along his property line. That night as Frank tripped gaily along the short cut, the wire caught him 10 inches up on the shin, and down went our Romeo on his pan. That was bad, but the next evening after leaving his Juliet, he repeated the stunt, and went down a second time. From now on he's going to use the sidewalk. . . . Howard Musselman celebrated his birthday Feb. 14. A valentine baby. . . . Charles McCormick, our foreman, is on sick leave for a while. We wish him a speedy recovery and good luck. . . . A bachelor's version of "I'd Like to Get You on a Slow Boat to China" is "All Alone on a Slow Boat to China." Quote: Dewey McDowell. . . . Overheard one morning this week: Rodney Dush to Martha Musselman, "Where were you last night?" "Baby sitting," sez Martha. "Oh boy! I wouldn't mind a few nights a week baby sitting with a good looking blond," answered Rodney. . . . Who would think that our vivacious Mary McMonigal is a grandmother. Congratulations, Mary. . . . It is said that Stan Stults never misses a "shoot 'em up" picture at the Indiana theater. To make the evening complete, he munches on pop corn, but liking more butter on his corn, Stan carries a jar of butter with him. Just another bit of indoor sports.



It's nice to have Gus Hirschmann back with us after a long absence, and hope your health continues to improve, Gus; also Bob Hughes, who is back from Taylor St. Last week was Don Helleman's last and Frank Woehnker, apprentice draftsman, leaves for the Tool Division. Good luck, boys. . . . Our sincere sympathy to Bob Hatfield, whose mother died Monday morning. . . . Congratulations to Harold Stirlen and Jacob Hoelle, our new Quarter Century members. . . . Bill Buckner went ice fishing recently, and whether he'll admit it or not, folks, this is what actually happened. We find Bill sitting on a box with his lantern and trusty poles and one of those extra long lines in hopes of catching a "big one" when suddenly a friendly hell-diver splashed into a hole behind him. Bill let go of the poles, fell off the box and into some mighty cold water and, of course, lost his fish. Now we don't think that hell-diver was really picking on you, Bill, it probably just wanted a little tobacco from your hip pocket. . . . Since Frank Edmunds has passed the 40 (?) year mark, even the die-hard cupids have all but given him up. He was presented with a bow and 10 arrows on Valentine's Day, since he is obviously a poor marksman. . . . Jack Hostetler can't understand why he received several valentines accusing him of being a wolf. . . . When John Lare got back to Bldg. 20-2 the other night he found that his hat and coat had been locked in the office, so, without further ado, he broke the glass and unlocked the door, got his duds and calmly proceeded downstairs to have the boys fix the broken glass. Just one "durn" thing after another, huh, Johnny! . . . When the fellows moved Bob Hatfield's desk and files over to Bldg. 20-1 last week, they really moved everything, including old light bulbs, bolts and not a little of that Bldg. 10-1 dirt—just to make Bob feel at home. Speaking of moving, Gibby Hilt has moved his bags (two under his eyes, that is) and belongings back to Somers' office. . . . The Power House is glad to have Joe G. Banks back after a two weeks' illness. . . . George Delfs decided it was too much when it came to carrying a new G-E radio and his lunch bucket home from work, so he told his wife to pack a few sandwiches in a paper sack. After doing this she placed them in the refrigerator beside a similar sack of candy and cookies. The next noon found George munching unhappily on a diet of—guess what, candy and cookies (wrong sack). . . . Happy birthday to Wiley Shockney, Jim Hubbard, Jay Greer, Bill Buckner and Erv Huth.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

Meet your fellow-worker: It is nice to know your fellow-worker and just what he is really like outside the shop. So the fellows in Group 15, Div. 91 decided to have a party and get acquainted. Nearly all the fellows attended except a few like Lavern Schultz whose wife wouldn't let him out, and Rudolph Jackson who came too early and left the same way. There was John Kennell who thought he should go to New Haven instead. There was a floor show which all the boys enjoyed very much. There was Joseph "Flipper Ears" Ort; every time the girl would dance by, his ears would wiggle like the flippers on a pin ball machine. . . . Then there was John J. Beatty who brought his wife along for protection, and I can't say I blame him much. . . . Russel C. Ackers had to pick up his eyes and put them back. . . . You, no doubt, have all read Smokey in the paper and how his teeth are always out about two feet. Carl Stout was crawling around the floor looking for his teeth after the show. . . . Quicky Freeman was also there and when they named him "Quicky" they hit it right on the nose. . . . Paul Conrad was there but strictly business and could not stay long. . . . Then there was Albert Campton who was there with his wife, and I understand Al's little boy is getting more like him every day. . . . Then came Bill Edmund, who could hardly stay in his seat, but with a little force and a straight jacket we were able to hold him down or should I say back. Bill is getting acquainted with his chickens. He has been reading where you can write a note and have a chicken lay it in the eggs so Bill and his chickens are getting quite chummy. . . . Bob Quinn was totally paralyzed after the show. . . . "Glamor Pants" Barker was also there but not for long. . . . Ferdinand Reaser was also there but was too good to associate with the boys. That's about all with the party, but all the boys are looking forward to another get-together. . . . Mac McConehey is looking for a late model car, a '47, '48, '49 for about $200 or $300. I see where Mac has been promoted now. He is checking the dies in Group 15. . . . Doyle Miller just can't understand what these yellow lines mean on the curb uptown. At least that's what the ticket says. . . . Jacob Fullner is in the hospital for an operation. On behalf of the fellows and myself we wish you a speedy recovery. . . . Speaking of Valentine's Day, the boys from Bldg. 26-1, punch press section, never quite realized the friendship that existed between the operators and the foreman. That is until last week, when Ted Mullen received a beautifully phrased valentine through the mail. It was postmarked Uniondale, Ind., Feb. 9. You can figure out the rest for yourself. . . . Judging from the patch George Horner was wearing on his eye last week, we would say that either George is very unhandy around his house, or his wife is getting very handy.

Money doesn't go as far as it did, but it still does a swell job of going.



General Electric engineers have long been noted for their progressive thinking, and we've long wondered how it could be that they were so far ahead of the pack. The other day, we finally found the answer—it's all in your mental attitude! But, let's show you what we mean: During one of the recent spells of balmy spring weather, Engineer Kronmiller was walking with Sales Managers Stonehill and Pritchard. The conversation naturally turned to the beautiful weather, and Engineer Kronmiller said, "Another day like TOMORROW, and I'll get my golf clubs out!" You see what we mean? That's what we call forward-looking engineering! . . . Another-Good-Man-Falls-By-The-Wayside Dept. Johnny Cunningham, the bane of the Ford Motor Co., invested some cash in a hunk of engagement ring last week-end, and successfully attached same to the proper finger of a girl—in St. Louis, no less! The lucky girl was quoted as saying, "I'm real happy!" We cite this as a typical feminine reaction. But, Johnny, did she mean about you—or the ring? . . . Thought while pushing my wheelbarrow: Arearyrogersandherbeatonapplyingformembershipinthebrotherhoodofrailroadtrainmenastheresultoftheirexperienceswiththetrainsatcystonehillshouse? . . . Our apologies to Miss Wade and Mr. Ondrovik—we couldn't find a thing to say about them this week!



Charley Brubaker has moved to his new farm. We wish you lots of luck with those tomatoes and potatoes, Charley. If you need any help just call on us. We will be glad to help you eat them up. . . . Vaughn Sheets is the conservative type when he starts making something especially if a hole is required. Vaughn always cuts it small enough, then fits and cuts some more 'till it finally fits, he hopes. . . . Steve Bobay has been working with Virgil Nash so long now that Steve does everything Virgil does. Since Steve found out Virgil put his wife to work, Steve has now put his wife to work driving posts around the driveway to keep him from running into the corn field. . . . Belated birthday greetings to Bill Irwin and Martha Meeker. . . . Congratulations to Virgil Howell who got hitched last Saturday. Were those key rings with the beautiful things in them a wedding present, Virgil?

Speaking his piece at home is a fine way for a husband to get himself ignored.

Practically everybody contributes to the national tax kitty—at so much purr.

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All Wrapped Up in His Work . . . The recent West Coast cold spell didn't seem to bother Jack S. Boren, Sales Engineer of the Los Angeles Office. In an office never designed for such unheard of temperatures in Los Angeles, he bundles up in an effort to keep up his correspondence.



House Warming . . . The new San Jose Motor Plant of the G-E Oakland Works held Open House recently with nearly 5,000 people in attendance. Ice cream bars were distributed to the guests by Personnel Supervisor, N. A. Stone.



High Aviation Honor . . . C. A. Salmonsen, head of the Aircraft Gas Turbine Divisions at the Lynn River Works, congratulates a group of assemblers on the TG-190 line for their efforts in helping General Electric to win the Federal Aeronautique Internationale award. This award was presented to G-E. for designing and building the "190" engine which powered the North Americon plane on its record-breaking speed test. Left to right: Pete Sintetos, Mr. Salmonsen, Frank Carpenter, John Sanderson, Dino Pantanella, Roland Pearl and Bill Walker in rear.



Parade of Pretties . . . These comely lassies of the Philadelphia Switchgear Divisions were on hond to serve as ushers at recent Rice Club Male Chorus winter concert. Left to right: Jeanne Bowles, Jean Koran, Joyce Ulshafer, Doris Spera, Jeon Spera, Adele Shilladay and Marie O'Brien.

Children of Employees



Typifying the students who are benefitting under the various divisions of the G. E. Education program is Chester Roush, Jr., shown here in the Boker library at Harvard. Working toward his masters degree in the Graduate School of Business Administration, he is receiving assistance throuah a Gerard Swope Fellowship.



Chet is shown here with his wife, who is a tolented ortist. He is enthusiostic about the G. E. Education Loan ond Scholarship Plan and the opportunity for advancement that is offered.



Vincent Beksha, third from left, discusses a completed exam with fellow students at Tufts College, Medford, Mass. He is the holder of an award under the Employees Education Foundation, studying mechanical engineering.

One of Vincent's extra-curricular activities is swimming and he is shown here receiving instruction from the swimming coach at Tufts. Vince's father is employed at Lynn River Works.





Attending Simmons College, Boston, under G. E. Employees Education Foundation, Gloria Clark prepares specimens in the biology loboratory. Her fother is a chemist at the Lynn River Works.



Richard N. Sewell, whose father is employed at Lynn River Works, is studying at Stevens Institute of Technology under a Richord H. Rice Memorial Scholarship. He is at left, in the front row.



Employed at Bloomfield G. E. prior to entering Upsala College at East Orange, N. J., Robert Bilby is studying under a Fellowship award. Here he is studying at his home in Nutley, N. J.

ouraged to Attend College by G-E Education Plan

FOR many years Generol Electric hos helped its employees ond their children to enter college and to continue their college educotions by providing loans, scholorships, and fellowships to cover at least part of the expense involved. Funds were first set oside for fellowships in 1923 when the Charles A. Coffin Foundation was created in honor of the founder and first president of the Company. Income for this foundotion was used to ossist college graduotes to continue with their studies and research work. The plan was so successful that the Company decided to prepare o program which would encourage employees and their children in their under-graduote work. In 1945, the General Electric Educotional Fund was estoblished with assets of a million dollors, in honor of two of the Company's former presidents, Charles A. Coffin and Gerard Swope. This fund has made it possible for many high school graduates to continue their education in accredited colleges or universities, obtoin their degrees, ond, in some cases, continue with their research work for groduate degrees. Recently, our Candid Camera photographer visited some of the campuses where members of the G-E fomily are enrolled and took the following pictures.

Loons ond Scholorship applications for the 1949-50 academic yeor will be occepted until April 1, 1949. For odditional information see your supervisor.



Emil Slawinski, winner af a Charles A. Caffin Fellawship award, is a graduate student in chemistry at Massachusetts Institute af Technalagy. Here he aperates Raman equipment in the lab.



Rabert Davidsan, alsa a Caffin Fellowship winner studying at M.I.T., is analyzing malecular structure in the lab. Bath Bab and Emil are graduate students in physical chemistry there.



Relaxing after the day's study, Bab and Emil play chess under the interested eye af Everett M. Baker, dean af students at M.I.T. Such activities as this aften create lasting friendships.



Five af the fifteen students studying at Unian College, Schenectady, N. Y., are shawn above in a discussian: (l. ta r.) Ranald Huber, Jahn Matern and Bill Ernest who came under the Swope Fund; Chuck Vallett and Frank Laving wha hove Charles P. Steinmetz Schalarships.



Frances Conway, majoring in Spanish at Barnard College, New Yark City, is shawn here relaxing with classmotes. Halder af an Educatian Fellawship award, her father was employed at the Schenectady Warks. Frances is active in a varied schedule af campus student activities.



Trying it aut far size, Narman Chadbaurne sits in the chair belonging ta Mr. William W. Trench, secretary af the Campany. He, tagether with Clarence Drams, Jahn Kilcain and Walt Thiessen, standing, left ta right, graduated fram Unian College with the aid af the G. E. Educatianal fund. They discuss their plans far future advancement with Mr. Trench, seated an desk.

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Golden Gloves . . . Lessons in the art of boxing were given by coach Fronk Newport, for right, of the Fort Wayne Works G-E Club prior to the Golden Gloves tournament. This amoteur boxing clossic was recently sponsored by the G-E Club and Fort Wayne Journol-Gazette.



Picture This . . . A new television picture tube 8½ inches in diameter will offer 50 percent more picture area, while costing no more to build than the 7-inch tube now used in low-priced sets. Robert McCreadie of Electronics Park at Syracuse, adjusts the image on the new tube.



Cops Tops Award . . . Winner of the largest award for 1948 at the Schenectady Works, armature winder John Maslowski, fourth from left, receives $1500 suggestion check from foremon H. C. Consaul for suggesting improved method in assembly of armatures for turbine generators. Looking on, are, from left: F. H. MacIntosh, J. P. Keller, A. J. Hart and W. E. Soupe.



Domicile for Dolls . . . After thirteen years of collecting dolls as a hobby, Mrs. Verai Hyland of Bridgeport Works now has over 1,200 of them on display ot her home. Visitors come the year oround to see her volued collection, which includes a wooden doll dating back to 1700. Her dolls range in size from one-eighth inches in height, called flea dolls, to six-foot mannequins.





New Building Has Its Beginning . . . H. V. Erben, Vice President and Manager of the Apparatus Deportment, handles the controls of the steam shovel now at work in early stages of construction of the new Administration and Engineering Building at the West Lynn Works. Stonding by ot recent ground-breaking ceremonies are, from left: two construction company men; N. M. DuChemin, Divisions' Manager; I. F. Kinnard, Manager of Engineering; Vice President H. A. Winne; and Mayor Stuart A. Tarr of Lynn, Moss. Inset is architect's sketch of building.

Call A Doctor!



. . . but it may mean life to your patient if you are trained to know what to do and what not to do immediately. Ed Cade, FHP Motor Test, and Veda Orff, R. N., Bldg. 8-1, in above picture, qualified First Aid Instructors have volunteered to donate their personal time to assist our local Red Cross in training you in the standard 18-hour First Aid Course.

Classes starting Monday, March 7, will be as follows:

Place—St. John's Lutheran Church Hall, Corner of Washington and Van Buren Streets.

Day of Week—Mondays and Thursdays.

Time of Day—1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

(These schedules permit all employees to take the courses on their own time.)

Who can enroll?—Anyone over 12 years of age (classes open to the public).

Enrollment Requirements—None. Just attend the class of your choice March 7.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH,



Necessity is the mother of invention. The necessity arose; "Pop" Castle was the inventor. He broke a cigar while attending a meeting and it just wouldn't burn. After wrapping a cigarette paper securely over the broken section, the old stogie gave forth again. . . . We always wondered why Jack Dennis went home at 2:30. The truth is out. He cooks supper for the Mrs. . . . You can call Marge Ponsot "auntie" now. She has a little nephew. . . . Doris Ryan is going to Iron Mountain to the skiing jump. She will also visit Frieda DeArmand, one of our former co-workers. . . . We are glad to report that Betty Lupton is improving, and that Neoma Bodle and Caroline Becker have returned to work. . . . Sorry about our long sick list though. On the sick list this week is Marie Dunfee, Geneva Curtis, Josephine Motte and Ethel Perry. . . . It's a happy birthday to Bertha Furge. . . . We bid farewell to Otto (out of my way, there's a fire) Brandt. . . . The inspectors are now being pestered by Adrian Weaver. . . . They say Nellie Truesdell has joined the early bird shift. . . . During a pinochle session at the Bill Martins, Joe Jensen says the men were the best. The women would like to prove that this is a misstatement. By the way, Joe Jensen must have turned over a new leaf. Did you notice him really helping the girls with their stators? . . . Lola McCague had a party last week for some of her co-workers. . . . We didn't know Harold Bowker had a blond daughter. You must keep us informed, Harold.



The personnel of the General Superintendent's office seem to be quite mum about their activities—but in listening to the noon hour conversations I find that Jean Rose has contributed to the production activities of G-E by installing a new refrigerator. . . . A. "Sid" Johnson spends his leisure hours pining for the hills of Kentucky. . . . Ralph Bailey would like to have suggestions on how to keep a playful kitten off a newly painted floor. . . . Milt Kline and Mildred Whitmer are patiently awaiting "lake weather" so they can start building and building. . . . Ralph Clark comes in at five o'clock with travel folders—planning an August vacation. . . . A. W. Howard, having completed his building project, is concentrating on planning his summer garden. It would seem that spring is just around the corner—these are sure signs.

Celebrity in Bldg. 16-3

Last week it was Chester Lichtenberg who was the celebrity in Bldg. 16-3, when he supervised the reception for General Jacob Devers, for the General Anthony Wayne Chapter of Reserve Officers Association. This week a different slant, but a celebrity just the same. . . . Francis Richards has now realized the dream of every basketball official, he received an appointment to referee for the sectional basketball tournament this week-end at Farmland. He has been refereeing eight years. Last year he received a reserve contract which made him subject to call. This year he was one of 22 officials to receive an assignment in the Northern Indiana Conference. . . . Recently we noted the comments in the WORKS NEWS about Boy Scout activities and it was surprising to note the absence of any Bldg. 18 names in the list, so I did a little scouting of my own and I find that there are at least three men in our building who spend considerable time in scout work, i.e. A. W. Howard, M. H. Kline and Al. Tharpe. . . . The girls in Bldg. 18-B and I respectfully submit their thanks to the Management for a nicely painted restroom. . . . Richard Fry of Works Service Internal Audit is convalescing at the Methodist Hospital following an appendectomy. . . . Everyone has heard the story of grandpa looking high and low for his glasses and finally finding them on his forehead. The same story applies to Julie Waldrop, Bldg. 18-1 Payroll, only it was her earrings she was looking for and to her chagrin she found them—guess where! . . . Thelma Stone of Bldg. 18-1 Payroll had Lois Tritch and Betty Garber of Fractional Payroll as her guests at her home in Peru, Ind., over the week-end. . . . Valentine Day brought forth many "secret pal" gifts in the Bldg. 18-1 Payroll group, along with many "guess who" guesses. . . . Spring housecleaning blues were being sung by Gladys Forst, Nila Hansen and Estelle Monroe, Monday. It seems they all cleaned a front porch over the week-end and the results were not good. . . . Carl Olson of Bldg. 18-2 spent several uncomfortable hours last week with an infected tooth. . . . Florence Mulaney formerly of Bldg. 18-1, now in Bldg. 4-6, is proud of her daughter, Arlene who is now a registered nurse.



Seems that someone pulled a good joke on Wayne Worman last week. This certain person put a sign on the time clock saying that Wayne wanted to sell his '39 Buick reasonably. In fact, all you had to do to buy it was to make an offer. One of our co-workers (no names, please) saw the sign and went to see Wayne about it and told him that her boy-friend was looking for a car and that it sounded as though this Buick was just the thing he was looking for. It took Wayne by surprise as he had no intention of selling his pride and joy, and after a heated argument, Wayne convinced this co-worker that someone was pulling a joke. We won't say who put the sign up, but we will say that the person who did is really sweating and is looking forward to a trip he doesn't care a bit about taking. Earl Fredericks and Bill Buuck wants it to be known that it wasn't them. Hm-m-m now that only leaves one other person. . . . Congratulations to Helen Landin on her marriage last Saturday and thanks for the candy and cigars, Helen. . . . Last Friday Andy Anderson was telling Bill Pappert that he was going ice fishing Saturday and Bill upped and told Andy that he hoped he would fall in. The last thing Bill said before quitting time Friday was " I still hope you fall in, Andy." Andy came into work Monday with a dandy cold. When the fellows asked him how he got it, all he did was glare at Bill. Aren't you ashamed, Bill, for doing that to Andy? . . . You didn't make any wishes for Moe too, did you, Bill? Moe was another one of our casualties over the week-end. It seems he tried to hurry a sandwich which was in the sandwich grill and found out that those things get really hot on top as well as in the inside. Next time you will know better, Moe.

It isn't the noise of the baby's crying at night—it's the upkeep.



Have you ever seen such euchre playing since Ray Leitz joined the group. Some people really have the luck or should we say cards. . . . Birthday wishes for John F. Welch. May you have many more, Mr. Welch. . . . The GeCode Club has decided to drop their party for the month of March. Please take note GeCode Club members, and don't forget the date, Monday, Feb. 28, reservations for Chicago trip must be in. . . . Have you ever watched Julie Baker bowl? He might be small but oh, how mighty. . . . Mary Ann Laurent is better known as the "Pumpernickel Girl." . . . Did you hear Ray Leitz and Chet Kleinknight argue about whether you should drive your new car or leave it set in the drive? Quite some argument. . . . Chet Kleinknight drove his car to work the other morning, and what ah's and oh's he got from everyone. Very nice looking car you have there, Chet. . . . We understand Millie Geimer has a new passenger in her car. For full details just see Millie she will give them all to you from beginning to end. . . . Decatur G-E basketball fans really have a right to "get up and holler" for their favorite high school team in the local sectional tournament. Bob Worthman and Deane Dorwin, coaches at Decatur high school were valuable part-time temporary employees at General Electric during the war. Myron Lehman, coach of the Monmouth high school, served two wartime summers at G-E. Ned Shuck, Berne high school coach, spent one summer with us during the war., David Terveer, coach at Decatur Catholic, is the son of G-E employee, Mrs. Frances Terveer. In addition to the above named coaches, Decatur G-E dads and mothers have sons on practically everyone of the 10 high school teams in this sectional. G-E is proud of its basketball representatives, and we urge all of you to get out and pull for your favorites as genuine G-E sportsmen. May the best team win. . . . It's a sure sign of spring as all the Tool Room men's interest has turned to art. . . . Our sincere sympathy goes to Rita Smitley upon the death of her father.

Two Join Q-C Club



Carlos S. Campbell
Bldg. 20-2



Louis P. Manz
Bldg. 6-1

Motor and Generator Static



Thought for the week:

Sleep not when others speak, sit not when others stand, speak not when you should hold your peace, walk not when others stop.

Since the bat episode and the walking elephants, Joe Ehrler, Safety Director, Fort Wayne International Harvester Co., casts a doubtful eye at Stanley Marquardt, his neighbor. . . . Arthur Voelker paid us a visit Feb. 21 from Camp Breckenridge, Ky. He looks very fit. If any of you folks want to write him, call us for his address. . . . We are sorry to say that last Monday someone collided with the candy cart of the President of The American Greek Society. Candy flew in all directions. No one was injured. . . . Big John, president of Ed Foley's American Greeks, was the victim of a first class swindle. Some character approached him with the proposition that he take chances on a washing machine. With visions of winning an up-to-date machine, our hero invested one dollar for three tickets. After a short wait John was informed that he was the winner and presented with his prize, a miniature washing machine about 4 inches tall. That means he is not only out a dollar, but he must continue to launder his unmentionables in the old fashioned way. . . . Mike Sorgen is in a quandary. According to his story, he called Ruth Talbert on the telephone. Their conversation had barely started when Ruth gave vent to a wild shriek of distress. "What's the matter?" inquired Mike. "I got a shock from the receiver," replied Ruth. "I can't figure it out," Mike informed his listeners. To which one replied, "Perhaps it's the way you talk." "No," said Mike, "I was very polite." "That would be a shock to anyone," we remarked.

Ramblings 31-2

Members of the Motor-Generator Engineering Div. gathered at Sears' Pavillion last evening for a potluck supper. Dancing and card playing furnished the evening's entertainment. . . . We recognize that most of the new apprentices have been with our Division before. However, we welcome the new faces of Robert M. Birkenbeul and Hilliard F. Butcher. Greetings to those returning including Robert D. Finton, John L. Leffers, Wayne H. Bergman, Homer L. Carson, Everett F. Schmidt, Donald R. Miller, Fred R. Borton, and Warren G. Brown. . . . Has Casanova (Curly) Mannan moved? One noon the street car inspector said to him: "Do you live in Lakeside?" Curly replied, "Sure do, sure do." Then he boarded the Lakeside car. Whom is he trying to kid? . . . Now it can be told, that is, the story of Tisivic's big fish, which he almost caught in Canada. When "Tis" pulled the fish out of the water, the lake dropped 1½ inches. When he put it in the boat, the boat swamped and the fish swam away. Now we want to know who rescued "Tis." . . . That's not a State Police officer in our drafting room, but Bob Wahlworth in his motorcycle togs. Bob and his wife went all the way to Florida and the Keys on their motorcycle last vacation. They will probably try to make it to California next time. . . . Good news for equestrians. Paul McKeeman is a real for sure bronc buster. He can ride any animal that can walk, run, gallop or jump. If you want your horse tamed, call Paul. . . . An outsider saw Chuggy Mungovan and Vic Blomenberg together and asked them if they were brothers. They each said, "Heck! I'm better looking than he is." . . . Anyone getting homesick for John Felmlee's voice, just call Art Shull. He has a cold and his voice even scares Ross Van Horn.

The mind is like the stomach. It is not how much you put into it that counts, but how much it digests.

Education is a good thing, but it doesn't go far enough. It merely teaches a man how to speak—not when or how long.

Employees' Store

BROADWAY STORE HOURS
12 noon to 4 p.m. daily

TAYLOR ST. STORE HOURS
1 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily



G-E Alarm Clock
THE DELEGATE—$8.05
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The following merchandise is available for immediate sale:

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Lightweight Irons, 2¾ lbs.
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Tank Type Cleaners
¾, ⅓, ½, ¼ HP Motors
RS Sunlamps
Flood Lamps
Germicidal Fixtures
Germicidal Lamps
Heat Pads
Record Players
Battery Chargers
Radio Tubes
Portable Radios
Radios, Table Models
Clock Radios
Occasional Clocks
Alarm Clocks
Stainless Steel Sinks
Fluorescent Fixtures
Chime Clocks
Wire and Wiring Devices
Paints, Colors
Coffee Makers

Sleuthing IN BLDG. 4-6



by TEDDY NEDS

When Esther Batchelder, Production Section, answered her telephone last Wednesday evening and said "fried ham," she won a prize on the "Dinner Winner" program. It just goes to show you, even though you do feel strange greeting everyone who calls between 6:30 and 6:45 with your dinner menu, that at times it pays. The prize consisted of a basket of groceries including 10 pounds of meat. . . . We are glad to see Delores Soule again. She has just returned to work after a three weeks' leave due to illness. . . . We women are especially glad that the designers of men's neckties have decided to add a little color this season. They brighten up our men! Ken Parks, Commercial, has an extremely gay and vivid one. It has been said that Ken's wife will take no responsibility for his new tie. . . . Last Friday noon, Feb. 18, Mildred Bosserman, FHP Motor Sales Ediphone Room, and Mary Jo Capps, Sales Division of Taylor Street, were honored with a farewell luncheon at Manochio's Grill. Both girls received lovely gifts. Milly and her husband are moving to Seattle, Wash., where her husband is employed with Boeing Aircraft. Mary Jo has decided to become a full-time housewife. We shall miss both of you, but we wish you much enjoyment in your new occupations. . . . Here's double congratulations for Bob Winner, FHP Sales Division of Taylor Street and formerly of Bldg. 4-6. Bob became the surprised and proud father of twin boys, Jeffery and Timothy, born on Tuesday, Feb. 15, at the Lutheran Hospital. Just a little late for Valentine's Day, weren't they? . . . The A. C. Division bids farewell to "Bertie" Bevington, who left last Friday for San Jose, Calif., where she will continue to work for G-E. We wish her good luck on her new assignment, and envy her that California sunshine. . . . Correction: Last week we reported Glen Stapleton would like to have extra copies of the WORKS NEWS. He thought his picture would be in that issue; however, whenever his picture is printed (sketched), this is the copy you should send him so he can paper his doghouse. . . . The DC Div. says goodbye to Vic and Bob Zoller. We have all enjoyed working with you and wish you the best of luck. . . . Wade Tyler received a unique Valentine Day card—that is, it is unique if you can call paying a 50-cent parking fine a Valentine. Oh, well, it all happened on Valentine Day. . . . Walter Hahn, wouldn't you like to invite all your fellow workers out to your house for a "teeny" taste of that smoked ham you won as an attendance prize? We heard it weighed all of two and one-half pounds. . . . Happy Birthday to Sam Moore, that distinguished looking man from Georgia with the Southern drawl. . . . We are happy to announce that the Long Winded Champ for the month is a newcomer, Bob Sharrow. We certainly have lots of competition now in the Wire and Insulation group. . . . We hear that Fred Suhr was the big winner at the Squares Bridge Party Saturday night. Congratulations, Fred. . . . First signs of spring: a few sunshiny and balmy days, an occasional robin and Lela Omspach with that becoming new short hair cut.



OUT OF THE BLUE in 26-2 Office

by Delores Patterson

Did one ever wonder how some of the men from the Specialty Transformer Engineering Division looked when they were in college? If so, go see D. W. Merchant and ask to see the book he brought to work called "Purdue Alumni with the G-E." M. O. Marsh, C. W. Kronmiller, E. C. Hill and D. W. Merchant were some of those whose pictures appeared in this book. My, boys, how you have changed! . . . The Transformer Drafting Section is very happy to welcome Skeets Lahrman and Carl Lommatzsch. . . . We couldn't quite decide whether E. C. Hill was happy or blue over the Valentine he received at work. It had no name signed and was very, very sweet. Arriving home that night, he learned it was from his wife. After being told, his very words were, "What a revoltin' development this is!" . . . We are very glad to learn that Herb Driftmeyer is back "in the pink!" Hope to see you soon, Herb. . . . Kay Jettinghoff, Mr. Rinne's secretary, is leaving this week and was honored at a dinner party held in the G-E restaurant. Also leaving are Vivian Smith and Francis Clifton of the Service Bureau. Goodbye and good luck, girls! . . . Betty Spitler of Payroll and her parents moved into their new home in Kirkwood Park recently. Betty was thrilled over the new surroundings, but her pet cat, Boots, wasn't quite so happy about it and left a few scratches on Betty. . . . Ray Soughan is keeping his fingers crossed anxiously awaiting the outcome of the Main Office volleyball game with the Squares. . . . And, last but not least, is the potluck held Valentine's Day. Those who attended were Isabelle Hausbach, Phyl Fisher, Helen Brindle, Betty Carter, Ginny Winegart, Martha Newell, Viola Brooks, Katherine Ernsberger, Vivian O'Neill, Therese Lindenberg, Dorothy Bartholomew and Yours Truly!





Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday, February 28, 1949

BROADWAY LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Nine keys and a can opener on a bar. Found on west side of Broadway near 18 gate.

LOST—One gold earring set with brilliant sets and shaped like a wedding ring.

TAYLOR ST. LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Green wool beadscarf with bright flowers.

FOR SALE

APARTMENT SIZE GAS STOVE—Good condition. H-40143 after 4 p.m.

G-E TABLE MODEL RADIO—And Zenith car radio. H-46097.

LOT—116'x356½', tiled and drained. Will trade for house trailer. A-86640.

KITCHEN SINK—Chrome trap and mixing faucet. H-9634.

THREE COATS—Good as new, $20. Will sell separately. A-97235.

PLAY PEN—Also Taylor Tot, good condition. H-81742.

MAJESTIC SHORTWAVE ELECTRO-SURGICAL UNIT—3610 Reed St.

POWER LAWN MOWER — Two years old; new deepwell jet pump. A-2746.

CHEVROLET WATER HEATER—And Motor. Good condition. $5. H-37777.

THREE 550x16 TIRES—H-75502.

1936 PLYMOUTH—Will sell or trade for light truck. E-56124.

WANTED

MEN'S RICHT HANDED GOLF CLUBS—Must be good, and reasonably priced. A-19893.

CELLAR PUMP — With or without motor. H-60262.

FOR RENT

SLEEPINC ROOM—Close to C-E and bus line. Centleman preferred. A-40521.

FURNISHED ROOM—With Twin beds, modern. To share with young man. 1243 Fletcher Ave.



The Big WIND

DIVISION 17
TAYLOR STREET
by Dorothy Heinzelmann

Most people think wire recordings are fun and we can take them in our stride, but not so with Millie Snyder. We hear you did look quite fetching in your black formal as you warbled for the guests at a recent party, Millie. . . . We are curious to know who gave Lela Seibert that gorgeous Valentine gift. How about letting us in on the secret, Lela. . . . Anna Lee is very proud of her prowess as a euchre player, and Ruth Stone and Marie Wilson seem to be her favorite opponents. Gus makes a pretty good partner for Anna, and they admit that they are indubitably the female champs of the world. Speaking of Gus, she and Mitzie have taken a new chum into the exclusive circle of "The Chicken Coup Clique," this new member answers to the name of "Vik." . . . Tommy Williams was all smiles Monday morning as she and Charlotte Stanford placed in the doubles event last Saturday. We hope you hold your placing and here's to more good bowling, Tommy. . . . Congratulations to Norm Wolf, who will celebrate his birthday Sunday. . . . We hear that Dortha Ramsey and Arveda Neal and their husbands were late Saturday night (or early Sunday morning) callers at Rachel Mounsey's house last week-end. Rachel says she hopes you will let your husband stay for breakfast the next time, Dortha. . . . We are glad to see Mildred Ely back in our ranks. . . . Ernie Raypole says he spent a quiet week-end at home. It must have really been quiet, as Ernie couldn't hear so well yet on Monday. . . . Iris Hebble says that seeing "The Boy with Green Hair" didn't give her any ideas for becoming the "Girl with Blue Hair." . . . Blanche Mulligan really bakes a mean cake, but we hear that her appetite fails when it comes to eating it. She just doesn't care for "sour buttermilk" it seems. . . . Belated Birthday Wishes to Anita Fitch and Mary Cuellar who are now "just sweet sixteen" so they say. . . . We wish a speedy recovery to Gayle Goff and Charlotte Brunner who are on our sick list, also to Elsie Miller, one of our new co-workers who is now recovering from an operation. . . . Irma Beard, our new Elex Contact girl, has proven her excellent salesmanship in the club's Jello sale. Nice work, Irma. . . . Charlie Prine had an indoor swimming pool recently, much to his disgust. Late that night he tried his art at the plumbing game. From what we hear, we should have referred him to Ruth Leverton, who has had some experience in plumbing. . . . Don't you think that Daisy Tannas will really be a slick chick in those new blue shoes?

Let's Eat!



CAFETERIA and RESTAURANT MENUS

FEBRUARY 28 THROUGH MARCH 4

BROADWAY	TAYLOR STREET

Serving Hours:

Cafeteria—16-1 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. 10:48 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-2 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-1 6:45 P.M. - 8:12 P.M. 6:55 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Restaurant—16-2 12:00 M. - 1:00 P.M.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Beef Broth and Noodles	Cream of Tomato Soup
Pork Chops	Beef and Noodles
Beef Stew	Smoked Sausage
Hamburger Sandwiches	Ham Sandwiches
Whole Browned Potatoes	Steamed Potatoes
Baked Beans	Buttered Spinach
Buttered Asparagus	Buttered Limas

TUESDAY, MARCH 1

Bean Soup	Vegetable Soup
Roast Beef	City Chicken
Wieners and Kraut	Beef Stew
Ham Sandwiches	Chopped Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
French Fried Onions	Harvard Beets
Buttered Whole Kernel Corn	Whole Kernel Corn
Apple Sauce	

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

Vegetable Soup	Bean Soup
City Chicken	Breaded Pork Loin
French Fried Fish	Creole Spaghetti
Barbecue Sandwiches	Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Escalloped Potatoes
Buttered Cabbage	Buttered Broccoli
Creamed Green Beans	Apple Sauce
Buttered Hominy	Corn Bread

THURSDAY, MARCH 3

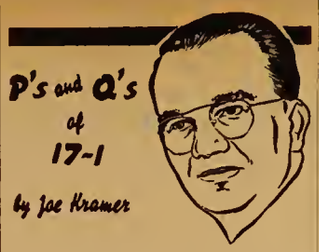
Chicken Noodle Soup	Beef Noodle Soup
Swiss Steak	Swiss Steak
Chicken Chow Mein	Ham a la King
Braunschweiger Sandwiches	Barbecue Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Buttered Spinach	Creamed Peas
Glazed Sweet Potatoes	Buttered Hominy

FRIDAY, MARCH 4

Cream of Tomato Soup	Split Pea Soup
French Fried Fish	French Fried Fish
Oyster Stew	Roast Beef and Dressing
Meat Loaf	Cheese Sandwiches
Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches	Fried Potatoes
Parsleyed Potatoes	Buttered Cauliflower
Baked Apples	Buttered Squash
Stewed Beans	

Wide selection of home-made pies and delicious salads served daily.
Breakfast served at Broadway daily from 6:20 to 7:50 A.M.

Special dinners and parties arranged upon request.
Menus Subject to Change



P's and Q's of 17-1

by Joe Kramer

"Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves and under a just God cannot retain it."—Lincoln.

Cliff (Tidy) Combs led the opening salute to the observance of National Brotherhood Week. If his enthusiasm holds out, there are sure to be some sore arms due to Cliff's experience on the farm pumping water. . . . William Grimm believes in safety and purchased safety shoes to wear around the house, where Bill says most of the accidents occur. . . . Although Valentine's Day has passed, Ralph (Pop) Beerman received a valentine which was a reminder of a famous coffee that is good to the last drop. Ralph says the valentine was not what Henry Wichern thought it was. . . . Kurt Harz, after reading a story in **Life** Magazine, contemplates on going into the business of raising opposums because of the quick turnover. Kurt says a fast nickel is better than a slow dime. . . . No, Helene (Dancing Girl) Evanoff is not on a diet, that is, you really can't call it a diet. She just isn't eating as much as she used to. . . . George (Goldie Locks) Mosshammer, better known as "Baby Sitter," is in the market for news—"dirt to you"—about your reporter or his dirt catchers. George says the recent baby sitting valentine he received has increased his business 60 per cent. . . . Johnny Junk got tired of waiting on that old man car and purchased one through Frank (Nature Boy) Martin Agency. Remember that Buick you bought, Johnny? . . . With the extensive farming going on in the south end of Bldg. 17-1, a new agency opened up to eliminate the disagreeable odors that go with certain chores of hauling you know what. Frank Martin has just the right aroma to use for fumigating, deodorizing or, take note, girls, alluring. . . . The new cost supervisor in Bldg. 17-1 is Virgil G. Hartman, recently of our Tiffin Plant. Virg is here as a replacement for Carl Reiter. All members of the N.H.P.C. welcome Virg and invite him to partake in the noon-day sessions. . . . Helen Dawson has left us to take up full-time duties as a housewife. Goodby and good luck, Helen. . . . That far away glint in Tavie Popa's eyes Monday morning was not due so much to lack of sleep, as reminiscing of the past week-end she had in Chicago. . . . The way some people are examining maps and time tables, you would think vacation was just around the corner instead of 20 weeks away. Betty Sue Morris is singing "California Here I Come." We don't know whether that is a hint as to where Sue is going on her vacation or not. . . . Ending with a bit of advice, our philosopher, Argend Denney, reminds us that there are two classes of people—people who do the work and those who take credit for it. Which class are you?

Said the girdle to the hat, "You go ahead, I'll bring up the rear."

Inquiring Reporter

SEVEN G-E EMPLOYEES LOST THEIR LIVES IN 1948 DURING TIME AWAY FROM THE PLANT.

WHAT CAN BE DONE TO REDUCE THESE OFF-THE-JOB ACCIDENTS?



GULEIA BROWN

Bldg. 26-2

"Most accidents happen on the highway. Be sure your car is in perfect running condition and never take any chances. You also have to keep a sharp eye on the other fellow, for you never know what he will do."



ARLAND W. BELL

Taylor St.

"I think if we would all work harder to practice safety after working hours, this would reduce a lot of off-time accidents."



GLORIA MECHLING

Bldg. 4-4

"If people would be more careful and practice the safety laws that are set up for them, I believe the number of accidents could be lowered."



CARL J. SCHONE

Bldg. 19-5

"If people would slow down a little and think twice before taking chances on or off the highway, then there would be less accidents."

REBECCA B. WEAVER

Taylor St.

"When going and coming to work, take your time, look both ways before crossing streets, cross over at corners, walk with the light. In driving a car take your time, don't drive over 50 miles an hour, give correct hand signals and come to a complete stop at stop streets."





Ruth Freeland, if you wouldn't stay out so late, you wouldn't have to have Velma Rose call you by phone in the mornings. . . . Dale Stuckey and Ernie Clark both received a cute valentine last week; It suited them. . . . Frank Clibon, what does the other guy look like? . . . Peggy Reynolds, we think that your dress looks better without the cape. . . . Lonnie Rockstroh, how did you rate getting a dozen roses on Valentine Day? . . . Garnet Curie, we advise you to wear your rain coat all evening when you go out. . . . Cbarlie Wrish, Peggy Reynolds thinks you can't smile. Let's show her, huh? . . . They added a new addition to the Sample Shop. She weighed about fifteen pounds and it took seven men to lift her, but with a hard struggle they finally made it. P.S. It was a steel table. . . . We wonder if everybody knows the excuse Carl Fletcher gave Jim Young in order to get out of helping move the table. That was a good excuse, Carl, too bad it didn't work. . . . Jean Fry got a lovely necklace and earrings for her birthday. . . . I think tbat it would be a good idea if we take up a collection and buy Jim Young a row boat so he can get down in his basement to fire the furnace. . . . We hear that the fellows in the tool room had an exciting card game tbe other noon and drew quite an audience. . . . Lucille was just telling me about a present she received this year. You folks ought to hear it, I'm sure you would all get a big laugh out of it. . . . Here's a tip to all you girls who do up your hair. Get your husband to fix it like Rosie McKinney does and in case it doesn't turn out just rigbt, you can always blame the better half. . . . Has anyone seen John Altekruse lately? He may be hard to identify under that Florida sunshine tan he has, yet we all know be hasn't been out of Fort Wayne. . . . Johnny Freeze has been unhappy lately. Arnold sure set tbe pace as a safety committeeman the other day. He was star-gazing up in the air and a pair of pliers flew from nowhere and peeled him on the forehead. . . . Cliff Schwarz is getting the new car fever since he bas the old one in the garage most of the time. . . . Howard Ulrich, our boss, has a faraway look in his eyes lately. He gets a new room down in the west end of the building soon. . . . Gladys Suter gets so wrapped up in her work that she doesn't watch the clock. She worked a good hour overtime the other night. . . . This week we welcome a new T.E. Lewis Allendorph and bid farewell to Herbert L. McLaughlin.

Elex Sells Cook Books

The Elex Club has cook hooks for sale at $4 each. These books can be obtained at either personnel office at Broadway or Taylor St.

Americans bave more time-saving devices and less time than any other people in the world.

Fractional Fiction 4-5

By Elaine Sutter

A lot of you wondered why we didn't have a column last week. We cannot bave a column without your help. Please don't fail us again. . . . We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gusching upon the arrival of a baby girl born Feb. 17. Also Dorothy Oury had a baby girl Feb. 13. Dorothy was our blueprint girl. Last but not least, Forest Bunner has every right to be proud, he bas a new granddaughter. . . . We welcome Audrey Turney back to work. She recovered very nicely from an automobile accident. . . . Henry Burch is doing his own plumbing. Henry smashed his finger and he figured it was cheaper to see a doctor than hire a plumber. . . . The Bldg. 4-5 office girls have organized their own pinochle club. By their groans and laughter sounds like they are having fun. . . . Joan Meyer bas a confession to make. She sent tbose valentines. . . . "We know the month of February bave important people's birthdays," say Dewald Slater, Pearl Noble and O'Brien. Congratulations and many more returns. . . . Forest Bunner enjoys his new car so much that the other day he was so anxious to get into it that he broke off two door keys. The result he was late for work. . . . Anyone wisbing to know how to pile brush, see Dick Young. He had them piled so close, when he burned them the fire got so hot it singed his eye lashes under his glasses. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Pat O'Brien spent last week-end with their son Jack of Cleveland, O. Since it was Pat's birthday they were highly entertained. They saw their first hockey game and various interesting parts of Cleveland. . . . Happiness? It is an illusion to think that more comfort means more happiness. Happiness comes of the capacity to feel deeply, to enjoy simply, to think freely, to risk life and to be needed.

Orders Being Taken For Kindling

Kindling orders are now being taken at the Employees' storc in Bldg. 8-1.

Entry Blanks Available For Bowling Tournament

All G-E Employees Are Eligible; Event Set For Two Weekends In April

The annual G-E Bowling Tournament has been scheduled for April 9, 10, 16, and 17. April 2 is the deadline for all entry blanks, which are available now at the G-E Club.

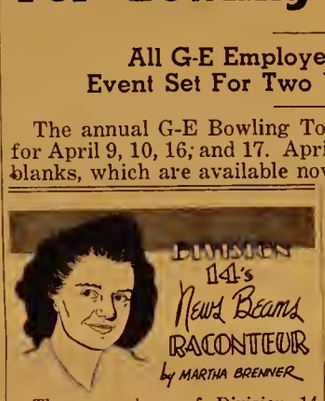
The team event will be held on Saturday, April 9 and 16, with squads at 3:30, 6:30, and 8:45 p.m. Doubles and singles will also be rolled these two Saturdays, with a squad each day at 1:30 p.m. They will also be held on Sunday, April 10 and 17, with squads at 1, 3, 5:30, and 7:30 p.m.

It will be an A.B.C. sanctioned tournament and all G-E employees and G-E Club bowlers are eligible.

Handicap will be 70% up to 1020 for teams, 420 on doubles, and 210 on singles with the maximum of 35 pins per game, per man. Eligibility will be based on each bowler's established average regardless of what alleys. Bowlers should use the highest league average of 1948. Those with no average for last year should use the highest league average as of April 1.

Bowlers can compete only once in each event.

Guaranteed first prizes are team, $85; doubles, $35; singlcs, $20, and all events (actual pins), $10. The money is being donated by the G-E Club.



The co-workers of Division 14 wish Miles Cameron a lot of good luck and loads of success in his new position. . . . Welcome, Carl Reiter, to our Division. . . . With the Sectional Tournament well under way we would like to at this time express our appreciation to the General Electric Co. for making it possible for everyone to listen to the basketball games during the past season. . . . If anyone is still wondering about the ability of the South Side team, just ask Mr. Skevington. . . . We also are wondering just why Gus Weisenburger is such an Elmhurst fan? . . . It seems Paul Smith came to work the other day with a stiff neck and the following day was absent. The next day he returned with a cut over his eye. Just what is going on, Paul? . . . Estel Grier has been strutting around with a new pipe, and Dale Irwin has been trying to find out just what kind of "cracker jack" he bought to get such a pipe. . . . Gay Huey was in an awful hurry the other morning and came in the gate on both elbows. . . . Ina Armey and Zella Sheehan would like to buy an old "Toonerville Trolley" so they can ride the last mile each morning. . . . What's this we hear about Zella Sheehan suddenly taking a liking for turnips? . . . We are told through the "grapevine" Mr. Campbell was really "off the beam" the other night. He rolled a perfect gutter ball. . . . Orville Robinson has found out his youngest boy can outdo him in wrestling. One round and Orville comes to work with a "kink" in his back. . . . Bill LaVine finally got the front door of his living room hung, and now it's so heavy he is wondering just who will help him open and close it. . . . How come Mac has changed his nickname from "Dogwood" to "Skippy Hot Spurs?" . . . Rosamond Schooley walked from the post office to Howard's for some film. How come your hubby wouldn't drive any closer to Wayne St., Rosey? . . . Marcielle Bantel has trouble on the bus after work.

Personnel-ities

by Iris Knapp



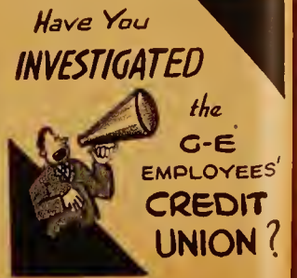
"He is a fool who cannot be angry; but he is a wise man who will not."

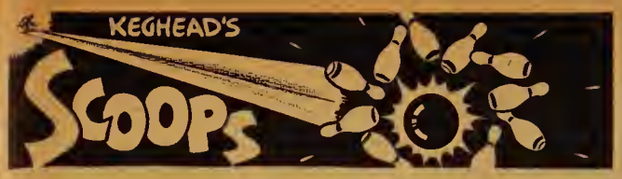
Flash! Flash! and more Flash! We have just seen a very unusual invitation. Herschel Smith has been invited to attend President Truman's Conference on Industrial Safety at Washington, D.C., during March 23, 24 and 25. Congratulations, Uncle Herschel, and when can I get a job in Washington? . . . A friendly welcome is extended to Harold Hoffman who is spending the next few days with the Personnel Division. . . . Veda Orff and Ed Cade are to be congratulated on giving their services to the Red Cross during the coming weeks. They will be instructors of First Aid Classes at St. John's Lutheran Church. By the way, these classes are open to the public for anyone over 12 years old. (Since you're interested in safety, etc., Herschel Smith, perhaps they'd make special arrangements for you.) We think Herschel deserves honorable mention here as he really helped put this project over. . . . Jean Smith has taken over some responsibility in the Elex Club organization, as she was recently appointed treasurer, succeeding Lucile Salas. . . . We're glad to have Eva Tucker of the Restaurant leading her natural life, after a pretty hard week. She was involved in a serious accident from which she escaped injury, but in which a relative of hers was less fortunate, and was hurt somewhat seriously, we understand. Sorry to hear of the bad news Eva, but we're thankful it wasn't worse. . . . Don Campbell enjoyed Thursday and Friday in Chicago last week at an Industrial Editors' Association Institute. Don tells us there were some 150 editors attending the conference, somc coming from such distances as Texas. Could you find enough entertainment during the leisure minutes, Don, or were you forced to drive into New York for evenings? . . . To be remembered on Valentine's Day is an honor, especially when the remembrance is an orchid, and more especially when it's from your husband—as was Mae Mulvane's good fortune. . . . We don't know what the Employment Office has that we don't have in Bldg. 8-2, Mr. Stauffer, unless it's that nice cozy little private office you found over there. Of course it's situated conveniently too, for "scenery," that is. . . . Marian Davies and Jean Smith are to be commended for thc part they played in making a success of the supper at the "Y" last week. . . . It is plain to see that "delegates to the United Nations should be paid salaries, as they are absolutely no good at peace-work."

G-E Bowlers Win City Titles



Two G-E men walked off with top honors recently in the City Bowling Tournament. Walter Mertz, Bldg. 26-5, won the doubles championship with his brother, Andy, left, an employee of the Tokheim Oil Tank & Pump Co. Ross Smith, Bldg. 27, at the right, won first place in the singles competition. He had a 744 total with a 105 handicap.





Orval Doherty of the Office League came through with a 602 count on scores of 210, 209 and 183 to remain in the groove. Wonder what the boys will be digging up now to show him.

The Rump boys sort of stole the show with big counts. Clarence getting 248 and Vic a 231. Other 200 counts were rolled by Bob Hanna, 201; "Barefoot" Fanning, 222 and 200; Don Waldrop, 208; Bill Piercy, 204; Paul Perry, 200; Frank Schlink, 214, and Wiley Shockney, 213.

G-E Masonic League

The Patrols are out in front with a 14-4 record. The boys really got warm Tuesday evening with sixteen 200 counts. paced by Bill's 257 and 633 total. Other 200 scores were made by May, 211; Somerville, 227; Dale, 203; Larson, 206; Martz, 233; "Sapp" Quinn, 202; Gidley, 201; J. Smith, 208; H. Smith, 200; M. Bailey, 211; Howard Hickman, 200; "Homeless" Garrett, 221 (every week since they started those pot games); Chevelier, 209; Hoelle, 202, and Bob Hickman, 213.

Small Motor League

Lowell Welker stayed in the groove getting his third straight 600 series. Lowell had games of 226, 201 and 212 for a 639 total. The Models and Production teams are tied for first this week.

Two hundred scores were rolled by Jim Daley, 237; Walt Mertz, 224 (Champion); Fletter, 221; Hinton, 221; Bill Walt, 214; Frank Gitter, 213; Paul Boedeker, 212; Erv Aumann, 212, and Kammeyer, 209.

Interdivision League

The feature of the week was the 2981 actual pin series shot by Brouwer's Screwballs on games of 1004, 987 and 990. Their total was swelled by Les Shroyer's 694 and George Luedeman's 608, Keghead's coming on games of 234, 258 and 202, and George's on counts of 197, 215 and 196.

There were plenty of 200 scores with no less than 21. They were rolled by Herb Habig, 230, and 224; Tutman, 212 and 204, "Barefoot" Fanning, 201 and 200; Andy Anderson, 233; Jerry Saylor, 220; Ivan Parrish, 218; Walt "Champ" Mertz, 216; Adam "Lazonga" Farrell, 213; "Worried" Kuntz, 209; Clarence Rump, 205; Johnson, 204; Bill Glenn, 204; Lee Crowell, 203; Bill Nickerson, 202; "Do Do" Matthews, 201; Walt Starke, 200; Don Dimke, 200, and Bainbridge, 200.

Transformer Bowling League

Teams M and Toys are out in front with six wins and no losses each. Two hundred games were kegled by Rowe, 202; Johnson, 203; Oberlin, 210; Staley, 226; Bond, 231, and Lenz, 203 and 235.

Ladies Monday Night League

Emma Vaughn came up with high series on games of 181, 189 and 171 for a 541 total.

High games were rolled by Helen Studler, 191; Vivian Fleckenstein, 187; Margaret Lepper, 181, and Esther Muzzillo, 180.

Decatur Bowling League

H. Murphy of the Monday Night League rolled a 646 series. Two hundred games were piled up by Gage, 230, and 200; Geasel, 201; Longworth, 217; Strickler, 203; Laurent, 200 and 226, and Cook, 202.

In the G-E Fraternal League high scores were rolled by Wolpert, 201; Miller, 220; Faulkner, 214 and 201; Laurent, 213; H. Murphy, 204; Lord, 201; O. Schultz, 209 and 204, and Zelt, 213.

H. Murphy and G. Laurent rolled the high series for the Mixed Doubles League with 641 and 674 totals respectively. Zelt rolled a 210 for the men while the high scores for the women are B. Faurote, 179; V. Murphy, 159; and H. Schultz, 176.

Bowling and Stuff

Don't forget those entries for the annual G-E Employees Tournament with guaranteed first prizes of team $85; Doubles, $35; Singles, $20; and all events (actual pins) $10.

It seems that the Motor Generator team brings good luck to the Screwballs as both times they have met this year, they have been hotter than a little red wagon.

High scores for those trophies are Les Shroyer, 694; Helen Wagner, 594; Orval Doherty, 219; and Tommy Williams, 247.

Let's hope we stumble onto a ghost writer for next week.



Mary Murphy really had a red ear when answering the phone in the green room. She also had a grand fall in the office. Wasn't it for the fellows, Mary? . . . We have seen Darreld Hirschfelder angry and even furious, but last Wednesday he was burned up. He neglected to read the line on a book of matches that very clearly reads, "Close Cover Before Striking." . . . By the looks of Edna Bailey's fingers, she was playing with fire too. . . . Famous last words, "The best job that ever hit G-E," by "Monroeville" Orie. . . . Hilda Vance has been taking her work seriously lately. Her husband says he doesn't mind her doing her work in the daytime, but when she works all night and keeps him awake, that's too much. . . . What next? We hear Otto Fultz has a deodorizer in his ash tray. . . . Our transformer division sure is getting modern. They even put drawers on the horses. Another of Wayne Weimer's masterpieces. . . . The girls in the green room think the valentine box was a real success. . . . Wonder where Martha Foelber and Marian Hardwick were last Monday. We don't think they had dollar day again. . . . Otto Fultz and Millie Kouder sure are some birds. . . . We hear Les Redding always manages to get a ringside seat at all the floor shows he goes to. . . . The candy lady had better sell teeth with her hard candy bars, because Johnny Byrie just can't eat them.

Basketball Team Wins Two Games

G-E Club Defeats Ind.-Mich. Elec., Wheatley Center

The G-E Club basketball team ended its losing streak last week by winning games from Indiana-Michigan Electric Co. and Wheatley Center. In the game with the I-M team, G-E came out on top, 39-12, with Bucher as top scorer for General Electric. The Club defeated Wheatley Center, 48-35. Carr was high man for G-E with 20 points, and Blanks high scorer for the Center with 16 points.

With the two wins of last week, the season record so far is 21 wins and 14 losses. There are 12 games yet to play.

The next games will be played Monday, Feb. 28, at 8 p.m. in the G-E Club against Roberts Truck Rental; and Thursday, March 3, in the Club gym, at 9:30 p.m. against the G-E Firemen.

Box Scores:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Ind.-Mich.	G.	F.	T.
Bucher	5	3	13	Kibiger	0	0	0
Davis	3	1	7	DeGr'nd C'p	0	0	0
Zimmerlee	2	1	5	Yaney	0	2	2
Gettys	4	2	10	Bailey	1	1	3
Stoup	1	0	2	Spranger	2	0	4
Lowden	1	0	2	Baumgartner	1	1	3
Junk	1	0	2				
Totals	17	7	39	Totals	4	4	12

Wheatley	G.	F.	T.	G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Babb	2	0	4	Bucher	6	1	13
McDonald	3	0	6	Carr	10	0	20
Grant	2	1	5	Davis	3	1	7
Blanks	7	2	16	Zimmerlee	1	0	2
Jennings	2	0	4	Gettys	1	0	2
				Lowden	1	0	2
				Storys	0	0	0
				Junk	1	0	2
				Schible	0	0	0
Totals	16	3	35	Totals	23	2	48

Open Bowling

EVERY SATURDAY
3 P.M. - 11 P.M.
At The
G-E CLUB



FHP got the week's games of the Interdivision Basketball League going with a 41-39 win over Taylor St. The winners, with Trabel hitting very well, piled up a big lead and then withstood a strong finish by their opponents. Taylor St., sparked by Perry Esterline, looked like an improved ball club.



Howard Schultz isn't too good with an eye dropper. We just hope that his wife doesn't ask him to put eye drops in the children's eyes. . . . We are glad to have Marvelene Butts back at her desk after a siege of illness. . . . Anytime you think that Bob Esterline is getting old you just didn't see him at the George Washington dance the other night. He has a perfect pair of feet and knows how to handle them. . . . After much time and discussion, Pres Slack has bought that new home and after this week he will be at home in Elmhurst Addition. We are all expecting an invitation to chicken dinner some Sunday soon. . . . Paul Merkey says that it isn't that he doesn't need his money but just absentmindedness that caused him to throw his check away. You want to watch that, Paul, people will say that you are getting old. . . . Jess Hahan has the most unusual washing machine. It not only washes, rinses and damp dries but also serves as a cocktail shaker and a bar. In fact that machine is so busy that it sounds like "Mr. Bones" doing "Sweet Georgia Brown."

The man with a burning ambition is seldom fired.

Manager Yentes' Tool and Die men gave their all but were no match for Winter St. and dropped a 90-21 decision. The winners were hitting from all over the floor and showed they have really pulled out of their slump. Blauvelt totaled 27 points and Beneke got 19.

The Firemen got past another tough team this week, defeating Transformer, 55-34. The Firemen took the lead in the first quarter on some nice shooting by Morkoetter and Moodie and held it all the way.

The Squares beat Small Motors, 42-34, to hold second place with a record of three wins and no defeats.

Box scores on games played Tuesday, Feb. 15:

Fractional	G.	F.	T.	Taylor St.	G.	F.	T.
Howell	1	0	2	Trott	1	1	3
Trabel	7	5	19	Grocock	0	1	1
Wilson	2	1	7	Esterline	7	3	17
Lenz	2	0	4	Reichert	2	1	7
Hower	4	1	9	Lathamer	5	1	11
Totals	17	7	41	Totals	16	7	39

Winter St.	G.	F.	T.	Tool & Die	G.	F.	T.
W. Reitdorf	6	0	12	VanOrsdale	2	0	4
Richardson	5	2	12	Trulove	2	1	5
D. Reitdorf	2	0	4	Dunlap	0	0	0
Schinbeckler	5	0	10	Staley	3	0	6
Fisher	1	0	2	Vlasheff	0	0	0
Blauvelt	11	5	27	Lucer	0	0	0
Gallmeier	2	0	4	Yentes	2	0	4
Beneke	9	1	19	Hursh	0	2	2
Totals	41	8	90	Totals	9	3	21

Box scores for games played Wednesday, Feb. 16.

Firemen	G.	F.	T.	Transformer	G.	F.	T.
Morkoetter	4	2	10	Taylor	0	0	0
Stemmler	0	4	4	Carpenter	0	2	2
Moodie	3	0	6	Kramer	2	0	4
Meyers	6	2	14	Felger	1	0	2
Baals	0	2	2	Vorile	3	0	6
Etter	3	8	14	Wherle	3	0	6
Schible	0	0	0	Jamison	1	0	2
Vance	0	0	0	Byers	0	0	0
Somers	1	2	4	King	3	2	8
Lambroff	0	1	1	Woodward	2	0	4
Totals	17	21	55	Totals	15	4	34

Squares	G.	F.	T.	Sm. Motors	G.	F.	T.
O'Keefe	4	6	14	Voors	0	1	1
Hart	2	1	5	Wickliffe	2	0	4
Robertson	1	1	3	Rosswurm	4	1	9
Rogers	5	1	11	Benz	1	0	2
Antalis	2	2	6	Kiester	2	2	6
Parent	1	1	3	Markey	5	0	10
				Drayer	1	0	2
				Neu	0	0	0
Totals	15	12	42	Totals	15	4	34

STANDINGS

TEAM	WON	LOST
Firemen	4	0
Squares	3	0
Apprentice School	3	1
Small Motors	2	2
Transformer	2	2
Winter St.	2	2
Fractional	1	3
Taylor St.	0	3
Tool & Die	0	4

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



G-E Ends Series Of Broadcasts

The Fort Wayne General Electric ended their series of G-E sponsored broadcasts of the outstanding high school basketball games last week. These broadcasts were aired over Station WANE with Dick Buckley giving the play-by-play accounts of each game.

Friday, Feb. 18, the South Side Archers dropped the Central Catholic Irish, 50-31. The next night, Central handed Concordia a 56-51 defeat.

Transformer Quartet Wins Trophy At Squares' Party



Men's voices filled the air with old songs and gay melodies during the Squares' stag party Wednesday evening, Feb. 16, at the Squares Hall. The Transformer quartet snatched the Howard Miller trophy away from their only competitors, the Works Lab quartet, in the annual Barbershop Quartet contest.

At the top left, above, are the Works Lab quartet members: Bob Etchison, Bill Skinner, Bob Drake and Marion Halleck. The judges, in the center, ponder over the abilities of both quartets. The judges include C. M. Schnieders, J. F. Formanek and F. F. Hagadorn, head judge and a representative from the local SPEBSQA. The winners, at the right, are George Culp, Paul Vance, Herb Eaton and Dick Kimball.

In the lower right picture, the Indiana Tech Glee Club entertains the crowd with its songs and leads in community singing. Varner M. Chance is its director, at the right. A comedy duet of Bob Loveland and Dick Thomas stepped forward to offer a song as an impromptu part of the program, in the center photo. At the bottom right, the Transformer quartet receives the Howard Miller trophy from Mr. Hagadorn.

HERE and THERE in BUILDING 17-4

by Maxine Baker

The ice fishermen all have a pretty long look on their faces. The balmy weather is taking away the ice. Cy Seymour will appreciate that. It seems as though Cy does not have a very good opinion of ice fishermen and claims they catch all the fish in the wintertime and he can't catch any during the summer. Oh well, it just isn't possible to catch fish in the summertime by sitting under a shade tree. . . . It's been all basketball this week with the Sectional in full swing this week-end. "Ten-frame" Herb is pulling for his Archers while "Punch-press" Reed puts his nickel on the Tigers. . . . Some of the girls in the Winding Section got some cute valentines, but now we are wishing Ed would hold his feet up higher so Clara wouldn't have to stoop so low. . . . The $64 question is "Why can't Leona keep up with Cora and Marjorie at lunch?" . . . Norb Lose has acquired a new nickname, "rabbit eye." It seems at times Norb's eyes have a pinkish tint like that of a white rabbit's eyes. This is especially noticeable on Thursday mornings. . . . The boys kicked in a few pennies for Ray Solga to buy some razor blades. He took the hint and the pennies and came in next morning with a fresh shave. (Wonder if we should help out Azar?) He hadn't better get any ideas about us taking up a collection to buy him a hair cut. . . . Lawrence Baker put some mercury on a dime, then dropped it into his pocket where it rested against his cigarette lighter. The lighter had an aluminum case and when the mercury touched the case it started a chemical action. Was he surprised when he reached in his pocket and came out with a handful of what looked to be flour but was actually an oxide of aluminum. This continued to grow out of the lighter case until it was actually three inches high. Looked very pretty too. . . . Was there a new girl in Bldg. 17-4 Monday morning? No, it was Pauline Nau. We just didn't recognize her with that new hair style. . . . Two more famous people have their birthdays in February, Esther Hakes last Tuesday and Ruby Lydy, Friday. Esther, you may have many more happy years. Ruby is also wished many happy returns, and we hope she likes that special gift. . . . Why does Jean Forst stare in the window of the 20th Century on Saturdays? Anyone having an extra flashlight case please give it to Dorothy Beasley. We'll furnish batteries for it. Maybe that will help to find her valentine. . . . Don Thomas had heartbreaking news over the phone last week. Coming back to his bench with tear stained cheeks we learned Pat had died. After well chosen words of sympathy, Don forced a smile saying, "Oh well, now we won't have to feed her, she didn't sing much anyway." It was then we found out "Pat" was the Thomas' canary! . . . Things that don't-get-told-when-we-aren't-here department: The Berdell Smiths have a charming new daughter. Congratulations from us to you.

TAYLOR MADE TOOLS

by Charlie Winans

Sooner or later a man, if he is wise, discovers that life is a mixture of good days and bad, success and failure, give and take. . . . He learns that it doesn't pay to be a sensitive soul, that he should let some things go over his head like water off a duck's back. . . . He learns that all men have burned toast for breakfast now and then, and that he shouldn't take the other fellow's grouch too seriously. . . . He learns that he who loses his temper, usually loses. He learns that carrying a chip on his shoulder is the easiest way to get into a fight. . . . He learns that the quickest way to become unpopular is to carry tales of gossip about others. He learns that it doesn't matter so much who get the credit so long as the job is done right. . . . He comes to realize that the world would run along perfectly well without him. He learns to sympathize with the young people, because he remembers how bewildered he was when he first started out on his own. . . . He learns not to worry when he loses because his experience has shown that if he gives his best, his average will break pretty well. . . . He learns that no man ever got to first base alone, and that it is only through co-operative effort that we move on to better things. He learns that folks are not any harder to get along with in one place than another and that getting along depends 98 per cent on his own behavior. . . . John Bastian brought in the above, and I thought it was worth passing on. . . . That Lyle Claphan as publicity chairman of the Northwestern Community Association sure does all right for himself as he got his picture in the paper again. . . . Paul Armstrong and Ray Bowers had John Bastian bring in his book of Hoyle so they could study up on their euchre rules, then proceeded to get skunked the first game after reading the rules. At this writing they have two legs on permanent possession of the burlap bags, three times and they win possession. . . . We are glad to see Charles Masel and Eldon Slater, a couple pensioners back greeting old friends recently. . . . While eating dinner in the cafeteria one day last week we heard someone extoling the qualities of one Bill Johnson, by name. Looking up we noticed it was Joe Matis. Of course, that's one man's opinion.



Thisa and Thata "SPECIALTY MOTOR"

by Helen Engle

Just wondering if Lavon Furnish makes a run on the Pennsy Railroad before coming to work. He wears a light blue denim engineers cap. . . . Glad to have Ruth Hive around again. She came back after helping in Bldg. 17-1 during an employee's illness. Also we have a new one in our section in the person of Opal Brayton. Ilene Case is now working at Taylor St. . . . Grace Ober and husband attended a professional hockey game over the week-end. Grace says if anyone wants to see something different and slightly on the rough side, that is it. . . . Alice Claymiller returned Monday after a few days' illness. . . . Esther Madden was beaming Monday as she showed off the pictures of her granddaughter. . . . We are very sorry to hear our division editor Helen Engle has the mumps. Go easy on those sour pickles, Helen. . . . Alva Foulks was in a bad way the first of the week: Speechless, no talkie. Diagnosis: Laryngitis. . . . Has anyone seen a horse or pony tied to a post on the floor. Echoes ring out during the day. . . . Detective J. J. Malone Castor really dug deep into case history to find the sender of his latest valentine. . . . Three of our tool makers have moved into new homes in the last week, namely Don Greenler to Getz road; Wayne Boester to E. Washington, and Richard Clancey to Sunnymead drive.

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The question "Who ought to be boss?" is like asking "Who ought to be the tenor in the quartet?" Obviously, the man who can sing tenor.

—*Henry Ford*

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$12,000 Quota Is Set For Red Cross Drive



The chairmen of the annual Red Cross campaign for the Fort Wayne Works and Winter St. plant are shown above mapping plans for the solicitation. They are, from left to right, R. L. Soughan, Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions; Robert J. Ouras, Fractional Horsepower Motor Divisions; R. W. Kent, Works Contributing and Service divisions; J. W. E. Humphrey, Winter St. plant; Dwight M. Myers, Motor and Generator division, and K. W. Michael, Works General chairman.

Leading Solicitors Meet For Kick-Off Session Wednesday

A $12,000 quota has been set for the Fort Wayne plants in its Red Cross Fund-Raising campaign, which begins Monday at the Broadway, Taylor St., and Winter St. plants.

Nearly 500 employee solicitors have been appointed to canvass the two plants in an effort to obtain 100 per cent participation of all G-E employees.

The drive will be conducted at the Decatur plant Thursday and Friday.

Hold Session Wednesday

The preliminary kick-off meeting was held Wednesday afternoon in Bldg. 8-2 for the 45 leading solicitors. Glenn Reynolds, executive director of the local Red Cross chapter, gave a short talk and presented a movie sbowing the higblights of Red Cross activities for last year.

Mimeographed sheets of instructions and information concerning the work of the local Red Cross chapter were distributed at the meeting. There is a leading solicitor for each section. All bave about 20 solicitors under them.

The $12,000 goal does not include the Company's contribution to the Red Cross.

Tbe following is a partial list of the employees wbo are solicitors for this year's campaign:

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RETENTION OF NON-COMMUNIST AFFIDAVIT CLAUSE URGED IN ANY LABOR LEGISLATION

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Following are parts of the testimony of L. R. Boulware, Vice President in charge of Employee Relations, before the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare in Washington, Feb. 17. The Committee hearings concerned the pending bill on a new labor law to replace the Taft-Hartley Act. The highlights of the testimony of President Charles E. Wilson before the Committee on the same day were published last week. Mr. Wilson read a prepared statement to the Committee in which he specified certain provisions to be included in any labor legislation that will be adequate and fair to all. Mr. Boulware described the experiences of General Electric Company in its dealings with various unions. Specific instances, under a dozen separate headings, were detailed tending to illustrate the weaknesses and the strengths of the present law.*

"General Electric Company believes that the labor law should require affidavits of "both company and union officials that they do not belong to the Communist party or to any party which plans, teaches, or advocates the use of force or violence to overthrow the Government of the United States," L. R. Boulware, Vice President in charge of Employee Relations, declared before the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, during hearings on the pending bill to supplant the Taft-Hartley Act.

Mr. Boulware placed the subject of Communism first in his testimony which was presented to the Senate Committee under 12 separate headings. The others were jurisdictional strikes, secondary boycotts, featherbedding, national emergency strikes, the closed shop, mass picketing and violence, free speech, mutual responsibility of employers and unions, political contributions, separation of the functions of advocate and judge (respecting the NLRB and the U. S. Conciliation Service), and the exemption of supervisors.

Effect Of Clause

Mr. Boulware said that in speaking for the Company's position "not only as a private employer, but as a contractor for the Atomic Energy Commission" that General

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Squares Plan Dance Tonight

The G-E Squares Club is sponsoring an open house with square dancing tonight at 8 p.m. There will be no admission charge and coaching will be provided for those who are inexperienced. Everyone is requested to wear sports clothes or hillbilly costumes. A prize will be awarded for the most appropriately costumed couple.

A three act, musical comedy starring men from the Works Lab will be staged at a Squares stag party Wednesday, March 16, at 8 p.m.

G-E Veterans Open Membership Drive

The G-E World War Veterans' Association opened its annual membership drive today. The canvass of all buildings for probable members will continue until Marcb 25.

A chief contact man has been appointed for each division, with several assistants cooperating in the larger divisions. Any employee who served in one of the armed services during either of the two world wars and was honorably discharged is eligible for membership in the association. Annual dues are 25 cents.

Memorial services are conducted by the group on Memorial Day, V-J Day, and Armistice Day. Tbe organization also sponsors two social functions during the year.

Miller Appointed To Succeed Tuttle

Summers Named Engineer, Works Laboratory



W. H. Miller



C. M. Summers

William Howard Miller has been named Assistant to Manager, Engineering, Fort Wayne Works. He succeeds V. J. Tuttle, who retired this week after 42 years of service. Claude Summers was appointed to succeed Mr. Miller as Engineer, Works Laboratory.

Mr. Miller was first employed by the Company in 1907 as a stenographer in E. A. Barnes' office.

It was through J. V. Hunter, a chemist, that Mr. Miller became interested in chemistry. When in 1912 Mr. Hunter left the Company, Mr. Miller was named in charge of the testing laboratory. Since that time Mr. Miller has built the Works Laboratory to its present status, with a staff of 90 persons at two plants. He was given tbe title of Engineer of the Works Lab in 1928, when the position was created throughout the Company.

Mr. Miller resides at 1232 W. Washington Blvd. He is a member of the American Society for Testing Material, the American Society for Metals, local chapter of the A.I.E.E., Chemical Society, Fort Wayne Engineers' Club, Kiwanis Club, Orchard Ridge Country Club, Chamber of Commerce, Izaak Walton League, General Electric Engineers, Squares and Supervisors clubs.

Joined G-E in 1927

A 1927 graduate of the University of Colorado, Mr. Summers came to the Fort Wayne Works as a test engineer in the Transformer Experimental Laboratory. The following year he was assigned to the Transformer Engineering Division as a design engineer. In

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Apprentice Alumni To Hear Address By Reid Erekson

Reid Erekson, director of tbe Fort Wayne Civic Theater, will speak at a meeting of the Apprentice Alumni Association, Tuesday, Marcb 8, at 7:30 p.m. in Kreis Stoltzenau hall.

The meeting will also include a presentation of attendance prizes, business session, and buffet lunch.

Foremen's Meeting To Feature Talks By Superintendents

"Superintendents Night" bas been planned for the Foremen's Association Wednesday, March 9, at 8 p.m. in Kreis Stoltzenau ball.

All superintendents at the Fort Wayne and Decatur plants have been invited to give brief talks.

The meeting will also feature the installation of new officers and a buffet lunch.

FORT WAYNE WORKS NEWS

Don Campbell ..... Editor

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Many Services In City, County Are Rendered By Red Cross

The services rendered during last year by the Fort Wayne-Allen County chapter have been real "Missions of Mercy" for many G-E folks. A report of the chapter's activities for last year includes:

HOME SERVICE

Each month of the past year, an average of 264 persons or families (3,169 in all) have sought help through Home Service. They have come for assistance in securing government benefits, such as family allowances, disability pay, hospitalization; or for help in getting a serviceman home because of an emergency in the family and for consultation about their personal and family problems. Both Military and Veterans Administrations have used the Home Service Department in assisting them in making decisions relative to the needs of servicemen and veterans.

During the year, 392 persons or famiiles received financial assistance totalling $6,292.79. This financial help went to veterans with service connected disabilities who were awaiting government benefits and to servicemen's families whose family allowances had been delayed.

COMMUNITY BLOOD CENTER

During the past year, 1,989 pints of life-giving blood have been made available to the Fort Wayne and Allen County hospitals. Many are known to have had their lives saved through the generosity of the citizens of Fort Wayne and Allen County in providing whole blood. The three hospitals in Fort Wayne use an average of 60 to 80 pints of blood per week for transfusions; and it is the desire of the Community Blood Program, through the Red Cross, to meet the needs of the patients by having available the right type of whole blood.

SAFETY SERVICES

Safety Services include First Aid and Water Safety. It is through the Red Cross that people are trained to save someone else's life, or perhaps their own, by having adequate knowledge on how to treat injuries or swim safely.

There have been 38 classes in First Aid, training 598 individuals how to care for injuries before the doctor arrives. Industrial classes are conducted through safety directors in the various plants, and the community has available many trained instructors to conduct classes with community groups.

It is the goal of Water Safety to "waterproof Allen County." This can only be accomplished through making available trained instructors to teach Life Saving classes. Twenty-five classes have been conducted the past year, training 229 individuals as certified life guards. Sixty-six classes have been conducted, teaching 715 individuals how to enjoy the recreation of swimming. There are 43 First Aid Instructors and 36 Water Safety Instructors who volunteer their time to make these services possible.

Safety Services have 15 trained First Aiders operating Mobile Units on the highways of Allen County and have established two First Aid Highway Stations for the protection of the traveling public.

Through the number of exhibits, events, Emergency First Aid Stations, approximately 137,615 people have in the past year been more informed of the work provided for their safety through Red Cross.

HOME NURSING

Home Nursing classes are offered to the citizens of Fort Wayne and Allen County through the Red Cross, in order that someone in each family might know the techniques necessary in caring for the sick.

This past year, there have been seven classes, training 108 individuals in how to care for the sick in their own home.

Seven Volunteer Home Nursing Instructors are available for classes when there is a request.

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

Volunteer Services of the local chapter train many people to do specific jobs for the community. The life and blood of Red Cross are its interested volunteers who, through Red Cross, render a community service. There are six services in Volunteer Service which train individuals in specific duties.

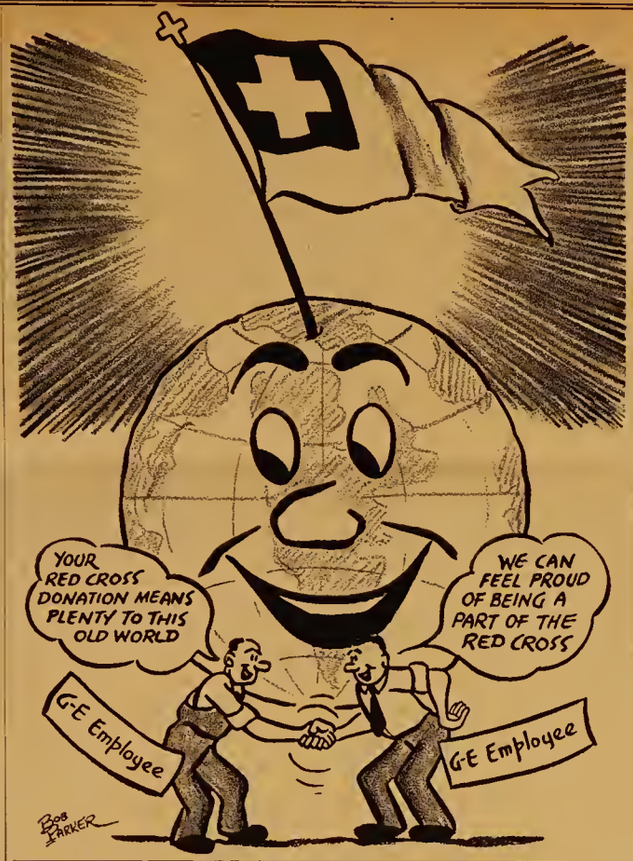
There are 97 active Nurses' Aides, with from 80 to 90 being assigned every month in the Community Blood Center, assisting the nurses with the operation of the center.

There are 50 active Staff Aides serving at the Chapter House including the Community Blood Center and other community agencies.

There are two trained Social Welfare Aide Volunteers who assist the Home Service Department in making contacts with servicemen and veterans' families.

Motor Service has 19 active members. They are scheduled each day from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., delivering blood from the Community Blood Center to the three hospitals, assist in transporting crippled children for swimming classes, and delivering dressings for the Allen County Cancer Society.

Canteen Service has 37 active members who serve at the Community Blood Center daily and are prepared to serve in event of disaster.



HUGH CRANE discusses Management—Labor In Denmark

COPENHAGEN—I dropped over here to Denmark the other day. And I still can't believe that I'm here yet. Because I said "day" and I meant one day. We left New York at noon on Friday and we were in Copenhagen at noon the next day—and we lost six hours in the bargain by flying east, so it really only took 18 hours. We went to sleep just out of Newfoundland and woke up just arriving in Scotland. It's a small world.

Miniature Country

And Denmark is a small country. You could pack its population into Manhattan and its area into Connecticut and Rhode Island. And everything is on the same scale. The average farm is 25 acres and the average automobile is a bicycle. There seem to be millions of 'em, and yesterday I saw a chimney-sweep in a top hat riding one.

But Denmark is the mighty midget of peacetime Europe. With its pint-size farms and its Tom Thumb creameries and packing plants it manages to feed itself and provide a good part of the butter and bacon for England, Germany, and even some points north and east.

And it manages to do this though the Germans, while they had their heel on the Dane, drained out nearly three billion dollars worth of food, machinery, and other things from his country for which they have never paid. Yet the Danes have been feeding, until recently, several hundred thousand German refugees, free for nothing and solely out of the goodness of their very big hearts.

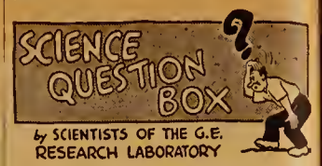
Danes Are Cooperative

How they do it is their own secret, but I think there are some fairly obvious reasons.

The first one is that they are perhaps the most democratic and cooperative people in the world.

It isn't such a bad pun to say

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by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q. Why can't I use a light motor oil in the radiator of my automobile as an anti-freeze?

A. Such a substitution is not recommended. The oil would soften the rubber gaskets and hose connections. It would be a fire hazard, for if oil leaked out it would fall on the hot engine. Furthermore, oil has a much lower heat capacity than water (or the usual anti-freeze agents) so it might not be able to carry the heat away fast enough to prevent overheating of the engine.

Q. How do insects breathe?

A. Most insects breathe through a system of tubes known as tracheae. These open at the sides of the body through valve-like structures called spiracles. Oxygen is drawn in and distributed through the tracheae, and then through finer tubes called tracheoles, to all the tissues. The same system also carries away the carbon dioxide that is formed.

Q: How far away can lightning be seen?

A: It is hard to give any definite figures, as visibility would be limited by the curvature of the Earth and the type of terrain over which one observes. In general, 15 miles would probably be the limit for strokes from clouds to the ground. So-called "heat lightning," which consists of distant strokes between clouds, might be visible up to 20 miles or more.

Meet the President



Hugh Crane

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that you can see how cooperative they are from the number of cooperatives they have. The country is full of them. They have cooperative creameries, cooperative farm machinery unions, cooperative stores and coopcrative factories. They seem to know how to work together.

And they carry this cooperation into their international affairs. I asked one of them, "How can you people even mention the Germans without loathing after what they did to you?" and he said, "We have to trade with them to live." And as for cooperating with the United States and the Marshall Plan, they fall all over themselves to be reasonable and to see that what they get goes where it will do the most good.

Respect Capital, Labor

Another evidence of their cooperative ways is the relation between capital and labor. The first night we were here we were the guests of the Chamber of Commerce, the second night of the Central Trades Union Council. And the labor men spoke nearly as good English as the business men. In the United States travelling groups of newspaper men don't often get entertained by the local labor people; the Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club monopolize them. But when some of us asked "How come?" the Danes said, "Well, you see, in our country management and the union people cooperate." And they gave us a book and an armful of pamphlets to prove it.

The economic troubles of the hard-working Danes are a good illustration of what ails Europe and what the Marshall Plan is all about.

The first trouble is of course what the Germans did to everybody before their goose was cooked.

But the trouble now and from here on is trade and currency trouble.

In the old days the Danes used to buy feed for their cows and pigs from this country, make it into butter and bacon, sell the butter and bacon to England and Germany, and then use the pounds and marks they got for it to pay us and buy more feed.

System Isn't Working

But today they can't make this system work again. They keep on selling as much butter and bacon to their neighbor countries as they can get feed for, but the money they get isn't convertible into dollars. So we're loaning and granting them the dollars, to build up their herds and droves and barns and creameries and packing plants: and that's what they're using it for. But they can't sell the resulting butter and bacon to us, and when they sell it to the "soft currency" countries the money they get is frozen and they can't buy either dollars or feed or machinery with it.

One partial solution would be for us to lower our tariffs. A bigger help would be for Denmark's neighbors to give up some of their tariffs, quotas, currency restrictions, and government red tape. But the more we "journalists" (as they call us here) look into this thing, the more complicated it seems to get.

New Appointments Announced In FHP Financial Sections



M. R. Cameron

M. R. Cameron has been made Assistant to the Supervisor of Cost, Fractional Horsepower Motor Divisions.

Mr. Cameron began working for General Electric in 1936 as an assembler in Bldg. 4-2. In the spring of 1937 he transferred to the Cost Section of FHP Motor Division 15. In 1943 he became a cost leader on billing and detail in Bldg. 2-3. Prior to his recent appointment Mr. Cameron was Supervisor of Cost, FHP Motor Division 14.

He is married and has two daughters. The Camerons live at 1316 Morton St. His hobbies are fishing and target shooting.



C. W. Reiter

C. W. Reiter has been appointed Supervisor of Cost, FHP Motor Division 14.

Mr. Reiter began at G-E in August, 1943, as a member of the Internal Auditing staff in Bldg. 18-3. He was then transferred to Bldg. 17-1, where he was Supervisor of Cost in FHP Motor Divisions 19 and 20, the position he held previous to his recent appointment.

Interested in sports, he especially enjoys softball, baseball, fishing and golf. Mr. Reiter is married, and has two daughters and a son. They live at 1318 Park Ave.



V. G. Hartman

V. G. Hartman, has been named Supervisor of Cost, Fractional Horsepower Motor Divisions 19 and 20.

Beginning work for General Electric in 1943, Mr. Hartman first worked as a cost statistician in the Power Drive Division at Winter St. He then became a termination cost auditor at the Taylor St. plant in 1945. In 1946, Mr. Hartman was sent to the Tiffin plant as a cost clerk. He was appointed Supervisor of Cost at that plant. He returned to Fort Wayne this month to take over his new duties.

Mr. Hartman is single and resides at 622 E. Wayne St. His hobby is model railroading.

126 Pensioners Get Benefits Under Hospitalization Plan

Payment In First 15 Weeks Total $9,185 Under Experimental Plan To Help Retired Employees Meet Their Hospital Expenses

Financial aid for an aggregate of 1,636 days of hospitalization for 126 pensioners during the first 15 weeks' operation of the G-E Pensioners Hospitalization Plan was announced this week by William W. Trench, Chairman of the Pension Board.

A preliminary report on the experimental plan placed into operation last September shows benefits amounting to $9,185 paid out through Dec. 31.

Receiving benefits under the new plan were pensioners from: Schenectady Works, Pittsfield Works, Lynn River Works, Fort Wayne Works, Bloomfield Works, Erie Works, the Lamp, Chemical and Appliance and Merchandise Departments, Apparatus (General Office), Tube Division (Schenectady), General Office Administrative, the New England, Central and Pacific districts, G-E X-Ray Corp., Maqua Co., G-E Supply Corp., International General Electric, Locke, Inc., and Tumbull Electric Manufacturing Company.

Of the total pensioners benefiting under the plan, 118 were men and the remaining eight were women.

The G-E Pensioners Hospitalization Plan provides, wholly without cost to the pensioner, $5 for each day he is a bed patient in a hospital and $25 for special services. The $25 for special services is applicable to each separate admission to a hospital, even though the pensioner may not be a bed patient.

In his announcement of establishment of the plan last Fall, President Wilson said benefits for any one pensioner are limited to a maximum of $250 during the pensioner's lifetime. At the same time, he also pointed out that the plan "is intended to be temporary, instituted with the understanding that attempts will be made to have Mutual Benefit associations and insurance companies establish arrangements to provide pensioned employees with hospitalization insurance."

Careful records are being compiled by the Company to determine costs covering this older age group, lack of such data having stalled development of plans in the past.

Approximately 7,500 on pension and eligible for benefits were notified of the plan's adoption last Fall.

Miller Appointed

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1931 he transferred to the Works Laboratory in the electrical section, and in 1944 became Section Engineer. Since 1945 he has been Assistant Works Laboratory Engineer.

Mr. Summers is a member of the Exchange Club, has held all offices in the local chapter of the A.I.E.E., was secretary of the Fort Wayne Engineers' Club, and is a member of the G-E Squares Club. He has delved into the study of atomic engineering, having given nearly 65 lectures with the showing of a film, "Operation Crossroads." He also has prepared and presented numerous papers on subjects pertaining to mathematics and non-linear circuits at A.I.E.E. conventions.

He lives on the Washington road, is married, and has three children.

Mr. Miller and Mr. Summers have sponsored and were the creators of the "House of Wonders," which has been presented to many civic, social, church and school groups throughout the area. The show is similar to the Company's "House of Magic."

WHAT'S NEW IN PLANTS & LABS

A G-E (KXI) transformer and a G-E tube (CRT 1-2) provide the source of the x-rays used with a new x-ray movie apparatus that is believed to hold great promise for clinical use in many fields, as well as for medical education, according to the Department of Radiology of the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry. Up to now cumbersome equipment, slow lens and screen and unsatisfactory film emulsion have handicapped effectiveness of x-ray movies. The new apparatus limits the amount of x-ray dosage by diaphragming the x-ray beam to cover the part of the patient that is under study and synchronizing the x-ray output with the camera movement so that the patient receives radiation only when the film is being exposed. Among the several advantages of the new apparatus to medical science is that it affords a permanent record of rapidly moving body activities, such as swallowing, joint motion as in arthritis, the movement of an x-ray opaque contrast medium through the arteries and veins, heart motion, and many other uses.

An X-ray device designed to measure the tetraethyl lead content of gasoline now is being used to control the amount of unpleasant odor introduced into natural gas to protect housewives and industrial workers. The odor in the gas makes it possible for nearby persons to notice any leak in a natural gas line before it becomes dangerous. The smell comes from sulphur compounds known chemically as mercaptans, which scientists have found are the chief contributor to the smell from an irate skunk. The development is made possible through the use of an "X-ray photometer" devised by G-E engineers several years ago.

SCHENECTADY — A high-intensity runway lighting system now being installed on the runway at the Albany Municipal Airport will make the local airport one of the safest fields in the country. The new 20-kilowatt constant current system, including brightness control, will make possible landings in weather conditions as severe as one-eighth mile visibility and ceiling zero, according to G-E engineers who designed the control system. The new elevated lights (making obsolete former lighting flush with the ground) are effective even under severe snow conditions. Improvements in lighting are expected to eliminate at least 90 per cent of all bad-weather flight cancellations.

Red Cross Drive

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Robert J. Duras is chairman of the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, which have a goal of $4,900:

DIVISION 10

H. J. Murphy, leading solicitor; F. B. Thomas, and W. C. Kruekeberg.

DIVISION 12

Arnold Bowers, leading solicitor; Dorothy Lisius, Pat Holmes, Marilyn Miller, and Virginia Stoner.

DIVISION 13

R. O. Dunfee leading solicitor; J. Turley, V. Davidson, A. Ufheil, M. Bledsoe, R. Merchant, E. Fischer, E. Roembke, R. Shinn, F. Bunnell, L. Wolf, H. Bubb, I. Romey, R. Fuller, P. Hille, A. Lindenberg, F. Erickson, C. Winans, R. Shirey, N. Bell, and L. Rickert.

DIVISION 16

Herb Koch, leading solicitor; Marvelene Butts, Dorothy Askren, Florence Knight, Joan Seery, Wilhelmina Beeth, Leota Hollis, Madaline Briggs, Jessie Rogers, Irene Blank, Lorene Buuck, Henry Pliett, Harry Rinker, Herb Lemmel, Jay Ripps, Herb Hailey, Lee Shanabarger, Eileen Foor, Melvin Cools, Don Myers, and Ross Domer.

DIVISION 17

L. A. Shattuck, leading solicitor; Warren Hawley, Roy Orr, Maxine Luker, Olka Johnson, Ruby Stoops, Martha Keokuk, Dorothy Richards, Anna Cook, Marion Ballinger, Robert Boone, Harry Slater, Wilfred Yant, Louise Sinn, Glenn Miller, Dorothy Heinzelmann, Thelma Stapleton, Mildred Snyder, Helen Orr, Betty Boidt, Virgil France, Dorothy Hart, Denver Coolman, and Harold Walters.

DIVISION 19 & 20

V. Hartman, leading solicitor; C. Gebhart, P. Waters, T. Kundred, E. Riley, C. Combs, C. Henricks, H. Tons, J. Miles, D. Mosier, C. Hosier, E. Lallak, C. Fryer, D. Sanith, B. Neuman, L. Pion, V. Brumbaugh, W. Henricks, L. Hesse, H. Wengert, R. Stanger, C. Hazen, W. Davis, and P. Jeffries.

DIVISION 33

E. G. Stock, leading solicitor; B. E. Jacobs, L. R. Baker, R. J. Noll, E. D. Stauffer, W. Richardson, and C. B. Crankshaw.

DIVISION 83

Jane Winebrenner, leading solicitor; Judy Clark, Lydia Swift, and Lela Omspach.

DIVISION 1

Everett Lindeman, leading solicitor; Russel Rose, George Allen, William Tennyson, Phillip Zimmerman, William Dinkel, Hilda Seiler, Margaret Hilgeman, Gilbert Walker, Dillon Kable, Lorinda Beyerlein, Ervin Zollinger, Richard Clancy, John Pumphery, Lester Hubbard, William Schultz, Ann Immel, and Robert Garrison.

DIVISION 14

Carl W. Reiter, leading solicitor; Virginia Plummer, Ivan Osterman, Mary Louise Smiley, Russel Johnson, Mearl Dukes, Howard Poorman, Catherine Auker, Anna Johnson, Carl Hemsoth, L. Green, Lottie McFarland, George Angle, John Wilson, Robert Crosley, Theodore Kitchen, Virgil Hammons, and August Weisenburger.

FHP COMMERCIAL

C. J. Monroe is the leading solicitor.

DIVISION 15

C. H. Curtis, leading solicitor; Ray Dotzer, Fred Schaaf, Roy Berdieman, Elaine Sutter, Sam Buckley, Mary Stewart, Virginia Gebbart, Paul Kennerk, Harry Anderson, Ray Lepper, Joan Hartwig, Cecelia Horstman, Herbert Cook, Charlotte Clover, Herbert Landstoffer, Lloyd Covault, Joan Meyer, Harold Struver, and Willard Ropa.

Ray Soughan is chairman of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, which have a quota of $1,900:

DIVISION 91

E. Bobay, leading solicitor; J. Hughes, P. Noffze, H. Habig, G. Schafer, J. McMaken, C. Tuttle, L. Haller, and Margaret Taylor.

DIVISION 93

M. Reynolds, leading solicitor; M. Reed, G. Kummerant, W. Nickerson, H. Scott, M. Hasiup, C. Schwartz, E. Armstrong, D. Hirschhiei, Pat Lahr, and R. McKinney.

DIVISION 94

P. Gressley, leading solicitor; P. Borkenstein, N. Spencer, R. James, R. Horstman, R. Onstatt, M. Ely, M. Fawcett, and T. Lauterberg.

DIVISION 95

W. Mills, leading solicitor; A. Miller, G. Bolyard, H. Bennett, E. Miller, R. Wibel, W. Gordon, and Eva Hickman.

OFFICE

Commercial—Ann Rastetter is the leading solicitor.

Financial—R. L. Soughan, leading solicitor; V. O'Neill, and Bob Williams.

Manufarturing General—D. Bartholomew, leading solicitor; V. Winegart, and E. Parkison.

Engineering and Drafting—G. Wagner, leading solicitor; W. Miller, R. Henry, B. Dolson, and G. Doolittle.

D. M. Myers is chairman of the Motor and Generator Divisions, which have a goal of $1,100:

Joe Burton, Chalmer Steele, Stanley Amstutz, and C. Ariand Werker are the leading solicitors. The other solicitors include J. Formanek, Jack Newton, Ray Weese, Fred McIntyre, Maurice Cook, Al Nahrwold, Ray Prince, Leo Christle, Orville Gambie, John Butler, Jr., John Hoelle, Al Adams, Joe Dahman, Paul Walker, Jake Mattes, Francis McBride, W. Wickliffe, and E. Kahlenbeck.

R. W. Kent is chairman of the Works Service and Contrihuting divisions, which have a combined quota of $3,200:

DIVISION 40

F. R. Somers, leading solicitor; J. Bendel, W. Morebous, D. Lawson, C. McClure, H. Stirlen, H. Steinbacher, J. Birchmeyer, C. Campbell, J. Storer, L. Dove, C. Scheiman, A. Lantz, C. Dunifon, L. Woodward, R. Pierson, H. Dewart, T. Raypole, D. Mumma, H. Tucker, A. Beck, E. Ream, J. Niedermeyer, R. Kreigh, R. Wilkinson, and V. Kline.

Power House—C. Gelier, J. Banks, and C. Blair.

Plant Protection—G. Crouse, H. Gooley, C. Bartaway, and J. Gutermuth.

Plant Engineering—A. Frank and F. Bendel.

General Service at Tayior St.—E. Reed, A. Pranger, W. Chaney, C. Banks, and H. Markley.

PRODUCTION

Frank Goetz and George Welker, leading solicitors; Carol Levy, Phyllis Grace, Paul Kiege, Carl Oberwitte, Joe Hambrock, William Kline, Robert Whonsetier, Frank Yarman, Douglas Blessing, George Jones, Fred DeVillbiss, and Ward Staley.

GENERAL TOOL

H. C. Foreman, leading solicitor; H. Buell, W. Fruechtenict, R. Zimmerman, J. Dennis, J. Schemehorn, A. Webur, C. Weideman, H. Nagel, A. Weigand, G. Houser, R. Trueiove, E. Sauerwein, P. Brinkroeger, P. Richter, R. Schafer, J. McFeeley, P. Bauman, F. Druhot, and L. Welker.

The leading solicitors in the otber sections include:

Technical Service—Herman Kappel and Patricia Olinger.

Works Laboratory—Martha Wesner.

Personnel—Iris Knapp.

Employment—Helen Rose.

Dispensary—Minnie Fryback.

G-E Club—Hazel O'Brien.

Tayior St. Cafeteria—Charles Sawyer.

Broadway Cafeteria—Clara Linderman.

Financial—Ruth Fritz.

Wire and Insulation—Jim Gargett.

Wage Rate Produrt Quality—Joan Miller.

Apprentice Schooi—Richard Sieboid.

Administration—Vivian Bond.

WINTER ST. PLANT

W. C. Guelzo is the campaign chairman of the Winter St. plant, which has a goal of $900:

The leading solicitors include Anthony Hancher and Rudoiph Brown, Bldg. 8; W. C. Bock, Engineering; Art Slane, Fairfield, and Joe Carrier, John Fletter, Don Traster, and Art Bienz, Factory.

Tuttle Retires After 42 Years



V. J. Tuttle retired Tuesday after 42 years of service. Last Friday he was honored with a luncheon by his former associates from the Motor and Generator Engineering Division. Then Monday he again was given a luncheon by a group of engineers from the Works Service and Product Divisions. Seated in the above picture, which was taken at the Monday luncheon, are J. J. Clarkson, W. B. Kruse, Mr. Tuttle, P. S. Stough, and R. G. Irish from Schenectady. Standing are G. R. Lindemuth, L. A. March, M. L. Schmidt, C. W. Kronmiller, C. A. Ellis, C. W. Leegard of Winter St., W. Howard Miller and W. H. Sunier.



"Many a man wouldn't mind his wife having the last word if she wouldn't go on repeating it."

The Personnel Division is very sorry to lose Val Miller to the Office Methods Division in Bldg. 18-4. However, we do hope you enjoy your work along that line, Mr. Miller, and give you our very best wishes. . . . Also stepping out of the picture was Ruth Dingman, T. E., who has been on assignment in our division for a few weeks. She has returned to Schenectady for future assignment. It was fun knowing you, Ruth. . . . Ed Witte always seems to know the right people at the right time. Not mentioning names, of course, an acquaintance came in real handy last week when Ed received a parking ticket. As he decided later, though, Ed may as well have paid the fee, because said acquaintance accepted a token of appreciation at Tooie's. That is, he has accepted if Ed will keep his word and take the fellow out. . . . From all reports, G-E was well represented at the Sports Show Sunday afternoon. . . . The Elex Club wishes to announce that they have received a new shipment of Everyday Cards and that wonderful jello they sell. . . . Our globe-trotter has accomplished his aim for the week. This time it's Louisville, Ky., for Himself Smith. He will preside over the National Safety Council, Power Press Section. Mammoth Cave doesn't open for a few weeks, for your information, Herschel. You should have tried New Orleans with the Mardi Gras about now, hmmm? . . . With a very serious thought, we are approaching another year for doing our part to our neighbors and friends, and even relatives, perhaps, by our contributions to the Red Cross. When your solicitor gives you your opportunity, he is not asking for your "hard earned" money for charity, hut is asking if you'd like to help an unfortunate family or group of families get back on their feet so they can help themselves and their community. If you helieve in this, you'll huy your share in the Red Cross, gladly.





If you want information on the "latest" equipment to use for washing windows at home, just ask "Oschy" Ochsenrider. . . . Mart Reinking really enjoyed his visit with Cliff Pond last week-end. No wonder—Cliff paid all of the expenses, plus—. . . . Joe Weher recently had a slight mishap with his new Olds. Joe, you'd hetter keep your mind on your driving. . . . One fellow who really hates to see the basketball season come to a close is Charlie Omlor. He wonders what excuse he is going to use to get out with the gang. . . . The latest news from Russ Weldy is encouraging. Russ has shown some recent improvement at the Vet Hospital in Indianapolis. . . . Doris Shaffer, of Bldg. 2, is on the sick list. Hurry, hack Doris, we miss you. . . . The condition of Eileen Reed, who has been seriously ill, is reported as somewhat improved, but still serious. We thank those employees who so generously contributed hlood to help Eileen through a recent crisis. . . . We are happy to see Lydia Lehrman hack at work after a few days of illness. . . . Everyone was very pleased to see Bob Houser the other day when he stopped in at the office to say "hello" to his many friends. . . . As you all know, the main topic of discussion at the present time is—you guessed it—basketball. Some of the remarks you hear are—"Now, how did he get a ticket?" "Who do you think is going to win this year?" "Do you know of anyone who has an extra ticket for the game?" "Are you going to the game?" . . . George Buckley is very proud of the basketball announcer, Dick Buckley, who is giving us a play by play description of the game over WANE, since he is none other than George's son. . . . We understand Joan Liechty really took quite a "razzing" about her team. . . . It seems Lew Gossman was very unhappy about his favorite team. Cheer up, Lew, better days are coming. . . . Get a load of this, and we understand it costs you 50 cents a look. Lohnas McIntosh is the proud owner of a Packard. That's right, we said a Packard.

Labor Legislation

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Electric considers the non-Communist affidavit clause in the present law influential in stirring union membership to combat Communist domination in their unions.

Senator Taft, Committee member and co-author of the present law, asked for instances where the non-Communist provision had any specific effect.

In answer, Mr. Boulware related the Atomic Energy Commission's action last Fall in directing General Electric not to recognize the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America, CIO (UE) as the bargaining representative of any persons on atomic energy work at the Knolls Atomic Power Lahoratory, Schenectady, N. Y.

Cites Some Progress

The directives of the Atomic Energy Commission were made part of the records of the hearings. In response to further questioning, Mr. Boulware replied:

"We believe we see, at various places, some examples of members in unions having been aided—by the non-Communist affidavit requirement—in making progress towards hetter local and top leadership in their unions.

"Certainly, the very wonder by union members at some officials' refusal to sign has led to a great deal of new local consideration of the national problem. In a great many cases they have elected new officers where the determining factor seemed to be the belief of the membership that it would be getting new leadership with less Communist taint or certainly with less public suspicion of that taint.

"I strongly urge that the non-Communist affidavit requirement be extended to all union officials from top officers to stewards and, in order to prevent circumvention, to all paid representatives of the unions—and likewise to all corporate officials and company representatives who meet them in hargaining. The employer should he expressly excused from dealing with the representatives of a union which has not met these non-Communist affidavit requirements, as well as those about filing of financial and other information."

Offers Press Reports

Queried as to instances of internal union struggles surrounding the Communist question, Mr. Boulware referred to published reports in the press of anti-Communist action of union members in several cities. He presented to the Committee photostatic copies of newspaper stories on revolts of locals against alleged Communist domination in such cities as Pittsburgh, Lima, Ohio, and Fairmont, West Virginia. In addition, he referred to other internal union struggles over the Communist question in Schenectady, Fort Wayne, Pittsfield, and Dayton.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

Nearly every person in Indiana was either seeing or listening to the basketball games over the week-end. It was quite a surprise when Central came through winning the sectionals. There were many people who were made glad and some sad such as Bill Gepfert who has a small lake in his field from his tears. I also understand that you can't get near Monroeville unless you have a row boat. Well, so much for the ball game this week. . . . It seems the office force at the west end of Bldg. 26-1 were glad to see Roe Ormiston leave only because now they have more room to hang their coats. . . . Bill Holloway seems to be having a little bad luck lately, as he lost another one of his wild bets on the North and South game. . . . Adam L. Ragon was disappointed because he did not get his name in the paper with the rest of the fellows last week. I am sorry, but for once Ragon was speechless. It just didn't seem like he was there. I also missed Wilber Shaffer, who was there with his wife and was very quiet. . . . Al Campton is well on his way to the nut house as he is now cutting out paper dolls. . . . Everyone would like to know what McConnehey is doing with all the coffee pots he is buying, but he won't talk. . . . I see Sam Macy left the family home again last Friday. He must still be blaming them for his bad bowling. . . . One of our boys in the punch press section has been taking a few hard knocks on his head recently, so the rest of the gang are going to pass the hat and buy this fine gentleman a football helmet to wear while he works. We're speaking, of course, of John Laymon, Sr., and figure that this rates publicity because at least John has been using his head for something. . . . Ted Mullen has had his desk located in a queer spot in Bldg. 26-1. We're just wondering why he was evicted from the big office. Was it because he didn't pay his rent or was it because he couldn't get along with our office girls? . . . Caryl O. Tuttle, more commonly known as King Tut, bought several one dozen egg cartons because he can only count to 10. He knows when the box is full he has a dozen, and doesn't want to give any extra ones away. . . . We're just wondering if Bob Bunyan is still holding down the job as custodian downtown. It was reported a couple of weeks ago that he was seen in one of our local night spots mopping up the floor with his top coat. . . . Someone must have robbed the Uniondale stage coach a short time ago, and no doubt there was some mail destroyed. At least 25 valentines that were on their way to Gerald Crum came up missing. . . . Robert "Minnie" Mennewisch certainly had a beautiful attendance record for the month of February. That is until one day last week when he awoke at home only to find an over-heated furnace. We can't quite figure out which is the best excuse, an overheated furnace or water in the basement. . . . On behalf of myself and Div. 91 I would like to extend our deepest sympathy to Arnold Creed upon the death of his father.

Honored At Time Of Retirement



Lillian Brandenberry recently left FHP Motor Division 17 on retirement. Her co-workers presented her with several going-away gifts on her last day. Attending the presentation are, left to right: Dorothy Weiler, B. B. Gausepohl, Laura Adams, Francis Walker, Marguerite Stahl, Alice George, Geraldine Fry, Lillian Brandenberry, Elinor Laux, Bernadine Warner, Selma Voigt, Clyde Helms, Ralph Hare and Ruby Stoops.



Who said spring is coming? From the look of the snow Monday it could be winter is coming. Oh well, the calendar says only 15 days 'till spring. Let's hope it is right. . . . We send all our speedy recovery wishes to Bob Coen and hope by the time this is in print he will be back with us. . . . No one could have caused any more "hunger pains" than Marian did with her cook books. Those pictures didn't help a bit. . . . "Speed" Seymour finally adjusted all the gadgets on his car carefully, and with the help of a strong tail wind, reached a speed of 50 miles an hour. This was all accomplished at a very inopportune time as the law was watching him! Result was "Speed" said, "Good morning, Judge," and hoped for the best. . . .

Cy Seymour has a Ford
He claims it's very fast
But if the Chevy had not pushed it
He would have come in last
(He came in last anyway.)

Robert Short brought his students through the section one evening last week to show them the mysteries of testing. He is an instructor in the Apprentice School in Practical Electricity. The men on first shift were disappointed that they, too, didn't get to see the tour. . . . Last Saturday five ice fishermen from our floor started out in quest of the elusive bluegill. They finally came to a lake where they had to use a rowboat to get out where the ice was safe! The row boat was in two sections and both sections leaked. Using their spud bars for oars, they all finally reached safe ice. Washington crossing the Delaware would have looked like a boy scout next to these fishermen. Tony "Hotfoot" Miller, having previously broken all his own equipment, knocked Don Kruse's lantern over and broke both mantels so he couldn't see when he got a bite. When they were ready to leave the lake long after midnight "Hotfoot" decided he didn't care for another boat ride and decided to walk off at another place. The ice broke and "Hotfoot" got a cold foot causing him to stay in bed two days. Don got home about 3 o'clock, silently entered the house, took the fish barometer (which showed them to be biting good) off the wall and threw it out the window. Then he went out to the garage, chased the dog out, laid down and went to sleep! . . . Hoosier Hysteria (basketball, to you) is really in full swing now and until the final gun on the last State game, this madness will claim the state. By the way, who is your favorite? . . . We wish to extend to Betty Rygowski our deep sympathy in the death of her father-in-law. . . . Ruth Baker looked real chipper Monday. Glad to see you back. Be sure to stay well now.



They'll Do It Every Time. Monday eve there was a great flurry of excitement around office 4, as the word spread that the painters were paying a visit that night. The last 15 minutes of the day—which is usually spent in putting on hats and coats—was spent in cleaning off everyone's desk in anticipation of the great event. As the last bus pulled away from the Broadway entrance, each desk in the office was as bare as the small of Burlesque Queen's back. And so passed the night. Tuesday morning, our little hearts pounding with expectation, we came to work. Were all the walls a new hue? Yep—all the walls of P. M. Staehle's inner office! . . . Letter to Sam Jefferies. Dear Sam: With your exodus, our reading audience has dropped 11 per cent during the past three weeks. That's bad, but, even worse is the fact that with your leaving, both Avanel and Ann have lost 100 per cent of their chances of getting a date in the office! What a blow that must be— particularly to Avanel. Who can she chase now? Seriously, Sam, you've been a grand sport, and we'll miss you. The best of luck in your new assignment.



Those cigars Ray O'Brien smokes are so strong they could stand by themselves. . . . Last Thursday was Alice Claymiller's birthday. Thanks for the lovely cake. . . . We also wish Eleanor Whitehouse, Thelma Weps and Ray Soest happy birthdays. . . . Everything was a hurry, scurry for Erma Huhn last Tuesday after work. She took all the short cuts to the post office to pay her taxes. She rang for the elevator, but no response. A gentleman politely told her it was closed for George Washington's birthday. Better luck next time. . . . Olive Adams had several of her choppers pulled over the week-end. Now she won't be able to snap up any more bargains. It takes more than choppers. . . . They say Henry Wiegmann had to butcher two extra hogs this year so he could have enough pig tails and liver to go around. . . . Ray Snyder says the song, "Am I Blue," will be first on the hit parade next week. . . . The people out in the north end of town think Gilbert Walker makes the nicest paper boy. He gets tips from the customers all during the year. He is now thinking of extending his route west of town. . . . Lorinda Beyerlein's trick umbrella must have lost its magic spell by the looks of it last week. She had to finish her trip home in the rain. . . . Say, Elmer, how about your help in test? Does it make your work go faster that you have more help and better? . . . Ed Boedeker would a stick help keep your eyes open? How about a little more shut-eye? . . . Anyone who would like to book a good basketball team should see Ponda in Bldg. 4-3 test. We hear he is going to have a real team. How about it, Pondo? Let us in on it. . . . Emily Merman has her cottage engaged for her vacation. Don't be surprised if she comes in and says she has her worm supply also. . . . One look, left hand, third finger, you will see a lovely diamond on Wilma Krebs. Congratulations and good luck.



Now that the Sectional Tournament is over and those of us who fell by the wayside with our favorites can sit back and relax or try to pick a winner from the survivors. . . . There are two ex-Coesse players in our group, Ralph Solt and Bob Maggart, who were rightfully proud of the showing their home team made this year. Thanks too for the congratulations to Don Weinman of the New Haven Bulldags, who many of you thought was my son, Billy. I thought too, that the commentator's pronuncitation sounded like "Winans," but I'll see that Don gets your congratulations. . . . On the last ice fishing trip by the boys from our group, Bob Repine sat on the shore for an hour letting Bill Johnson and Louie Watt get a good start (or was it because you were afraid of the tbin ice, Bob?) Anyway Bob was trying for his tenth bass when the boys checked to see how he was doing and then told him the bag limit had been changed to six about 20 years ago. . . . Friday, Bob was telling the boys about someone going up north in Michigan where there was still ice. When someone said, "Yes, if you go up to the Klondike you would find ice yet," and Bob said, "Tbat's it. That's where they were going." . . . Gurney Lindley is now in another sales game. This time it is clothes pins. . . . Paul Boedeker is very quiet about his ability as a bowler since Mrs. B. placed twice in the city tournament, and became so excited she not only brought home the bacon but a bowling ball that belonged to someone else. . . . Ray Bowers and Paul Armstrong will now have to furnish a new trophy for the euchre games as they now have permanent possession of the burlap bags, by virtue of three successive skunks. Armstrong also came out second best with Richard Nix in putting permanent waves in his car fender last week. . . . Two weeks ago Chief Butch Vegalues called all his boys in blue together and instructed them to see that every employee was given a copy of the WORKS NEWS with a reminder to be sure to look at the pictures on page seven (two of them were Butch). This was the reason for the courteous news service Friday. Congratulations, Butch, that was a job well done. . . . Ted Warner is again back on the job after an extended leave. Glad to see you back, Ted. . . . George Lambroff has a very difficult job of keeping his mind on his work from 12:15 to 12:45 as a certain person goes to lunch at that time. Remember, George, faint beart never won fair lady. . . . Thanks too for the pat on the back or the bouquet of roses from the anonymous reader.

Most conventions seem to be held so that they can set the date for the next convention.

G-E Displays Products At Exhibits In Chicago



Pictured above is the G-E display booth at the Ninth International Heating and Ventilating Exposition in Chicago. In the foreground is an operating display of ignition transformers built by the Specialty Transformer and Ballasts divisions in Bldg. 26-2. These units provide 10,000 volts of power to ignite the fuel oil in an oil burner. This display consists of a rotating turntable upon which the new SM transformers are resting, and a monogram encased in plexiglas, to which attention is drawn by a stream of electric arcs at each end of the monogram. Directly behind this display is that of the Fractional Horsepower Motors divisions, which featured a complete line of motors for heating and ventilating applications. Integral horsepower motors stressed the Tri-Clad story and featured a cutaway gear motor and the totally enclosed, fan-cooled plastic model in operation. Control items included the new CR7006 and 7008 starters, push buttons and small manual starters. Motors for coal stokers, oil burners, fans and blowers, and air circulators are shown in the upper, right-hand corner. The bulletin-bar, left foreground, made it convenient for customers to obtain informational bulletins on products displayed.

Fort Wayne General Electric was represented by a display of products at the Ninth International Heating and Ventilating Exposition held recently at the International Amphitheater in Chicago.

The show, under the auspices of the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers, was held in conjunction with their fifty-fifth annual meeting. Technical sessions were held at the Hotel Stevens throughout the show period, as well as over the week-end preceding the opening of the exposition.

More than 300 exhibitors participated in this show, displaying products ranging from fire brick through oil burners and air conditioners, to large stationary boilers. The show was attended by more than 25,000 manufacturers, distributors, dealers, engineers and architects. The exposition was closed to the general public.

Personnel of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Sales division, at the exhibit to discuss application problems presented by the customers, were P. H. Breimeier, M. W. Edgar, H. E. Priwer, C. J. Monroe, R. A. Thompson, J. F. Stenberg and W. F. Brunner. J. P. Coughlin, Frank Ondrovik and H. A. Dolson represented the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions.

Tanks To You From Plating-Two

By Marie Lantz

Some of our platers are now known as the "eager beavers." Last Saturday, Bill Walt organized a group of our men to undertake a Boy Scout project at Camp Big Island, Rome City. Among those who harkened to his call of "Hi, ho, timber" were Cliff Robinson, Jim Daley, Harry Connor, Fred Reed and Fred Zimmerman. This group made a clearing where the Boy Scouts plan to have a new building erected for next summer. While doing their good deed our platers became hardened to the adversities of Mother Nature. Since the camp is located on an island, the men had to travel per pedal digits across the partially frozen lake. As Harry Connor says, "George Washington couldn't have had a harder time crossing the Delaware." One time, he said he sank through thin ice to his knees. However, Bill Walt, the biggest Scout of all, managed to keep dry. When the day's work was done and they were ready to return to their cars on the main land, the men discovered that Mother Nature worked as hard as they had. The rise in temperature made walking across the ice impossible. The long ride back involved a seven mile trek along the rugged shore line, through roads and marshes, and up and down hilly terrain. Weary and worn, the Eager Beavers reached their cars, only to find that Jim Daley's car was stuck in the mud. Now the men find their deed well worth reminiscing. All returned with additional aches and pains; Fred acquired the name of "Abraham Zimmerman" as a result of his log splitting ability. . . . About four months ago Fred and Harry Connor became grandfathers to Renna Jo Connor, daughter of Jacob and Jo Connor Zimmerman. Now Harry boasts of having acquired more than Fred; on Wednesday, Feb. 23, Michael McCrae Connor was born to the Frank Connors of New York City. . . . We have another plater who spends his spare time along the rugged trail. As a hobby Clarence Lesh makes miniature covered wagons and stage coaches. . . . Wheee! we hope we'll hear the Tigers roar all the way down to Muncie and Indianapolis. Congratulations, Central. . . . Scoop, our biggest Boy Scout, was seen weighing himself in Bldg. 17-1. We wonder if Bill couldn't take it?

A catastrophe is when the ladies' bridge club meets with nobody absent to be talked about.

SLEUTHING in 4-6

by JOAN POOS

It seems that last week Judy Clark's well-fed "over-the-shoulder bag" wandered aimlessly into the Development Section to see Dr. A. L. Ulmer. Dr. Ulmer, as all good surgeons, performed a complete physical examination and requested that (it) lose weight before he could perform a major operation which would "fix it up like new." With the aid of Nurse T. L. Neds and a nearby drawer the feat was accomplished. I know that you will be happy to hear that (it) has recovered fully and is on the job again. . . . NOTICE: A group of men composed of Mert Edgar playing the "Devil's Fiddle"; Joe Zaza, the accordion; Bob Sharrow, the trumpet; and Ted Ross, the piano, are available for any occasion. They are better known as "The Lease Breakers" and play the sweetest music this side of Spike Jones. For reference you may ask any of the Squares wives who attended the potluck of a week or so ago. For a very vivid description of the Devil's Fiddle (in case you are wondering), consult Bob Johnson, Extension 785. . . . Hugh Folsom left Bldg. 4-6 Friday to continue his test at Taylor Street. . . . There has been considerable speculation concerning what effect enormous amounts of candy will have on the human system. For scientific data on this subject it is suggested that you consult Gladys Koelinger. . . . Note to all unfortunate males: Another familiar and very beautiful face which I know that you will be sorry to see missing is that of Helen Meador. Helen is leaving today. Goodbye and good luck, Helen! Watch those "smoes" in Kokomo! . . . In case you noticed the corsage of four white carnations which Lee Swift was sporting last Friday. No, it wasn't her birthday. No, she isn't leaving. No, she wasn't in a wedding party. Yes, she attended the Shrine formal dance Thursday night. . . . Any questions concerning the lighting problems of the Development Section may be referred to our lighting expert, Ernie Spaulding. . . . Did you note the long faces of the North Side fans after the first round of games? And then there was J. Hilbricker who thought definitely that Monroeville would win. As to bets, Abbie Hartman owes Al one hour of back scratching, as a result of a misleading venture. . . . According to reports from our prize ice fisherwoman, Delores Giltz, fishing wasn't "too hot" last week-end—no ice. . . . Welcome back to Ida Davis, FHP Motor Sales Ediphone Room. Ida had been at Taylor Street. . . . Jim Kutz, formerly of Bldg. 4-6 and now at our Syracuse office, paid us a welcome visit last week. . . . If you would like to know just what the South looks like at this time of year, contact Gert Kasimier, Payroll Section, who has just returned from a week of basking in that Florida sunshine we pleasant peasants have heard so much about. . . . Everyone in Payroll will look forward to Juanita Schrecongost's birthday again next year. Juanita celebrated by passing around delicious homemade fudge last week on her birthday. . . . A sad farewell to Betty Cutright, Payroll, and to Eileen Jacobus, A. C. Section, who are both leaving us to become full-time housewives. Both were honored at luncheons and presented remembrance gifts. We'll miss you both and envy your being able to rise at your leisure. . . . Always thought that Friday was cleaning day but I noted that Monday, Bertha McCaque was cleaning the wall. I guess it's a woman's prerogative to change her mind though. . . . The D. C. Section is hoping for Phyllis Hines' early return. She is fighting a "mean" cold at home. . . . Welcome to Richard Koop, newcomer in the DC Section. Hope you like it here with us, Dick! . . . New short haircuts seem to be becoming the vogue in Bldg. 4-6. . . . Whenever you hear that periodic rhythmic ticking like the sound of a moldy old termite eating Grandfather's clock, turn your eyes toward Bill Pringle and you will see him rocking to and fro, deep in thought or in conversation. Why don't you call the repair man, Bill? . . . We're glad to see Ruth Ann Gumpper back after a week's absence all because of a wisdom tooth. You receive a nice shining new tooth to enable you to masticate more and larger pieces of steak more fully and also to denote that you are a big girl now, and what happens—a pain in the neck and a dental bill. Everything you get you have to pay for, huh, Ruth Ann? . . . Orchids and a can of "(n)ever smell sardines" (through the courtesy of Jackie Bowers, who "cuts their noses off") to Jerry Duryee, our fireman in the Dev. Section, who is always on the alert. . . . A word to unknowing females (attention Lydia)—one blast of the fire siren means cross your fingers and hope it stops. Two blasts means an interrupted afternoon nap, walk, do not run to your assigned exit. . . . We wonder if Glen Stapleton told his wife of his repeated good luck (every other week for five weeks). Pretty close to $12, wasn't it, Glen? That would just about buy the little lady a new pair of shoes or a handbag. Some people have all the luck. . . . Tie of the week: a maroon bow tie worn by W. H. Weikart of Renewal Parts Sales. On him it looked good! . . . For a "sure cure" remedy for tired and swollen feet, girls, consult our Bldg. 4-6 podiatrist, Betty Stahl. . . . Congratulations to Ray Jones who was a master of ceremonies at the A. I. E. E. dinner last Friday night. He has a very good collection of after-dinner jokes 'tis said. . . . Corniest poem of the week:

Many people have asked how to relax
And ended up with data and facts
A new way which might work, maybe
Is that of a man, in AC, Robt. Kirby
Who wriggles his ears with a jerk
When he takes a breathing spell from work.

Famous last words of Forrest Carlson as he toils, broom in hand, mop under arm, apron intact, perspiration on his brow—"A woman's work is never done."

Hartman Named General Foreman In New Division



C. A. Hartman

C. A. Hartman has been named General Foreman of the new Fractional Horsepower Motor Division 18, now located at Taylor St. The division will later be in Bldg. 6-2.

An apprentice graduate, Mr. Hartman first came to General Electric in 1907. After leaving the apprentice school, he was assigned to the tool room until 1918. Since that time he has held the positions of Assistant Foreman, Foreman, and General Foreman in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Divisions. Mr. Hartman then transferred to the DeKalb, Ill., plant in 1946 as a General Foreman. He returned to Fort Wayne the latter part of last December.

The Hartmans have two children: William, who works in Bldg. 8-2, and a daughter. He resides at the Fulton Apartments.

News from 26-3

by VELMA JOHNSON

If anyone hears a loud laugh, it isn't a hyena. It's just Lola Brunner who came back into the winding section with us. . . . Say, Dale Stuckey, how did your apron get caught up on a post? . . . Lonnie Rockstroh can really swing out a mean boogie-woogie. Or should I say someone can really swing Lonnie into a boogie-woogie. . . . Ernie Clark, when are you going to invite us over for a chicken dinner? . . . Just in case you forget your keys sometime and find yourself locked out, just see Glenn Hobbs. He will tell you just how you can get in. . . . We thought duck season ended a couple of months ago, but I guess not, as every day about this same time and the same place at the west end of the building, we hear them quacking. . . . We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rollins who were married Feb. 19. The Sample Shop gave a potluck lunch for the bride and groom Tuesday, March 1. . . . We wonder why Wayne Winters was sitting on the floor the other day. Yes, it could have been because he was busy talking and missed the chair. . . . In case any of you want any recipes just call up Brownie, especially if it has anything to do with cooking beans. . . . We would like to know if Paul Sturm would sing a song for the Sample Shop one of these Saturdays when he is on the radio. We would like to hear just any kind of song, Paul.

Mother and daughter have more trouble keeping their figures straight than the fellow working on his income tax report.

Joan Poos Is Co-Editor Of 'Sleuthing In 4-6'



Joan Poos

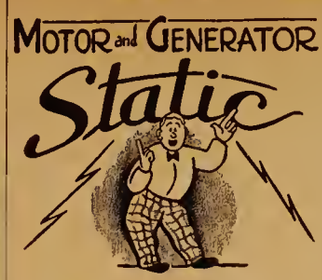
This week we introduce Joan Poos, Bldg. 4-2, who is Co-Editor of "Sleuthing in Bldg. 4-6" with Teddy Neds. A 1947 graduate of Purdue University with a B.S. degree, Joan has been working for General Electric since May, 1948. She works in the Developmental Division as an engineer's assistant.

Her hobby is making a scrapbook made up of a collection of poetry and odd sayings. Along the sports line, Joan likes swimming and tennis. She also has an ambition to take flying lessons.

To cover the large area in Bldg. 4-6, Joan and Teddy have a big staff of reporters. The reporters are Lydia Swift, Ray O'Keefe, Ramona Ireland, Lela Omspach, Forrest Carlson, Judy Clark, Martha Davenport, Abbie Hartman, Gil Baker, Ralph Mesing, Jim Hilfiker, Walter Gerke, Dorothy Lisius, Donnabelle Degler, and Mildred Quackenbush.



Hoosier hoop-hysteria hit our floor in full swing last week. Of course, we had the usual disappointments, but we can't all back the team that wins. That's just Indiana basketball. . . . Wanted: one warm dog house rug. Must be wool. Contact Harold Kiel. By the way, we wonder what Harold's explanation was for the fact that he didn't wear his hat home last Friday? . . . Here is a tip to Jack Dennis. The next time you light a cigar, you had better post a sign that you are smoking. Then they won't try to put out a fire. . . . Wonder what Annabelle Kensil had on her mind the other day when she kept putting the wrong leads on the stators? . . . Bob Rehrer loves tool handles covered with glue. It makes you stick to your job, doesn't it? . . . We welcome Ocie Jackson, Bea Gerardot and Hazel Lockwood to the early bird shift. Also Marie Dunfee who has returned after being ill. . . . We hope Marcille Thomas is back also by the time this goes to press. She has been ill with the flu. We also hope to see Elsie Hautz back with us soon. . . . It's a happy birthday to Alice Brockmeyer. . . . Cupid scores again. Our "we wish you happiness" mat is out for Maxine Lewis. She is getting married tomorrow. . . . Virgie Mayer came to work one morning and guesses that Santa Claus had been to see her. She found a cup at her place, but she fooled him because she really didn't need it. . . . If Frances Eckrote has window peepers, she must feel sure it is just to check up on her new reducing exercises. How about some lessons? . . . Mary Wright and Mildred Huntine were seen shopping for adjustable dress forms. Anyone unable to find someone to escort around, they will loan it in formal attire. . . . One of the girls from Taylor St. who rides the same bus I do in the morning thinks that yours truly should go out for track this spring. I really don't think I'm eligible, just because I missed the bus and caught up with it two blocks down the line. P.S. I put the above in because of a dare.



Thought of the week: "The world is divided into people who do things and people who get the credit. Try, if you can, to belong to the first class." There is far less competition. Which reminds us of the following: God gave man five senses: touch, taste, sight, smell and hearing. The successful man has two more, horse and common. . . . Watch your step. Four thousand and seventy-six people died of gas last year. Twenty-nine inhaled it, 47 put a lighted match to it, 4,000 stepped on it. . . . One of our downtown scouts tells us that the "Stop the Music" tune is "The Seventh Cavalry March," General Custer's famous regiment. But? ? ? . . . Helen David has one of those new-fangled umbrellas that fold into a compact roll. Last week it rained, so Helen had an opportunity to try out her new gadget. With Betty Eisenacher and Irene Snyder as interested spectators, Miss David stepped out of the door of Bldg. 31 and went through the necessary operations to put the umbrella in operation. She pulled and pushed and suddenly it snapped open, only instead of stopping in the proper position the tips continued upward until the umbrella resembled a large bowl on the end of a stick. In spite of Helen's efforts and those of her chums the contraption refused to change from its unnatural position to the correct one, so the little girl continued on her way home with the umbrella collecting water instead of shedding it. . . . George Murray rides to work with one of his neighbors. The other day George sat down in the car and slammed the door. When they arrived at his home, he attempted to open the door but it refused to move. Investigation disclosed that his coat had wedged between the door and its frame. So George had to remove his coat and slide out the other door and the owner enlisted the services of a garage to separate the door and coat. . . . The other week-end Bud Fisher was driving through Ohio. Suddenly his lights went out and Bud drove off the highway onto the berm. After locating the cause of his trouble he attempted to drive back onto the pavement, but the berm being soft, his tires cut in so deep the car would not move under its own power. Seeing a house at the end of a long lane, Bud went to obtain help. After making his needs known to the owner of the farm and another man who came to the door he was asked if he had a tow rope as they did not have one. Poor Fisher answered that he did not and then went into a lengthy description of the various types of cables, ropes and chains he had seen and intended to buy. If you know Bud, you realize that he is a sticker for detail and his description of observations or happenings are very lengthy. Finally one of the men interrupted Bud's narrative saying, "Come on, I believe we can push you out." He started for the door, motioning to a third man sitting by the stove. On the long trek down the lane Bud decided this third man should know the details so launched into a recap. After he had talked for quite some time one of the other men turned and remarked, "T'won't do you no good to talk to him, he's deaf and can't hear a word you say." . . . When you admit you're wrong, it's a sign you're getting wiser.



We have been hearing all kinds of tales about what this mild winter is doing to flower and vegetable gardens, but Luella Bixler tells how she is eating fresh parsnips right out of her garden and, we believe that it is true. . . . Jean Pappert was hostess to the Birthday Club this month. She entertained with a dinner at the Victory Club and Norma Krall was the member with the birthday. Those present were Luella Bixler, Florence Knight, Belle Buchan, Marvelene Butts, Dorothy Mills, Dorothy Mills, Dorothy Askren, Eileen Hennen, Ellen Tanner, Jean Pappert, and Norma Krall. . . . There is one basketball game that you can be sure that Walt Kryder will not miss and that is the one between the Leo Lions and the G-E Rheumatic Five. . . . This is the tale of a newspaper. First it is brought in by your reporter who reads it and then lays it on her desk until 7:45 wehn several people divide it and glance through it hurriedly. At this point it is passed along to one of the girls and then it finally goes home at night with one of the fellows and here the trail grows cold. Now if there is anything to the old adage that we share, then a lot of people get a lot of happiness from that newspaper. . . . We just got word that Kate Scherer has a new son. Congratulations to the young Scherers. We will all be out to see the little fellow.

BLIND GIVE AID



STAUNTON, Va.—A blind student at Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind practices bandaging. First aid instruction at the school is provided by the Augusta County Red Cross chapter.



Monday, Feb. 28 was the last day for our friend V. J. Tuttle, who retired after 42 years of service with the Company. Bldg. 18-2 took on a festive appearance as Mr. Tuttle's desk was decorated with a beautiful bouquet of flowers, and to add humor to the occasion, a miniature ball and bat, to aid in his tryout with the "Voltmen." A luncheon at noon and a reception after 3:30 in the Bldg. 18-2 Conference Room added enjoyment to the occasion. May we join his many friends in extending our best wishes for his future health and happiness. . . . Howard Miller has been appointed Assistant to Manager, Engineering, to replace Mr. Tuttle, to whom we extend our congratulations, and welcome to Bldg. 18-2. . . . Bldg. 18-5 has a weekly "15 cents" fund which is growing quite large. Perhaps they should tie a ball and chain on Ruthie Givens—not that they don't trust her, but she has been talking of a new home lately! . . . Recently Patricia Olinger did some skiing and tobogganing at Blaney Park, Mich., (near Canada). I'll bet she had her "ups and downs," don't you? . . . We are happy to report that Rex Mericle is improving from his illness in the St. Joseph Hospital. Reports say that his whiskers are getting away from him. Shall we form a Barber's Club? . . . Jeanne and Charlyl Grant, the Bldg. 18-5 newly-weds, have purchased a new home in Uniondale. No wonder Jeanne has been in the clouds. . . . Recently, Clarice Dunten, Bldg. 18-4, and Ralph Craighead, were married at St. Patrick's. Dorothy Long, Bldg. 18-4, and Jean Ann Ehinger, Bldg. 18-1, entertained Clarice with a linen shower at Jean's home. The Data Bureau girls arranged a bachelorette luncheon for her, in the main dining room Thursday. She was presented with a copper rolling pin filled with cacti and a miscellaneous kitchen shelf shower. The Data Bureau also presented her with an automatic iron and coffeemaker, (G-E, of course!) . . . Herman Kappel, Bldg. 18-4, is more convinced, that there is no place like Florida—a land of wonders. . . . "Nickie" Hill formerly of the Data Bureau visited Bldg. 18 recently, she is now teaching at Purdue University. . . . Anyone wishing any information as to when it is good fishing, ice or otherwise, just see Ray White, Bldg. 18-4. . . . We are happy to report that Jeanette Burkhardt is home recuperating from recent surgery. . . . Our reporter, Dolores Connin, Bldg. 18-4, was home ill several days last week. . . . It is agreed (?) that Dick Kent and Dudley Snyder should be paid overtime for the dreams they have. Recently Dick was printing all night with the prints coming out crooked and torn, etc. Dudley comes up with a dream that the whole sky is pouring prints on his head. . . . We are sorry to report that Minta Cole, Bldg. 18-B mail room, had the misfortune to fall in front of Bldg. 18 and not only injured her arm but came out of the fracas with a variety of shades of black and purple. We are sorry, Minta, and hope you will soon be better.



You have all read the story of Bill Buckner who fell through the ice and got the watery bath but you haven't heard how Ed Trabel thought he could go wading through the ice when he and Elton Swank and Wallace Geller went to Rome City to do a little angling. You just can't fish that way, Ed, you have to sit on a box and not wade out to spot those bluegills. It was the Boy Scouts who came to Ed's rescue, furnishing dry clothes, etc., after helping him out of the icy waters. . . . Bill Schible still wonders what happened to his six new towels and is considering putting a "super sleuth" on the job, so watch it, boys. . . . We wish to state that the weight of Mr. and Mrs. John Root's baby was 9 lbs. and 15 oz., instead of the early report of five lbs. So sorry and we hope it won't happen again, John, (false reports, that is). . . . The "dainties" that Harold Smith and Ernie Leffler were wearing down the aisle the other day should have been just a little larger for a good fit. . . . It was really a "blue Monday" for those fans from Monroeville after the tourney. The theme song for Merritt Myers and Roy Taylor should be "Dry those tears from your eyes." Paying off to Harold Smith, they laid their money down and quietly walked away. . . . Gene Lordier is very proud of his Boy Scout Troop that recently won a national award. . . . We extend our sympathy to Ben Kiep in the recent death of his brother. . . . The fellows think that George Coffelt should be a little more careful when he puts down those pallets, especially if he wants to keep walkin'. . . . Erv Huth was pleased with the swell turnout for the square dance at the G-E Club last Friday night and reports that the crowds are cryin' for more, so watch the papers, folks. . . . Happy birthday to Harold Smith, Mark Tam and Stella Trumbower.



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Employees' Price

The following merchandise is available for immediate sale:

Attic Fans
Automatic Blankets, single and dual control.
Foot Warmers
Infra Red Lamps
Steam Irons
10" Fans
4-lb. Irons
Lightweight Irons, 2¾ lbs.
G-E Upright Cleaners
Tank Type Cleaners
¾, ⅓, ½, ¼ HP Motors
RS Sunlamps and Holders
Flood Lamps
Germicidal Fixtures
Germicidal Lamps
Heat Pads
Record Players
Battery Chargers
Radio Tubes
Portable Radios
Radios, Table Models
Clock Radios
Occasional Clocks
Alarm Clocks
Stainless Steel Sinks
Fluorescent Fixtures
Chime Clocks
Wire and Wiring Devices
Paints, Colors
Coffee Makers
Flashlights
Hotplates
Interval Timers
Waffle Irons
Grills



Just what are you going to do with a guy like that? He, Bill Rohe, comes up with a pipe in his hand but behind his back and asks Dewey Wisner for a match which Dewey gladly gives him. Then pulling his hand from behind him, Bill says, "Now if I had some tobacco I could smoke my pipe." Our only advice to you, Dewey, is that you try and hide when you see this guy coming. . . . Birthday greetings to Vaughn Sheets, Jess Easterday and Harry DeWitt. . . . We notice Ralph Olinger came in very much crippled up last Monday a.m. It seems that Ralph took too long a jump out of bed. He forgot he was bedded in the top bunk. Look before you leap, Ralph.

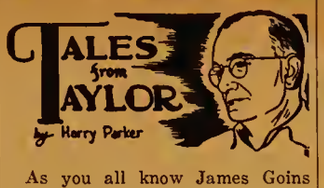
Trumpet Tooter



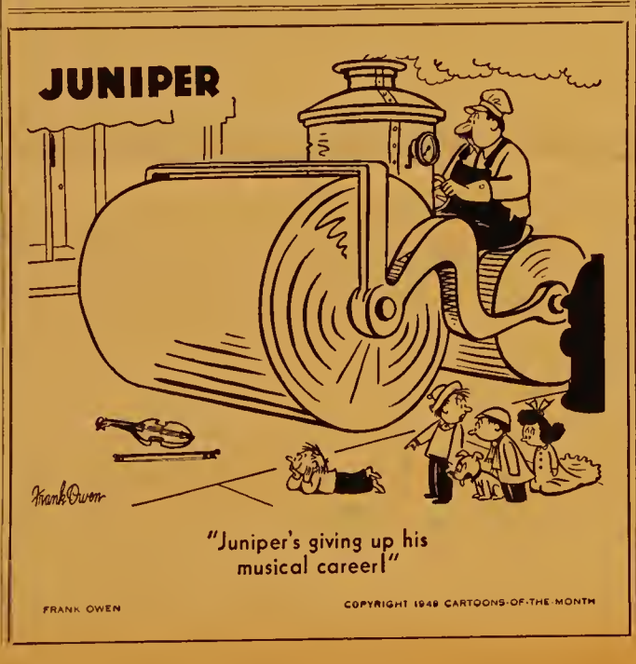
Charles Sheets was awarded an excellent rating recently for his trumpet playing in a music contest held at the Harrison Hill school. Charles was also awarded a scholarship to Teachers College at Morehead, Ky. He has another year to complete his high school work. He began his training under the supervision of the late John Verweire, a retired G-E employee and leader of the Mizpah Shrine band. Charles is shown, above, with his father, Vaughn, foreman in the Wire Division, Taylor St.



We are glad to see Justin Heaston back to work after a four weeks' absence following an operation, also Evelyn Daugherty who was ill for one week. . . . On Friday we said goodbye to Alice Reuille Kelty who has left G-E to take up fulltime duties in her home. On Thursday a group entertained her for lunch at the English Terrace and presented her with a gift certificate from her co-workers. Those attending were Betty Williams, Helen Hardy, Erna Mann, Dorothea Meitz, Margie Fenstermaker, Joan Hartwig and Clara Outlaw. . . . Hazel Dilworth has offered her services and information free to newly-weds—it's a "Refresher Course for Brides." Must be something new. . . . Hilda Walda found out the hard way what route leads to Uniondale. She was making a sick call to see Evelyn Daugherty and drove several miles beyond the road where she should have turned. After retracing her steps, she turned on the right road but didn't go far enough, turned back the other way and after several miles still couldn't find the place, so in desperation she finally inquired at a filling station and found out that she was going the wrong direction, she turned again and after driving far enough finally came to Uniondale. We suggest a course in road-map reading. . . . When Park Schemehorn informed True Sheets of an odor of escaping gas at one of the ovens, True immediately made an investigation. As a result the sheet of flames removed his eyebrows and gave him a definitely professional hair singe which is supposed to make for a more luxurious growth of hair. Maybe so, but it's doubtful if it will help any on the top of his head. . . . Joe Trentadue, a loyal supporter of the Monroeville basketball team, spent a good share of Monday paying off his bets. . . . Charles Faulstick says he spends his Saturdays helping his father-in-law on the farm where he has piles of work to do and, he says, "I do mean 'piles'."



As you all know James Goins lives in an apartment and has been commissioned by the owner to look after the place and take care of any necessary repairs. The other day the tenants in the other apartment accidentally broke a window glass, so they called Jimmy, who measured the frame, procured a new glass and proceeded to install same but broke it in the attempt. Becoming disgusted he called a local glass company to come and take care of it. A small middle-aged woman answered the call, installed the new pane without any difficulty while James looked on. . . . George Rekers has always been a devout fan for a certain make of car. In fact, he is now driving the latest model, but we are afraid that his faith in this car has been somewhat shaken. The other day he was complaining about it leaking around the doors, and the trunk lid leaks so bad that the spare tire well fills with water. He is now thinking of using this well for a live box carrying his minnows with him at all times. . . . Art Brandenberger is in a bad spot at the present time. It seems that he was instrumental in selling a cow for a friend. Said friend in gratitude presented Art with a big hog. Now he is in a quandary as to what to do with this porker. We suggest he use it to augment the supply on hand in his hoggerie. . . . Henry Bubb has never been accused of being Scotch, but we are wondering. They tell us that after using his car and upon driving into the garage, he immediately suspends said car from the ceiling taking the weight off the tires to make them last much longer. . . . We thought all the time that there was only one "Black Beauty" and that it was owned by Frank Kimble. Now Kenny Miller comes forth and tells us that he has purchased the mate to Frank's ancient model. He claims that mechanically it is in just as good condition and the body finish will outshine Frank's three to one. Also he is not afraid to put it in third gear, getting more speed out of it.





Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday, March 7, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Pair black cloth gloves with leather trim. Found on west side of Broadway.

FOUND—One key on a string on east side of Broadway.

FOUND—One earring with a pearl set in the center and a row of brilliant and green sets around it.

FOUND—Pair of nail clippers on east side of Broadway. Turned in at 18-Gate.

FOR SALE

HOOVER SWEEPER—Majestic hand sweeper. $20. H-79175.

DINING ROOM SUITE—China closet, buffet, light oak. Excellent condition. 224 East Foster Parkway.

HOLLYWOOD BED—And mattress, single, like new. $20. H-01983.

STUDIO COUCH—Good condition. H-69842 after 6 p.m.

HOUSE—Five rooms, bath, in Southern Heights, on Elmrow. H-24234 or A-98119 after 5 p.m. or week-ends.

REFRIGERATOR—Eight cubic ft.; Kenmore washing machine and sweeper. H-3803.

1937 FORD—85 h.p. A-1 condition. $395. H-70743.

HOME—Six rooms, bath, and breakfast nook. Southwood Park. H-46411.

1936 PLYMOUTH—Coach, runs good, two new tires, heater, very reasonable. E-2766.

THREE USED TIRES—And tubes, 6.50x16. A bargain at $7. A-76113.

BATHROOM FIXTURES—Complete set; kitchen sink. A-79081.

1938 PLYMOUTH—Good motor and five new tires. $300. H-74001 after 4 p.m.

STEEL CABINET SINK—42 in., single basin, left-hand drainboard. H-65944.

SIX OAK DINING ROOM CHAIRS—China cabinet. Reasonable. A-78851.

NEW EAGLE OUTBOARD GASOLINE CAN—2½-gal. capacity. $3. H-19425.

BASSINET—With folding legs. A-97504.

PORTABLE AUTOMATIC RECORD CHANGER—Attractive leatherette case. Good condition. H-64103.

LAYING HENS—H-76804.

1938 DESOTO TUDOR—Clean, reasonable. A-66725.

WANTED

USED G-E VACUUM SWEEPER ATTACHMENTS—A-75442.

SECOND GROWTH HICKORY—40-in. lengths and free from knots. H-58213 in the evenings.

PIANO—Spinet or baby grand, good condition. A-6592.

OLD FARM DINNER BELL—A-55741.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Charles Fisher, from Laotto, Route 3. Works in Bldg. 31-1 from 8-5:15. Ext. 2241.

Chambers of Commerce seeking publicity for their cities might take a tip from Bostonians. They use their beans.

Open Bowling
EVERY SATURDAY
3 P.M. - 11 P.M.
At The
G-E CLUB



If you happen to have a surplus of any certain article and would like to get rid of it, just see Fred House. It seems that Fred wanted to buy about six or seven dozen eggs awhile ago, and the party who was selling them to him, wanted to know if he could use a case. Fred said he guessed that he could. The outcome was that instead of the wanted amount, Fred found himself with thirty dozen. Fred says that from now on he is going to be very sure of what he is buying, for he was under the impression that he was going to get a case to put the six or seven dozen in and not a "case of eggs." . . . Andy Anderson is again in the headlines. It seems that Andy is always having something happen to him and the sad part of it is that it isn't anything good. Last week he fell in the lake and now this week, it's because another fellow ran a stop sign and really tore up Andy's Chrysler. If you see Andy studying a white piece of paper, think nothing of it. It is only a trolley schedule that he is trying to figure out. He says he hasn't ridden a trolley for four or five years, and what a surprise he is in for when he sees all of the buses pass him up, and then discovers that they don't stop at all corners. . . . Ray Pickett has been trying to sell his '36 Chevie, but so far hasn't had any luck. Now if you are interested in this car but don't know anything about a '36 Chevie, we recommend that you see a certain guy who has a '36 and can tell you anything about them that you want to know. Maybe it wouldn't be a bad idea if this certain guy was to buy Ray's Chevie and try to make a good one by putting his and Ray's together. By the looks of the red ears and cold hands that this certain guy had last Monday noon, it would be a very good idea. . . . Anyone who has nothing to do tomorrow, should go down to the G-E Club alleys and watch the Mixed Doubles Tournament between the girl's and men's Taylor St. bowling teams. We are sure that it will be well worth your time.

Ambition is a longing a lot of people have for a more pleasant place in which to do nothing.

AIEE Members To Hear Talk On 'Electricity In Aircraft'

I. E. Ross, assistant division engineer in the D. C. and Specialty Motor division, will give a talk on "Electricity in Aircraft" Thursday, March 10, at a meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. The meeting will be held at 8 p.m. in the Squares club rooms.



Polly Brown now has a "matching leg" for Ginny Plummer. A few weeks ago Ginny broke her ankle and has been hobbling around in a cast, and Polly came to work with her leg bandaged due to a fall while playing table tennis. . . . One of our brides tried a cookie recipe given to her by Mike O'Grady and they wouldn't have won a prize. However, we understand it was no fault of Mary Louise's, but her oven regulator. We believe it too as she is quite a success in the art of baking. . . . Williadean Rathert has been coming to work the past week in a green chariot. When the more recent model cars fail to run there is nothing like relying on a Model A. . . . For information in the who's who in high school basketball listen any morning to Edna Marquardt and Helen Miller. They really can give you the lowdown. . . . Margaret Lepper bowled 484 again. It wouldn't surprise us to hear any of the men's teams trying to persuade Margaret to bowl with them. . . . Bill LaVine will now be known as "Atom Tom" and can be sing that "mee ow." . . . What happened to Kenny Rupp's bicycle? We see him coming to work on foot now. . . . We are very sorry that an error was in our column last week. It was Betty Harrold who was married a week ago and Helen Keims who gave a shower for her. The girls who were present were Martha Kruse, Berneil Amstutz, Stella Fagan and Loretta Treash. To you, Betty, we wish much happiness. . . . Sophia Bodigan is convalescing after an appendectomy. Best wishes for a speedy recovery. . . . Lillian Magner paid us a visit last week and we were all very happy to see her. Come back real soon, Lillian. . . . The lead section, formerly known as "The dead-end kids" will now be referred to as the K.N.E.W. section. . . . Many happy returns of the day to Hazel Henschen. . . . And goodbye to Mildred Weinman, who has left to become a full time housewife.

SUPERVISORS TO HEAR TALK ON DEVELOPMENTS OF CHEMICAL DEPARTMENT

K. W. Given will tell the Supervisors' Club about "New Chemical Developments" at its meeting Monday, March 14, at 8 p.m. in the Squares hall.

Mr. Given is a member of the Lecture and Exhibit bureau of the G-E Chemical Department in Pittsfield, Mass. He served on the administrative staffs of a number of colleges and universities before joining the General Electric Company in 1945.

His talk will include a non-technical explanation and demonstration of some of the little-known products and by-products in chemistry, with special emphasis on the development of plastics and silicones.

The program will also include entertainment by the Sentimental Four barbership quartet, a short business meeting, and buffet lunch.

Let's Eat!



CAFETERIA and RESTAURANT MENUS

MARCH 7 THROUGH MARCH 11

BROADWAY TAYLOR STREET

Serving Hours:

Cafeteria—16-1 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. 10:48 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-2 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-1 6:45 P.M. - 8:12 P.M. 6:55 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Restaurant—16-2 12:00 M. - 1:00 P.M.

MONDAY, MARCH 7

Vegetable Soup	Beef Barley Soup
Beef and Noodles	Baked Ham
Ham Loaf	Italian Spaghetti
Hot Roast Pork Sandwiches	Barbecue Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whole Browned Potatoes
Buttered Wax Beans and Onions	Escalloped Corn
Harvard Beets	Creamed Tomatoes

TUESDAY, MARCH 8

Cream of Tomato Soup	Bean Soup
Roast Pork	Roast Pork and Dressing
Porcupines	Creamed Chipped Beef on Toast
Ham Sandwiches	Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches
Whole Browned Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Buttered Cabbage	Stewed Apples
Succotash	Buttered Green Beans
	Corn Bread

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

Bean Soup	Vegetable Soup
Baked Ham	Chicken and Noodles
French Fried Fish	Salmon Patties
Beef Barbecue Sandwiches	Chili
Escalloped Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Buttered Spinach	Buttered Squash
Glazed Apples	Harvard Beets
Sweet Potatoes	

THURSDAY, MARCH 10

Beef Broth and Noodles	Chicken Noodle Soup
Swiss Steak	Swiss Steak
Barbecued Wieners	Ham and Limas
Ham Salad Sandwiches	Chopped Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Glazed Carrots	Buttered Limas
Green Beans	Buttered Spinach

FRIDAY, MARCH 11

Cream of Potato Soup	Cream of Potato Soup
French Fried Oysters	Meat Loaf
Roast Beef	Macaroni and Cheese
Bacon and Tomato Sandwiches	Hot Roast Pork Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Steamed Potatoes
Spanish Limas	Buttered Peas
Buttered Peas	Buttered Carrots

Wide selection of home-made pies and delicious salads served daily.

Breakfast served at Broadway daily from 6:20 to 7:50 A.M.

Special dinners and parties arranged upon request.

Menus Subject to Change

Inquiring Reporter

WHAT ARE THE OBLIGATIONS OF BEING A GOOD CITIZEN?

MARY B. STEWART
Taylor St.

"To be a good citizen, you must be quiet and peaceful in the state, true to your government and just to your country; you are not to countenance disloyalty or rebellion, but patiently submit to legal authority and conform with cheerfulness to the government and the laws of the country in which you live."





GARLAND L. MYERS
Bldg. 17-1

"I believe a person should take an active part in local and national elections, and I think the teaching of our children to be good citizens is a major obligation."

EDWARD J. SORDELET
Taylor St.

"A good name and an honored place with friends; learning the value of giving a helping hand and of building friendships; possession of a strong sense of give and take; of responsibility toward his job and his superiors. These are the obligations of a good citizen."





HELEN E. EGGEMAN
Bldg. 6-2

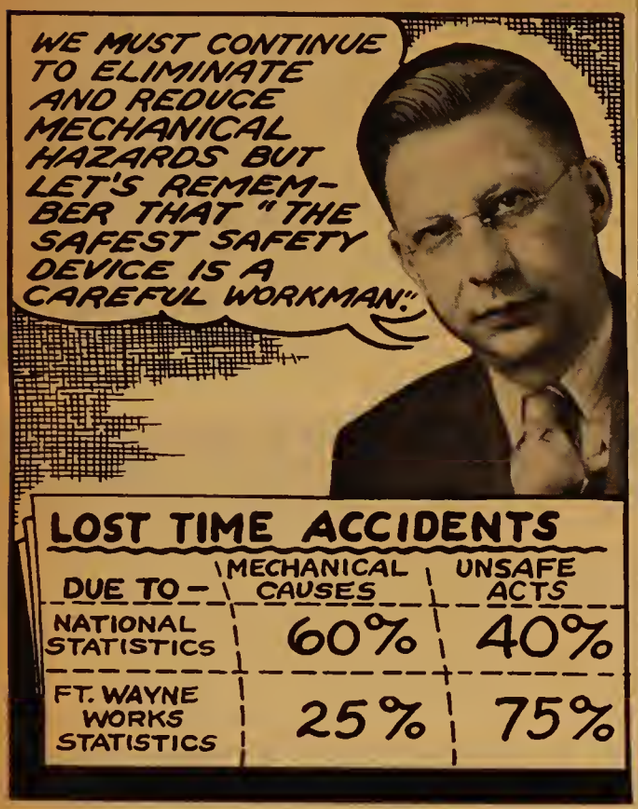
"The obligations of being a good citizen would be to take an active part in affairs pertaining to the betterment of all; be law abiding, and live according to the rule of having love for your fellowman."

ART FIKE
Bldg. 19-3

"To believe in and practice the Golden Rule and to uphold the Constitution of the United States are a good citizen's obligations."



SAFE—'In Spite Of Ourselves'



. . . THAT'S WHAT PEOPLE LIKE FRANK CAULKINS, PLANNER, FHP MOTOR DIV. 13, TAYLOR ST., ABOVE, TRY TO DO FOR US WHEN THEY ELIMINATE OR REDUCE MECHANICAL HAZARDS.

The Safety Section in the Personnel Division of the Fort Wayne Works has, for a number of years, concentrated on this phase of accident prevention.

The statistics in the above picture encourages us to increase our efforts in this respect.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH,
Safety Engineer

Company Develops Radar Device For Aeronautic Safety

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A new radar device helping planes to approach and land in greater safety and with fewer delays in all kinds of weather conditions has been developed by G-E. This was revealed at Washington, D. C., when the Civil Aeronautics Administration announced a $2,840,427 contract award to General Electric for 27 of the new units.

The device results from three years of research and development by G-E and is part of the CAA's new program for air navigation and traffic control.

Start Building Next Year

Installations of the new radar sets, which are to be built at Electronics Park, Syracuse, will begin early in 1950, according to present estimates. Twenty-two of them will become part of CAA airport control towers in this country, one for Hawaii, and four for Alaska.

Designed specifically for maximum performance in tracking small private planes, the new units will also be effective in bringing in larger commercial passenger planes as well as jet bombers, according to G-E and CAA engineers.

The sets may be installed anywhere up to two miles from the airport control tower with the traffic controller in the tower able to view the radar picture by means of a unique new remote system. Visible to him will be the exact position and flight path of every plane within a 30-mile radius of the airport.

Eliminates Fixed Objects

The new device is the first of this type to employ a unique method of eliminating fixed objects from the picture, leaving only moving aircraft visible. Special "video mapping" allows the controller to determine closeness of any airplane to a dangerous obstruction.

In bad weather and poor visibility the complete picture of all planes flying within the area will make it possible for the controller to conduct each plane with more safety to the blind landing radio beam by means of radio conversation and much faster than by present methods.

The contract award to G-E is one of the first steps of the CAA to effect its long-range air safety program.

Who remembers when folks used to go to movies to practice reading out loud instead of eating popcorn?

A friend says he has never been able to find a hat that really suited him. Mayhe he should change restaurants.



"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." John 14:6.

Someone has said give credit where credit is due and I would like to express a word of appreciation to our Volunteer Firemen. The minute that the fire siren sounds they are on their way in high gear. Last week they came through our division with all the equipment needed to put out an ordinary size fire. They are really a fine group of fellows. . . . Herb Winter and Herman Weigman have recently joined groups 16x10 and 16x41, respectively. Good luck on your new jobs, fellas. . . . The theme song of group 16x17 is, "You Are My Sunbeam." . . . Dick Madden, George Soule, Eldon Roby, Dale Springer and Joe Haas have formed a five-man team to enter the G-E Club Tournament. Soule and Roby will bowl as partners in the doubles, and Springer and Haas will match. . . . It has been fun to watch the interest in the scales that were brought down to the Punch Press section. Everyone wants to get weighed, but usually when no one is looking. It looks like men don't like to be overweight anymore than women. . . . "All angels aren't in heaven," say our "popeyes" boys. . . . Mousey Grotian will be able to apply for air pilot's license if he sees anymore live mice in his dinner bucket. He jumped a foot off the floor when he saw the last one in there. . . . Frank Waggoner stopped in to say hello, this week. He just returned from a trip to Florida. . . . Kenny Hyman is going to look toothpicks over more carefully before he uses them hereafter. Some of them have an awfully bitter taste. Emily Post has tried to tell you not to use them. . . . The Inspection group received a letter from Nora Jane Bair last week. Nora has been ill for almost a year and is recovering slowly. Now she has the mumps.

Fractional Fiction 4-5

By Elaine Sutter

We were all very glad to see Bill Koenig, who paid us a visit last week. Bill is retired and enjoying life. He told us he and his wife are going to Schenectady to visit their new granddaughter. . . . One Sunday afternoon, Carl Barber maintains he witnessed an opposum setting on a culvert drinking a can of beer. Carl? . . . Our singing troubadour is Dan Tetlow. When anyone asks him a question he sings the answer. . . . Our advice to Ed Rodenbeck is to get a bigger container so he won't spill glyptal all over the floor. . . . We were happy for Roy Woods for winning a suggestion award of $270. Keep up the good work, Roy, it really pays. Roy was quite worried about his hair not being combed for the picture. . . . Art Bashelier is quite a pipe smoker. He puts his pipe in his pocket and forgets to knock out the fire which results in a burned pocket. What will the wife say this time, Art? . . . Friends of Earl Souers wonder if the sad look is from South Side team losing. . . . Harold Cunningham has been losing bets on basketball games. Is it because Milton Roller won't bet unless he has the odds? . . . Anyone having any sparetime might teach Leonard Jenne and Milton Roller how to play euchre. All last week they won only two games. . . . If anyone wants to know about the B-29 forced landing, ask Madonna Endres. She has a wonderful version of it. . . . We say farewell to Vicki Adams, who is leaving us to take up household duties. The office girls had a luncheon for her last Friday. Lots of good luck, Vicki. . . . We welcome Leola Carrier back to work. She has recovered very nicely from her operation. Since Leloa is back she will again resume her duties as the news reporter. Please help her in getting the news, it will be up to all of you to have a column. I wish to thank all of you in helping me make a column during Leola's absence. Your past reporter, Elaine Sutter.

Microchemists Featured In Life Magazine

"Hand Held Laboratory," a four-page, picture story describing the work of microchemists in the General Electric Research Laboratory, is the science feature in the issue of "Life Magazine" which appears on the newsstands today.

Pictures and text follow typical experiments with minute quantities performed in the Research Laboratory at Schenectady. In the seven featured pictures, a hand cradles many of the tiny instruments used by the microchemists and gives the story its title.

The microchemists performing the experiments were Dr. Earle W. Balis and Dr. Leonard P. Pepkowitz of the Research Lahoratory staff.

The article was developed by the staff of the G-E General News Bureau. The pictures were made in Bldg. 37 at Schenectady by photographer, Eric Schaal, on special assignment for "Life."

The time it takes to grow old depends a great deal on the way you go about it.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

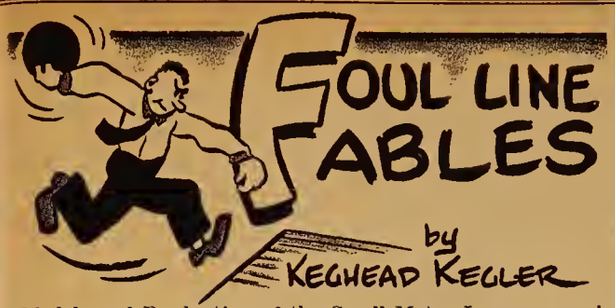
By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

Some of the gang in the west end of Bldg. 19-3 wonder why Glenn Goshorn spends so much time in the office lately. What's the attraction? . . . Speaking of new types of tools, Frank Enderle asked Frank Elder for the alum wrench recently. It couldn't have been an Allen wrench you wanted, could it, Enderle? . . . The other day Leroy Cook was late getting to work, and was he sharp and witty all day. Rudy Rastenberg says that extra hour of sleep did wonders to improve Cookie's wit. . . . It has been only lately brought to light that Russ Neireiter was at a party recently at which a lady remarked to Russ' wife that he was the handsomest and best dressed man there. Without meaning to be jealous or spiteful we would like to know how long Russ has been attending these parties for blind folk. . . . Pity poor Papa August, who has been spending his nights lately pacing the floor with his recalcitrant offspring. Until Ronnie gets that last tooth, Don will probably see more sunrises than he had through all his years as a bachelor. . . . Welcome back to Maurice Archbold after his two months illness. . . . If you are wondering why there is so much activity around the scales every day, Judge August will tell you it is merely the fat foursome, Amos Zollinger, Harold Greider, Norm Stoller and Van Skyock, weighing in to see how much weight they lost in the last few hours. The boys each put something in the pot, and the one who loses the most weight in three weeks gets the prize. It seems two of the boys lost five pounds the first night, and Judge August will again point out it was probably only a few bolts and nuts they happened to have in their pockets when they weighed in the first time. Anyway they are all saving money on the candy wagon, the cafeteria and the grocery bill. Rule three states specifically each contestant must walk to the scales under their own power at the deadline which is March 2, 10 a.m. . . . We are sorry to hear of the illness of Florence Weimer and Beulah Briner, and hope you will be back with us soon.

RESCUE AIRBOAT IN ACTION



MIAMI, Fla.—This eccentric-looking gadget, capable of traveling 50 miles an hour in as little as six inches of water, is used by the Dade County (Fla.) Red Cross Chapter for rescue and general transportation work in time of floods and hurricanes. Driven by an airplane propeller and guided by a rudder similar to those used on airplanes, the craft will also travel over wet grass, wet sand and mud.



Models and Production of the Small Motor League remain in a tie for first in the league standings. Walt "Belt Buckle" Mertz knocked out a 623 on games of 199, 182 and 242.

Two hundred scores were rolled by Howard Hoffman, 234; "Sapp" Quinn, 226; Lowell Welker, 214; Madden, 204; Paul Walker, 203; Adams, 202; Runyon, 201, and Orval Doherty, 200.

We wonder what happened to the Lauer-Berning feud.

Apparatus League

Team No. 5 stays way out in front of the pack with 16 wins and only two losses. Dan Oesch came up with the league's high single game. Dan shot a booming 266.

Other 200 scores were rolled by Bob Stute, 219; R. Schuelke, 212; R. Pappert, 207; Frank Gitter, 208, and Dick Blust, Paul Perry, and "Detroit" Piercy, 200.

Office League

Blueprint, paced by Oberlin's 234 and "Popeye" Patterson's 203 counts, whopped the Alternators three straight games to take over first place. The Alternators dropped back into second place with the Designers, just two games out.

Other two-hundred scores were piled up by Bob Hanna, 217; "Wee Willie" Bushong, 213; "Back Up" Hanson, 211, and Paul Hattendorf, 201.

Interdivision League

I can't tell who's in first place because I don't know myself. I do know who got the 200 counts though, so here we go: Putman, 218 and 202; Walt "Buckle" Mertz, 213 and 201; Erv "Bad Boy" Haugk, 204 and 200; Wayne Wiemer, 213; Lee Crowell, 209; Russell Rose, 203; Gail Meeks, 202; Ed Thiele, 202, and "Worried" Kuntz, 200.

G-E Masonic League

The Patrols are still out in front, enjoying a slim one game margin over the Gavels.

Two hundred scores were accumulated by Lauterberg, 219; Marion Bailey, 217; Meyer, 209; Miller, 203; Rastetter, and Cass, 200.

Transformer League

The Toys are way out in front with nine wins and no losses. The two hundred counts were made by Rowan, 211; Hamilton, 220, and Meeker, 234.

Ladies' Monday Night League

Margaret Lepper rolled the high game of the evening with her 204 count. Other high games were rolled by Helen Studler, 193, and Eleanor Phillips, Nellie Wendt, Dorothy Fuhs, and Emma Vaughn, 178 each.

Decatur League

In the G-E Fraternal League, Faulker and George Laurent rolled series of 639 and 634 respectively. Two hundred scores were made by J. Murphy, 210; Babcock, 202; Custer, 233, and H. Murphy, 226. Moose II rolled a 1076 for the season's high single game in beating G-E Club three games.

H. Murphy rolled a 603 for the high series in the Monday Night League. High scores were rolled by G. Schultz, 205 and 206; Laurent, 213; Shoaf, 204, and Gage, 200.

Bowling and Stuff

Entries for the G-E Tournament will be welcomed. First place will pay $85, team; $35, doubles; $20, singles, and $10 in the all events. Entries close April 2, so let's turn them in early and get first crack at those choice squads.

Open bowling is every Saturday from 3-11. There is a check at the Club for the FHP Motor Division 13 Bowling team.

There has been no change in the high score race for those trophies.

Don't forget that anything you do to save time and prevent confusion will result in better bowling.

Brouwer's Screwballs journeyed to Bryan, Ohio, Sunday and shot a respectable 2934 total. They seem to do better without Ole Keghead in the lineup.

Did you see where H. Dannecker, bowling in a league at the Emmaus Alleys, came up with 111 in the seventh frame in all three games of his series last Monday night. Let's make that our once-in-a-life-time story for this week.

FLOOR LORE FROM 4-4

By Voyce Brumbaugh

Our reporter, Bob Mobberly, has been transferred to Bldg. 17-1, and until a new one is appointed several of us will try to keep you posted on all the news. . . . Now that the sectional is over, and Central won, we will all be rooting—Beat 'em, Central, Beat 'em! Incidently Betty Skevington was surely picking them. Five out of five—all wrong. Now that's batting 1000 in any sportsman's language. . . . Several boys in the division have been complaining of their eyes bothering them. The nurse at the dispensary diagnosed the case as "Over-strain." P. S. Understand the floor show last week at a downtown hall was pretty good. . . . We wonder if Carl Reeves thinks his new way of filing papers is better than the usual way? We understand he files them on the floor. . . . Have you noticed the "purdy" wave in Wilbert's hair these days, and the way he wears it, sort of down over one eye? Wonder if it's that "devil may care" appearance or if he has a new Toni? . . . To Edith Venrick and Bill Morton: A bird in the hand is worth two in the basket. . . . Dorothea Swank, our little globe trotter, has once more been trotting around the country. She spent the past week in New Orleans attending the Mardi Gras. Hope she had a wonderful time. . . . We are wondering if Harold Mettler has perfected a new way of growing thorns? He had one growing out of the top of his head.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Charlotte Brunner, Leonard Bresler, Peggy Cook, Owen W. Cartwright, Harry Conners, Donald Comer, Dorsell Dennie, Helen Engle, Mable Englert, Frank Fisher, Richard Fry, Mary Gilleff, Fred Gersie, Elizabeth Haines, Juanita Harris, W. Jeffries, Marie Keller, Iva LeCoque, Edith McKeon, Mary A. Munk, Elsie Miller, Mahlon Mericle, Mary Jane Meyer, Josephine Motter, Ethel Perry, Shirley Ross, Harold J. Sorg, Julian J. Stazak, Wallace Snyder, Velma Smith, Jay Speice, Lorraine Schubert, George A. Siebold, Emery Tucker, Ruth Troyer. F. A. Arnold, John Adams, Charlotte Bruhner, Paul Breimeyer, Edward Bandt, Roy M. Brower, Neoma Badle, Ernest Bultemeyer, Mabel Bachman, Glenn Bice, Lloyd N. Cowell, Rosalyn R. Cameron, Lloyd Forsythe, A. Fairchild, Darrell Gaunt, Richard Gotschall, Mary Alice Girardot, Edna Hauser, Victoria Hyre, Irene M. Kleber, Russell toria Hyre, Irene M. Kleber, Russell Lee, Betty Lupton, Calvin Langohr, Estella Morrolf, John Martin, Joseph Robinson, Clarence Russell, Doyle Rice, Nina Rider, Lucille Salas, Donna Smith, Robert Thomas, William Trumbower, Mildred Wagoner, Sherman Welch, Aldo J. Wickliffe, Herman Wegman and Joseph G. Williams.

Left Hospital

Lorraine Schubert, A. Jeannette Burkhart, Dee Jackson, Wallace Snyder, Edna Ward, Victoria Hyre, Justin Heaston and Calvin Langohr.

Ossian Rifle Club Defeats G-E Team

Ossian Rifle Club defeated the G-E Rod and Gun Club in a match held at Ossian, Tuesday, Feb. 22.

Ossian Rifle Club	Prone	Kneel.	Stand.	Total
John Shull	100	97	92	289
A. Gibson	99	98	89	286
Lawrence Graft	98	95	93	286
Pete Sowards	100	97	88	285
		Team Total		1146

G-E Rod and Gun Club	Prone	Kneel.	Stand.	Total
L. Bland	98	97	87	282
O. Emrick	100	94	84	278
L. May	99	91	87	277
R. Rickliffe	99	96	82	277
		Team Total		1114



The Squares won the first game of the week. They defeated Fractional, 60-36, in the Interdivision Basketball League, Monday, Feb. 21. The winners jumped to a 12-point lead at the end of the first quarter and although the Fractional boys tried hard they could not close the gap.

Winter St. beat the Apprentice School, 48-24, Feb. 23. Bencke and Richardson got 17 points each for the winners.

Small Motors threw a real scare into the league-leading Firemen, but weakened in the last quarter to lose, 31-30. Fractional came back after their Monday night loss and trounced Tool and Die, 50-22. Wilson, Bitley and Lenz hit well for the winners, getting 15, 10 and 11 points respectively.

The Squares kept up with the Firemen, winning their second game of the week, 54-24. Taylor St., the losers, were unable to score a field goal in the first half. They loosened up in the last two periods scoring 21 points, but by that time the Squares had a substantial lead. All three games were played, Thursday, Feb. 24.

G-E Club Scores 3 Victories

The G-E Club basketball team defeated Maumee Club, 51-55. The Club then handed Salisbury Axle a 35-38 defeat, after which they downed the U. S. Naval Reserve team, 50-29.

The next games are:

Tuesday, March 8, First E. V. Church team at the club gym.

Thursday, March 10, Huntington K. of C. at the club gym.

Saturday, March 12, Roberts Truck Rental at the St. Joe Center gym.

Box scores:

Maumee	G.	F.	T.	G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Lipp	3	3	9	Davis	5	2	12
Shull	4	1	9	Carr	5	4	14
Auer	3	1	8	Bucher	6	4	16
Crouch	3	2	8	Zimmerlee	2	2	6
O. Ayers	3	0	6	Gettys	2	1	5
Thompson	7	0	14	Stoup	1	0	2
F. Ayers	0	3	3	Junk	0	0	0
Totals	21	9	51	Totals	21	13	55

Naval Res.	G.	F.	T.	G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Hoover	3	2	8	Bucher	8	1	17
Kaustoff	0	0	0	Carr	5	6	16
Eisenbiegler	0	1	1	Davis	0	3	3
Burbank	1	0	2	Zimmerlee	0	1	1
Painter	1	0	2	Gettys	2	1	5
Choka	4	0	8	Stoup	3	0	6
Koverman	2	0	4	Junk	1	0	2
Chapman	1	2	4				
Totals	12	5	29	Totals	19	12	50

Salisbury	G.	F.	T.	G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Miller	4	1	9	Bucher	3	0	6
Deck	0	1	1	Davis	1	2	4
Lee	2	0	4	Zimmerlee	4	1	9
Saylor	0	2	2	Junk	1	1	3
Follis	6	1	13	Lowden	1	2	4
Stucky	0	0	0	Getys	4	1	9
Ellis	0	2	2	Stoud	0	3	3
Hile	0	4	4				
Gillie	0	0	0				
Totals	12	11	35	Totals	14	10	38

Fractional	G.	F.	T.	Squares	G.	F.	T.
Hower	5	1	11	O'Keefe	9	3	21
Lenz	4	0	8	Eton	2	2	9
Bitley	1	1	3	Eisenbiegler	1	0	2
Pappert	1	0	2	Robertson	2	4	8
Wilson	4	0	8	Hart	3	0	6
Howell	1	2	4	Rogers	3	4	10
Totals	16	4	36	Totals	23	14	60

App. School	G.	F.	T.	Winter St.	G.	F.	T.
Rasor	3	0	6	Beneke	8	0	16
Staley	0	0	0	Gallmeier	2	0	4
Allen	5	0	10	D. Reitdorf	2	0	4
Mowery	3	0	6	Schinbeckler	0	1	1
Owen	1	0	2	Kent	3	1	7
Beiber	0	0	0	Fisher	0	0	0
Wagner	0	0	0	Blauvelt	0	0	0
				Richardson	8	0	16
Totals	12	0	24	Totals	23	2	48

Firemen	G.	F.	T.	Sm. Motors	G.	F.	T.
Morkoetter	2	0	4	Markey	20	0	4
Stemmler	0	0	0	Neu	1	0	2
Moodie	4	0	8	Wickliffe	3	3	9
Meyer	2	0	4	Keister	0	2	2
Baals	0	1	1	Lenz	2	2	6
Etter	2	1	5	Voors	3	1	7
Schible	0	0	0				
Vance	0	0	0				
Somers	1	1	3				
Lambroff	3	0	6				
Totals	14	3	31	Totals	11	8	30

Fractional	G.	F.	T.	Tool & Die	G.	F.	T.
Hower	3	0	6	VanOrsdale	0	2	2
Lenz	5	1	11	Clark	2	0	4
Bitley	5	0	10	Dunlap	0	0	0
Wilson	6	3	15	Staley	4	4	12
Howell	1	2	4	Vlasheff	0	0	0
Trosin	2	0	4	Lucer	0	0	0
Totals	22	6	50	Totals	8	6	22

Taylor St.	G.	F.	T.	Squares	G.	F.	T.
Grott	1	1	3	O'Keefe	5	1	11
Growcock	0	0	0	Eton	1	0	2
Esterline	2	3	7	Robertson	3	4	10
Reichert	4	0	8	Hart	5	0	10
Lothamer	3	0	6	Rogers	4	0	8
Pappert	0	0	0	Antalis	4	1	9
Richards	0	0	0	Winchester	1	0	2
				Parent	1	0	2
Totals	10	4	24	Totals	24	6	54

STANDINGS

	WON	LOST
Squares	5	0
Firemen	5	0
Apprentice School	3	2
Winter St.	3	2
Transformer	2	2
Small Motors	2	3
FHP	2	4
Taylor St.	0	4
Tool and Die	0	5

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



One advantage in being dumb is that you never need have any qualms about going against your better judgment.

It's a tragedy when a man loses his best friend by marrying her.

575 Attend Square Dance



"Eight hands around," shouted the caller, as the photographer caught a group of dancers, above, at the G-E Club's square dance. Approximately 575 persons promenaded and do-si-do'd Saturday night in the G-E club gymnasium at the dance given as one of the club's Family Nights. Erven Huth and Charles Ream were co-chairmen of the event.

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Myron Auer

Shh—Shh—quiet please for ten seconds . . . the pause was for the disappointed Monroeville and Redskin fans who were heartbroken. It looks as though Central just beat them to the title. Both victims have exceptionally good ball clubs but only one could win, so it just had to be the Tigers. I am afraid Dick White will enter the list of "waysiders" next week. Someone move over to give him room. . . . Did you get a load of Bill Owens' hairdo? Which is it? A Toni or Marcel? I'll lay 10-1 it's a Toni. . . . It's amazing the different items you can find hiding in a gym bag. Someone said Wuttke's would talk back. It talked mostly on tho sectionals Wednesday afternoon. . . . Ronnie Allen is an excellent cook. That is providing he has a fire, hot plate, stove or some means to cook on. Two nice big juicy steaks and no place to fix them. The situation was overcome with a twin-engined hot plate which is as slow as I don't know what. Dinner was finally served at approximately 11 p.m. with all the trimmings. The four survivors looked anemic the next day. Two fellows didn't even make it to work. . . . Dick Reinking has been gunning for the No. 10 slot in bowling for weeks. He tries and tries but just can't come through. . . . "Those who laugh last laugh longest," says Dick Wagner. Wayne Bergman and Louie Brunner were disappointed when Uncle Sam didn't take a few of our latest class. Tough luck you vets. . . . Last Thursday the "rookie" class imagined they had a celebrity in their midst. What a letdown, it was only Art Rasor with his harmonica. You were O.K., Art, it sounded swell. . . . Two men escaped from Mars and crashed Bldg. 10-3 during classes last week. Bill Jones and Bill Owens bounced in with full head gear and ray guns flaring in all directions. Jim Pugh got so scared he jumped from a second story window. . . . I want a volunteer to tell poor Paul Wuttke that South Side is out of this year's tourney. He utterly gleamed as he walked down the hall yelling, "Yea! South Side! On to State." Maybe he thinks it's 1938. . . . Some of the boys had a little get-together at Fremion's cottage a week or so ago. The weather hit a foul ball, but other than that everything went off as planned. All involved seemed to have a sporting good time. . . . The draftsmen are all located in their respective new positions and all seem to be satisfied. Don Miller was telling his supervisor how he appreciated the help given him while in the division. Then to impress him a little Don went on to brag up the standardization manual which had been made up. The boss told him not to forget to turn it in. So Don reached in his desk and pulled it out, blew the heavy dust off and prepared to go about his business. Mr. Manecke halted his proceedings and asked him how he could possibly know anything about it when it looked as though it hadn't been touched for ages. That's O.K., Don, we all have days when we can't make a dime for a cup of coffee. So think nothing of it. . . . Bob Barnes announced we should get our ball gloves and spikes out of moth balls and prepare for an exceptionally good year. The Apprentice School is booked as a title contender according to top officials. Let's win one this year, fellows. Big "J" Hoppel is due to come around for his two-bit collection. Each time you pay one coin you are that much closer to home. Home being graduation day. . . . Dick Gotschall retired from the sick list and returned to work. We were all glad to receive him back into the fold. He brought a friend along, Dick Sebold. . . . I've been asked who my buddy is who attends bowling each Friday. He is Bob Ellenwood, the queen's brother. . . . The basketball team was greeted with their initial defeat. They bounced right back with another win in the week's second start. The defeat came at the hands of the Firemen. The play offs count fellows so play it cagey at the season's end. Bring the bacon home to the school. . . . Houses, houses, all kinds of houses. Millie is having a tough time selecting the house with all the advantages. She has been reading a "dream house" book for a month. Choose a good one, kid.

Broadway East Gate Closes Over Week-ends

Starting Saturday, March 5, the Broadway east gate will be closed at 7 a.m. until Monday at 6 a.m., it was announced by A. R. Vegalues, G-E Chief of Police. Closing the Broadway east gate over the week-end will continue until further notice. The Lindley and Broadway west gates will remain open every day.



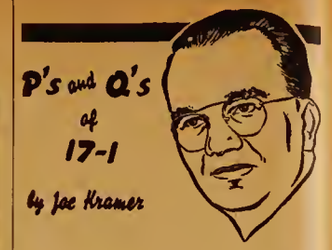
The Big WIND

DIVISION 17
TAYLOR STREET
by Dorothy Heinzelmann

The 51 Frame sound room looks all perked up with pussy willows brought in by Ruth Leverton. Don't be fooled by those willows and think that it's spring cause if you do, Don Niles can set you right and tell you differently. He had his car freeze up for him last Monday night. Some of this nice weather sure does fool a guy though, doesn't it, Don? . . . There is something that seems to be bothering every one around here. It seems that someone saw Bernie Gausepohl riding a girl's bicycle last Saturday. Now what we want to know is just what were you doing on that bike, Bernie? Exercising or just riding the bike back home? . . . Ethel Koontz was all smiles when she came into work last Monday. We don't blame her, as she and her husband went bowling on Sunday and she beat him every game. That really shows who's who in the family, Ethel. . . . Evelyn Lietzke and Rose Liby were the lucky winners on the Sectional Tourney pool. We'd say pretty good guessing, gals. . . . Congratulations to Myrtle Cramer who celebrated her 28th wedding anniversary last week. She came to work wearing a pretty corsage and a great big smile. That sounds as though they have been a happy 28 years, Myrtle. . . . Ruth Raidy evidently doesn't have to count her calories like most of us gals do. She not only brings one lunch pail, but brings two no less. . . . Jerry McKown brought his little boy to the big city last Saturday to celebrate his birthday. From what we hear, we would like to know just who was supposed to do the celebrating. . . . Welcome to Bob Heinzelmann, who has joined our group, and hope that you will like it here with us, Bob. . . . Also welcome to the first trick, John Roose. . . . Congratulations to the Alvie Hills. Thelma, who used to work in the sound room, has a brand new baby girl named Judith Ann. . . . Congratulations also to the George McWilliams, who also have a new little girl named Donita Lee. . . . Esther Schladenhauffen has the newest thing for breaking in new shoes. She puts on the shoes, and then puts a pair of socks on over the shoes. The big question is, Esther, where did you get the men's sox? . . . We all enjoyed Dick Gladieux' visit last Monday morning and it was good to see you again. Dick used to work in Fan Motor and is now attending Indiana Tech. . . . Lela Seibert visited friends in Cleveland last week-end. From what we hear the train ride up there proved very interesting. . . . Anita Fitch was overheard in a restaurant saying, "I wanna spoon." Did we hear that correctly, Anita? . . . What's this we hear about Charlie Prine having the "Shmoo of all shmoos?" Let's hope that it keeps Charlie well supplied. . . . We extend our sympathy to Ann and Mary Cuellar in the death of their grandmother in Texas.

Evelyn Blakely of the Taylor St. Employment Office has asked me to please publish the following for her: "I wish to publicly express my thanks and appreciation to the following girls that so generously donated blood for my mother: Dorothy Richards, Div. 17; Geraldine Lartz, Div. 17; Hazel Hardwick, Div. 17; Blanche Mulligan, Div. 17; Olive Walters, Taylor St. Disp.; Pauline Hartman, Div. 17; Helen Moeschberger, Bldg. 31; Loretta Mulligan, Bldg. 18-1; and Mamie Allen, Bldg. 4-2.

Thank you so kindly girls,
Evelyn Blakely"



Never despair. But if you do, work on in despair.—Edmund Burke. . . . "High Ho, Silver, away," is Curly Sprague's new war cry; that is, since he received his Lone Ranger flashlight ring. Curly really gave a vivid demonstration of the uses that the ring could be put to flashing signals, secret compartment and all. For information as to how you can get your ring, we suggest you see Curly. . . . Who says that it doesn't pay to work with figures? Ask Leo Nyboer. That little number 1212 came through very handsomely for Leo during the Sectionals. . . . Bob Dent is in the market for a few chickens. Reasons are unknown but it is rumored that chickens make a good priority for getting a telephone. . . . It has been suggested that Johnnie Junk borrow a stick for holding his apple. It seems Johnnie has quite a chore holding it in his hand. . . . Charlie Griffin had a swell get-together for the second trick operators last week. Latest report says enjoyable time had by all. . . . George Mosshammer was measured for a suit of clothes by Ed Arthur. When "Baby Sitter" Mosshammer received the suit, the pants were two inches too long. We don't know for sure, but it has been rumored that the waist was a little tight. Must have been that 37 inch long yard stick Ed was using. . . . "Bingo Benney" better known as Ed (Little Lord Fauntleroy) Martin came to work Monday morning with a very sad look. When asked what the trouble was, all Ed would say was he's going to have to stay home nights and play Chinese checkers as his favorite hobby, bingo has again been suspended. . . . Clyde Crabill and Carl Fisber are looking for someone to go with them this summer on a vacation. The only requirement is a share the work plan outlined by Clyde and Carl. The couple going along must do the cooking, wash dishes, clean the fish, row the boat, and if they have any time left, they can polish Clyde's car. Address all inquiries to Clyde and Carl The Friendly Vacationists.



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For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

—II Corinthians 4:6

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L. W. Kuttner, W. K. Williams Promoted To New Positions



L. W. Kuttner



W. K. Williams

The appointments of L. W. Kuttner as Assistant Manager of Manufacturing and W. K. Williams as Manufacturing Engineer was announced this week. Both are in the FHP Motor manufacturing divisions.

Mr. Kuttner started with General Electric in 1916 as a clerk in the Apprentice school. The following year he joined the U.S. Army and served until 1919, when he returned to G-E in the Cost department.

In 1920 he transferred to FHP Motor Cost, remaining in that work until 1924 when he switched to FHP Motor Planning. In 1929 he was appointed Assistant Supervisor of Wage Rates and Planning, FHP Motor division, and in 1938 became Assistant Supervisor of Cost for that division. The following year he entered the Central Cost section, where he was responsible for cost methods and procedure.

Mr. Kuttner was named Supervisor of Cost for the Fort Wayne Works in 1940. Later he returned to the FHP Motor division as Assistant to the Manufacturing Superintendent. In 1945 he became General Assistant to the Manager of Manufacturing when he was named co-ordinator of FHP Motor manufacturing.

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Employees Asked To Check Social Security Numbers

All employees are requested to compare the numbers on their payroll check with those given on their social security card.

The Federal Social Security office has phoned the payroll sections about a few incidents in which there have been differences in the numbers. All such discrepancies should be reported by the employee to his supervisor, who will inform the proper payroll section.

Pres. Wilson Warns Against Growing Disunity In Nation

DENOUNCES HEARINGS ON PROPOSED NEW LABOR LEGISLATION

Persistent attempts to pit one group of our society against another for the gain of a selfish few are creating a dangerous national disunity which this country can no longer afford, Charles E. Wilson, President of the General Electric Company, asserted at Cincinnati last week.

"There is no greater harm that can come to this republic than to set one group against another," Mr. Wilson said. "We could do with a little more restraint, courtesy and respect for the opinion of our fellow Americans on the part of those who participate in public radio forums, in the halls and committee rooms of the Congress, and on the convention platforms of business men and union men. Let us stop this soul-rotting business of setting one group against another in the hope of deriving some cheap immediate advantage."

Denounces Hearings

Speaking before the Chamber of Commerce forum there, Mr. Wilson denounced the recent hearings on the proposed new labor bill as having produced no substantial evidence to promote constructive legislation.

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Red Cross Total Goes To $4,781

The Red Cross Fund-Raising campaign at the Broadway, Taylor St. and Winter St. plants went to $4,781 yesterday morning, according to K. W. Michael, general chairman of the drive. A quota of $12,000 has been set for the campaign.

Nearly 500 solicitors canvassed the three plants this week.

The report by divisions of yesterday's accumulated totals was as follows:

Works Serv. and Contributing Div.	$1,149
Fractional Horsepower Divisions	1,880
Transformer Divisions	759
Motor and Generator Divisions	494
Winter St.	500

Mr. Michael stated today that much credit for the success of the campaign must go to the solicitors who made all the personal contacts, and contributed much in the way of selling this humanitarian organization—the Red Cross to local employees.

All employees who were not contacted or who desire to increase their donation can do so by contacting a solicitor or by sending the contribution to Mr. Michael in the Personnel office, Bldg. 8-2.

I. H. Freeman Appointed Supervisor Of Personnel

R. E. Zook Named To Employee, Community Relations Staff



I. H. Freeman



R. E. Zook

I. H. Freeman has been named Supervisor of Personnel, Fort Wayne Works. He succeeds R. E. Zook, who has been assigned to the staff of the Manager of Employee and Community Relations, Apparatus Department in Schenectady, N.Y. Both appointments become effective Friday, April 1.

In assuming the position of Supervisor of Personnel, Mr. Freeman will be returning to the division he organized in 1936. He joined General Electric in 1913 and was employed as foreman, and later cost accountant. In 1918 he started the Wage Rate division.

Mr. Freeman was named a general foreman in the FHP Motor division in 1922, then he returned to the Wage Rate division as its supervisor. In October, 1936, he was appointed Personnel Administrator. At the same time, he also was in charge of the Wage Rate division and Labor Relations.

When in October, 1936, these were made into separate divisions, Mr. Freeman was named assistant to the manager. Then because of ill health in 1945, he gave up his work in labor relations. On November 26, 1945, he was assigned to the Works Manager's office on special assignments.

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Annual Statement Reveals Sound Position of Company

(For detailed report of 1948 statement see page 12)

General Electric income in 1948 totalled $1,651,559,000 as compared with the 1947 figure of $1,347,544,000, it was revealed in the Company's annual statement released today. This is an increase of $304,015,000 which permitted G-E to set aside the $72,449,000 required for use in adding new equipment, stockpiling materials, getting out of debt and generally strengthening the Company.

With prospects of a "buyer's market" being possibly just ahead, this "plow-back" money takes on added significance, for it will permit the greatest possible protection of jobs in the face of current difficulties and at the same time place the Company in the most advantageous position to meet more urgent competition.

Approximately 84 percent of the total income during the year was spent for materials and wages, with $744,124,000 going to buy materials and $610,330,000 paid out in wages and salaries, the statement shows. This was an increase over 1947 of $141,082,000 and $98,739,000 respectively. Total number of employees at the end of the year (excluding those employed on nucleonics projects for the U.S. Government) was about 188,000 which indicates very little change since the previous year.

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Supervisors To Hear Talk By K. W. Given

The Supervisors' Club will hear a talk by K. W. Given at its meeting Monday, March 14, at 8 p.m. in the Squares hall.

Mr. Given is a member of the Lecture and Exhibit bureau of the G-E Chemical Department in Pittsfield, Mass. His topic will be "New Chemical Developments."

The talk will include a non-technical explanation of the general types of plastics, new silicone products, and demonstrations of the remarkable characteristics of G-E dri-film and other new materials and applications which have been developed by General Electric's engineers.

The program will also include entertainment by the Sentimental Four barbershop quartet, a short business meeting, and buffet lunch.

PARTIZANS TO TOUR HISTORICAL MUSEUM

The Partizan Chapter of Elex will have a Historical Party Tuesday, March 15, at the Fort Wayne Historical Museum. Lunch will be served at 1 p.m. followed by the business meeting and a tour of the museum. Helen Thiele is chairman of the meeting with Agnes Schlotter and Jane Yergens assisting.

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Don Campbell.....Editor

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What This World Needs Is Such A Little Thing

What is it this world needs?

It's such a little thing, often thought of before, talked about, written about, orated upon, something within the power of each of us.

It's understanding and being understood.

A simple word—to understand. Not to tolerate, not to accept, but to understand.

It means putting yourself in the other fellow's shoes and walking in them, seeing two sides to every problem from a perch in the middle. It means, paradoxically enough, stripping oneself of every human drive and motive to become more of a human being, ridding oneself of greed and selfish cupidity, perverted ambitions, ruthless desires for pre-eminence.

Defeatists excuse failure of peaceable relations by saying there never has been peace and there never will be.

There was a time when, too, there never had been freedom of speech, marriage laws, or airplanes, or an atom bomb.

Our world is tired and sick today. But we have so fashioned it. We can make it a new world to live in. But if we want to live in it, understanding from Buffalo to Bangkok, from Buenos Aires to Berlin, is necessary so that man can eventually be a brother to his fellow man.

Suggestion System Offers Means To Get Ideas Across

Confidence and faith in self is a great asset. Most people have it to a degree necessary to get along in the world. But to win the confidence and faith of others, to the extent of getting your own ideas across, is quite something else again.

In other words, it is one thing to have ideas and originality but if you can't get them across, they are not of much use to you or anyone else. In the old days, before we had a Suggestion System, it was difficult to get ideas across. New thought moved slowly and many good ideas never saw the light of day because there was no one to tell them to without restraint.

Today that is all changed and your ideas can see the light of day by the simple method of writing them out on a piece of paper within your reach. Why not take advantage of this easy way to let someone know what you are thinking about.

Use the Suggestion System. . . . take the Easier Way to the Better Way!

We All Have An Opportunity To Make The Most Of Our Time

Time is the most precious ingredient in the building of anything . . . be it a life or a powerful turbine. With its proper use we can achieve almost any end. When we waste it we commit the basest of crimes. Time lost can never be regained. Time misspent can never be reclaimed.

To each of us is given an allotted span to live and to each of us is given the abilities to make the most of our time upon this earth. Thus the challenge is in our direction; the goal is ours to reach. If we win, the fruits are ours. If we fail we must likewise taste the bitter cup of disillusionment, the brackish scum of dead waters.

In this daily work we all call the job, no matter whether it is sweeping the floor or keeping the books or figuring out the deepest mathematical formula, we all have an opportunity to make the most of our time. We can think of better ways to make the job easier for ourselves; better ways to make the product better for the public which must use it and better ways to make our company bigger and stronger in the field of its operations. Such use of time, earnestly pursued and steadily followed cannot help but make us grow individually and collectively. Use your time to better your job and your job will take better care of you.

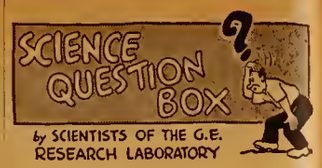
The thinking man is the growing man and who wants to stop growing?





"People who run into debt usually have to crawl out."

Max Feilitz, the playboy of the tool room, had quite an experience the other day. He was trying to show a trick ring to someone when it backfired on him. It was a water ring that would not work unless the master looked at it. How did it feel to get your face washed in the middle of the day, Max? . . . Mary Beahl was transferred to Bldg. 17-3 on the first shift, but we hope that she will be back soon. . . . Paul Koldewey was on an enforced diet last Friday. His lunch was short, of all things a sandwich. Better check before you leave home next time, Paul. . . . Don Shroyer will be inspecting in Bldg. 17-3 for the next week or so. He says he'll be back. . . . Don Witte is able to look at a person again without looking like he's twisting his neck off—he had the stiff neck for a week. . . . Bettie Foreman's husband purchased a Packard last week. . . . Someone saw Archie Evans walking down the aisle with a pipe in his mouth and carrying a package in each hand. Suddenly Archie had to sneeze and evidently didn't want to release his hold on any of the mentioned articles with the result—a broken pipe stem. That boy has a powerful sneeze. . . . Harold Hohman is happy to announce that he finally caught his limit while ice fishing. . . . Ed Meyer is the champion guesser of basketball scores. His guess for the three games played last weekend was 268 and that is the exact score. Maybe he could guess women's ages at the carnivals and fairs as a sideline. . . . John Williams hasn't said much about the Democrats since the governor threatened to resign if he doesn't get more co-operation. . . . Jim Kavanaugh is still having car troubles. It seems as though he is always running out of either gas or oil. . . . All winter Charley Thomson endured the cold in order to win a prize in the Huntington fish contest. He was awarded a pocketknife, and now he wants to sell or trade. What's your offer, fellows? . . . Don Meyers has been suffering with rheumatism so he is having his teeth pulled. We sympathize and hope he will be feeling better soon.



by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

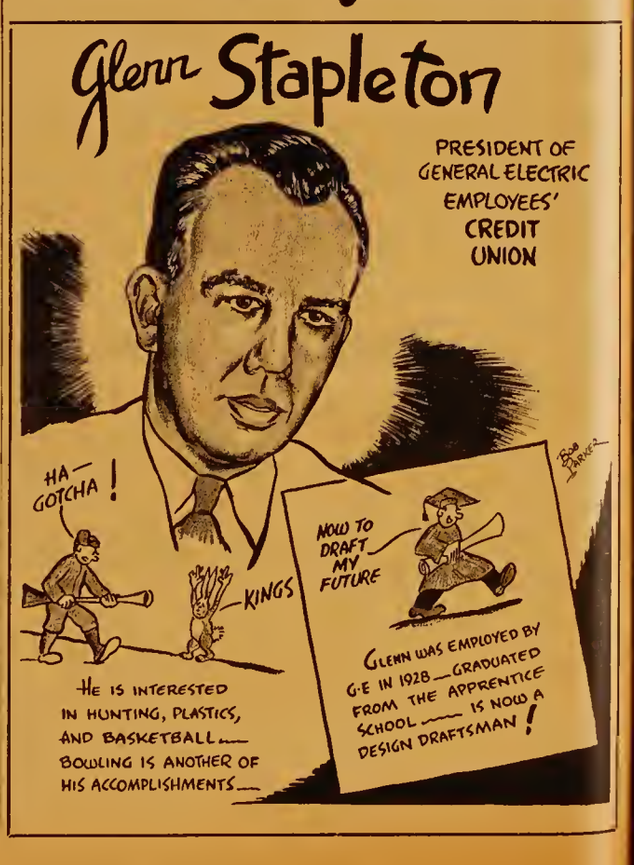
Q. Why doesn't water from a spring freeze in cold weather?

A. The water in such a spring originates deep in the ground, where the temperature in winter remains much higher than at the surface, and is well above freezing. As water comes out it contains enough heat energy to enable it to flow for a considerable distance at the surface before it is lowered to the freezing point.

Q. What are the Fraunhofer lines?

A. These are dark lines which appear in the colored spectrum of the Sun, obtained when its light is passed through a combination of prisms and lenses forming a spectroscope. The light from the inner part of the Sun, the "photosphere," if it could be obtained by itself, would not show such lines. As this light passes through the Sun's outer layers, which form the "chromosphere," certain colors or wavelengths are absorbed. The light reaching the Earth is deficient in these colors and the dark lines appear. Each one, then, shows the presence in the Sun of a certain element. Thus, a close pair of lines in the yellow region indicates sodium, and one in the red is due to cadmium. They appear also in the spectra of other stars and enable astronomers to determine the elements they contain. Actually the lines are not completely dark, but appear so in contrast with the much brighter background of the continuous spectrum from inside the star.

Meet the President



Present Law Said To Have Helped Prevent Jurisdictional Strikes

Editor's Note: Following are excerpts from the testimony of President Wilson and Mr. Boulware, Vice President in charge of Employee Relations, before the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare in Washington Feb. 17. The Committee hearings concerned the pending bill to replace the Taft-Hartley Act. Described for the Committee were the experiences of General Electric Company in its involvements with various unions. Specific instances, under a dozen separate headings, were detailed tending to illustrate the weaknesses and the strengths of the present law.

The present labor law has operated to prevent jurisdictional strikes, or has helped to bring them to a quick settlement in instances where they have cropped out, L. R. Boulware, Vice President in charge of Employee Relations, testified before the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare at its hearings in Washington on proposed new labor legislation.

Presents Several Cases

Mr. Boulware presented to the Committee details of several cases where General Electric was an innocent victim in union jurisdictional disputes.

A recent instance, he said, involved a dispute between two unions during construction of the new G-E Research Laboratory at Schenectady. He explained that "we could not get the I.B.E.W. and the independent Empire State Telephone Union to agree over whose job it was to install the telephone cables."

When the telephone cables were to be laid, he pointed out, the I.B.E.W. threatened the electrical sub-contractor with a walk-out unless the New York Telephone Company permitted I.B.E.W. men to install the telephone cables, thereby replacing the telephone company's own employees who belonged to the Empire State Union. The telephone employees' union stated they would not connect the telephones if the electrical union pulled the cables. General Electric, as the innocent bystander, attempted from February to August last year to settle this jurisdictional dispute amicably, but without success.

'Walkout Not a Strike'

Despite the I.B.E.W. threat to the contractor that a strike would ensue, Mr. Boulware said, the telephone company workers eventually commenced installation of the cable and immediately "46 I.B.E.W. electrical workers walked off the job, leaving 20 workers and eight foremen." The following day only 18 electrical workers appeared on the job. The I.B.E.W. denied that it was a strike. The next day G-E filed a complaint of an unfair labor practice with the N.L.R.B., which assigned an investigator. This was followed by the I.B.E.W. representative calling G-E to the effect that the walk-out would be terminated if G-E would withdraw the charge. When the men did return to work on the following Monday morning, the charge was withdrawn with the permission of the N.L.R.B.

This unique laboratory was designed for research in microwaves for the U. S. Navy, the development of a 300,000,000 volt synchrotron for the Navy and exploration in the fields of television, nuclear physics, X-rays and many other projects under Government contract or for commercial or general scientific use, Mr. Boulware said, and added:

"Had there been no law to provide relief from such actions, irreparable damage might have been done not only to innocent bystanders but to the national well-being."

Wilson Cites Another

President Charles E. Wilson, who had previously read a prepared statement, at this point in the proceedings referred to another case concerning the turbine building now under construction at Schenectady. A Committee member asked for the details and Mr. Wilson referred the Senator to Mr. Boulware, who explained:

"We placed a temporary wall through a new 20-million-dollar factory building so that the CIO people are working on one side and the AFL people on the other, doing substantially the same work. But this technically makes it two buildings."

Other Disputes Given

Other instances of jurisdictional disputes were described in a supplementary statement, one being at the Company's Electronics Park, Syracuse. There the I.B.E.W. picketed the construction work and the electrical workers refused to continue on their jobs when the telephone company workers, members of the Empire State Union, were installing the telephone cable. The dispute was settled by a compromise agreement between the two unions. About this, the Company's statement said:

"At this time (November, 1946) there was no remedy available to those who, as innocent bystanders, might be damaged by the delay to this large construction project.

"Our company has experienced, and is experiencing, instance after instance of this practically all over the nation. But General Electric's experience is not unusual, as you know. The Committee will recall the testimony as to the CIO-AFL soft drink strike on D-Day in Detroit; the port-closing Longshoremen and Sailors Union strike in California when 25,000 tons of fresh vegetables rotted; the bomb-throwing, window-smashing, man-beating CIO-AFL Pittsburgh 'Teamsters' War;' and other instances of terrorism."

If juvenile delinquency continues to grow maybe we'll have to bring back the old woodshed.

Most of the fixed ideas the average person has can stand a lot of fixing.

G-E Safety Engineer Is Invited To Attend Truman's Conference

The Fort Wayne Works safety engineer, Herschel Smith, has been invited to attend President Truman's National Conference on Industrial Safety.

The conference will be held March 23-25 in Washington and will be attended by more than 1,500 business, labor and government officials. The President has asked that the conference be called to check industrial accidents and deaths that are estimated to take place in industry this year based on statistics for other years.

Addresses by the President and John O. Pastore, governor of Rhode Island, will be the features of the opening day. Maurice J. Tobin, Secretary of Labor, will preside over this session.

The remaining days of the conference will include the reports of committees, covering such phases of industrial safety as: Industrial Accident Records as a Measure of the Problem; The Engineering Approach to Industrial Safety; The Development of Safety Laws and Regulations; Education in Accident Prevention; Research for Safety; Labor and Management Cooperation for Safety, and Organizing for Safety.

Irving Denton, Manager of the Safety Council at the Chamber of Commerce, has also been invited to the conference. Mr. Smith is chairman of the council.

Melvin Howe Dies Sunday

Melvin Howe, 63, died at 8 a.m. Sunday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Fred Noel, 454 Eckart St. A resident of Fort Wayne 38 years, Mr. Howe was first employed by General Electric in 1927 as a helper at Winter St. He later transferred to Broadway, where he worked on various jobs such as washing and drying in Bldg. 4-B, annealing, Japan-dipping, and as an elevator operator. When he left in 1945, he was a bale scrap collector.

Besides Mrs. Noel, he is survived by another daughter, Mrs. John Irelan, of Logansport; two brothers, John, of Latty, O., and Ray, of Lima, O.; a sister, Mrs. Gertrude Betts, of Lima; and four grandchildren.

Services were held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Mungovan and Sons Mortuary. Dr. Paul Miller officiated, with burial in Greenlawn Memorial Park.

Schenectady Employee Becomes Company's 10,000th Pensioner

Homer Landry, of Cohoes, N. Y., became the General Electric Company's 10,000th living pensioner, when he retired Tuesday, March 1, after 31 years of service.

Landry, who estimates he has traveled 300,000 miles in commuting to work from Cohoes to Schenectady, came to G-E in 1916, four years after inauguration of the Company's pension plan—the oldest in American industry.

During his last day on the job as a boring mill operator in the G-E Apparatus Department's turbine divisions, Landry was congratulated on his service record by William W. Trench, Company Secretary and Chairman of the G-E Pension Board.

Landry also was presented a purse of money by his fellow workers in the turbine divisions.

Recalls 'Old Days'

A commuter throughout his 31 years of service, Landry claims that present commuters who kick about their problems "should have had a taste of the old days."

He recalled that in his early years of service with the Company he arose at 4:45 a.m. each day to catch a 5:40 a.m. train with 200 other workmen, and then arrived home on the same train at 7 p.m.

"That wasn't so bad in good weather, but when the snow was deep and the train was late, we sometimes didn't see too much of home," he said. "On one occasion, a storm made the train so late that we didn't arrive in Cohoes until 5 a.m.," he recalled.

Pensioners in 42 States

More than 150,000 active General Electric employees are now participating in the Pension Plan. The present 10,000 pensions are scattered throughout the world, in 42 states and the District of Columbia, the British Isles, Canada, Italy, Lithuania, Poland, Norway, Germany and the West Indies.

Under the present terms of the Pension Plan, employees and the Company jointly contribute to the pension trust fund, from which pensions are paid for life to all retiring employees; however, regardless of the date of death of the pensioner, benefits are guaranteed for a five-year period to the employee or his beneficiary.

The amount of each participant's annual contribution is two per cent of the first $3,000 of his compensation and five per cent of all over $3,000. At the age of 65, the retiring employee will receive a pension each year of 40 per cent of all that he has contributed to the plan.

The plan was broadened in 1946, and that same year the contributory feature was introduced. The Company announced that it would pay the entire cost of pensions for all employees based on their years of service prior to the date of that amendment. These pensions are in addition to any benefits due the retiring employee through federal social security.

Appointed Supervisor

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In organizing the Personnel division, Mr. Freeman was also instrumental in the founding of the G-E Club and Elex. He is a member of the Foremen's Association, Supervisors' Club, Squares Club, and an honorary member of the Apprentice Alumni Association.

Mr. Freeman belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and is a charter member of the Fort Wayne Personnel and Industrial Relations Association.

He is also one of the founders of the Fort Wayne Philharmonic Orchestra, President of the Philharmonic Chorus, and on the board of the Fort Wayne Musical Society.

Mr. Freeman is married and resides at 4811 Old Mill Road.

Here Since 1929

Following graduation from Purdue University in June, 1929, Mr. Zook came to the General Electric Company on the factory training course.

His assignments since that time included planning, foremanship, and various phases of personnel and labor relations. In July, 1943, Mr. Zook was named Assistant to the Personnel Administrator. Later he was appointed Assistant in the Labor Relations division, the position he held until December 1, 1948, when he was named Supervisor of Personnel.

Mr. Zook is President of the Fort Wayne Personnel and Industrial Relations Association and is a member of the Indiana Personnel Association, Chamber of Commerce, Foremen's Association, Squares and Supervisors' clubs. He is married and has two children, a boy and a girl. His residence is at 4612 Calumet Avenue.

Works Lab Men To Present Comedy For Squares Party



A scene from the three act, musical comedy to be given by the men in the Works Lab at a Squares stag party is shown above. The show, a hilarious take-off on a Gilbert and Sullivan comedy, will be presented Wednesday, March 16, at 8 p.m. in the Squares club room.

As Gracie Allen would say:

Roses are red
Violets are blue
Next Tuesday
Your Income Tax is due.

Better have it paid by then or Uncle Sam will be looking for you.



Hagenbeck and Wallace haven't a thing on us as far as trained animals are concerned. We have "Tilly Mouse" who can tell time. Yep, she takes a stroll everyday at 4:30. One day she was late and Harry Beatty thought his watch was wrong. . . . We are sorry to lose Ann Lapadot, but we are sure she will be happy in Bldg. 2-2. Good luck, Ann, you're a swell gal. . . . Play ball! Spring is in the air. Last week the Grinding Room gang was seriously thinking of organizing a baseball team. This week they decided to drop the idea—too many butter fingers in the crowd. Don't suppose they could mean Melvin Rose, do you? . . . Speaking of spring, one sign will be when Heiny Bruggeman starts removing his winter "heavies," his many coats and sweaters. . . . Mary Warren is looking for a good used pair of roller skates since she can't make connections with her bus. Poor kid, she's all worn out by the time she gets to work in the morning. . . . The Receiving Section is sorry to lose Paul Buell to Taylor Street. We'll miss you, Paul, but don't forget to drop in for a visit any time. . . . Cletus Ternet is at his home confined with the gout. I was always under the impression gout came about from overeating. How can you do it, Cletus, in these days of high prices? . . . Fred Divelbiss is starting out early to make a fisherman of his three-year-old son, Steven. Stevie was caught one day trying to clean one of his goldfish the same way Fred cleans those "big ones" he catches at Lake Webster. . . . It seems Russel Kryder was a poor authority on basketball this season. First, his home team Leo let him down so badly, then Central became his favorite. Oh, what a let-down when Auburn came to the front Saturday night. Russ, what goes—are you slipping? . . . Phyllis Nordyke is looking for a good used mattress to use for horseback riding. She has been eating from a shelf several days now. . . . Happy birthday to Harry Golden and George Jones. . . . Success is getting what you want; happiness is wanting what you get.

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trends during the immediate future depend on many unforeseeable factors, including taxes, raw material costs, wages, world conditions, and many others, it is safe to say the G-E by virtue of its careful and sound operation, stands in such top positions as is possible among American industries to face that future with confidence.

With employees and management working together, General Electric should continue to be able to offer its customers better goods at a fair price, after rewarding employees with good and proper pay, and at the same time make a reasonable return for the thousands of stockholders who have placed their confidence in us by investing their savings in our Company. This in its simplest terms, represents the road to success in business and to the best available steadiness of jobs.

Pres. Wilson

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"There was almost no disposition on the part of union leaders to do anything but demand the immediate payment of an election debt. There was no desire to listen to evidence to examine the record, or to submit proof. There was no visible sense of obligation for a great policy," Mr. Wilson contended. "In my opinion there hasn't been a single straight-forward attempt, on the part of labor's bosses to negotiate an honest, workable, equitable labor bill to keep America strong and united."

Mr. Wilson termed the proponents of economic controls; price, wage and profit regulations; confiscatory tax plans; and huge public spending as advocates of "fashionable approaches to socialism and collectivism in various disguises."

"It is often difficult to tell whether they are malicious or just innocent but somehow they must be made to understand the economic bases of the American free enterprise system," he declared. "There is considerable liability for economic illiteracy in government and there it cannot be condoned."

Might Learn from Industry

Asserting that industry had "paid its way to bigness" by providing comfort, security and contentment for the American people, General Electric's president suggested that government might well consider applying some of industry's concepts of business standards to certain phases of its own operations.

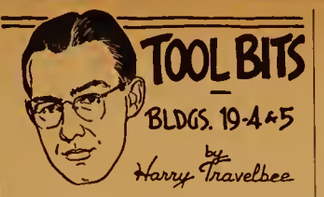
"Maybe we should look at that great flood-control venture, the Tennessee Valley Authority, and ask how many floods it can control by building steam power plants and competing with private industry, on taxpayer's money," he stated. "Maybe government should divest itself on the Post Office Department, a business with a reported $300 million deficit which I am sure would derive considerable benefit if it were operated as a business. If it really wants to put the attractiveness, efficiency, and necessity of many of its proposed giant public works projects to the acid test, maybe it should invite private investment in such projects, the way it invites the public to buy U. S. Savings Bonds, and encourage the operation of these projects by suitable components of our tried and successful American system of competitive enterprise."

One of the great threats to our economic security at the moment, he said, is the tendency to exempt the lower income groups from paying taxes at all. Such short-sightedness, he contended, will produce only irresponsibility of citizenship on the part of those who are made exempt. The phenomenal growth of our government is a lasting monument to the policy of our top-heavy tax and borrowing structure, he stated.

Football Flaw Finder



The man with the earphones and "pistol" is not a disillusioned ball player out to destroy every football in sight. He is an inspector, using an electronic leak detector to find flaws in footballs as they come off the assembly line at the Collete Manufacturing Company in Amsterdam, N.Y. If there is a leak in the ball, he will hear a "peeping" in the headphones. The detector, developed by General Electric scientists, sucks in air and is extremely sensitive to the presence of smokes and gases containing fluorine, bromine, iodine, or chlorine. The balls are inflated with such a gas, and if any escapes through a leak, the detector signals the engineer. In the past, the pigskins were inflated and stored for several days to see if any were faulty. The G-E instrument is so sensitive that it has been possible to check entire cases of footballs simply by passing the pistol-shaped device over them.



The Polar Bear Club had their swim Jan. 1, but Dick Hemrick held his frigid swim Mar. 1. The other night Dick and his family were heading for the old homestead from a party. Dick claims the atmosphere got so foggy, he couldn't see the road and ran head-long into a ditch with three feet of water. Not giving up the ship, Dick took off his shoes and waded around the area to survey the situation. Our hero finally summoned help from a nearby farm and carried his family one by one from the half submerged vehicle. . . . Yours truly saw Norman Jackemeyer at a sale in Bloomingdale. Norm says everyone accuses him of buying a cement mixer for his wife at the sale. . . . You've heard of trying to squeeze blood out of a turnip. Well, Adrian Libbing isn't actually a turnip, but the medics at Bluffton gave up after several futile attempts to extract any blood. Bob Branning was on the cot next to Adrian and was having a good joke over the whole thing. The nurses asked Bob if he felt all right after giving up a pint of blood. Bob decided he never felt better in his life and walked out in the hall, only to fold up completely. . . . Lowell Welker was seen on Taylor Street with three kites and two kids. Lowell said the third kite was a demonstrator. Guess who demonstrated. . . . Cliff Clapecattle has been hearing so much about that outstanding bass catching plug, "Stoney Spinner," from the two Johns (Neukam and Roemer), that he is almost convinced that he should buy one. Cliff claims the only reason these boys want him to buy one, is because they have stock in the company. . . . Herb Thiele had plenty of fun at a recent wedding doing his own version of a dance. . . . Dick Florent and Don Martz are with the Mill Section starting this week. Welcome, boys. . . . We have been told that Russell Sage has twins—lambs that is. Maybe they'll eat that keg of herring you bought and don't like. . . . There are still some died-in-the-wool Republicans in Bldg. 19-4. Elmer Sauerwine was seen ordering his license plates from a fellow worker, rather than enter the license bureau himself. . . . Bob Truelove's old 1937 V-8 Ford finally let him down. He claims all the years he has owned Betsy, she has been forever faithful. Bob's riders didn't appreciate Betsy's service record judging from their faces as they boarded the trolley coach. . . . Jack Schemehorn's fishing partners caught him buying fish at the local fish market last week. Besides being thrown out of the Izaak Walton League, Jack is facing possible suspension of his fishing license for one year. . . . One 1948 Plymouth for sale. See our apprentice, Delbert Meyers. He says the only thing wrong is that it takes a new battery every two weeks. . . . We'd like to mention Don Martz was tenth in the city bowling and first to the trolley bus last week. Believe it or not, he claims he was in a hurry to go uptown to a sale on zippers. Why should anyone rush to a zipper sale? . . . We wonder when Elmer Sauerwine got his license to teach piano. The grapevine has it that he takes pupils one year old and up. . . . Imagine our surprise when we saw Reiny Lepper giving demonstrations on bait casting at Baer Field Sports and Travel Show. The WORKS NEWS photographer should have heard about that. . . . Lowell Welker finished a worthy second in the bowling tournament, but first place was the only place receiving a gold belt buckle. Lowell's good friends in the jig section took up a collection and bought a dime store special with Lowell's initials printed in red.

A mouse can still shorten skirts quicker than fashion lengthened them.

The time has come when dad is perfectly willing to let some one else use the sleeping porch.

Squares Plan Minstrel Show

A Squares Minstrel Show will be presented the latter part of April, it was announced today by G. C. Harvey, president.

The show will be followed by an open house at the club rooms.

Frank Gamec, Bldg. 26-2, has been named general chairman of the program; Frank Ondrovik, Bldg. 26-2, will handle the administrative details, and Joe Zasa, Taylor St., will be chairman of the show committee.

The cast will be chosen from the membership of the Squares club.

New Positions

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In February, 1948, he was appointed Assistant to the Manager of Manufacturing, the position he has held since that time.

Mr. and Mrs. Kuttner live at 4302 Beaver Ave. They have one daughter and a son, who is on a training course in the financial section of the Specialty Transformer division.

Graduated In 1928

Mr. Williams graduated from the Apprentice school in 1928 as a machinist-toolmaker and was assigned to wage rate work in the Specialty Transformer division. In 1931 he became Supervisor of Wage Rates for that division and three years later was named Supervisor of Planning and Wage Rates in the same division.

He was appointed Assistant Superintendent of the Specialty Transformer division in 1940, and the following year became Superintendent of FHP Hermetic Motors. The same year he was named Superintendent of Bldgs. 4-2, 4-3, 17-2, 17-3, and sections of 17-4 and 2-2.

Following that assignment, Mr. Williams was named Assistant Manufacturing Superintendent, FHP Motor division, and in 1945 he joined the staff of the Manager of Manufacturing, Apparatus department in Schenectady.

Mr. Williams returned from Schenectady in February, 1948, when he was appointed Assistant to the Manager of Manufacturing, FHP Motor division.

He is married, has two childen, and resides at 2230 Muskoday Pass.



The high school basketball tournament held Feb. 26 will be one our General Foreman will not forget. Even though Monroeville lost Mr. Skevington came out a winner. Noel Young, a very talented cartoonist in our Division, certainly drew a very fine poster expressing "heart felt" sympathy of the loss of a very fine team. Thanks, Noel, we are sure your effort was really appreciated. . . . Bob Crosley and his two brothers participated in the "Amateur Fete" at the Sportsman Show and won a trip to Chicago. We understand they impersonated the "Three Mop Sisters" in a song and dance routine. Congratulations, fellows. . . . Arlo Hawk and George Miller were going to enter Elmer Buuck in Horace Heidt's amateur show, and they were willing to bet they had a winner. . . . Ginny Plummer had a "coming out party" last Saturday. She has her leg out of the cast. . . . We hear Ralph Fishback is now on a diet. Seeing is believing. . . . Dale Irwin certainly had "butterflies" last Sunday when he received a long distance call at 7:45. Could it be he thought it was the "Stop the Music Program?" . . . Why is it Bill (Van Johnson) Kurtis always acts so bashful when a strange girl stops to talk with him? . . . Elmer Buuck is trying to "weather the storm" he has finally mastered enough courage to smoke on the front porch and in the back yard. . . . Bill Roby was so tired again he had to take a couple days off. . . . Luke Shorter is one fellow very hard to convince. He wouldn't even believe one of his own fraternity brothers when he told him he had a flat tire. . . . Mike O'Grady waited until the very last day to get his license plates and waiting until the following morning to get them on his car, had to wire them on with bailing wire. To his astonishment when he returned to the house his wife told him they were on upside down. . . . Chauncey Tucker upon returning home from work and seeing dinner was not underway decided he would fix himself some mush. After making two skillets full and eating heartily, he heard cars pull up in the drive. Was he surprised to learn his friends had planned a potluck dinner for him and his wife to celebrate their 24th wedding anniversary. . . . Mike Brayer performed "But Beautiful" for the boys at the bowling alley last week, he fell flat on his face. . . . Helen Miller is at the "Top" of the list again. She rolled a 160-198-172 for a 530 series. . . . Buster Kissinger and Cleon Oyer make a good team. What one can't think of, the other one does. . . . Sophia Bodigan is recovering nicely from her operation and is now at home.

Men's neckties resembling silk are made of rubber in France. And the styles are the snappiest.

Spending most of your time hoping is a good way to wind up hopeless.

Celebrates 30th Year



Paul F. Moore, Bldg. 28-2, completed 30 years service with the General Electric Company Friday, March 4. Several of his friends in the Works Laboratory gathered Wednesday to honor him, and he received a congratulatory letter. Left to right, in the above picture, are J. H. Keith, Paula Gerding, C. M. Summers, Henry Lehman, C. D. Kenyon, Mr. Moore, C. D. Cockburn, E. F. Girvin, C. E. Winchester, S. A. Zimmerman, H. W. Hellar, W. Howard Miller, W. R. Hunt and R. H. Cole.



Bernice Miller sure looked like a cover girl Tuesday morning sporting her new permanent. . . . Cecelia Noonan returned to work after a week's vacation with relatives in Toledo. Toledo dances were her main attraction. . . . Ercie McConnell has been transferred to the KC Line. Nice group of girls around this table, but we'll miss you in group 7x80. . . . Eddie Noonan has his troubles. Will someone help him figure out why blondes are his weakness. . . . One week can be a long time but Joe Weber will be back on days Monday. . . . Seven thirty—looks like Mr. Lash is late again or is he on banker's hours? . . . Merle Riley sure is happy to be back after several weeks' absence. . . . We would suggest Guy Secaur to use 3 and 1 oil on his shoes. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Milton Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Oren Schultz attended the Sportsman's Show at Baer Field. We presume Milt was interested in one of those new flying machines. . . . Have you noticed Forest Roop's new two-toned gray Nash? It must be a super-model, buttons and bows, built-in features, even a bed that could be made in less than five counts. We'll be looking for a salesmanship demonstration, Forest. . . . Proud Grandma Eyanson was showing pictures of her grandchildren. Mighty fine children, Mable. . . . Meanest man on the Ohio-Indiana line — someone ran over Effie McGill's "Porky," her little toy Manchester. We hope you have better luck with your next dog. . . . "Spike" Cramer has a new name "Clamp Bolt" Cramer. For further details, see Patrick. . . . Cramer and Flaugh canned beef all day Monday and that "ain't" no bull. Ralph Cauble wielded the axe that floored the bovine. . . . These weeks seem to just roll around—you barely get the news in for one week when another week has passed and it's time for news once again. . . . What a beautiful spring day it was the day a farewell dinner was given for Frances Terveer. Those attending the dinner were Ardella Heare, Harriet Haines, Cathryn Steele, Mary Fennig, Irene Holthouse, Fern Passwater, Earleen Steffen, Florence Schultz, Dorothy Schumm, Barbara Roop, Dorothy Schnepf, Geneieve August, Joan Liechty, Wanda Bailey, Mary Jones, Christine Andrews, Mary Ann Laurent, Millie Geimer, Eloise Noll, Esther Meyer, Alice McBride and the honored guest Frances Terveer. Frances received a lovely gift from the group. . . . There were quite a few from the office that attended the basketball games at Huntington, practically 90 per cent. . . . We want you to know that we have a poet in our midst. Christine Andrews, our telephone operator, writes at least a poem a day so here is one of her many:

THE STORM

The storm clouds come up with a rush;
We watch them as they on do brush
Across the sky to hide the sun;
See the lightning swiftly run.
And now it's raining in a flash;
Can't you hear those thunders crash?
The lashing of the wind is strong;
Surely this won't last for long.

Rita Smitley thanks her many G-E friends for the floral contributions and expressions of condolence in the recent illness and death of her father. . . . Wanted—at Wren, Ohio, five dog houses for Red, Jay, Mac, Herm and Bufe. . . . Duana Fry reported seeing a robin on the morning of March 3, so spring must be just around the corner. . . . If anyone notices that big smile of Lohnas McIntosh's it's because of the new Packard. . . . The reason for calling Forest Roop, Jake Keller's wonder boy, is because he is always wondering where he is going to work from one minute to the next. . . . Here's hoping that everyone who wanted tickets to the sectional tourney got them because Jay Moser says he couldn't even sell all of his. How about that, Jay, or was it that those tickets belonged to some of the boys down the line? Jay says he didn't know women were so gullible. . . . Anyone interested in taking up the art of chewing tobacco see Chet McIntosh for all the details. As we get it, he's a past master.



Paul Armstrong and Ray Bowers, winning permanent possession of the burlap bags as the skunk trophy, made a new one—a cute little baby bottle and nipple with an orchid bow. . . . Bill Johnson and Dewey Erne were the first winners. It took Bill's fancy that he says he is going to keep it, so Paul brought another trophy for Bill. Bill said it really belonged to Paul and gave it back to him. . . . Jack Pollock, who has been on a diet for some time, now thinks he is eligible to write a testimonial on the virtues of graham crackers. After hearing Jack talk, one would think he could write a good one. . . . Monday morning on his way to work Lyle Claphan was approaching No. 7 fire house when a truck rolled out to answer an alarm. Paul Boedeker, who was waiting on Lyle, said it was a sight to see Lyle dodge that truck. . . . Last week Bob Hendrickson received a special delivery letter from one of our former coworkers Ray Matthews, reminding him that Monroeville was out of the running. But Bob said he had suffered a case of amnesia and that he didn't know what the tournament was. . . . Ward Staley and Noland Myers now have possession of the trophy in the tool crib by virtue of two skunks in one day. . . . Happy birthday to Russel Deveny and Henry Bradfield.

Latest hunting reports indicate that more birds and animals have been shot than hunters.



Basketball is still the chief topic of conversation even though some favorites are out of the running. To the remaining teams, good luck, and Bill Hurtt says especially Auburn. . . . Mary Ohlwine was surprised (we hope) on Thursday with a potluck in honor of her birthday. The usual array of good things were over-eaten and everyone had a very good time. . . . Norbert Losc has been searching for a competent psychiatrist to explain the reason of his son Danny's actions when playing the role of Roy Rogers or Gene Autry. It seems that Don Kruse, to Danny, is always the villain, true to fiction Norb tells us. Danny, the three-year-old gun-totin' hero, draws both six irons and plugs Kruse. Norb asks why does he shoot poor Mr. Kruse in the head—dead. This is the probable answer to the question. Danny is merely satisfying the score with Kruse for all those articles here in the news about his Dad. . . . Les Stauch is becoming quite a linguist in the appreciation of his own car. Spring is soon in the air, St. Petersburg is not too far distant. Les wants to have a new car for the trip, so anyone who hasn't a car in the test section is receiving all the merits of owning a used car from Les. . . . Speaking of cars, Carl Hattendorf hasn't found his title for his Buick he bought last summer. The State lost it, however, he didn't convince the luncheon group of Noll, Beeth, Seymour and Mellinger plus two other chowhounds of distinction that he actually bought the car, or owns the car, or—there was an ugly thought tossed into the discussion as to how he did get the car. Nevertheless he can't sell it, that much was agreed upon. . . . George Fann and Don Kruse (Note: Kruse has a guest editor this week to do his reporting, and to borrow ties from), back to subject again. These two guys have birthdays the same day Monday last. Now can you imagine a man who would; well Kruse made a trip to his birthplace at Tiffin to ask his mother the hour of his birth. While George is still making inquiries, Kruse is talking about his youth. . . . Harold Drage usually gets the majority of new T. E.'s on their arrivel to read meters for him. The other day one of the regular testers borrowed (a word usually referred to as "took" when tester is using), a meter out of the test on Drage's bench. Imagine the surprise of Harold's face when the T. E. closed the switch as Harold yelled "read, read" and the T. E. said "I haven't anything to read, meter or magazine!" . . . Just to vary the monotony of always riding all the way to work, D. H. Hanson and E. A. Linke decided (?) to park Mr. Linke's car by the roadside and walk to town. After entering town they were picked up by a public official who brought them to Broadway and Washington streets, from where they again took up the exhilarating exercise of walking!

Sleuthing



We're all looking forward to spring and a new outlook on life. But many of us who have spring fever just couldn't wait, so we bought new hats and had new hairdos. . . . Paul Berghorn, one of the male spring fever victims, bought a new sun lamp. Being just a little over enthusiastic, he forgot that it was only a sun lamp and not really "Ole Sol"; thus the very red face on Monday morning. . . . Ernie Linke now answers to the name of "Jail-bird Linke." No doubt, another spring fever victim. He forgot to put his '49 license plates on that brilliant green car which is supposed to attract females, but instead attracted a state trooper. So, Ernie was forced to stop his car and lock up and walk to work March 1. . . . Wally Clayton of the DC Division is the undisputed long-winded telephone champ and wishes to challenge the champ in the Dev. Section to outdo his record. . . . ATTENTION! C. M. Leitch, who picks a mean banjo, says he has the best round and square dance band in the country. His band is well known as the "Kendallville Rhythmaires" and is currently playing at the Eagles Lodge in Kendallville. . . . Forry Carlson bought a new bowling ball to start a new bowling career. Have your scores improved, Forry? . . . Eileen Jacobus left last Friday, Mar. 4. The Section secretaries honored her with a farewell luncheon and gave her a lovely silver platter. The girls in the AC Division surprised her with a potluck lunch and gave her a silver candy dish. Late Friday afternoon the A.C. Div. presented her with a G-E Mixer. We shall miss you, Eileen, but wish you much happiness in your new occupation. . . . Wilma Kirby, formerly of the DC Division, is now the new Section secretary for the AC Division. . . . George Kline has come up with a suggestion for tiding oneself over that "morning after" feeling or the "mid-afternoon lunch" slump. "Raise one foot from the floor about an inch and hold it there. After a minute or two, the exertion will be equivalent to a brisk run around the block. Your heart will pound with a vigor that will be sure to arouse you. When you finally lower your foot, a surge of energy is released with nothing more to do than keep you awake. If drowsiness persists repeat as necessary." . . . P. O. Noble, engineer and poet, has returned to "Sunny Indiana" after a business trip in California. . . . Betty French has returned to Bldg. 4-6 after a very interesting trip to New Orleans and the Mardi Gras. Quite a place, right, Betty? . . . We are sorry to see Marilyn Zonker, Joan Garringer, and Helen Brosche leave Bldg. 4-6, but we wish you all good luck.

Personality of the Week

We wish to introduce to you, Ray Hupp, an engineer in the Development Div. in Bldg. 4-6. Ray spent his boyhood days in Centralia, Ill. He graduated from the University of Illinois and has been employed by General Electric for a number of years. At one time, Ray was an instructor in the General Electric Apprentice School, and at present is teaching a night course at Purdue Extension. He is very active in AIEE and is a past president of the Fort Wayne Radio Club.

His main hobbies are photography and amateur radio in which he has participated for the past 20 years. His radio call number is W9CLF. He is also somewhat of a farmer and owns a small farm near Fort Wayne.

Mr. Hupp is married and resides at 2117 Brooklyn Ave. That's not all—he has a 21 year old son, Arthur, who is now a junior in the Electrical Engineering School at Purdue University. Like his father, Arthur, is also a radio amateur enthusiast and also has a call nummer, his being 9JLT. We have heard that instead of writing letters, father and son correspond by radio. Not a bad idea!

Three Join Quarter Century Club



John H. Breese
Bldg. 4-2



Maurice L. Sordelet
Bldg. 19-4



Harold Stirlen
Bldg. 20-1



We are now in the Holy Season of Lent; a time given to us to do penance for all our wrong doings. . . . Mrs. Steve Bobay, did you know that your better half won $25 last week? Mrs. Bobay, we don't charge for this information either, course a small donation might be nice. . . . Bob Pickett is now Dr. Robert Pickett; he treats stiff joints, lumbago, room-a-tism, etc. For reference Carly Junk's experience was that he just came in with a stiff neck after treatment by Dr. Pickett—no feeling at all just stiff all over. . . . Fritz Rudusky goes to Ohio to buy his gas because it's cheaper over there, but his old jallopy uses so much that he really doesn't save a cent. Fritz says it's just the principle of the thing. . . . Did Robert Thain lose his razor or is he planning to play with the House of David ball team this year? . . . We are happy to hear that Jake Arnold, Lloyd Cowell and Harold Sorg have left the hospital. Get well soon, fellows, we miss you. . . . Birthday greetings to Clarence Coulter, who had a birthday March 7, Willis Breese and Esther Shannon, March 8, and to Loretta Gerardot whose birthday is Sunday the good old 13th. . . . Carol Snyder has left to go into nurse's training. Sorry to see you leave, Carol. Serving humanity, Carol, is a very worthwhile ambition, and we wish you the best of everything.

Insulation News

The old school spirits came back to haunt two sectional fans in Bldg. 12-B last week. We've all heard of "seeing red," but Dorothy Baumgartner could see nothing but green during the sectionals. She was cheering full speed ahead for South Side, while Bill Hattendorf sat calmly aside and kept his faith in Central's Tigers. All we can say is that it wasn't Dorothy's fault her alma mater didn't come out on top. . . . A big, hearty welcome is extended to Bob Martin, who joined the Wire and Insulation gang recently. . . . Estella Morrolf and George Wirges are on the sick list.

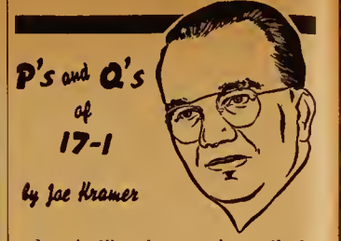
FLOOR LORE FROM 4-4

By Voyce Brumbaugh

Since the basketball tournaments have been going on, we find it necessary to keep our billfolds open. Margaret Parisot has taken so many chances on the teams that she has her tickets filed alphabetically. . . . As Marie Hummel was coming to work last week she noticed several persons staring at her and many wolf-calls, but was unaware they were directed at her. Finally, after reaching the elevator, she realized what it was all about. That morning Marie had forgotten to change from her blue satin bedroom slippers to her regular work shoes. . . . Neil McNamara was having trouble locating his wife last week. He was to meet her in front of Bldg. 18 at 3:30. He was there—and so was she. Neil didn't know it though until he walked into the side of the car. Just what was across the street you were looking at, Neil? . . . Mildred Hoover's son, Pvt. Richard Jones, left Sunday for two years duty overseas with the 101st Airbourne Division. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Dal Smith and Cec Onion, two great Central fans. I am sure they will join the rest of us now in wishing Auburn lots of good luck. . . . That happy look on Leon Rademaker's face the past week is because he had a long-distance phone call from his son, who has arrived in the States after spending two years in China with the Marines. . . . Guess that's all for this week, folks.



By the time you are reading this column, our Red Cross Drive will have been completed. Thanks to all who helped make the drive a success, and especially I wish to thank the solicitors who helped me to sell Red Cross to the Personnel Division. They are Helen Rose, Minnie Fryback, Charley Sawyer, Clara Linderman and Hazel O'Brien. I'm sure the satisfaction you received from doing a little bit more than your share to promote neighborliness will repay you again and again through the coming year when you will see what your efforts are doing for someone else. . . . Congratulations to Laureen Phillips Procise on the occasion of her wedding last week. We wish you all the happiness in the world, Laureen, and hope that Lady Luck is right at your heels all the time. . . . Doris Dreyer never drinks—her red nose can be explained by an empty Kleenex box and Virus X. It just couldn't be the weather. . . . Our very best wishes to Mr. Zook on his new assignment in Schenectady. Needless to say, we deeply regret his leaving the Personnel Division, but we're happy to learn of his advancement. Congratulations, Mr. Zook, and we hope all your experiences in your future work will be pleasant. . . . Irene (Bugs Bunny) Meyers wants her "two front teeth" to stay right where they are. They're about the only ones she has left since she visited her dentist the other day. We wish you a very speedy recovery, Irene, and hope to see you back to work soon. . . . Lois Miller decided since she couldn't manage to take a trip just now, she'd change the scenery by moving into a different apartment. Do you get a mountain view, or are you overlooking the sea, Lois? (probably the railroad and a couple of nice smokey factories). . . . Have you noticed that Gene Moss is only half-here lately? The other half is in the Employees' Store. Same with Bill Hartman. They have been helping out in the store during rush hours, and we must say the work (or music) agrees with them. . . . Goodbyes are no good when they come to a group such as I have known in the Personnel Division. So to the wonderful people I have met and worked with, I am sorry to leave your friendly, happy atmosphere, but of course it seems to me, it's the little things in life that count.



Love's like the measles—all the worse when it comes late in life. . . . In our estimation, President Truman chose the wrong time for Brotherhood Week. With the basketball tournaments being held in Fort Wayne, it left little room to practice brotherhood among the rooters of the teams. . . . Happy Sectional winners were Wally McKay, Joe Kramer and luckier than ever Leo Nyboer. . . . Betty Sue Morris will check phone numbers to be sure she is calling the right party. At least the two parties she got out of bed hope so. . . . It appears springtime was prematurely ushered in after seeing all the washed windows in Bldg. 17-1 along the Broadway side. . . . Cliff (Tidy) Combs, the financier of the South End, has really gone wild in spending money, that is, since he is a stockholder in one of the larger electrical companies of the country. In one day Cliff threw his money away and bought two penny boxes of matches. . . . Herb Kellmeier complains about being stiff all the time. Must be the interest he is showing in his son's occupation. . . . Famous Last Words: Helen Evanoff, "I'm not on a diet, I just lost two pounds." Agnes Cordes, "No, you can't put my name in the WORKS NEWS." Addie Masbaum, "I never do anything to get my name in the WORKS NEWS." . . . It is now a known fact that Argend Denney is not only a philosopher, but his talents lead to psychology. It seems Charlie Lauer's wife called and said for Charlie to eat the lunch he bought rather than come home at noon. But bosom pal Denney forgot (?) to tell Charlie. Denney says the sandwiches tasted pretty good. . . . We are glad to see Elizabeth Love back in the Inspection Room after her recent illness. Elizabeth says she has made a new resolution and she is going to have a smile for everyone. . . . Leonard Hutson was another lucky winner in the Sectional Tourney. He has requested that no one break the good news to his wife. We won't tell a soul. . . . With the new look in dresses it means the return of the old-fashioned dance steps—Castle Walk and those romantic dances. Our Helene (Dancing Girl) Evanoff says the cheek to cheek dancing hasn't stopped. . . . Another one of those signs that spring is just around the corner was Clarence Doctor's report of a broken tractor. Wheels certainly are hard to repair at times, Doc? . . . Robert Shaefer is a newcomer on the grinder in the Tool Room. The new man on the lathe is Delvia Strickler. . . . No, kiddies, that was no bogey man on page 3 of last week's WORKS NEWS. It was Carl Reiter, our former Cost Supervisor. If the paper cares to run another picture of Carl, we suggest they see Wally McKay.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Grace Bedsworth, William Berning, Sophia Bodigan, Jeanette Burkhart, Ernest Bultemeyer, Helen Brindle, Bob Coen, Rogerio Del Gado, Evelyn Daugherty, Paul Dunfee, Walter Esterline, Jacob Fulmer, Vera Fetro, Shirley Fisher, Fred Gerhard, Dorothy Goshorn, Marie Griffin, Fern Hartman, Della Haslup, Lavon Hilgeman, Tinafaye Jordon, Irene Kreger, Lela Kittredge, Margaret Knoll, Paul Lichtsinn, Charles McCormick, Mary Mann, Lois Miller, Gertrude Martin, Jean Pappert, Julian Stazack, Clarence Stove, Howard Schultz, Henry Tucker, Cletus Ternet, William Teagarden, Rosezella Turner, James C. Vevia, Malinda C. Waher, Florence Weimer, Gladys Walter, George Wirges and Genevieve Zimmerman.

Left Hospital

Sophia Bodigan, William Jeffries, Donald Comer, Lloyd Cowell, Harry Conners, Fred Gerhard, Josephine Matter, Harold Sorg, Mable Englert and Richard Fry.

Returned to Work

Helen Engle, Emery Tucker, Carlton Towns, Alma Merwin, Loraine Schubert, Rosalyn Cameron, Frank Fisher, Walter Fritze, Dorothy Dolin, Justine Heaston, Maric Dunfee, Elizabeth Love, Dolores Soule, Louise Perry, Robert E. Thomas, Clarence Russell, Ruby Minton, Ruth Stone, Paul Breimeier, Leonard Bresler, Charlotte Brunner, Madonna Kilgus, Donna Smith, Carlton Towns and Irene Kleber.



We all wish Wilbur Sundheimer, our test engineer, luck in his new duties at Pittsfield. . . . We feel sorry for "Tex" Sloan. He tried everything to make his luck change and it did no good. Now he is on his last straw, and is carrying a rabbit's foot in his pocket. Tex says if that doesn't help, he's going to give up. . . . Our second shift reporter "Braunie" has decided that she will be more careful the way she answers the phone. She found that it isn't always a girl friend who answers her with "Yes, dear." . . . Marcella Goyer lost her shoes one morning, and she says she knew that she had left them in just a certain place the night before. After she had looked she asked her mother where they were. Her mother replied, "What is the matter with the ones you have on." . . . Happy birthday to Vernea Morgan, Dorothy Richards, Iris Hebble and Blanche Mulligan. . . . By the way, don't you think that Blanche looks very chic with her new hair-cut? The barber was none other than Lois Burry. We think you really did a swell job, Lois. . . . Is Dorothy Richards trying to tell us a secret by signing her valentine to Gloria Tudor as "June Bride?" . . . Ray Hills plans on moving into his new house this week-end and is very excited. We don't blame you, Ray. . . . Emma Vaughn is leaving for Atlantic City the first of the week, and Norm Wolf wanted to know if she was coming back as "Miss America." We do hope that you do have a wonderful time even if you don't enter the tryouts. . . . Congratulations to John Roose who became the proud papa of a new baby girl named Gloria Jean. She weighed almost 9 pounds. . . .We are glad to see Nellie Williams back, and do hope that you are feeling swell, Nellie. . . . We also want to tell Dona Smith and Charlotte Brunner that it is nice to have them back to work. . . . Jessie Wass recently enjoyed a movie so much that she stayed to cry through it a second time. Brush those tears from your eyes, Jessie. . . . We wonder if Ralph Fetters thought there were pink bunnies in Daisy Tannas' purse recently when he disengaged her "babushka" from the zipper in her purse. It seems that Daisy had heard of his proficiency at repairing jewelry and called for his assistance. . . . We'd like to know where Helen Orr got the idea that clipping a dog's tongue would keep her toenails from getting too long. . . . Tracey Bartle and Mae Morgan believe in getting their spring housecleaning done early. Thanks, gals, we appreciate the clean drinking fountain. . . . Nellie Biltz went to Winona Lake over the week-end. Except for a little car trouble, she reports that she had a wonderful time. . . . Norm Wolf was a spectator at the mixed doubles bowling tournament Saturday. He reports that it was better than a floor show. . . . While we're on the bowling subject, we hear that the girls really did all right and that they all had a lot of fun. . . . Ethel Koontz bowled at Bluffton over the week-end, and she, too, was pleased with her results. . . . Roy Orr found out the hard way last Tuesday that when they said February 28 is the last day for old license plates, they meant it. . . . We hear that Dale Spieth has a fondness for odd combinations of food. It seems that he had quite an adequate amount of those foods the other day.

M. Alma Dodane Dies Last Week

M. Alma Dodane died after a short illness at 10 p.m. Friday at her home, 420 E. DeWald St. She was employed by General Electric in 1942 as a multiple spindle operator, and later became an assembler in Bldg. 2-2. At the time of her retirement in 1948, Miss Dodane was an assembler at the Taylor St. plant. She was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

Surviving are her mother, Mrs. Peter F. Dodane; seven sisters: Mrs. Isabel Smith, Sister Margaret Loyola, of Chelsey, Mass.; Mrs. Eugena Oddou, of Rome City; Mrs. Michael Burns; Mrs. Charles D. Wolverton, of New London, Conn.; Mrs. A. R. Oestricher, of Orlando, Fla., and Miss LaVonne A.; and, a brother, William.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. at the Mungovan and Sons Mortuary, and at 10 a.m. at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. D. L. Monahan officiating. Burial was in the Catholic Cemetery.

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Myron Auer

First of all I must make several retractions. The one I regret most is the Auburn victory over my alma mater. Dick White was passing out hearty hand shakes to his fellow Auburneers early Monday morning. It was reported the city burned the street lights until midnight instead of the usual 10 p.m. shutdown. Congratulations, Auburn, you deserve to represent Fort Wayne at Muncie next Saturday. We wish you loads of good luck. Also Ronnell Allen toted a big smile which read $9. This kid must be a "silver ball" interpreter. Bob Barnes and Ron are two of a kind when it comes to this looking into the future stuff. Bob acquired a large sum also. . . . Art Braun is a river-bass salesman. In his spare time he is a fish slinger. If you care for fresh fish contact Art, he'll really fix you up. . . . If the lighting attachments on your machine is not satisfactory consult Cliff Bieber. He has a swell solution. (Good only for owls.) . . . During the week we had some visitors. The boys were B. O. Smith, John Marks and Don Hoffman. . . . In Indian language, "How" means hello or friendship to the redmen. Dick Wagner isn't an Indian so it must mean something different to him. "Howe" means tough luck and disappointment to Dick, also the whole of Kendallville. . . . Ward Staley isn't as happy as he used to be. Before the last class started, he was rated the fattest in the school. Everyone must give up the throne at sometime or another, Ward, so don't feel bad. . . . Are you troubled with mice? Paul "Mousey" Wuttke and his brilliant invention recently rocked the universe. Paul has the real thing this time—ask him to demonstrate it. . . . Howard "Hoe-Down" Morton was really pickin' 'em up and laying 'em down at the square dance at the club. He was stepping it off like a young play boy. While we are talking about Mort I might as well tell you about the fish he got. He hooked three (actually) over the week-end. His companion would pull up and take off a fish. Mort pulled up and put on more bait. Some got it and some haven't. . . . If you are interested in seeing a "cool-jewel," see Paul Mischo's new interpretation of a car. Some people doubt if it will ever run down hill. Paul usually takes three or four passengers along because he may need someone to help him carry it home. . . . This is the last week of this semester, fellows. Are all your spirits high? Or are they like your grades? I'm glad those exams are down the river, aren't you? Don't count your chicks before they hatch. We have one more semester before we celebrate all summer.

You Fellows Get A Lot Of Help . . .



. . . ON THIS SAFETY BUSINESS." This remark was made to a member of our Section when we were discussing some improvements in our accident record. This statement is certainly correct and will always be true where good safety records are maintained.

Roy Dierstein, Methods and Tool Engineer, Transformer Div. 91, in the above picture, represents a group which helps us a lot. Roy is displaying here the results of a change in punch press die design which eliminates the need for placing material in the press with pliers. It is fed in from the side mechanically which makes guarding easier and removes the operators' hands farther from the danger zone.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

P. S. And we never see Roy in the Punch Press Section without his safety glasses.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

Hello, again! There's not much to tell you this week; things are pretty quiet up here. The same old things happening, some people being ribbed until they are ready to do murder or mayhem. Then the next day it's someone else's turn, and so it goes on and on. . . . We have been toying with the idea of writing a life story of Frankie Enderle, but to date we haven't got beyond the material-gathering stage. Perhaps we'll never print it in the WORKS NEWS, since it is a publication with a high sense of moral values, but as a book that would be sure to be banned in Boston, it should make a hit. Some highlights: At the age of five, Frankie rode a mule to the mail box, a Missouri mule. You must remember that our scene is laid in Missouri. Took honors in school, although he didn't have any books, learned to wear shoes before he came to Fort Wayne. . . . George Wolfe, Commodore Wolfe from now on, attained that rank when he bought an outboard motor recently. George purchased it without his wife's knowledge, and said "My wife will probably jerk my head off" when he got it. Wolfe is commanding the Waldron Lake Yacht Club. A regatta will be held this summer, doubtless. . . . Here's the answer to that proud look on Luella Boyce's face. It was her son Jerry who made the final basket, bringing victory to his school in the CYO basketball tournament.. . . . Congratulations to the Robert Lauers on the new addition to the family—a little collie pup. Bob takes a day off now and then, since the new arrival. We're wondering if he's home playing nursemaid for the pup. In case he gets the colic. . . . Clyde Musser, Ernie Almandinger, "Dew Boy" McDowell and Steve Morrell are the barber shop quartet of Bldg. 19-2. The boys may not have the quality, but the volume is excellent. They are open for all engagements, weddings, parties or what-have-you. Their theme song is "I Wish I Was Single Again." . . . Al Johnson and John Winstrel are attending the Moose bowling tournament at Indianapolis. . . . George March is sporting a new corn cob pipe. . . . We never get too old to learn—cleaning your false teeth with the air hose, by Bill Hoke.

Elex Club To Sponsor Spring Bingo Mar. 18

Elex Club will hold its Spring Bingo Friday, March 18, at the G-E Club gymnasium, starting at 8:30 p.m. Tickets for the evening are 35 cents each, and none will be sold at the door.

Hilda Walda is chairman of the Bingo, and her committee consists of Olive Walters, Helen White, Helen Miller, Mable Miller, Mary Leiter, Thelma Stone, Loretta Bloom, Eva Tucker, Peggy Turschman, Loraine VonBehren, Clara Gidley, Betty Garber, Josephine Eme, Jo Alles, Wilma Williams and Gladys McMillan.

As an added feature of the bingo, a candy and bake sale will be held, with the Partizan Chapter in charge.



BROADWAY STORE HOURS
12 noon to 4 p.m. daily

TAYLOR ST. STORE HOURS
1 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily

The following merchandise is available for immediate sale:

Attic Fans
Automatic Blankets, single and dual control.
Foot Warmers
Infra Red Lamps
Steam Irons
10" Fans
4-lb. Irons
Lightweight Irons, 2¾ lbs.
G-E Upright Cleaners
Tank Type Cleaners
¾, ⅓, ½, ¼ HP Motors
RS Sunlamps
Flood Lamps
Germicidal Fixtures
Germicidal Lamps
Heat Pads
Record Players
Battery Chargers
Radio Tubes
Portable Radios
Radios, Table Models
Clock Radios
Occasional Clocks
Alarm Clocks
Stainless Steel Sinks
Fluorescent Fixtures
Chime Clocks
Wire and Wiring Devices
Paints, Colors
Coffee Makers
Flashlights
Hotplates
Interval Timers
Waffle Irons
Grills



The Ides of March are with us. We lived through the lion-like appearance of the month, to be confronted with a bevy of solicitors for the American Red Cross membership drive. To those of us who have been interested in Red Cross work for many years the giving is a pleasure. From some others we hear: "We haven't had an emergency since the 1913 flood." "We will never have a tornado—they never hit where three rivers meet" and from some returned servicemen "The Red Cross did not give this, that or the other." To that—let me remind them The Red Cross was under Military Command and were told where to go and what to sell and what to give. It is true errors were made—because those executing the commands were human beings the same as the soldier and sailor. (Far be it from me to remind anyone of the errors made by the Administration.) Sixty percent of the proceeds of this drive will remain in Allen County—you can make a check on the activities of the local Chapter anytime. The 40 percent is turned over to the National Organization, and our papers carry a story almost daily showing the extent of their work. If you have not given do it now—if you have—there isn't a law against you going back to give the solicitor more. It isn't so much meeting the quota as it is—meeting the emergency when it comes. . . . Last week when V. J. Tuttle was feted on his retiring day, we noticed three familiar faces back in Bldg. 18. They were none other than the "three golfeteers" i.e. Charlie Johnson, Billy Wehrs and "Toppy" Moffet, paying tribute to their former Motor-Generator associate. . . . We are happy to have Minta Cole back to work after her recent fall. . . . Speaking of falls; wanted one bodyguard for Mae Lacey, (you will remember her as the girl who was locked in the Bldg. 18-1 vault). Well, she is still in her bad luck streak. Her latest was to come to a sudden-sliding stop on the floor of the Van Orman Coffee Shop which proved very embarrassing. Perhaps we should not mention how she acquired the nickname of "Perfect Circle" but we will—she made the error of sitting in wet paint! What a gal and what next will happen! . . . Jeanne Grant, Bldg. 18-4, believes in conservation. Her nylons have been "running in every direction," so to solve the problem she has resorted to bobby-socks in spite of the lower temperature. . . . Bldg. 18 really has jumped the gun on this spring house cleaning business—moving around, newly painted walls, clean shades, windows washed and the removal of the 20-year-old mail elevator. . . . This wonderful weather makes us all a bit lazy, so we seem to be short of news. Volunteer scouts would be welcome. . . . Clarice Craighead returned to Bldg. 18-4, a happy bride, to tell us about the intricacies of housekeeping. . . . Nila Hansen, Bldg. 18-1, was in Auburn Saturday night to not only help celebrate the winning of the tournament, but staging a celebration all her own for being "auntie" for the first time. . . . Julia Waldrop, Bldg. 18-1, celebrated her birthday last week with cake, gifts 'n everything. . . . Horace Heidt was the attraction for several of the payroll girls. . . . We would like to tell you about Hazel O'Brien in Bldg. 18-B, but she is always very mum about her doings. Just wait until the fishing season then she will talk. We do understand she is an expert in the line of baking cakes, rolls and pies—but wouldn't know because we have not had a sample!



Last Thursday evening Melvin "Rex" Recht, his wife and children were sitting at the supper table, when Rex's wife asked him if he smelled gas. He told her that he did, and then he looked at the stove and noticed that the pilot light was out. He got a match to relight it. When he struck the match, the gas exploded, and fire went all over the kitchen. Rex yelled at his wife to get the children out of the house and take them to the neighbors. Rex called the fire department, and then tried to put the fire out himself while waiting. He was throwing water right and left, when he happened to look out of the window and noticed his wife running back toward the house. Rex thought to himself, "Now there is a wife that sure is thoughtful, she's coming back to see if I'm all right and to help me." His wife ran into the house and grabbed the dog and right back out. What a letdown for Rex, now he doesn't know if she cares more for the dog or him. But laying all jokes aside, she probably knew that you could save yourself, so don't feel too bad. Rex had the fire completely out by the time the fire department got there. . . . The bowling tournament held last Saturday afternoon was a huge success and everyone seems to want another real soon. Jackie Elder and Hugh Neeley came in fourth, and there's been no living with them this week. Biff Long and Ceal Romary won first place; Bob Hosier and Kate O'Connor, second, and Moe and Willie Palmer won the Booby Prize. (From what I hear, I don't see how Moe even won booby prize). . . . Virginia Johnson had a birthday party for her daughter last week. Ginny says it was a lot of fun planning for it, but just lots more fun being there and playing games with the kids. . . . It seems that Fred Young talked out of turn last Saturday after Auburn won the Regional Crown. He said that he would take any kids who wanted to go to Muncie tomorrow and he really got a car full in a hurry. Now the thing that puzzles us is how much is he going to charge them. Maybe riding a bus would be cheaper, kids. . . . Happy birthday to John Lee. We hear that he received two snakes as a gift (candy snakes that is). . . . We have finally got something on Ralph Keller and his Buick. He must have thought he was driving a Jeep or his Whippet last Saturday, as he decided to take a drive through the woods. Naturally he got stuck. We don't know how he got out, but sorta imagine that he had to get the Whippet to do it. Ralph, you should know that those Buicks are made to stay on the road. . . . Congratulations to Leona Cook, a former co-worker, who has just become a proud grandmother. . . .Catherine Chilcote has taken up bowling. She likes the game so well that she is saving her pennies to buy a new bowling ball. If you contact some of the people who bowled in the tournament last Saturday you might be able to buy one real cheap, Cathy. . . . Clarabelle Castle has been transferred to the lead section. She says that she is real happy with her new job. . . . Eddie Bandt was a welcome visitor last Friday, and we hope that it won't be too long before you are back with us, Ed. . . . Oral Emrick made the 6-7-10 split last Friday bowling, and that's the reason for all those smiles this week. . . . But poor Marguerite Stahl wasn't flashing any smiles, as she says she sure felt bad to think that her team, Lancaster Township, lost their regional game.



Today winds up the Red Cross drive, folks, so if you're one of those last minute fellows, 'ya better start makin' with the hands for that money bag. . . . Glad to see some of our old friends back in the shop. Yes, that goes for you too, Dave Mumma. . . . Have you noticed the fuzz on Abe Martin's upper lip lately? For three weeks he's been trying to grow a mustache like Johnny Birchmeyers' and the results are pathetic. It only took Johnny three days to develop his cookie-duster, Abe. . . . Things were getting pretty hot for Chris Baade when the seat of his pants caught fire. Didn't bother him a bit though, he just let the smoke roll—must be that he wears asbestos un'erwear. . . . The $64 question: Is there more than one Jay Greer in our fair city? . . . Sammy Henry was pleased as punch with that picture he received of himself in the mail the other day. All done up in a gold frame with 9 cents postage paid too. . . . Happy birthday to Gerald Scott, even if we are just a little late. . . . How come Ray Quinn isn't doing any bragging about his basketball teams lately? Could it be that Bill Schible has cooled him off a bit? ('Fraid so, Ray.) . . . We welcome Walter Yopst back to Plant Engineering after having spent several years in DeKalb. . . . Did you happen to see the tiny calculator Bill Altekruse had up here last week. It dates back to the days of J. J. Woods, let's say when the G-E was still The Fort Wayne Electrical Works or better known as "The Lights."

There seem to be too many fat people around. A word to the wide is sufficient.





Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday, March 14, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Pair shell rimmed glasses, brown rims with flecks.

LOST—Westclock wrist watch with spring band. Left in Bldg. 4-4 men's wash room.

LOST—Two rings. One birthday ring, gold with topaz set; and one gold ring with five diamonds. Lost on Broadway. Reward offered.

LOST—Brown leather billfold containing driver's license, foreman's card with name Paul Hapner on them, and about $3 in cash.

LOST—A green and pink changeable covered button. Lost between Broadway and Bldg. 20-2.

FOUND—Pair shell rimmed glasses. Found on east dock of Bldg. 6.

FOUND—Grey covered cloth button by Bldg. 18.

FOR SALE

PORTABLE FEATHERWEIGHT SINGER SEWING MACHINE—Never used, in case, $146. E-1369.

1939 FORD SUPER DELUXE TUDOR—Black. E. Keith Wolfe, Leo, Ind.

NINE PIECE WALNUT DINETTE SET—$60. A-89903.

BOY'S BICYCLE—New, 24 in., will sell at cost. H-75304.

VIOLIN AND CASE—Regular size. H-78282.

ROLLER SKATES AND CASE—Ladies, white, size 5½. Good condition. Reasonable. A-78471.

JACOBIAN OAK DINING ROOM SUITE—Bargain. H-3053.

HOME STORAGE FREEZER—20 cu. ft. Oak dinette set. H-8496.

LOT—Silver Maple Addition. One-half acre. 2.1 miles north of city limits on U. S. 27, C. Cowan.

GOVERNOR WINTHROP SECRETARY—Mahogany Finish, excellent condition. Reasonable. A-19442.

WELSBACH AUTO. GAS WATER HEATER—Reasonable. Good condition. E-38901 week-end.

GIRL'S SPRING COAT—Size 2-3, like new, grey. $5. H-20322.

COLLAPSIBLE BABY BUGGY—With pads. Good condition, $5. A-70122.

BOY'S SUIT—Like new. Size 10. $6. Pants, size 16. $2.50. H-66332.

WANTED

APPROXIMATELY 50 YDS. 27 IN. CARPETING—Or two matching rugs. A-75442.

USED MIMEOGRAPH OUTFIT—Suitable for sheet size insertions. 1022 S. 13th St., Decatur, Ind.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Mary Schwartz, from Leo, Works for Keiler, from 6:48-3:18 at Taylor St.

WANTS RIDE—Ezra Garringer, from 9 miles out on U.S. 27, south. Works for E. Klomp, Bldg. 17-4, from 7-3:30. Extension 2351.

A lot of married men likely remember when they use to envy married men.

Open Bowling
EVERY SATURDAY
3 P.M. - 11 P.M.
At The
G-E CLUB



OUT OF THE BLUE in 26-2 office

by Delores Patterson

Want to buy a 1942 Dodge? Excellent condition! It could use a new right fender and, well, it might even need a new left fender, but other than that, it's in fine condition. Has never given owner any trouble. Never fails to get you where you want to go and back again. Of course, it might take you until 9:17 to get to work, but who cares about a little thing like that? Incidentally, this wonderful little car has a NEW gas pump! It was replaced just last Friday morning. See Vera Kilian if interested. After last Friday morning, you might get this 1942 Dodge very, very cheap! . . . Happy birthday to George Sowles. The Service Bureau surprised him with a brown and yellow sport shirt. . . . It was "so long" to Phil Singleton last week. Phil is now in the Works Contributing and Service Divisions. We know you'll like your new job and the new friends you'll make in Bldg. 18, but come back to Bldg. 26-2 and see us often. . . . The Service Bureau is on the move again. Louise Klinker is now working in the Ballast Engineering Division, and Ginny Harris has moved in to take Louise's place. Bob Walters is running the gelatine duplicator replacing Ginny. . . . It's a beauty! It's a honey! It's on Thelma Schmidt's third finger left hand. The lucky man is Gordon Schwab. . . . See Hank Lantz if you are interested in raising parrots. He is the only one in the Transformer Drafting Section who can get two parrots on one nest! . . . Everyone is glad to see that smiling face back with us. You're asking who? None other than Bob Thomas. Bob still tires easily, but he said his billfold was as bare as Mother Hubbard's cupboard. Yes, Bob, we all understand just what you mean! . . . The Service Bureau looks like Duffy's Tavern lately. Oh no, not bottles, just cards—all sizes. It was no small task to play with the little deck of cards that Solona Hunter has. George Sowles became disgusted trying to keep track of the small cards and brought a regular size deck. Now things are in full swing every noon. So far it seems that Ginny Harris and Roedean Dowell are beating George and Solona. Don't worry, George, perhaps you can get even a larger deck! Someone surely makes the king size! Everything else on the market has a king or giant size. King size cigarettes, giant tube dental cream and the giant size box of soap flakes.

Speeds of electric motors range from 120,000 revolutions a minute to as low as a single r.p.m. or stall.



MARCH 14 THROUGH MARCH 18

BROADWAY TAYLOR STREET

Serving Hours:

Cafeteria—16-1 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. 10:48 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-2 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-1 6:45 P.M. - 8:12 P.M. 6:55 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Restaurant—16-2 12:00 M. - 1:00 P.M.

MONDAY, MARCH 14

Cream of Celery Soup	Tomato Noodle Soup
Roast Pork	Breaded Pork Loin
Italian Spaghetti	Beef and Noodles
Beef Barbecue Sandwiches	Ham Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Corn O'Brien	Baked Beans
Buttered Squash	Buttered Hominy

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

Vegetable Soup	Split Pea Soup
Fried Liver	Fried Liver
Ham and Limas	Veal Chop Suey
Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches	Hot Roast Pork Sandwiches
Baked Potatoes	Whole Browned Potatoes
French Fried Onions	Creamed Onions
Buttered Hominy	Buttered Green Beans
Fried Apples	

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16

Tomato Barley Soup	Vegetable Soup
Chicken Pie	Roast Beef and Dressing
French Fried Oysters	French Fried Fish
Salmon Salad Sandwiches	Chili
Mashed Potatoes	Barbecue Sandwiches
Buttered Cabbage	Whipped Potatoes
Escalloped Corn	Buttered Broccoli
	Buttered Squash

THURSDAY, MARCH 17

Bean Soup	Bean Soup
Swiss Steak	Swiss Steak
Chili	Chicken a la King on Toast
Braunschweiger Sandwiches	Chopped Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Buttered Peas	Buttered Cauliflower
Glazed Carrots	Creamed Tomatoes
	Corn Bread

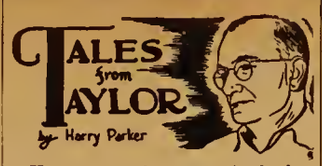
FRIDAY, MARCH 18

Cream of Tomato Soup	Chicken Noodle Soup
French Fried Fish	French Fried Oysters
Oyster Stew	Smoked Sausage
Baked Ham	Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches
Chopped Beef Sandwiches	Fried Potatoes
Mashed Potatoes	Buttered Beets
Buttered Green Beans	Whole Kernel Corn
Harvard Beets	

Wide selection of home-made pies and delicious salads served daily.
Breakfast served at Broadway daily from 6:20 to 7:50 A.M.

Special dinners and parties arranged upon request.

Menus Subject to Change



Have any of you noticed that super corn cob pipe Clarence Watterson is sporting. It seems that he and the Missus were dining out last Saturday evening. In the course of events his wife spied some potato chips; and asked Clarence to get her a bag. While making this purchase he spied said pipe. It had a strong appeal, so he bought it. Of course, it was not what the well-dressed gentleman would smoke, but nevertheless he managed to retain his dignity, corn cob pipe and all. . . . John Weber decided to give his "Throw Rod Eight" a general overhaul. He tore the car all down and proceeded to replace the worn parts, but in doing so became very confused. He was at a total loss as what to do with all the gadgets he had purchased, so called in Herschel Foreman, thinking that he might straighten things out, but he did not know what the score was. At this writing the old clunker is still laying all over the garage floor. . . . The other day we were talking about the high price of clothing when Jim Workman spoke up and said, "Well, here is a sweater that I think I did not do so bad on. I have worn it every winter since I have been working at the G-E and that to be exact is 29 years." We all agreed that the old sweater still looked pretty good and suggested to him that it be placed in a quarter century club museum. . . . Herbert Sauerer, self-styled crow slaying champion was furious the other day after reading an article in the local press about a mysterious dynamite explosion that layed low more than 20,000 crows. He said, "Why just look at the fun I would have had bumping those black demons off." Herb, you cannot be in all sections of this country at the same time, so a lot of crows will not have the pleasure of enjoying your expert marksmanship. . . . Tomorrow a large group belonging to one of the local Masonic bodies will journey to Chicago to take in the "Icecapades." George Cowan was asked if he was going along, and he said that he was not as the returning train would not arrive back in Fort Wayne until 2:40 a.m. Sunday and that the loss of that much sleep would set him back a week. . . . The other evening Carl Christlieb got busy and buzzed up more than a cord of scrap wood. When asked what he was going to do with it, he was at a loss for an answer as he has an oil burning furnace and cannot possibly use the wood. If any of you are interested in purchasing a load of ready-cut kindling, contact Carl as you might get it at a bargain.



Inquiring Reporter

WHY DID YOU CONTRIBUTE TO THE RED CROSS, AND WHICH ACTIVITY IT SPONSORS DO YOU CONSIDER THE MOST IMPORTANT?



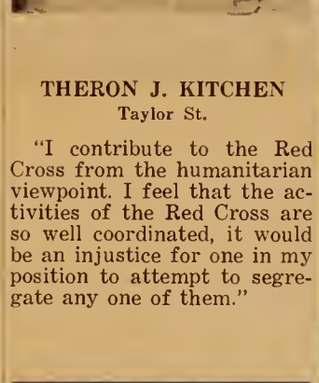
MARGARET REYNOLDS
Bldg. 26-3

"'Aid in Time of Disaster' I think is the most important activity of the Red Cross, and by my contribution I hope to help those grief-stricken people."



CHALMER STEELE
Bldg. 19-1

"I contribute to the Red Cross because I feel that is one way of putting the Golden Rule into practice. I consider the relief that is given any community in time of disaster a very important activitiy."



THERON J. KITCHEN
Taylor St.

"I contribute to the Red Cross from the humanitarian viewpoint. I feel that the activities of the Red Cross are so well coordinated, it would be an injustice for one in my position to attempt to segregate any one of them."



MARTHA KEOKUK
Taylor St.

"I contributed to the Red Cross as I believe they have done a remarkable job in time of disaster for many thousands of Americans. Their activities are many; for me to point out the most important one would be hard to do."



RICHARD C. SEBOLD
Bldg. 12-2

"I realize the great need for the Red Cross in disaster areas. The Red Cross Blood Banks which supply the needs of every community in our country is the most important activity of the Red Cross."



MOTOR and GENERATOR Static



Thought for the Week:
I would rather be able to appreciate things I cannot have than to have things I am not able to appreciate.

Have you been hearing strange sounds from Mr. Bohn's section in Bldg. 31-1? It sounds like a cross between the mating call of a moose and the wail of a siren. Don't be alarmed, it's just Portia Schaaf sneezing. . . . The floors at the G-E Club are rocking these days. Our avid square dance fan has been kicking up his heels and whirling the girls around. Joe Neal, you'd better take it easy. . . . We received this note from R. E. "Chuggy" Mungovan: "WORKS NEWS, Feb. 25, Item RE: Vic Blomenberg and myself. Neither Mr. Blomenberg nor I ever use the expletive 'heck,' and both he and I would deem it an honor to be considered brothers." . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. William Kaiser. They are proud parents of a baby girl, Sharon Elaine, born Saturday, Mar. 5, at the Methodist Hospital. Sharon and her mother, the former Vivian Kimmell of Bldg. 31-1, are doing fine, and we hope the father will recover. . . . Monroe "Junior" Brosius brought his baby son home last week. Junior kept himself well supplied with toys when he had only one son, now with two excuses for buying, his cup of joy should be overflowing. They have named the baby Reed Mahlon. . . . Belated congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Roger, parents of a baby girl born Feb. 10. Her name is Martha Jane. . . . Also belated congratulations for E. C. and Imo Foley, whose daughter and son-in-law presented them with a little granddaughter Feb. 13. Her parents named her Kay Ellen. . . . Elex members of Bldg. 31-1 who attended breakfast Saturday at the YWCA were Edith Canfield, Elva Plattor, Mary Banks, Anna Garrison, and Erna Eley. . . . Dick Hobson, our handsome crooner, should receive a Boy Scout award for his good deed last Sunday. The Hobsons were at their cottage and Dick decided to try some fishing. Taking his rod and reel, he began casting. After casting a while without a strike, he heard a voice say, "Hey, buddy, how about helping push my car out of the mud." In spite of a rough exterior, Dick is really a helpful soul so he pushed until both the driver and his car were on solid ground. By this time it was too late for further fishing, so Mr. Hobson retired mumbling something to himself about "a couple more casts and I probably would have hooked something." . . . Here are a couple of guesses as to the new Mystery Melody. The Paramount Newsreel theme song—"The Eyes of The World Are On You" (or Upon You). Also—"The Eyes and Ears of The World Are On You. . . . FLASH—Division Editor loses pants. Perhaps this statement is a slight exaggeration, as Ed Foley did not lose his trousers in their entirety, just a large section. It all happened while Ed was checking some stock in Bldg. 19-B. He was worming his way between stock accumulations when suddenly there came a tearing sound and Ed felt a cold breeze. Ed was most embarrassed and concealed himself behind a stock pile until able to attract the attention of a passing workman whom he dispatched to the office for his overcoat. Properly concealed and protected from the cold, he made a hurried trip home, changed clothes and returned with the hope that no one would find out the truth. But as Shakespeare once wrote, "Vain hope."



We wish Clara Frede a happy birthday. . . . Dorothy McGowens came in to work this morning all smiles. Her son is home on leave from the Navy. . . . We wonder what Reggie Engeman was thinking of when she went home from work the other day? Thinking she got on an East Creighton bus (instead it was a State Street bus). That's all right, Reggie, it won't happen again because Dr. Soest is going to wait at the gate every day and see that you get on the right one. . . . The answer to last week's question that was asked in test is NO! I bet you testers and inspectors get out more and better work now that you can keep both eyes on your work. . . . Carl Harmon was so happy when he got to work last Monday morning that we are wondering if he got to keep the dog. . . . Say, Les Hubbartt, why do you carry your lunch? Is old age after you or has it got you? You still look young! . . . Birthday greetings to Edna Hergenrader, Warren Jackson, Ruth Tutwiler, Serena Slater, Ted Bain and Evelyn Petgen. . . . Evelyn Petgen celebrated her wedding anniversary last week, too. It was her third! . . . Here is a suggestion for "Skin Head" Bain to help ease those blushes—look around and see who is in listening range before you speak! . . . Evelyn Foulks visited us the other day. Sure was glad to see her. . . . Wonder when Bernie McCune, Eleanor Whitehouse and Lorinda Beyerlein are going to get a third interest in the Bon Ton. They buy enough bread, cake and cookies on sale to have an interest in the establishment! . . . Bonnie Bierley's husband, Jim, is planning on losing some weight so he can wear her slacks. The other night in his haste he grabbed a pair from the closet and tried to put them on when he discovered that he had hers! . . . Congratulations to Mabel Cryer Harding who had a baby recently. She used to work with us in Bldg. 19-5. . . . Juanita and Neal Shoppell had a boy and Ellen Gaff Knafel has a new boy, James Eugene. Both the mothers worked here in Bldg. 4-3 with us. Congratulations to you both. . . . Melba Flanders had a kink in her neck the other day, and Renna Zimmerman sure was trying to be helpful in getting it out. Hope it is OK by now! . . . Did you give to the Red Cross Drive? If not see your solicitor right away!

Some people find an advantage in enemies through blaming them for troubles they brought on themselves.

G-E Club To Sponsor "Old Timers' Night"

"Old Timers' Night," featuring games of volleyball and basketball, will be sponsored by the G-E Club Friday night, March 25, at 7:30 p.m. in the club gym. J. C. Duryee, Bldg. 4-6, has been named chairman of the event, another in the club's Family Night series.

A volleyball game between the Fort Wayne YMCA and the G-E All-Stars will be played from 7:30 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. The program will then feature a novelty basketball game between the Taylorettes and Motorettes. Members of the first team are "Penelope" Burnau, "Nicki" Hicks, "Henrietta" Nahrwald, "Becky" Dunlap, and "Clarissa" Liddy. The Motorettes lineup will include "Ola" Langenberg "Prunella" Farrel, "Hortense" McKee, "Elaine" Goodman and "Katie" Rowley.

The Old Timers' basketball game, between the Small Motor and West Side, will begin at 8:30 p.m.

The games will be presented for all club members, their families and friends.



We found out why Doris Salge acts as if she is in a cloud. Her brother was discharged from the Navy. . . . The co-workers of Reva Smith will miss her a lot since she has been transferred to Bldg. 26-3. Good luck on your new job, Reva. . . . We would all like to see Dean Lockwood wear a great big smile since his team won the regional. . . . Clara Cohagan has her new grandson. She says she could take it better than grandpa. He had to take time out. . . . Whatever it was that Frances Batzner told Rolly Fawcett last week, he must have been guilty of, because it took 15 minutes for his face to return to its normal color. . . . Easter has come around early for Henry Mueller. He has his basket at work already. . . . We think Tom Hildebrand will come through all right since he's a grandpa. . . . Frankie Schlatter claims he can't get his name in the WORKS NEWS unless he cracks a rib. . . . Max Kimball finally got his new car, a '36 Dodge. Someone lost a good bargain when he sold his '32 Chevy last weekend. . . . When Firebug Fultz starts a fire he means business. He ended up burning 30 acres instead of a little trash, which was his intention. He claims it took him and his neighbors until 5 o'clock to get the fire out. . . . Does someone happen to have a nylon blouse for Les Redding? . . . Marion Hardwick had a sample transformer in his hand and he scratched his finger. He said it was so bad the girls would have to call the service car to take him home, and he probably wouldn't be back to work in the afternoon. But he showed up anyway. He said his wife said it wasn't bad enough for him to stay home. . . . Marian Fawcett, Tubby Scheumann and Lois DeBolt are going to sewing classes to mend their ways. . . . We hear Phyllis Borkenstein is going to turn professional in her bowling. . . . Just call Eddie Murchland "useless." He will know the answer. . . . Louise Perry is back after being off work with a broken arm. . . . Congratulations to Juanita Bolyard Clay on the birth of a baby boy. She formerly was from the winding section. . . . Happy birthday to Emma Lytal. . . . Virginia Reed claims she can do the Charleston for 15 minutes, proving to the boys in the test section she isn't as old as they think. . . . Benny Keller's famous last words are "It's a beautiful day in Ossian." . . . Orie Cagnet is still replaying the Monroeville-Central game. . . . We also congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Al Reiman on the birth of a son.

Modern children are young people who like to run everything around the house—except errands.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

RUMOR CLINIC
FORT WAYNE WORKS

TO RUMOR CLINIC EDITOR,

BLDG. 8-2

I have heard that_____

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Please give me the true facts of this situation.

Signed_____

Location_____

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Aubrey

Now that it is beginning to look like spring all the city farmers in the office are getting the urge to get outside—Ben Fleek was saying he thought he would try planting some peas and lettuce over the week-end. . . . Gordon Smith has gotten 200 baby chicks for his farm (two acres). . . . Roy Rippe is going to keep the grass on his six acres trimmed the easy way. He has gotten some sheep to keep the grass nibbled off. . . . We were very sorry to say good-bye to Charlie Briggs who left us last week to go to Div. 15. . . . Happy birthday to Kenny Sheehan on March 7 and to Pat Dolan on March 11. May you both have many more. . . . Had you heard that Jack Angel (our mail boy) has been appointed a group leader in the mail room by A. R. Meyer? Jack, we are real proud of you. . . . Welcome to Dick Pinkham and Fred Hagadorn who have joined our little family from Div. 1. . . . Hugh Neely is real proud of the way he bowled in the mixed doubles tournament last Saturday with Jackie Elder. He and Jackie took fourth place. Congratulations, Hughie, keep it up and you may get off the bottom of "the list" yet. . . . By the way girls, don't forget your "Secret Pal" on St. Patrick's Day. That's about it for this week. See you later.

Minstrel Memories



Who said the "black face" fun shows went out with the Show Boat Days and the climax of Sophie Tucker's career? Last week there was one of the most stupendous productions this town has seen in years and brought to the footlights some local talent that will probably rise to the very top. Interlocutor James Oman and his end men gave out with the usual line of Minstrel Show jokes and "corn." The boys really gave their all to the songs from the "good old days."

We understand talent scouts are presently bidding for Mr. Gollmer's talents. Had Sophie Tucker known what Hank was doing to her song, "Some of These Days," she would wonder why she hadn't retired a long time before she did. Oscar Rodewald did his best to outshine Eddie Cantor with "Ida"; Gus Fortmeyer was in his best baritone voice with his rendition of "Asleep in the Deep," and Seaman Eggers sang that novel tune, "Boll that Possum Down."

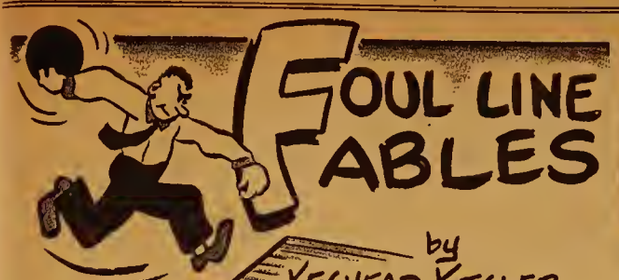
The show will be repeated later in the spring at St. John's Lutheran hall.

In the front row, left to right, are Oscar Rodewald, Taylor St. Lab, and Seaman Eggers. In the back row: Gus Fortmeyer; Henry Gollmer, Taylor St.; James Oman, Bldg. 1-6; Paul Harmeyer, and Bill Irwin, Taylor St., Wire and Insulation Division.

ELEX PRESIDENT ANNOUNCES CLUB BOARD MEETINGS

Charlotte Stanford, President of Elex, has announced that there will be an Elex board meeting for the first shift members, Wednesday, March 16, at 7:30 p.m. in the Bldg. 8-2 Conference Room.

The second shift members will meet Wednesday, March 16, at 1:30 p.m. in the Conference Room, Bldg. 8-2. Rachel Fisher, Vice-President, will preside.



The boys in the Interdivision League really got warm this week, knocking out three 600 counts and twenty 200 scores. The Broadway Bread and Water team rolled a 1011 single game high with Paul Iannelly and Harold Spath showing the way with a 223 and 237 respectively.

The 600 scores were headed by Walt Buesking's 183, 226 and 222 for a 631 total. Others were Wayne Wiemer, 224, 191 and 213, 618 total and Paul Walker, 226, 180, 198 for a 604.

The rest of the 200 counts are as follows: Walt Seidel, 223; Jerry Saylor, 222; Frank Kopp, 212; Putman, 211; Junior Berning, 209; "Buckle" Mertz, 203; Paul Merkert, 202; Erv Haugk, 202; Herb Habig, 202; Murray Johnson, 201; "Adam Lazonga" Farrell, 201; Don Dimke, 201, and Erv France, 200.

We understand Walt Seidel will do anything for a nickel, as he clipped Carl Miller for a buffalo coin by shooting a 223 score right after rolling a couple of stinkers.

Small Motor League

Models and Production teams are still tied up for the league lead. Paul Walker came through with a 634 total on games of 222, ugh 164, ah 248, mmm 634.

Ty Cook felt better as he came up with his first 600 this year, a 614 on games of 192, 216 and 206.

Two hundred scores were rolled by Bob Walt, 232; Don "Shorty" Kaiser, 225; Ife Holmes, 219; Lowell Welker, 212; Erv Aumann, 210, and Walt Whonsettler, 201.

Masonic League

The Gavels and Ionic teams are deadlocked for the league lead with a record of 16 wins and eight defeats.

Archer snagged two 200 counts this week to lead the individual firing with a 223 and 200. Other 200's were Hoelle, 232; Cox, 224; Ed Crabill, 222; Manor, 215, and Willis Lautzenheiser, 203.

Office League

The Blueprint team is still out in front. Two hundred scores were rolled by Walt Nitz, 246; Vic Rump, 233, Frankie Schlink, 233; Paul Hattendorf, 213; Dick Hanson, 212; Bob Knepple, 211; Parks, 210; "Popeye" Patterson, 215 and 203; Don Waldrop, 204, and Miller, 201.

Ladies' Monday League

Vivian Fleckenstein came up with the high series for the evening with games of 189, 169 and 180 for a 538 total. Maxine Root had a 505 total on games of 154, 192 and 159.

Other high games were rolled by Frances Miller, 184; Octavia Popa, 173; Nellie Wendt, 171, and Helen Studler, 202.

Transformer League

Toys are leading the league with 10 wins and only two losses. Two hundred games were kegled by Feaser, 200; Rogers, 206; Hamilton, 207; Peterson, 212; Dowine, 219, and France, 220.

Bowling and Stuff

Pertaining to the annual G-E Employees tournament, we announce that the Sunday, April 17, will be scratched, due to Easter Sunday. Saturday, April 23, will be added for doubles and singles shooting with squads rolling at 1, 3, 5:30, and 7:30 p.m.

Five-man bowling will be on Saturdays, April 9 and 16, with squads at 3:30, 6:30, and 8:45 p.m.

Doubles and singles will be on Saturdays, April 9 and 16, with one squad at 1:30 p.m.; on Saturday, April 23, with squads at 1, 3, 5:30, and 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, April 10 with squads at 1, 3, 5:30, and 7:30 p.m.

Don't forget to turn those entries in early and get those choice squads. Entries close April 2.

We understand that Biff Long and Ceal Romary won the Taylor St. Mixed Doubles Tournament held last Saturday. An aftermath of the tournament was the bowling lesson handed out by Tommy Williams and Charlotte Stanford. Without handicap they stuck "Moe" Satterwaite and Glen Stapleton for stickage. Glen would like to know if Moe has any good ideas.

The Brouwer Screwballs will bowl in the Scott Sweepstakes this Saturday.

Some couples get along fine because the wife has a will of their own.

G-E Club Downs Two More Teams

WINS 12 GAMES IN INTER-CITY HOOP SERIES

The G-E Club basketball team has now stretched their winning streak to 12 in a row. Having won two games this week the Club defeated Roberts Truck Rental, 59-39. They then went ahead to down the G-E Firemen, 59-48.

The next games are Monday, Mar. 14, at 8 p.m. against St. Joe A.C. and Thursday, Mar. 17, at 9:30 p.m. at the G-E Club gym against Essex Wire.

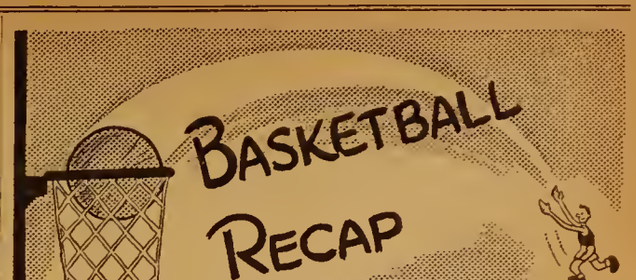
Box Scores:

Roberts	G.	F.	T.	G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Oetting	3	0	6	Carr	12	3	27
Mattingly	4	0	8	Bucher	7	0	14
Hintzelman	2	0	4	Zimmerlee	1	2	4
E. Pfeiffer	2	3	7	Davis	3	0	6
N. Pfeiffer	4	0	8	Gettys	2	0	4
Fox	1	0	2	Lowden	1	0	2
Treba	2	0	4	Stoup	1	0	2
Shober	0	0	0				
Totals	18	3	39	Totals	27	5	59

Firemen	G.	F.	T.	G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Morkoetter	3	3	9	Bucher	3	0	6
Stemmler	7	1	15	Stoup	1	2	4
Moodie	2	0	4	Slack	1	2	4
Meyers	2	2	6	Davis	1	3	5
Baals	0	5	5	Carr	10	5	25
Etter	3	1	7	Junk	0	0	0
Schible	1	0	2	Gettys	2	2	6
Somers	0	0	0	Zimmerlee	2	4	8
Lambroff	0	0	0	Lowden	0	1	1
Vanee	0	0	0				
Totals	18	12	48	Totals	20	19	59



Yesterday Lola McCague turned in her tools and wrote the last page of the book, "Twenty-five years with the General Electric Family." After the words, "The End" we will add "and well done." Your friends in Bldg. 17-3 will miss you, Lola, and we wish you the best of health to enjoy your retirement. Her co-workers had a farewell potluck dinner for her and gave her a gift. . . . Thelma Culler must have thought we were having a cold wave. She came to work all bundled up. She wore a suit skirt and also a dress. . . . Lola McCague is different. She was seen sitting on a wet cloth to keep cool. It just shows that no matter what the temperature is, not everyone is satisfied. . . . New faces on the early bird shift are Wilfred Myers, Miles Bryant, Robert Montgomery and Gene Aspy. . . . Last Friday Everett Souders came up to visit us. A former co-worker he is now a student at Manchester College in North Manchester. . . . Elsie Klemm has a right to smile. She has a new granddaughter. . . . Betty Pressler likes vinegar in bean soup, but the other night she seasoned her soup with pancake syrup by mistake. No wonder it didn't taste right. . . . Do you have any stray sewing machine parts around? If so, just give them to Dick Madden. . . . We noticed Walter Kryder was chewing gum for a change. . . . It's happy birthday to Willodene Hall, Geneva Farrell and Eileen Steinacker. A potluck was given for Eileen by Minnie McCague, Fern Monroe, Mary Zirkle, Violet Adams and Verna Bullerman. . . . Fern Monroe thinks she needs her glasses changed. Instead of sitting on a chair in the cafeteria, she sat on the floor. At least you can't fall off of the floor. . . . Glad to report that Geneva Curtis and Marge Ponsot have returned to work. . . . Sorry to hear that Agnes Brubaker has left us. . . . Harold Kiel must have had his last week's ad answered. He has a dog for sale.



With two more weeks of competition remaining in the Interdivision Basketball league, the race for top spot in the second half is very close. The Firemen and Squares have been neck and neck all the way. Each team possesses six wins and no losses. However, since they play this week, the tie will soon be broken.

Transformer with two games scheduled for this week won both by forfeit when Taylor St. and Tool and Die had only four men at game time.

Winter St. beat Small Motors, 48-37, to extend their winning streak to four in a row. The Firemen had just too much power for Taylor St. and dropped them, 61-25.

The Squares had plenty of trouble with the Apprentice Men in the first half of their game, but pulled away in the third period and won, 47-26.

Box Scores:

Winter St.	G.	F.	T.	Sm. Motors	G.	F.	T.
W. Reitdorf	1	1	3	Markey	1	1	3
D. Reitdorf	4	3	11	Voors	4	3	11
Blauvelt	2	1	5	Wiekliffe	3	4	10
Gallmeier	4	0	8	Benz	1	1	3
Kent	0	0	0	Keister	2	0	4
Richardson	0	0	0	Rosswurm	2	0	4
Schlnheekler	1	4	6	Drayer	1	0	2
Beneke	5	3	13	Neu	0	0	0
Fisher	1	0	2				
Totals	18	12	48	Totals	14	9	37

Firemen	G.	F.	T.	Taylor St.	G.	F.	T.
Morkoetter	7	0	14	Esterline	4	2	10
Stemmler	4	0	8	Trott	1	1	3
Moodie	4	0	8	Pappert	3	0	6
Meyer	1	2	4	Groweock	0	0	0
Baals	0	4	4	Angel	0	0	0
Etter	1	4	6	Reichert	0	0	0
Sehible	2	1	5	Lothamer	1	0	2
Somers	3	0	6	Stanton	2	0	4
Lambroff	0	2	2	Richards	0	0	0
Vanee	2	0	4	Hayden	0	0	0
Totals	24	13	61	Totals	11	3	25

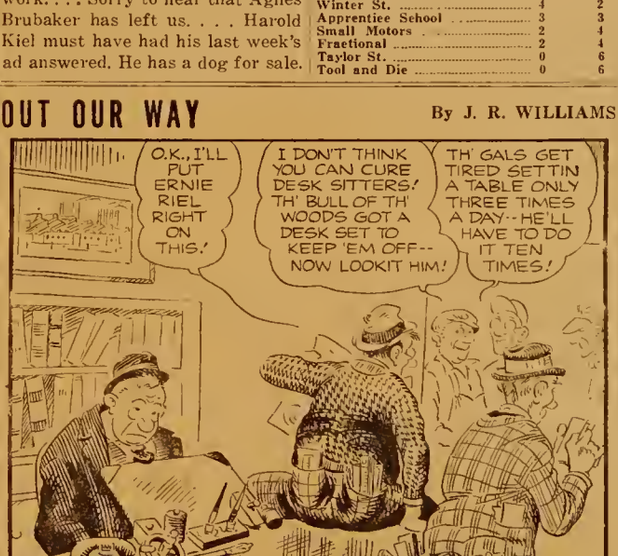
Squares	G.	F.	T.	App. School	G.	F.	T.
O'Keefe	5	1	11	Rasor	1	0	2
Eton	0	0	0	Staley	1	0	2
Robertson	1	0	14	Allen	1	0	2
Hart	3	0	6	Owens	0	0	0
Rogers	4	0	8	Beiber	1	0	2
Antalis	3	1	7	Wagner	1	3	5
Winchester	0	0	0	Mowery	0	0	0
Parent	0	1	1	Werling	5	1	11
				Wuttke	1	0	2
Totals	22	3	47	Totals	11	4	26

STANDINGS

	WON	LOST
Firemen	6	0
Squares	6	0
Transformer	4	2
Winter St.	4	2
Apprentice School	3	3
Small Motors	2	4
Fractional	2	4
Taylor St.	0	6
Tool and Die	0	6

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



Waynedale Beats G-E Rod, Gun Club

The Waynedale Rifle Club defeated the G-E Rod and Gun Club in a match held at the Armory Thursday, Mar. 3.

WAYNEDALE RIFLE CLUB

	Prone	Kneel.	Stand.	Total
C. Volts	100	95	100	295
C. Conklin	100	100	91	291
F. Koch	100	94	82	276
R. Thurber	100	94	78	272
Team Total				1134

G-E ROD, GUN CLUB

	Prone	Kneel.	Stand.	Total
O. Emrick	100	94	90	284
E. Allmand'g'r	100	94	83	277
L. May	99	96	80	275
R. Wickliffe	98	93	80	271
Team Total				1107



Say, Loraine, is honey still for sale or did she already get sold? . . . Anyone wanting information about deep freeze, see either Dorothy Linsky or Ruth Freeland. . . . A few of us would like to know if the Wiehe's joined the office force or did they think we changed to daylight time already. . . . Say, Stucky, how's the diet? By the looks of the results you must be cheating somewhere. . . . Wayne Henderson, one of the engineers better known to us in the Sample Shop as "Oklahoma," was around the other day taking orders for fresh vegetables for this summer. He didn't say a word about raising any watermelons, and I think we should ask him why? . . . Last Tuesday the Sample Shop had a potluck, and Mr. Hobles took a bun. It was so hard he and Louie Miller had a little fun at playing catch. (Mr. Miller brought the buns for the lunch). Miller ducked just in time to let it rest on Blondie's lap so that ought to teach you a lesson, Miller, and the next time you better make sure they are soft before the lunch starts. . . . We hope Mr. and Mrs. Rollins liked their unusual gifts that we gave them. We had quite a laugh out of them but we meant it all in fun, kids. . . . We hear that Ralph Van Osdale had a boat in the Sportsman Show. Sorry, we didn't get to see it, Ralph. . . . Say, some of you fellows, I would like to hear some of those fish stories so I would have more to write about. So come on and give me the latest stories.

Judging by the talk he stirred up, maybe Alexander Graham Bell is the world's greatest man.

How Did We All Make Out in '48?

How Much Money Did We Take In and What Did We Do With It?

LAST YEAR, General Electric's thousands of customers took 1 billion 632 million 701 thousand dollars worth of our products. In addition, other income amounted to 18 million 858 thousand dollars, so total income was 1 billion 651 million 559 thousand dollars.

The income on General Electric products was at prices averaging for the year only 4% higher than in 1947 and only 37% higher than in 1940 . . . compared to an increase since 1940 of 95% in the prices of all manufactured goods . . . a 71% increase in the cost of living . . . and an 83% increase in the take-home of hourly employees at General Electric.

What did we do with this money?

1. How much did we have to pay out or set aside for materials, supplies and other aids to production and customer service?



To run our plants and for the materials out of which we built our products we paid other companies and suppliers *735 million 851 thousand dollars*. After setting aside an additional *38 million 273 thousand* for replacement of worn-out plant and equipment, we had left a balance of 877 million 435 thousand dollars.

2. How much did our payrolls take? (There are about 188,000 of us.)*



Out of what we had left after paying suppliers for materials and services needed to make our products, plus provision for replacement of equipment, our payrolls took a total of *610 million 330 thousand dollars* . . . leaving us a balance of 267 million 105 thousand dollars.

3. How much additional did we put into pensions, insurance and other employee benefits?



After paying others for materials needed to build our products and providing for worn-out equipment, and after paying our wages and salaries we also put aside an additional sum of *49 million 570 thousand dollars* for pensions, insurance and other employee benefits . . . leaving a balance of 217 million 535 thousand dollars.

4. How much did we have to set aside in taxes to support the Federal Government and its many projects at home and in other lands?



After taking care of materials, replacement of equipment, wages and salaries, pensions and insurance, social security and so forth, we set aside the sum of *93 million 700 thousand dollars* for Federal income taxes . . . leaving a profit of *123 million 835 thousand dollars*—what the company saved out of the money taken in.

5. How much of this profit did we feel had to be used for new equipment, stockpiling of materials, getting out of debt, and strengthening the company to give good values and keep jobs as safe as possible in the coming "buyers' market"?



After subtracting the items of materials, wages and salaries, pensions and benefits, and taxes—all of which are in the costs of operating our business—we felt we must "plow back" into our company for new equipment and materials and other strengthening investments the sum of *72 million 449 thousand dollars* . . . leaving a balance of 51 million 386 thousand dollars.

6. How much did we then have left to reward our 250,000 stockholders for risking their savings dollars to back up our plans and production?



General Electric—its people, jobs and products—exists only through the stockholders' willingness to exchange their money for a share of ownership. After we have paid out or provided for materials, replacements, wages and salaries, pensions and benefits, taxes and "plow back" money . . . our stockholders got this last sum remaining from our income—*51 million 386 thousand dollars*. But the individual stockholders will pay from 17% to 82% of these dividends to the government in taxes.

* All data in this report exclude the number of, and amounts earned by, employees on Nucleonics projects operated for the U. S. Government.

Compare How We All Made Out In '48 With How We Did The Year Before

	How Much More In '48?	1948	1947
Total Income	$304,015,000	$1,651,559,000	$1,347,544,000
Materials	141,082,000	774,124,000	633,042,000
Payrolls	98,739,000	610,330,000	511,591,000
Pensions and Benefits	6,756,000	49,570,000	42,814,000
Federal Taxes	28,902,000	93,700,000	64,798,000
"Plow-Back" Money	23,257,000	72,449,000	49,192,000
Dividends	5,279,000	51,386,000	46,107,000

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In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

—John 14:2

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Eifrid Receives Top Award Of $350 For His Suggestion

146 EMPLOYEES SHARE $2,041.50

Joseph Eifrid, a machine operator in FHP Motor Div. 17 at Taylor St., led the list of 146 suggestors announced this week. The list totaled $2,041.50. Mr. Eifrid's suggestion to improve methods of machining shafts for unit bearing motors earned him an award of $350.

Next on the list is Russell Kryder of Specialty Transformer Div. 91, who received a $180 award for his idea to salvage waste steel sheet. One hundred and five dollars went to Carl C. Clevenger, FHP Motor Div. 16, for his suggestion pertaining to grinding wheels.

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Joseph Eifrid, FHP Motor Div. 17, topped the suggestion list this week with his idea that brought an award amounting to $350. He suggested a way to improve methods of machining shafts for unit bearing motors. Receiving suggestion awards is nothing new for Mr. Eifrid. Since becoming an employee of the Company, he has submitted 124 suggestions of which 39 have been adopted with awards totaling $667. Pictured above are, left to right: Oscar Schelper, foreman; Ralph Dennison, Superintendent of FHP Motor Div. 17; Mr. Eifrid, and B. B. Gausepohl, General Foreman, looking over the application of Mr. Eifrid's suggestion.

Red Cross Drive Collects $9,859

A total of $9,859 was collected by 500 solicitors last week in the annual Red Cross Fund-Raising drive at the Broadway, Taylor St. and Winter St. plants.

The final report of total amount and percentage of quota reached by each division is as follows:

Motor and Gen. Div. ..... $1,007.27—92%
Winter St. ..... $800.00—89%
Fractional Horsepower Div. ..... $4,183—85%
Transformer Divisions ..... $1,450.15—76%
Works Service and Contributing Divisions ..... $2,418.58—76%

Solicitors that reported 100 percent participation included:

Marvelene Butts, Bldg. 2-2; Dorothy Askren, Bldg. 2-2; Don Myers, Bldg. 17-2; John Miles, Bldg. 17-1; Ernest Riley, Bldg. 17-1; Ray Stanger, Bldg. 17-1; Ruth Baker, Bldg. 17-4; Arnold Bowers, Taylor St.; B. R. McClure, Taylor St.; Richard Merchant, Taylor St.; Larry Rickert, Taylor St.; Noble Bell, Taylor St.; Ralph Dunfee, Taylor St.; Ann Rastetter, Bldg. 26-2; Ray Fisher, Taylor St.; Roger Pierson, Bldg. 20; George Welker, Bldg. 8-1; Vivian Bond, Bldg. 18-1; Roy Fields, Taylor St., and Loretta Gerardot, Taylor St.

W. C. Bock, engineering, and W. C. Guelzo, office, both at Winter St., reported that they had reached their goals, which were set by sections at the Winter St. plant.

Prices Reduced On Many G-E Products

Economies Made Possible By Extended Production Passed On To Consumers

This week the Company announced lower prices on many of its major lines of home appliances and construction materials. New models on several major consumer products are being introduced at prices substantially below those of the models they replace.

In making the announcement, President Charles E. Wilson called attention to a new, table-model, television receiver with a 10-inch tube priced at $239.95. Another example given by Mr. Wilson is a new automatic clothes washer which will sell at $70 below the model which has been in heavy demand for the last two years.

Mr. Wilson said that similar reductions had been made or were being made in store coolers, commercial refrigerators, and in construction materials such as building wire and wiring devices.

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Employees' Stores Close For Inventory

The Employees' Stores at the Broadway and Taylor St. plants will be closed Wednesday, March 30; Thursday, March 31, and Friday, April 1, for inventory. Both stores will be open for business, as usual, Monday, April 4.

W. H. Connor, H. R. Korte Appointed To New Positions



W. H. Connor



H. R. Korte

W. H. Connor has been named Manufacturing Engineer of the Specialty Transformer and Ballasts Divisions. At the same time, H. R. Korte was appointed Supervisor of Planning and Wage Rates. Both appointments become effective Monday, March 21.

Mr. Connor is a graduate of the University of Vermont with a B.S.M.E. degree. He entered the employ of the Company in 1936 as a test engineer at Schenectady. He then transferred to Fort Wayne with test assignments in the Motor and Generator Division and Plant Engineering.

Following the test course, he was assigned to the Plant Engineering Division and in 1938 became associated with the Motor and Generator Planning section. Mr. Connor

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Elex Club Plans Easter Parties

An Easter Party for the Elex Club's day girls will be held Monday, April 4, at the G-E Club gym. Dinner will be served from 4:45 until 6 p.m., followed by a program.

Wednesday, April 6, the night girls will have their Easter Party at the YWCA with luncheon at 12 noon. Tickets for both parties are $1 and may be purchased from contact girls. Reservations must be in by Wednesday, March 30.

The Spring Bingo will be held tonight at the G-E Club gym, at 8:30 o'clock.

Apprentice Alumni Plan Theatre Party

The Apprentice Alumni Association will have a Civic Theatre party Wednesday, March 23, at 8:30 p.m. The play will be "The Hasty Heart" by John Patrick. Starring Harvey Cocks Collins and Cam Applegate, the production is a three-act comedy.

G-E Club Plans Sports Event For Family Night On March 25

A sports extravaganza guaranteed to give G-E Club members and their friends an evening of hardwood hilarity has been scheduled for Friday night, March 25, at 7:30 p.m. in the club gym.

Another in the G-E Club's Family Night series, the sports event is free to all club members, their families and friends. There will be no ticket distribution, according to J. C. Duryee, chairman.

The gala sports event will start at 7:30 p.m. with a thrilling volleyball game between the Fort Wayne YMCA and the G-E All-Stars. Following this game, a slapstick basketball game will be played by the Taylorettes and Motorettes. The Old Timers' basketball game, the stellar attraction of the evening, will feature the Small Motor and West Side teams.



Mapping plans, above, for the G-E Club's next Family Night are W. F. Weber, J. C. Duryee, C. W. Reynolds and Hubert Myers.

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Don Campbell ..... Editor

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Company's Educational Fund Offers Scholarships, Loans

For many years the Company has helped its employees and their children to enter college and to continue their college educations by providing loans, scholarships, and fellowships to cover at least part of the expense involved.

The funds set aside for these fellowships were first made available in 1923, when the Charles A. Coffin Foundation was created in honor of the founder and first president of the Company. Income from this foundation was used to assist college graduates to continue with their studies and research work.

This plan was so successful that the Company decided to prepare a program which would give financial assistance to employees and their children in their undergraduate work. Over the years various types of assistance were made available, and in 1945 General Electric established the Educational Fund, with assets of a million dollars, in honor of two of its former presidents, Charles A. Coffin and Gerard Swope. This fund has made it possible for many high school graduates to continue their education in accredited colleges or universities and obtain their degrees or, in some cases, to continue their research work for graduate degrees.

Educational assistance is offered in two classes: (1) for undergraduate study, and (2) research fellowships for graduate students.

In addition to the Education Foundation, separate trusts provide for other scholarships and loans. These include the Charles P. Steinmetz Memorial Scholarships, Gerard Swope Loan Fund, and Richard H. Rice Memorial Scholarship.

Loans under the Education Foundation are granted in two ways: (1) to students, up to a maximum of $250 a year on which there will be an interest charge of 3 per cent a year on the unpaid balance after the recipient leaves school. No interest is payable for or during the years the recipient remains in school. (2) to parents of students, up to $300 a year with repayments to begin immediately by payroll deductions and be completed within 12 months at an interest rate of 3 per cent a year.

The deadline for application for these scholarships and loans is Friday, April 1. Application forms and further information may be secured from K. W. Michael, Assistant to the Supervisor of Personnel, Bldg. 8-2.



SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q. Does keeping the door of an electric refrigerator open help keep the room cool?

A. No, not if it is a refrigerator of the usual type, which plugs into the electric outlet on the wall and has no plumbing connections. In such a refrigerator the mechanism takes heat energy from inside the box and gets rid of it by heating the surrounding air, so there is no cooling effect for the room as a whole. If the refrigerator has a water connection to carry the heat away, there would be some cooling of the room. This would also be the case where the refrigerator has no mechanism of its own but is supplied through pipes with refrigerant from some central location.

HUGH CRANE discusses Homeward Bound

NEW YORK—Home again, and — 's wonderful.

I suppose that any man—Greek, Argentine or Russian—"as homeward he his footsteps turns, from wandering in a foreign strand" feels elation and comfort. But for an American, something has been added. The superficial aspect of it is—no rations; no passports; no shadow of war across his door. More vaguely, it adds up to a feeling of freedom. But also there is the feeling of being a citizen of the most powerful, the most admired, and the most envied nation in the world today.

You may be tired of hearing of foreign doings, ways, and problems. But I want to make one more observation of what I saw and heard on my trip through Scandinavia last month.

Looking to America

The eyes of the world are on America today. You could see it, hear it, and get it through the pores all over Scandinavia. But while we were there we got the Paris Tribune and the London papers, and you could read it in and between the lines of those papers.

It is not simply that the United States is pouring out its wealth to put these countries back on their feet, (while Russia is sucking the blood of those countries it can reach and muddying the political waters of those it can't). It isn't just that "nobody shoots Santa Claus."

Want To Speak "American"

It is chiefly that "America"—meaning the United States—has engulfed the imagination of these foreign peoples.

For instance. English is now the second language in Scandinavia. Every educated person speaks it. I found policemen in small towns and railway porters in big towns, who could stumble along in English. The more fortunately educated people speak it fluently wherever you go. But there is a controversy raging, over the differ-

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Did you ever notice how deceiving some song titles are?

The other evening I was eating in a local restaurant and two boys caught my eye. They were coaxing their father to reach deep into his pocket for a small nickel to insert in the colorful music-box in front of them. After completing this task, the two young boys were read the titles given on the front of the nickelodeon. Each melody title received only a far-away look from the boys, until their father hit upon "Lemon Drop." Then their eyes lit up like a slot machine window, each hitting the all-lemon jackpot.

The nickel was swallowed up by the mechanical music-box and the boys settled back to dream about those tasty, sugar-coated, lemon morsels.

"BEEDLE - BOP - BOOP; BOTTLE-BOP - BOOP; WHEEDLEY-BUM-BOOP" burst forth from the loudspeakers and extinguished their dreams. Trombones and trumpets were conducting a feud with the drum and saxophone and soon the whole restaurant formed a battleground of notes. And the two boys both fell victim to the barrage, as they sat startled at the jumbled music filling the air.

Music and Politics

Sometimes I think the music-makers know as much about what John Q. Public wants in the way of music as Gallup knows what he wants in the way of politics.

For instance, I've been told that the new hit, "Cruising Down the River," was written by two old maids in England. They went from one publisher to another and couldn't give it away. Each publisher claimed it was not the kind of music that people like. "Too old-fashioned," they said. How wrong they turned out to be is best illustrated by noting that "Cruising Down the River" is that tune you've been hearing the cute girl down the hall, the messenger boy, and the boss humming of late.

Jive Music Is Dying

This modern music, I claim, is losing out more and more every day.

Any three-year-old can slide his feet or jump around like the so-called modern dancer, but how many could square dance. Now there's dancing that is both sensible and scientific. You not only have fun and follow the music, but you get good exercise as well.

And anyone who doesn't think it is a science, just ask someone who attended either the Squares' or G-E Club's square dance. At both dances, the good turnout and general hilarity gave the clubs cause for making plans for some more.

Just another instance in which "old-fashioned" music has come out the victor over this modern stuff. The evidence in favor of the old-timer-tunes could include an endless list, such as the hit of the Sentimental Four barbershop quartet at the Supervisors' meeting Monday night; the success of the Squares' party recently when the attraction included the Indiana Tech Glee Club and barbershop quartet contest; and everyone remembers the stars of the Quarter Century Club outing last summer—the Noble-aires quartet from Kendallville.

Meet the President



Prices Reduced

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Results of Production

"These price reductions are in keeping with the Company's continuing policy of passing on to the consumer the cost economies made possible by expanded production," said Mr. Wilson.

The 1949 eight cubic-foot refrigerator (Model NB8-F) has been reduced from $259 to $245. Similar reductions have been made on six other models. The four cubic-foot home freezer (Model NA4-F) has been reduced from $239.75 to $219; while the eight cubic-foot freezer (Model NA8-F) has been reduced from $330 to $319.

The new automatic washer retails for $299.95 which is $70 less than the former comparable model. Two ranges (Models DD1-F1 and DD1-F2) have been reduced from $289.95 to $274.95. Three other models have been similarly reduced. A new model (CD2-F1) is being offered at the same price as previous model CP1-F1, in spite of the fact that three storage drawers have been added. It is the only electric range on the market today which has so much storage space at such a low price. Another model (CD3-F1) has been reduced from $249.95 to $239.95.

Sixteen models of water heaters have all been reduced in price by substantial amounts.

States Need for Efficiency

In commenting on the price reduction announcement made by President Wilson, C. C. Walker, Vice President in charge of the Construction Materials Department, pointed out that price cuts made since the first of the year in construction materials items will necessitate even greater plant efficiencies in the utilization of labor, material and supplies to the end that the operation can continue to support employment and still show a profit. There has been a sharp 11.2% slash in prices of wire and cable in recent months, Mr. Walker said. Prices of some G-E construction materials products before this week's cut were already below those prevailing before the war, he revealed, citing mercury switches which are selling at 22% less than in 1940, thermoplastic building wire, and moisture-resistant building wire as examples.

Emphasizing the importance of construction materials items in providing housing so vitally required throughout the nation, Mr. Walker said that recent price slashes include a reduction of almost 8% in galvanized rigid conduit which cannot yet be made in sufficient quantity to satisfy the demand. BX armored cable, used extensively in both private and commercial building, has been reduced 10.8%; service entrance cable 10%; rubber braided building wire 11.6%; thermoplastic building wire 11.6%; galvanized switch and outlet boxes 5.3%; range cord sets 9.1%; rip cord sets 24.6%; and many other items have been reduced.

Forty Million Dollars

It was estimated by the Company that the price reductions announced this week and others made since January 1 would amount to more than 40 million dollars for the balance of the year at the retail level, based on current volume.

Corresponding reductions will be made in the employee prices of these items available to employees, and these new prices may be obtained from the employees stores at the various Company locations.

175 Supervisors Hear Talk By K. W. Given



Approximately 175 members of the Supervisors' Club heard a talk on new chemical developments by K. W. Given, head of the G-E Chemical Department's lecture and exhibit bureau, Monday night at the Squares hall. Mr. Given is shown above talking with some of the members. Left to right: Lewis J. Barney, A. J. Lange, Mr. Given, Robert L. Mace, and M. M. Ray.

Hugh Crane—

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ences between British and American pronunciation. And everybody wants to speak—American.

For another instance. You will not go a block, anywhere, without seeing something American. It may be a sign "Kodak," "Esso," "Gulf," or "American Bar." Most of the cars are American. The hotels serve "cocktails" (they call them that)—an American gadget. If you go out to dance, three out of four tunes the orchestra plays will be familiar American pieces (fashionable today is "My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean" and the Norwegians in the fashion know the words better than you or me). I have heard Danes in Danish towns (Aalborg, Odense) that I never heard of before, sing more verses of "Working on the Railroad" and "Red River Valley" than I or my colleagues could recollect.

"Dollar Shortage" is Topic

For further instances. Everybody—but everybody—in Europe talks about "dollar shortage." Rightly or wrongly they think their major problem is how to get more dollars. (We told them when they rode the subject too hard, that we had a chronic dollar shortage in America, too). Again: they worry about how much military aid America will give them. Again: they know twenty times as much about this country as we know about them. Again: they worry about the state of business in America. Will America have a depression? That would be terrible for them. Are American prices high—that's good for what they sell to us, bad for what they have to buy.

Thinking these things over on the way home, in the comfortable cabin of a DC-6 in the middle of the Atlantic (we left Scotland at one, were in Newfoundland at eleven) I remembered President Truman's opening words in his January "State of the Union Message." He said something to the effect that "To begin with, the state of the Union is good." And it surely is, in spite of some fall in prices and some shortening in demand, compared with anything you are likely to see or hear when you get a passport and fare to foreign lands.



OUT OF THE BLUE in 26-2 office

by Delores Patterson

Everyone is reading about the turtle that is making Churubusco famous. Dick Stoner says he is going to lead an expedition to get the turtle. Ralph Pappert is the guide to catch the "Busco Beast." We wish you boys all the luck in the world 'cause you'll need it when you match your wits against a 400 pound turtle. . . . The fellows in Ballast Engineering have tried every trick in the book to get Gail Doolittle to tell when she is getting married, but so far she "ain't" talkin'! . . . We are very happy to have back Helen Brindle of Purchasing and Ilene Meyers of Engineering. They were both ill several days. . . . Engineering is happy to welcome Louise Klinker as the new Ediphone operator. She celebrated her birthday along with her new job. The Service Bureau gave her a beautiful blue-lace blouse and a rose corsage. . . . Remember to always check to see that you don't forget a thing when leaving on a trip, especially money! Walt Hein was leaving for Chicago and didn't think about the money situation 'til the last minute and had to borrow some from Les Denham. That'll teach ya! . . . Lunch hours have flowered into dog-eat-dog card games.

Purdue To Start Registration For Spring Quarter

Registration for classes at Purdue University Center, Jefferson at Barr, will be held March 28, 29 and 30. The spring quarter starts Thursday, March 31, and continues until Wednesday, June 29. A wide variety of courses that pertain to industry are being offered during the afternoon and evening sessions. Further information may be obtained from K. W. Michael, Assistant to the Supervisor of Personnel, Bldg. 8-2.

New Positions

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left the Company in 1939 to work at the Boeing Aircraft Co. of Seattle. Returning to General Electric in 1940, he worked in the Plant Engineering Division.

In 1941 he was appointed Supervisor of Forging Planning of the Supercharger, and in 1945 became a staff assistant in the General Superintendents' office. Then later he was named Supervisor of Planning of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Division.

Mr. Connor is married, has two daughters and one son. He lives at 723 Kinsmoor. He is President of the Fort Wayne Engineering Club, and a sustaining member of the Civic Theatre, a member of the Squares and Supervisors' clubs. He is also a registered professional engineer of Indiana.

Apprentice Graduate

A graduate of the Apprentice School, Mr. Korte enrolled in the machinist-toolmaker course in 1928. Following his graduation, he was assigned to the General Tool Division. In 1937 he transferred to the Specialty Transformer Division, doing time-study work. Two years later he became associated with the methods and Equipment Planning section. He was made Assistant Supervisor of the section in 1942 and two years later was promoted to supervisor.

In 1947 Mr. Korte became the Assistant Superintendent of Bldgs. 26-B and 26-1 in the Transformer Division. Last year, prior to his new appointment, he was made Superintendent of Specialty Transformer and Ballast Division 91.

Mr. Korte is married and has two girls. The Kortes make their bome at 4808 South Wayne Ave. He is interested in golf and baseball and is a member of the Supervisors' Club, Apprentice Alumni and Foremen's associations.

Civic Theater Director Is Speaker At Apprentice Alumni Association Meeting



Reid Erekson, director of the Fort Wayne Civic Theatre, was the speaker Tuesday night, March 8, at a meeting of the Apprentice Alumni Association in Kreis Stoltzenau hall. Mr. Erekson, at the left, is shown talking with David Bartle, president.

Idea Brings $105



Verne Castle, General Foreman; Harold Hohman, Foreman, and Carl Clevenger, FHP Motor Div. 16, are shown above looking over the application of the suggestion that brought Mr. Clevenger $105. Through Mr. Clevenger's suggestion, the Company was able to purchase grinding wheels which were far superior to the ones formerly used.

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John D. McMaken, Specialty Transformer Div. 91, received an award amounting to $75 for his suggestion of changes to annealing ovens to prevent breaking annealing boxes. For his suggestion on Leeds and Northrup motors, L. A. Hubartt, FHP Motor Div. 1, received $50; while Earl A. Lamboley, Motor-Generator Div., is $30 richer for his suggestion on shipping braces.

Awards amounting to $25 went to Bard E. Zwayer, FHP Motor Div. 16; Dallas Patten, FHP Motor Div. 17; Orland D. Marschand, FHP Motor Div. 17; Melvin H. Borcherding, FHP Motor Div. 33; Fred Rohe, Tiffin Plant; Owen R. Allen, Specialty Transformer Div. 91, and Waldo A. Greider, Specialty Transformer Div. 91.

The following employees received awards of various amounts from $5 to $20:

FHP Motor Div. 1: Mildred Greene, Esther A. Paper and Arthur McNamara.

FHP Motor Div. 13: Thomas D. Cowan (two awards); Arthur F. Sorg, George Kapp (two awards), Herschel S. Foreman, Charles L. Boyce, P. A. Schoppman, Alfred B. Renz, William A. Sivits, Joseph F. Doust, and Charles E. Clawson.

FHP Motor Div. 14: Harold Richmond, Forest E. Grim, Cecil E. Tarney, Waldo D. Martin and Howard L. Poorman.

FHP Motor Div. 15: Joe E. Tricker, Charles H. Gordon, Dale M. Fredrick, Thyral L. Neu, Merrell S. Pettit, Justin W. Heaston, Vergie Stephen, Fred F. Bailey, Bryan D. Brown, Milton E. Roller, Lewis Hutchinson. Paul F. Boyer, R. Richard Raber, and Charles Trey.

FHP Motor Div. 16: Junior L. Wappes, Dorothy Johnson, Roy R. Hans, Donald Williams, Russell A. Bowdy and Clifford B. Smead, Jr.

FHP Motor Div. 17: Ralph J. Begue, Frank D. Cox, Carl Scott, Ernest Etzler, Charles Arnett, Chester Carey, Ralph D. Fetters, Louis P. Klotz, Russell L. Poorman, Raymond A. Pickett, Orland D. Marschand (two awards), Harold W. Miller, William Baker, Fred E. House (two awards), Orton B. Anderson, Jr., William Wiegmann, Norman Wolf (two awards), Eugene P. Kelsey, and Gerald E. Gamble.

FHP Motor Div. 19: Lloyd Runyon, Bernard P. Kramer, William J. Stolp, John R. Miles, Glen Buckmaster, and Merlin E. Wagner.

FHP Motor Div. 33: Clem L. Miller.

Tiffin Plant: James M. Turner, Paul J. Raitz, Hugh Hinsman, George George, and Joseph J. Matsick.

DeKalb Plant: Maurice Uplinger, Ward Christiansen, Alice Cooksey (two awards), Fredricka Siebauer, Duaine Thurlby, Clyde Bennett, John Wagley, Hughie W. Kind, and W. E. White.

Specialty Transformer Div. 91: Hubert Habig, Charles Druce and Hovy L. Schrader.

Specialty Transformer Div. 93: Levi C. Carpenter (two awards), Frank F. Schultz, Jr., James T. Keller, Homer C. Meeker, and Morris A. Felger.

Specialty Transformer Div. 94: C. Doyle Johnson, Fletcher Cumbey, Lester B. Redding, Paul B. Gressley, Russell W. James, and Joseph T. Troendly.

Danville Plant: Alfred L. Everingham (two awards), Wilson D. Halls (two awards), Lingle E. Riggle, Jr., Donald J. Russell, Ted Henderson, Glenn Brown, Robert Hicks, Elbert E. Gardner, Paul A. Fleming and Charles Wagner.

Motor and Generator Div.: Waymond L. Morton, Herman F. Kuhn, Paul Walker, Ernest E. Allmandinger, John G. Momper, Russell M. Grim, Harry W. Heuer, Paul F. Bryan, and William G. Hoelle.

Wire and Insulation Div.: Max J. Lawrence, Ralph G. Lindeman (two awards), Clarence E. Coulter (two awards), Edwin E. White, Franklin W. Jacobs (two awards), Earl E. Glass, Harry Arnold, Jr., Ralph N. Hoover, Lynn A. Wilson, Carl M. Junk (two awards), Harrold V. Barrick, Herman Bertsch, Felix J. Neuman, and E. J. Norris.

General Service Div.: John N. Schreiber, Eugene Page, Thomas E. Doell, Tony W. Arthur, Fred E. House, Rosco C. Hamilton, and Homer A. Markley (two awards).

General Tool Div.: W. J. Rauner.

Students Reminded Of Deadline For G-E Loans, Scholarships

Students are urged to apply for G-E loans and scholarships before the April 1 deadline for filing. Forty-three applications have been received to date. These loans and scholarships, supplied from the million dollar G-E Employee Educational Fund, are available to all Company employees, their children, and children of retired employees. Application forms can be secured from and submitted to K. W. Michael, Assistant to the Supervisor of Personnel, Bldg. 8-2.

Appointed Assistant Manager Of Specialty Transformer Sales Div.



J. P. Coughlin

J. P. Coughlin has been appointed Assistant Manager of the Specialty Transformer Sales Division.

Following his graduation from Pratt Institute School of Science and Technology with a B.S.E.E. degree, Mr. Coughlin entered the Company's test program in 1941 at the Lynn Works in the Steam Turbine and Battleship Gears Division. He then took a test at Pittsfield in the Power and Distribution Transformer Divisions, followed by an assignment at Schenectady. While at Schenectady, he worked in the Motor-Generator and Control Equipment Division and spent some time in the General Engineering Laboratory working on Submarine detection equipment.

He went off test in 1942 and transferred to the Design Engineering Section of the Distribution Transformer Engineering Division at Pittsfield. The next year he came to Fort Wayne to do application engineering and sales work in the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions.

Mr. Coughlin is active in the sales training program. He teaches two classes, one on sales methods and the other on effective presentation of business ideas.

He is married and has one child. He and his family live near Roanoke. Mr. Coughlin is interested in all kind of sports, and is a member of the Orchard Ridge Country Club and the Squares.

Tales from Taylor

by Harry Parker

Ward Grim was all agog the other day over the report that a gigantic turtle was sighted in Fulks Lake. It is said that this turtle measures approximately five feet across and will no doubt weigh in the neighborhood of 400 pounds. So strong is he that he bent iron bars that some fishermen had driven into the lake bottom in an effort to capture him, but he broke right through them. Now they have enlisted the services of a pile driver and are trying to drive heavy piling around him. If successful Ward claims that a heavy duty dredging outfit will be necessary to lift him out of the lake. After removing said turtle the lake level will probably drop several feet. Buck Adams tells us that a farmer has already captured it and is using it to pull his plow. . . . A few weeks ago Buck Kline had all of his teeth removed, but is unmindful of the fact so much that the other a.m. before leaving for work he took some toothpicks from the holder on the table and put them in his pocket. His wife asked him what he was going to do with them, and brought to his mind the fact that he was minus teeth. . . . Clarence Hartman's home is owned by a certain downtown business establishment. When he pays his rent he usually parks his car back of said place of business, then goes in and pays his rent. Last Saturday he went through this proceeding, but when he returned to his car, there upon the windshield was a notice that he owed this business a parking bill for all the times he had parked there. This burned him to a cinder. . . . On his way to work one afternoon the past week, Joe Turley purchased a new spray head for his shower. Some of the boys wishing to play a joke on him hid it, discovering this Joe told them that they were the ones who would suffer as he would not take a bath until it was returned. Joe is quite a schemer and has a novel plan for obtaining a seat in a crowded bus. After getting on he stands close to a seat occupied by some women, then begins complaining in a loud tone of voice about how hard he has worked and how tired he is and about his feet nearly killing him, until some woman feeling sorry for him gets up and gives him her seat. . . . Josephine Eme and husband were dinner guests of Arthur and Mable Miller last Saturday evening. Mable served a sumptuous repast—the main dish consisting of baked white fish stuffed with sauerkraut and garnished with sardines, olives and radishes topped with a big shot of extra strong horseradish. Jo said that she would rather have had chicken, but nevertheless suffered no ill effects from this high powered meal, so saying the evening passed off pleasantly. . . . "Big Chaw" Schooley is in the limelight again. The other night Clarence got on the bus, forgetting to discard his chew. Some of the boys noticed him sitting there tight-lipped and sensed what was wrong, so they began razzing him. All poor Clarence could do was to sit there with a red face and grin.

Our idea of a pessimist is a bachelor who thinks that he has as many troubles as a married man.

Given $75 Award



John McMaken, Specialty Transformer Div. 91, is shown above pointing out various features of the suggestion that netted him $75. His foreman, Freeman Rohlfing, is at the right. Mr. McMaken's idea involved changes on annealing ovens to avoid breaking of annealing trays.

Motor and Generator Static



Thought for the week: The school of experience never changes. It always has and always will issue its diplomas on the roughest grade of sandpaper."

Here is another guess on the Mystery Melody: "Paramount On Parade." . . . Worry is a lot like a rocking chair, it gives you something to do, but won't get you anyplace. . . . Charley McAfee, our rambling Irishman, made a startling discovery last week. He was driving to work when his car started spouting steam, so Charley stopped at a filling station and filled the radiator with water. After driving a few blocks another cloud of steam poured out. After another filling, Mr. McAfee finally arrived at a garage where he was informed that a freeze plug had gone out. "Freeze plug," sez Mr. McAfee, "Faith and I have driven cars, boy and man, for some 20 years, and this is the first time I ever learned they had contraptions like that." . . . Stan (Captain to you) Marquardt is a betting fool. He will bet on anything from a card game to whether the baby will be a boy or girl and what the weather will be a week from now. One day he passed Ruth Schafenacker, he turned around and said, "Ruth, I'll bet you 50 cents I can get your shoe on my foot." A bet was made and Stan lost. After observing Ruth's and Stan's foot sizes, we are convinced that Lloyd's of London wouldn't take a chance like that. . . . The other day it rained and Doris Olinger carried her umbrella to work. She entered the west door of Bldg. 27 and walked its entire length with the umbrella over her head. When she discovered what she had done, she remarked, "Hope no one saw me." That girl is really a dreamer. . . . Paul Bohn celebrated a birthday Saturday. On Friday his co-workers showered Paul with greetings and gifts. Remarked Paul, "Finest birthday I ever had, thanks everybody." . . .

Luncheon Honors Lola McCague



Lola McCague, Bldg. 17-3, was honored at a luncheon Thursday, March 10, on the occasion of her retirement April 1. As a parting gift, she received twin table lamps from her co-workers. Attending the lunch, which was held in Bldg. 17-3, were:

Front row, left to right: Beulah Hoff, Laura Starner, Mrs. McCague and Bertha Witham. Second row: Helen Biddle, Belle Buchan, Ilo Souder, Gertrude Dammeier, Violet Brower, Rose Heche and Clarabelle Sapp. Back row: Margaret Swain, Ruth Lemert, Kathryn Weigele, Ann Kensill, Charles Rice, and Verne Castle.

G-E Announces New Line Of FHP Motor Construction Kits As Training Aids



Some of the unassembled parts included in the new General Electric educational FHP motor construction kits are shown above. These kits, which contain all the components necessary to build a regulation motor, were designed as an aid in teaching school children the principles of the electric motor.

A new line of FHP motor construction kits for use as teaching aids in school shops and laboratories has been announced by the Educational Section of General Electric's Apparatus Department.

Each kit contains the necessary components, completely machined for assembling a full size, regulation motor; including stator and rotor cores, bearings, starting switch, capacitor, shaft, frame, end shields, etc. Wire and varnish are not included in the kits because these can be inexpensively obtained locally.

The kits are available in four sizes: ¼- and ½-hp single phase capacitor-start type, ½-hp three-phase, and a d-c unit suitable for use as a 300 watt generator or ½-hp motor.

Several preliminary models of these kits have already been delivered to the San Diego Electrical Club for use in a club-sponsored contest among school children. Prizes will be awarded in this contest to those children who assemble the best motors.

Stan Marquardt is a guy who believes in the luxuries of life. The other noon he entered a nearby restaurant. After obtaining his meal he sat down to dine but the meal tasted flat, something was missing. He looked around and finally observed a large candelabrum used for decorative purposes. Mr. Marquardt arose, walked over, picked up the candelabrum and returning to his table lighted the candles and settled down to enjoy a meal in the proper atmosphere.

Ramblings 31-2

The Engineers are interested in knowing the formula which Howard Naslund uses in getting his friends to work for him. Howard recently rented a house. Three couples went out one Saturday morning and washed woodwork, walls, and floors. Then the fellows used their cars to move the Naslund's belongings. Another evening one of the fellows helped Howard paint a room. Friends in need are friends indeed. . . . We have a new draftsman and a new engineer. The draftsman is James R. Meeks; the engineer, Earl D. Elwonger. Earl is a graduate of the University of Nebraska. . . . Kitty McIntee, ex-draftswoman, has a baby girl named Catherine Antoinette. . . . Everett McKeeman is now the proud owner of a bungalow on Raymond Street. . . . One of our commuting engineers is Paul Gratny. Paul drives to Kansas every other week-end in his 1949 Chevy. . . . We are trying to get a copy of the masterpiece, that is, the letter from our Army friend, Bob Gillum. Not having succeeded, you will have to ask Bob for his opinion of the New Army. From all indications Bob is glad to be back and we are glad to have him back. . . . The bidding at the noon hour bridge game is so confusing. It has been suggested that "Grampa" (because he won't roller skate) Gratny and Maurice Emling should be partners. Perhaps they could understand each other's bidding, since no one else can. . . . Fred Eisenbiegler and Maurice Emling have a set of golf clubs in partnership. Now each is trying to sell his half to the other. Wonder who will come out with a set of golf clubs. Isn't there a third party who wants to buy two halves?



Happy birthday to Ruth Hine last Thursday. Thanks for the luscious cake. . . . Emily Nierman attended the semi-finals at Muncie Saturday. . . . Great games in the p.m. Grace Ober got in on the celebration after the games in the evening. . . . Esther Madden is one tooth less this week. Seems as though the dentist needed another one for his collection. . . . James Harter has left, and we do miss him. Good luck and good health. . . . Opal Burton has returned after a week's illness, and Vera Fetro has returned after a two weeks' illness. . . . If Kathryn Hepker would bring cookies or cake, Bernie McCune, Eleanor Whitehouse, and Lorinda Beyerlein wouldn't have to hang around the Bon Ton for the sales! . . . Birthday greetings to Clara Krauskopf. . . . Every Wednesday afternoon you can see Irma Hamy walking past the peanut store that hands out free samples of peanuts. He fooled Irma the other day, he wasn't out because of bad weather. . . . Thelma Wyss was looking at wedding dresses in a downtown window the other day. Is she getting ideas for her little daughter already? . . . That was a nice picture of Helen Hine that appeared in Sunday's paper. Congratulations! . . . George Louthan retired last Thursday after working here 26 years. He has been on our sick list for three months. We wish you a speedy recovery, George, and hope that you can enjoy your retirement! . . . I've heard of people being in a hurry but it is unusual for someone to get ready for bed and then show up here ready for work as Betty Kummer did last week. . . . Veva Healy went to see a Jolson picture again. I think she sees every one at least three times. . . . Ruby Kinsey, who used to work with us but now lives in California, had a baby girl the other week. She named her Barbara Louise. . . . That man who looked so different the other Monday was Mardo Tobias. He shaved his mustache off, and he did look different. His wife didn't like the looks of him without it so he is growing it again. . . . Since Bill Dinkle is too modest to report on himself I guess I'll have to do it. Congratulations on two accounts. He is getting married in the spring, and he won a trophy in the church league bowling tournament. . . .

Beast of 'Busco?



No, not the "Beast of 'Busco." This turtle doesn't weigh 400 lbs., just 50 lbs. Harry Haberkorn, Supervisor of Inspection and Test in FHP Div. 1, and his wife were fishing at Wolf River in Wisconsin, when Mrs. Haberkorn caught the big turtle shown here. The boards of the pier were 14 inches wide and the turtle spread over the width of two of them.

Lee Raver can't seem to tell the sound of a train from that of an airplane. She kept saying, "Gee, that plane's flying low" when all the time it was the trains going by! . . . That man with the dark hair who ate Edna's and Jackson's birthday dinner was Cecil Foor. Several of the people didn't know who he was when he took his cap off!

The Way We Do It . . .



. . . . IS A REFLECTION OF OUR INTEREST IN WHAT WE ARE DOING, whether it's operating a hydraulic press or playing the keys of an organ. And what does this have to do with SAFETY? Just about everything!

Interest in what we are doing compels interest in what we are doing it with and everything else related to the job, the machine, tools, material, SAFETY, quality, quantity, HOUSEKEEPING, etc.

NILE REYNOLDS, hydraulic die cast press operator, FHP Motor Div. 13, Taylor St., in the above picture, was appropriately recommended to help us call this safety thought to your attention.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH Safety Enginecr

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

By now you all have heard a lot about "Oscar" the giant turtle. If Oscar hasn't been captured yet by the time this issue of the NEWS is printed, we expect to see Fred Thieme loading up his Ford with all his special underwater equipment, and perhaps some new devices he has dreamed up and head for Churubusco in an attempt to put Oscar into captivity. With a capable outdoorman like Thieme on the job we can all sit back and relax and rest assured that old Mr. Turtle will be brought out of the lake. . . . Eddie Prince is fast becoming a key man in the division so far as the "streamliners" are concerned. He not only welds them, but also blocks, forms, and notches them. In fact he does about everything but shear the material. . . . Sam Rhoades was lucky a couple of weeks ago and won a pool, but wasn't so lucky when he received the cash. It was all in pennies, nickels, and dimes and was in a metal container which was welded shut. I guess from now on we can just call him "Hack Saw Sammy." . . . "Gorgeous" George Barker has his eyes trained on Winter St. again. We figure it is either because there is too much noise in here or that he is getting tired of handling those heavy pliers all day. . . . Attention all real estate brokers and new car salesmen: Floyd Null has signed up with the Pyramid Club. Naturally we expect to see him go on a big buying spree one of these days. . . . Harold Franz seldom has very much to say and instead just uses some little expression to convey his ideas or thoughts. His latest expression is, "just call me Minnie." . . . It looks like Ted Mullen will have to start charging rent to Stauffer and Rofhling since he can't get them to move some of their material out of the punch press section. . . . We notice that Don and Ed are still pushing their dies and tools around on a "Sheet Steel" wagon. What's the matter, boys, aren't you able to get what you would like to have in the way of transportation for your equipment? . . . Just a little note for safety's sake—watch those crane control boxes. We hear that they are made of pretty hard stuff, in fact harder than most of the heads we have on this floor. Ask Bob Bunyan, he knows. . . . We sincerely hope that Gerald Crum gets his new car soon. We're afraid that the strain of having to wait for it is beginning to show, because we have noticed that he is having to take his medicine regularly again. . . . Here is one for Mr. Ripley. Bill Edmunds' chickens are starting to lay eggs especially for the Easter baskets. To prove it, Bill brought in one of the colored eggs. In the past there has been some pretty tall tales told about his chickens but we'll have to admit that he has proof-positive this time. . . . Anyone interested in a free demonstration of the new drill press that arrived at the east end of Bldg. 26-1 last week see Don George . . . If some night you see what looks like a Christmas tree on wheels going down the street, don't be alarmed. It is only the new colored lights that Al Hamilton has added to the wheels of his motorcycle. . . . If you noticed a swelling in William Gepfert's chest last week it was because he had just become the proud father of an 8 lb. 6 oz. baby boy. So our congratulations go to "Hermetic Bill." . . . This week "Tricks" were written by a guest writer, Tom Woodward.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

It is said that Art Swain, Jr., would appreciate the donation of a serviceable girdle that would help take him from size 44 to 36, so that he can get into that old air corps uniform of his. . . . Clayton Dafforn was observed using a pair of pliers to unzip his leather jacket the other morning. . . . Some men's wives don't seem to trust them on payday. Does Mrs. Cook make it an every Wednesday afternoon custom to be on the trolley coach to see that you come home with the paycheck intact, LeRoy? . . . Paul Lichtsinn was off duty for some time with the measles recently. He still looks a bit spotty. . . . Clarence Nichter refuses to believe the story about the mammoth turtle near Churubusco. Even if it was so, and somebody caught him, there wouldn't be a cooking pot big enough to cook him in, says Nick.



Larry Gase got a nice stick of gum from a well-wishing friend. It was a bit tough it is true, but Larry being a good Joe did not complain. He just got a good laugh watching Mel Kiessling trying to open his desk drawer which seemed to want to stick for some reason. . . . Darwin may be right after all. Anyway we will know when we see Verne Castle climbing that new ladder. . . . Floyd Garland is sporting a new crew haircut. We haven't decided if it is a means of protection or if he is getting ready for the hot weather. . . . Anna Lapadot is a newcomer to our office, and we are happy to have her with us. . . . Paul Clendenen and Harold Boles are two of the more fortunate owners of new cars. They are already making big plans for vacation. . . . Now that Walt Kryder has simmered down for another week maybe we can all work. You see Walt was one of the lucky fellows that got tickets to the basketball games Saturday.

Superintendents Speak At Foremen's Meeting

Superintendents at the Fort Wayne and Decatur plants gave short talks at a meeting of the Foremen's Association Wednesday night, March 9, at Kreis Stoltezenau hall. The pictures below and at the right show some of the informal groups that gathered for discussion after the meeting.

In the two pictures at the right are: F. R. Hoffman, Otto Rodenbeck, W. L. Paulson and Ewald Steinsmuehlen; Paul Traub, H. E. Boles, W. H. Crouse, Cecil Sible and Walter Wolf.

Below, left to right, are: Clarence Gardt, L. A. Arnold and Russell Owens; W. K. Williams, R. M. Hartigan, R. W. Swartzel and H. G. Siebold; R. E. Morris, L. W. O'Brien and Everett Lindeman.











Rounds Out 30 Years Of Service



Leo J. Neuman, Bldg. 20-1, completed three decades of service at General Electric. Several of his friends gathered at the presentation of his 30-year service letter, Thursday, March 10, in the office of Bldg. 20-1. Left to right, in the above picture, are: John Henry, George Thimlar, John Lare, Winfred Luebke, Ed Bauer, Frank Voirol, Rudy Dressler, Mr. Neuman, Wilbur Morehead, George Danehy, John Bell, Robert Hatfield, Donald Stanley and Otis Fitch.



Bernard Penkul has been married only three short months, but he already knows how to do the family washing. He has been giving old timer Melvin Bill many new pointers, but when Berny starts taking ironing lessons he must see Fritz Dudasky who has this job mastered to perfection. In fact Fritz demonstrates most any place, even along Taylor street. . . .If you have any extra cash we advise you not to give it to Ora Birely, who performs tricks of magic. He can make your money disappear faster than you can say, "skat" . . . Herman Bertsch bought a new car and new pair of shoes. Herman says the new shoes are to keep the car from getting dirty. Couldn't be you're afraid you might have to walk is it, Herman? . . . Warren Langmeyer and his bride have just returned from their honeymoon spent in Florida. Good luck, kids. . . . Al Swift is spending his week-ends at Cedar Creek trying to catch those red horse. Al says they're really delicious about this time of the year. How do we know. Samples, please. . . . Were you wondering too why Guy Oberlin seems so put out lately? Well you would be if you went a fishin' and a fishin' every week-end and came home skunked. . . . No, it's not true, Orville Doherty did not have the swell head. He just had a wisdom tooth pulled which did him dirt. . . . Norb Engleman claims he got that nice black eye by running into a tree. Now everybody who believes that please stand on your heads. . . . It took Steve Bobay a long time before he made the news. Now he can't keep out. That tired old worn-out nag of his finally worked up enough ambition to bite his wife's hand. We bet it wasn't the nag's ambition at all. It was Steve poking the old nag in the ribs with a stick. . . . What was it, George Gettle? The height of ambition when we saw you writing with a pencil in your hand and one in your mouth, or was the one in your mouth to keep you from making conversations? . . . Bill Rohe, remember when you wanted to go along just for the ride when Bill Skinner and Dewey Wisner went fishing. You agreed to row the boat and after rowing a short distance you got sea sick and all Bill and Dewey had to do was to hit the fish over the head with an oar as they came up for air. Remember, Willie? . . . Happy birthday to Forrest Gill, March 12, and Ralph Remenscheider, March 17, St. Patrick's Day. . . . Vaughn Sheets, just how could you do such a thing to your best friend? We mean that picture. Shame on you.

Insulation News

Happy birthday to Earl Gebert, March 14.

Little Al



"You Must Have Been A Beautiful Baby" and "Happy Birthday" are the songs the Wire gang is singing to Al Hambrock today. Mr. Hambrock was one year old when the picture above was taken. He is celebrating his 50th birthday today.

GOD'S FROZEN PEOPLE

When the lakes are frozen over
And the frigid breezes blow
Venture forth—"God's Frozen People."
Trudging thru the drifting snow.
Neatly then a hole is spudded,
Hooks are draped with precious bait,
Lines are dropped thru icy water,
Stand they then to freeze and wait.
Watching for the slightest movement
Of the bobber, oh, so light.
Watching, waiting, freezing, hoping
That today the fish will bite.
Truly, they're "God's Frozen People."
Hardiest of the fishing clan,
Just survive one winter season
Believe me, brother, you're a man.

COUNT OFF 10-20-30



Taylor Street
DIVISION 17
By Dorothy Hengelman

Dora Smith has added the feminine touch to the Test and Inspection Office. Dora received a new desk last week and she was so proud of it that she started to clean the office so that it would be a fitting place for her desk. When you used to walk in the office, you couldn't see any desks for the piles of paper and etc. After Dora got her new desk in order, she called a conference with all of the foremen and told them that they were going to start good housekeeping. It worked, as the office is now as clean as a pin. Congratulations, Dora, and now we can see that all that office needed was a woman's touch. . . . That well known "Club" has finally hit Taylor St. It seems that some of the people were caught off balance (or were very easily influenced) anyway they gave their dollar, but when it came to finding two other people with dollars, they couldn't be found. Now if some of these people don't find two more people soon, it looks as though they will lose that two thousand dollars (or so they tell us.) . . . Last Friday noon Ed Brockhall was presented with a large fish hook so that he could go to Busco and catch the monster that has everyone arguing as to its size. We haven't seen Ed yet to see if he had any luck, but the story was out last Monday morning that it had been caught and weighed 275 lbs. . . . Fred Young was going around looking for a three-volt battery last Monday and someone found one for him. Fred must not have appreciated it, as he sent it to Ralph Keller. . . . While we're on the subject of Ralph, it is reported that some of our readers are following this column to see what happens to a Buick. Here's one thing that happens to them, so take note, Ralph broke a shock absorber on the Buick last week, and he was on the phone most part of one evening trying to locate a replacement. Finally after about 20 calls he found one, and then made the mistake of saying, "Boy, when you break a part in a Buick it really costs." Better not talk so loud the next time, Ralph. You know you could trade it for a Jeep, as they don't get stuck, or a Whippet, as they don't have shock absorbers, Ralph. . . . Harold Fletter was really a mess the other afternoon, when the joke he was playing on someone backfired. Better be careful from now on, Harold. . . . It sure is good to see Andy Anderson all smiles again now that he has his Chrysler out of the garage. It is reported that it looks like a new car with the new paint job. . . . Your editor rushes around like mad in the A.M. to get to work early for a change, and then we have to stop and view a truck which overturned, and almost be late for work anyhow. . . . It's good to have Bob Robertson back after his recent transfer to Div. 13. . . . Also good to see Eddie Bandt back to work. Congratulations to Mary Ulrich who became Mrs. Ray Shreve on March 3. We wish you all of the luck in the world, Mary. . . . "Pinky" Sordelet bought a new Kaiser last week, and besides that, he was then presented with another new car from his co-workers. Of course, it would be a trifle hard trying to drive around in the one from the co-workers.

If you don't dot your i's you're not the punctual type, says a handwriting expert. In other words, not right on the dot.

Receives Congratulatory Letter



Willis Rupert, Bldg. 19-1, recently celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric. At that time he received a congratulatory letter from the Company and several of his co-workers attended the presentation. Left to right are: Ernest Brown, Philip Lydy, Lyle Johns, R. M. Hartigan, Manager of Manufacturing of the Large Motor and Generator Div.; Mr. Rupert, Adam Farrell, General Foreman; Arthur Druce, Foreman, and George Golden.



Welcome to Bldg. 4-5 office, Vernon Robinson and Charles Briggs. . . . Birthday greetings of the week go to Henry Burch, Chris Stauffer and Floyd Brown. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Boltom who are the proud parents of a baby boy. . . . The co-workers who would like to be let in on a secret of Paul Haffner. He was caught passing out cigars. He also was complaining in the last week of a terrible toothache. Paul got his upper and lower teeth mixed. Where he had the ache, his teeth were false. . . . Elaine Sutter is taking up a new hobby—catching mice in her desk. The old saying is "catching two birds with one stone." She had two mice in one trap one morning when she came to work. Keep up the good work, Elaine. . . . We hope to see Ruth Cutter back soon. She recently injured her finger in her electric mixer. . . . Last Friday evening Henry Burch entertained a group of friends from small lot at his home. The main event was a small euchre game at which Herbert Cook trumped Bob Lowe's ace. Later on, if you heard any foreign stations on the radio, it must have been a few of the boys singing. The fellows left wishing for another enjoyable evening soon with Henry.



The Ossian folks entertained the boys on their basketball team the other night with a banquet, followed by a game between the boys and their Dads. Would you believe it—Ralph Sample was high scorer, bringing the old boys to victory with a score of 18-17. (Betcha' Ralph will never be the same, though, 'cause he wasn't able to sit down for a week after he took that spill.) . . . Bob Kelker was passing the "It's a boy" cigars around. Congrats, Bob. . . . Remember Phil Phillips who used to work here? He's the guy who started all the publicity on this huge "turtle" that has the whole place in such a dither. Can't understand why John Hall isn't up there giving Harris a hand, since he's past master at catching those "big ones." "Well, blow me down and call me Oscar," says Mesing, as he crawled out of the lake. "I was only taking a bath!" . . . Is that just a shadow on Harry Hawthorn's face, or is he, too, trying to grow a mustache? Time will tell (much time, that is). . . . Ed Trabel has been working on his cottage and had the misfortune of sliding off the roof while working on the chimney, hurting his shoulder, (poor Ed.) The important thing is—he saved the bricks and trowel. . . . "Barefoot Boy with cheeks of tan" is a familiar poem, but to Philipp Vorholzer it has become a reality. It seems the heel came off his shoe the other day and he was seen walking around in his bare feet. (What, no socks?) Cold, wasn't it, Philipp? . . . We are sorry to hear that Don Marshall is on the sick list again. . . . Jim Hubbard and Jack Hostetler have left. Good luck, boys. . . . After more years than he wishes to remember, crawling in and out of boilers, Sam Mastro is now on an easier job. He also has a new name, "Porky," wonder why? Could it be because you've taken on some weight, Sam? . . . Happy birthday to Bob Whitaker. . . . The following is a letter received from Walter McKinney to General Service. Dear Friends: It is not going to be easy to thank you properly and adequately for the stunning parting remembrance you boys gave me. I really didn't deserve it. Nevertheless, I do thank you, over and over, for the interest and concern that you have shown for me, and I shall not forget any of you or cease to regard you as true friends in all senses of the word. Very gratefully yours, Walter F. McKinney.



Whoever heard of a pigeon taking a car ride? Lewis DeVoe claims he obliged one in this way. Do you suppose he had a shot of champagne, used in the play "John Loves Mary," which he attended. . . . Bill Butts is going to bring a mouse trap in to work. He stuck his hand in a drawer and was bit on the thumb. . . . When Eldon Bell was asked by the "Inquiring Reporter" what the most important major appliance was to the housewife—he replied—the husband. . . . Danny Daniel and Bill Curtis' wives were seen waiting on the corner of Lafayette and Dalmon streets for a bus. Ladies, there isn't any bus stop there. . . . Rev. Tucker should get in touch with Cleon Oyer, about him singing in the church choir. Sweeter notes were never heard. . . . Anyone interested in being glamorous contact Mabel Fisher. . . . Gus Weisenburger was very quiet the morning following their bowling game. It seems the Assembly team won three straight and sent the Rotor team home talking to themselves. . . . Helen Miller certainly isn't going to be outdone by anyone; she bowled 205 last week. . . . Margaret Lepper didn't make that 200 mark so she consoled herself with a trip to Chicago last week to see the "Ice Capades." . . . Hurrah for our side. Kathryn Norr turned the tables on Cleon Oyer. Usually Cleon plays the tricks on Kate but this time you could have heard Oyer for miles. . . . Helen Achliman had a surprise one rainy day last week, when she found no umbrella at the end of the cord on her arm. . . . Bernice Trautman joined the "Fall" club last week when she fell out the front gate. . . . What's this we hear about Ernest Cutter having dishpan hands? . . . Russell Scherrer is so tired of eating soup. Don't give up, Russ, one of these fine days you will get your "choppers." . . . It seems a few of the boys stopped after work one evening for a "snifter" and Mr. Crosley not wanting more than one was told he could buy the first round. However, Bob was still there when it was Arlo Hawk's turn to buy, and Bob leaving said "Boys, just give me the 17 cents." Much to Arlo's amazement Bob took it and walked out. . . . The fellows in the Assembly group have had some very fine ideas as to how the "turtle" should be caught that has been seen around Churubusco. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Helen Burns in the death of her sister.



If we had a few more nice days, baseball would take up where basketball left off and the battle would be on again. . . . By the way, did you ask Bill Hurtt how they got the turtle up? Well don't! . . . Bob Coen returned Monday looking practically like new. Let's hope you have real good luck this time. . . . Bob Olson is very proud of his new Ford and well he may be. It isn't everyone who is so lucky, so pleasant driving, Bob. . . . Mary Burkholder is the new time clerk you have been seeing lately. She will take the place of Imogene Hortenstein who will be leaving us soon. To both girls our best wishes. . . . 'Twould be better if Clara Gehring and Alice Pflueger would talk about the same person in their discussions. Seems as if Alice was talking about the husband and Clara was referring to his wife. That made interesting conversation, but also quite confusing. . . . Elinor Laymon did you get that certain package to its destination in good condition last Thursday? . . . Decatur School is a touchy subject where C. J. C. is concerned. Maybe "Arnie" could get a transfer to Coesse, they seem to have a pretty good basketball team. . . . We were glad that the prowlers didn't gain entrance to the house of Cliff Imbody but you should have seen him shift into high gear and lite out for home! No ten second man could have gone faster. . . . Anybody want a "half and half" pup? See Paul Schlie. He might even throw in his Chevy!

Top Floor Topics

DIVISION 95

By Walter E. Pohler

Well, well, folks, again, after several weeks, we have a column headed "Top Floor Topics." As you all know our capable Editor Mabel Odel transferred. Since that time comments have been heard, such as, why no news from Div. 95?, why don't we have a news column?, etc. . . . The other day one of the big brass, we are not permitted to mention his name but his initials are P.P., confronted us with the proposition that we assume the responsibilities of writing this column. We came up with all of the stock reasons as to why we weren't qualified and didn't have the time to handle the job. Herein lies the story. Your writer has always had a high regard for his literary ability. Having lived in Washington, D.C., for a short period of time, it was possible to hobnob with such celebrities as Drew Pearson, and others. We have always felt that we could write a better column than Pearson, but to have someone else make similar remarks was overwhelming. Now if any of you could have sat in on the above mentioned conversation you, too, would know that not just a few but all of the famous reporters are just pikers. All this was seconded by a third party who is also one of the big brass. We were completely out-maneuvered in this deal, so, here goes. . . . Friday was moving day. The time clerks and the cost section couldn't pay their rent, so we had to throw them out. It is rumored that some other people are in arrears in their rent also. A word to the wise is sufficient. Either pay up or get thrown out. . . . It is also rumored that Bert Gruber is blackmailing Francis Gnau—don't know the reason. . . . It appears that the announcement in Bob Reed's column in the Journal on last Saturday morning, which stated that the Pistons were out of the playoff, was quite a blow to Dick Pierce. Dick still had hopes of bringing them in under the wire. . . . Betty Haines paid us a brief visit Friday afternoon. We are not sure but from her appearance it would seem that she is not sick at all and is just pulling a fast one on Bud. We are all glad that you are looking better, Betty, and we hope you will continue to improve so that you can join us soon. . . . Seriously folks, our floor is pretty long, if you doubt this statement try pounding up and down its length a few times some day. It is possible that some people at one end don't get to see acquaintances at the other end of the floor for days at a time. The purpose of this column is to let each of you know what is happening to his or her co-workers. We have asked several people on the floor to keep their ears to the ground for news items. In this manner we hope to be able to have items of interest to all. Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.



Since one of the main topics of conversation now centers around the "Beast of Busco" the large turtle, the fellows in the crib are wondering why they haven't called on Art Haberstock for the use of his thoroughbred turtle hound. . . . They are also wondering how the riding deputy Cecil Strong is getting along with all that traffic. . . . Last week Chris Delagrange won the trophy. Before they could pass it onto John Bastian and Jack Pollock, Chris dropped it and broke the bottle. . . . Another topic of conversation was the rumor that Russ Deveny and Clarence Stolte were to see which drove the fastest car—but Stolte doesn't have the new Packard yet. . . . This week we bid goodbye to Richard Nix who goes back to the Apprentice School. Good luck, Dick, and we hope we have been able to help you along. In his place we have B. O. Smith. There has been a lot of speculation as to what the "B. O." stands for. . . . We also have temporarily John Stettler in the lathe section and Courtland Anderberg who is helping with the die grinding, while Walter Schuler is off on account of illness. . . . We were paid a visit by one of our former co-workers, Cliff Imbody, last Friday. . . . Boy meets girl! George Lambroff was finally able to get a formal introduction to that certain party. George says it was a real thrill. . . . Harold Whonsetler gave a special demonstration on how to saw angles in the power saw by putting the blade in on an angle.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

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"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday, March 21, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Pair white wool gloves. Turned in at 19 Gate.

FOUND—G-E clock. Left in Cafeteria, Bldg. 16.

FOR SALE

HOUSE—Five rooms, bath, in Southern Heights, on Elmrow. H-24234 or A-89119 after 5 p.m. or week-ends.

LIVING ROOM SUITE — Two-piece, green velour, $35. Gas stove, $5. E-4340 after 5:30.

1937 OLDSMOBILE SEDAN—Very good condition; five good tires; reasonable. H-28435.

REFRIGERATOR—6½ cu. ft.; good condition; ideal for lake cottage. A-95325.

DINING ROOM SUITE—Eight-piece, walnut, two wall and two base cabinets. H-48803.

COLSON TRICYCLE—16-in.; good condition. $10. H-8742.

MEN'S SUITS, ETC.—Like new. Churubusco 4157 after 5 p.m.

OUTBOARD MOTOR—Wizard, 6 h.p., twin, like new; will sacrifice. A-86256.

GAS WATER HEATER—30-gal., zinc-lined, complete with insulating jacket. $15. A-86104.

50-EGG KEROSENE INCUBATOR—Girl's bicycle. Mercury outboard motor. H-76804.

UNDERWOOD PORTABLE TYPEWRITER—Lady's jodphurs, 6½AA; jodphur britches, medium. H-70563.

REFRIGERATOR—C-E Monitor top, 6 cu. ft. H-39282 after 6 p.m.

PAINTED MAPLE BREAKFAST SET—Six oil drums, reasonable. H-57905.

TWO POCKET WATCHES—Seven-jewel Elgin, 17-jewel Illinois. H-48685.

FIVE 6.00x16 TIRES AND TUBES—$1 each, good. H-24723.

WASHING MACHINE—Needs minor repairs. Any reasonable offer. H-8653.

GOLF CLUBS—Set of eight matched irons; fair condition. $25. H-69053.

TWO BED SPRINGS—Heavy duty, full bed size. $10. H-79923.

"BESSLER" DISAPPEARING STAIRWAY—C-E Portable radio Model LB700. E-40172.

1937 FORD—$95 or best offer. 1109 W. Wayne, Apt. 3.

SUIT—Black wool, size 22½; worn twice. H-48522 after 4 p.m.

WANTED

BOY'S 24" BICYCLE—Louis Lee, R. R. 7, Fort Wayne.

CABINETMAKERS OR WOODWORKING VICE—E-55741.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Laureen Procise, from 3330 Raymond. Works in Bldg. 8-2, from 8-5:15, Ext. 363.

WANTS RIDE OR EXCHANGE DRIVING—E. L. McDaniel, from Auburn. Works for A. Landis, Taylor St., General Service, from 6:48-3:18.



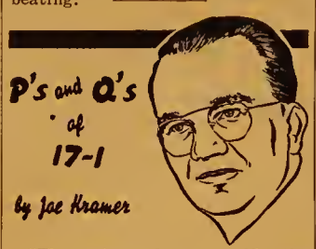
SLEUTHING in 4-6

by JOAN POOS

CLUBS—Bob Loveland, DC Section, feeling weak from lack of breakfast, succumbed to the force of gravity again and becomes a member of the "Chief Floor Sitters" Club. Third time is a charm, Bob! . . . Jack O. Kirlin, AC Section, became a member of the "Almost But Not Quite" chapter of the "Floor Sitters" Club. . . . The "Rumble the Phone" Club seems to be one of the most popular of 1949. Fred Suhr recently joined the ranks. He accredited his fortune to his proximity to a charter member, Jim Capps, who did a little more thorough job than Fred. . . . CARS—Wednesday night Gil Baker's car refused to listen to reason so Walt Gerke had to persuade his little Pontiac Six to push Baker's extra large 12-cylinder Lincoln. . . . Anyone wanting info about Pontiacs, should consult Denton Manecke. . . . A week ago last Saturday, the M. Bennets of Waynedale, bought an Oldsmobile "76". . . . Bill Pringle is the man sporting the new green Hudson. He says that THE CAR sold him—not Claude Voss or Sam Moore, who already have Hudsons. . . . FISHING—The snow and cold weather 'roused our ice fishermen's entbusiasm again. I'm afraid though that it's going to have to get colder than that, fellows. A week ago last Sunday M. C. Oetting went fishing all day. He came home with a small six-incher to boost his ego slightly, but minus his best pipe and gloves. . . . ATTENTION—For information and price lists on a new bousehold gadget to keep your walls clean and draperies uncrushed, see Bob Sharrow, who will give you the name of his distributor. Mr. Sharrow is going all out for this lil' brain storm. . . . HOUSES—D. Willits has moved into his new home. Lots of luck with your new project. . . . ANIMALS—Anyone interested in "Wabbits"—consult W. Anderson. He has been talking about 25 pounders lately. . . . Tabulation and Production wishes to nominate Al Volz as the best dressed young man of Bldg. 4-6.

Parents usually say "You can't win"
When viewing their new born twin(s)
But Grandma (Reba) Coppock next in kin
Knows that her battle is won
And raves on over *their* "wee one(s)".

Mary Olson was forced into a "Command Decision." She's on a two weeks' leave of absence, for she's in the Naval Reserve. . . . There are two new faces in the Commercial Division. They are Gordon Lee and Ken Bernhagen, both on test assignments. . . . We extend our sympathy to Jo Ann Ansberry, whose sister died recently. . . . Welcome to Nancy Woodhull in the file room. . . . Happy birthday to Dora Holycross and Isabel Bartholomew, Payroll, and also to Gladys Koehlinger and Ingrid Swanson, of the Motor Sales Division. Ingrid is now at Taylor Street, was formerly in Bldg. 4-6. . . . Bob Groot should be caught up by now on his fishing after a two weeks' vacation in Florida. . . . A most enticing and glamorous calendar belonging to the "Unfair" sex, very mysteriously made its appearance on the east wall of the DC Division last week. Looks like fair competition to the Rev. Div me thinks. . . . It was a lonesome week for all of us in the DC Section, especially Don Spaulding, because his desk is located between Delores Giltz and Mabel Waggoner's. Mabel and Delores were both out all of last week with the flu, but could be that Don deserved the punishment, since we think that he may have introduced the flu bug to them the previous week. We missed you though, and are happy to have you back feeling almost as good as new, though slightly "woozy." . . . A lot of excellent suggestions have been offered to Glen Stapleton as to the best possible results which might be obtained from the display of his picture in various locations, such as in basements, attics, garages, and desk drawers for rat and mice eradication. A little contradictory info was published about Glen. With his picture was the comment on his excellent bowling achievements, yet on the back page, in a certain column, appeared an item that Glen had taken a beating.



"The actions of men are like the index of a book, they point out what is the most remarkable in them." . . . As handicapped as a thumbless hitch-hiker, Herb Tons, Red Cross solicitor, in the Tool Room came down with laryngitis on the day of the big drive. . . . Harry Kessler's famous last word, "You can't win for losing." . . . Attention is called to the Virus X repeller found at the service window of the Tool Crib. It is rumored that a patent has been applied for by George (Goldilocks) Mosshammer. . . . Ed Huhn was the recipient of the grand prize, consisting of a slightly tarnished gold watch and chain. Ed turned the watch into ready cash, making a 500 per cent profit on his investment. . . . Charlie Griffith's new hat style has a Red Cross sticker on the hat band, plus two pheasant feathers draped toward the back. . . . Frank Quinn is batching it this week. His wife has taken a vacation; that means dish washing and window washing for Frank, instead of bowling and playing cards. Don't get out of practice, Frank. . . . Tickets for the Century Club Dance, April 24 can be purchased from Helene Evanoff. Helene has all the details. . . . Fred Shutt claims that he, recently, pushed Elmer Brown's 1942 Ford and Vic Hall's 1949 Buick out of a snow drift with his 1929 Essex. Since it only snowed one-half inch that day, and Fred sold his Essex 15 years ago, we begin to wonder if, maybe, Fred had not better put his engineer's hat back on. . . . We are wondering if Arthur Murray is starting to give dancing lessons in telephone booths. Helene (dancing girl) Evanoff was seen coming out of a telephone booth last Monday noon. "It was not a telephone call," Helene said, "but a dancing lesson." . . . We wonder if Ed Arthur is batching and had dog biscuits for breakfast, instead of Southern baked biscuits. It seems Ed was doing quite a bit of barking the other day.



Say, Jim Young and Louie Miler, aren't you fellows a little too young to be sitting on the floor. I think it would be a good idea if you fellows would have your chairs bolted to the floor and then maybe you could sit on your chairs without falling off. We would like to see those two fellows riding a horse. . . . We hear that Mac McCray gave duck call imitations at the Sports Show recently and was very good. . . . We wonder what Red Smith was doing with all those tobacco cans that he suddenly decided to throw in the scrap can. Too bad there isn't any ice left so you could use those nice bait cans, Red, but it seems like 91 cans would last anybody a lifetime. . . . We would like to know if the fellows at the west end of Bldg. 26-2 are planning an amateur hour all their own as we could hear all sorts of animal imitations down that way about noon. . . . We wonder what Millie lost out at the parking lot the other day. Could it have been her car? Why don't you paint it red, Millie, and it will be easier to find. . . . Say, Earl Munson, how can you sleep every noon with all those coats and towels over your head? Are you afraid someone will take them?



So you don't believe that "Oscar" (that's THE Turtle) is as big as you've heard he is! Well, your reporter has the inside story from two very reliable gentlemen. These two turtlemen have a fool proof method for capturing the Fulk lake monster. Naturally they refuse to reveal their plans, but it has leaked out that it has something to do with a lasso. I think it is entirely unnecessary to say who these two stalwart (?) gentlemen are, but for the benefit of any outsiders the men in question are Ed (yes sir, pulled me right in) David and Fred (Hoot) Humbrech. . . . "Oscar" and Auburn didn't hold the complete spotlight this past week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sauers were basking in it also. The Sauers were married Saturday and the whole gang was at the reception which was a grand affair. We all wish the bride and groom the very best of luck and all the happiness in the world. . . . Speaking of the bride and groom, Emma Meyers and the girls in mailing had several cards from the honeymooning Langmeyers. Mr. and Mrs. Warren Langmeyer are enjoying the sunny glory of the state of Florida. Mrs. Langmeyer was very recently known as Pat Newlin. . . . 'Tis sure nice to see Norma Book back after her recent illness. . . . We are just a wee bit late but we wish Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ebel a happy anniversary last Friday.

Nothing cooks your goose quicker than a boiling temper.

Inquiring Reporter

WHAT ACTIVITY OF THE G-E CLUB DO YOU ENJOY MOST?



HAROLD H. FLETTER

Taylor St.

"I enjoy bowling the most as it is the only club activity that I actively participate in. It is a wholesome sport that all employees, men and women, may relax themselves throughout the winter season."



K. A. LONGENBERGER

Bldg. 2-1

"Since sports is my favorite hobby, I enjoy most the sports program sponsored by the G-E Club. I certainly am glad to know that we are going to have a baseball club again next season. However, the spring festival and fall revue are hard to beat."



GLORIA ERHARDT

Bldg. 18-3

"The Spring and Fall Revues given each year are my favorite G-E Club activities because they bring talented performers from other cities who are very entertaining; and also this type of show is rarely seen in our theaters."



GRACE HOON

Bldg. 26-5

"I enjoy basketball as a good sport and something that everyone isn't able to do. It is fast and exciting (sometimes) and no rain checks just when you think you are going to see a game."



BILL SCHINNERER

Taylor St.

"I enjoy the movies and other stage activities most. Also I think it gives many G-E employees and their families an opportunity to see shows which otherwise they might not be able to afford by paid admissions."

Celebrates 30th Year At G-E



Ford C. Zimmer, Taylor St. Laboratory, received a congratulatory letter upon the completion of 30 years service with the Company. Those attending the presentation Thursday, March 10, were (seated, left to right), W. Howard Miller, Assistant to Works Manager, Engineering; Mr. Zimmer, and Claude Summers, Engineer, Works Laboratory. Standing from left to right are: R. E. Kohl, S. A. Zimmermann, Howard Orr, C. E. Ream, Louis Reith and W. E. Histed.



The Big WIND

DIVISION 17
TAYLOR STREET
by Dorothy Hainzelmann

"Carmen" Dominique serenaded Ann Cuellar on her birthday the other day with an operatic tune. We urge you to accept Guy Lombardo's offer to join his band, and then he would have two "Carmens." In addition he would certainly have something different. . . . Didn't our half-pint girl friend Donna Smith look cute in her blue nylon sweater the other night? . . . Ginny Free says that piecrust has to be just so-o-o for her taste. You see Ginny never eats the filling, only the crust. . . . ATTENTION LADIES! Have a run in your nylons? Les Dunfee can stop those runs in a hurry. No pushing in line, please. . . . Irma Beard, who answers to the name "Jay Bird," believes in the old addage, "the early bird gets the worm." To prove it, she got two glasses of orange juice at our recent Elex breakfast. . . . Wonder who presented the fancy decorated birthday cake to Charlie Rockey. It seems to be a burning question around these parts, Charlie. . . . Art Horstmann has taken up carpentry as a hobby, and from what we hear about those cabinets he built, he must be really doing O. K. . . . Vic and Mitzie are trying to convince Gus to clean out the back seat of the "Chicken Coupe." Vic is tired of sitting in the rear seat with Gus's old wolfskin jacket, and besides Mitzie is so-o-o afraid of fire. . . . Maxine Luker is still trying to get straightened up in her new farm home. She says that if the company keeps coming, she will be a long time getting it done. Why not put the company to work, Maxine? . . . Happy birthday to Nellie Biltz and Roy Orr. . . . How about a light from that new lighter you received from your wife, Roy? . . . Did you notice Ernie Raypole's lip last Monday? He says his little boy hit him. Hm-m-m, we wonder. . . . Ellen Saul was all elated last Monday a.m., as she got to drive her Dad's new Mercury last Saturday. She reports that there is nothing like them. . . . Maggie Moore entertained company from Indianapolis last week-end and says that it was sure good to see the gang again. . . . Wonder why Jessie Wass had to climb through her window in the wee hours of the morning? . . . Lela Seibert, Berneta Welbaum, Mary Heymann, and "Braunie" will be more careful where they park the car in the future when they stop on the highway for a late chicken supper. . . . Congratulations to Jerry McKown, who finally broke down and got a different car. Sure hope that you like it, Jerry. . . . Gayle Goff tells us that she lost her whistle. We could supply you with a "wolf whistle" if it would help any, Gayle.

Beer, Zook Are Members Of Vocational Guidance Panel

W. E. Beer, Supervisor of Employment, and R. E. Zook, Supervisor of Personnel, were members of a panel at the fourth meeting of the Northeastern Indiana Branch of the National Vocational Guidance Association at the YWCA Monday. Mr. Beer served as chairman of the panel, which discussed "What Business and Industry Can Do for Vocational Guidance."

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Aubrey

The first thing we would like to know is when Charlie Gable is going to bring in a few samples of his ceramics? After all, Charlie, how can we recommend your work to our friends when you won't even bring some ash trays for our desks. . . . The main topic of conversation this week still is high school basketball. All the fellows would give their right arm for a ticket to tomorrow's games, but they will have to be satisfied with just listening from their arm chairs at home. We want to wish Auburn a lot of luck in their final games and we hope they make good. . . . Anyone wanting information on the Pyramid Club should see Gene Foster. Gene is sure he is going to get a bushel-basket full of money one of these days and he is willing to share his chances with anyone willing to invest a dollar. Be sure to let us know when you get this money, Gene, and we will all help you celebrate. . . . We are sorry to see Ed Jenkins leave our Planning Section this week, and we wish him all the luck in the world on his new job. . . . I heard that Gordon Smith's dog nearly had a new playmate the other evening, Gordon discovered just in time that it was a black and white "Kittie" of the type that he didn't care to have around the house. We are glad, too, Gordon, that Duke left the "Kittie" alone, we would have hated to move your desk out on the roof. . . . That's it for this week, see you later.

Squares Women Plan Bridge, Style Show

A style show and bridge party has been planned by the Women's Division of the Squares Club to be held at 8 p.m. Thursday, March 21, in the Squares club rooms.

The committee chairmen are: Mrs. Marion Halleck, bridge; Mrs. Donald Motter, prizes, and Mrs. G. E. Hicks, food.

Assisting the chairmen are: Mrs. Jay B. Greer, Mrs. Ted Guglar, Mrs. Reese Gwillum, Mrs. Richard Hartigan, Mrs. George Hoopingarner, Mrs. Robert Huffman, Mrs. Wendall Hughes, Mrs. William Hunt, Mrs. Phil S. Potts, Mrs. Hodge Vineyard, Mrs. Charles Johnson, Mrs. Charles Koomjohn, Mrs. Walter Kruse, Mrs. Clifford Leegard, Mrs. Lewis Nelson and Mrs. Elliot Nesvig.

The style show will be presented by the Grand Leader department store.



HI-SPOTS OF BUILDING 4-2

by Marie Allen

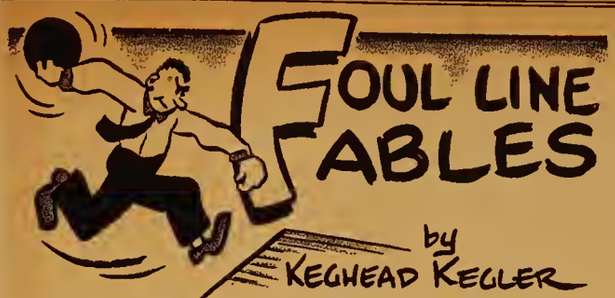
Saturday morning, March 12, Fern Harshbarger and Doyle Roe of Zanesville were married at the Grace Lutheran Church in Columbia City attended by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reed. They returned after a short trip to make their home on a farm near Zanesville. Our very best wishes to them. . . . People have more fun than anybody—especially people like Ed Glusenkamp. Last Friday noon while driving west on Berry street his old Buick stalled and no amount of coaxing could make it go again. Two big policemen ordered him to get moving. He told them he would be only too glad to do so, if they could move the thing he would be very thankful. He complied with their suggestion to call repair service, then settled down to wait for the tow car. In a short time sirens sounded and when the police patrol drove up, Ed had visions of a ride to jail, but instead of coming after him six big cops went into the bank. Ed avidly awaited the attending excitement, possibly the arrest of bank robbers but all he saw was an undersized slightly inebriated individual emerge from the building with hands high in the air surrounded by the six policemen. It seems he had wandered in and became confused and unable to find his way out. A search of him uncovered a bottle of spirits which was confiscated before he was loaded in the patrol to take him to the lockup. Grateful for the diversion of witnessing the discomfort of another and thankful that he was still a free man, greeted the approaching repair truck. . . . We are pleased to report that John Craig is improving following an emergency operation and is able to receive visitors. . . . Those peculiar sounds heard in the commutator group come from Bill Widdifield limbering up his vocal chords to get in form for his spring yodeling. . . . Floyd Loraine received a telephone message from his wife telling him to call for his shoes at the repair shop. He thought she had made a mistake until he looked at the ones he was wearing which he had picked up the night before at the repair shop, and discovered they were not his own shoes. Must be wonderful to have feet that will just wear any old shoes. . . . We have our Harry Anderson's word for it that the Harry Anderson picked up for speeding was not he. Who are we to dispute his word?



17-3 NEWSIES

by WILHELMINA BEETH—

Didn't Bldg. 17-3 have a ghost-like appearance last Friday? It didn't take long to get everything covered up so that they could clean the air-conditioning system. . . . Yesterday was wearin' of the green time. The bow of green was in the hair of many a colleen. . . . Next Monday if you have a heavy settled feeling, it is just Miss Spring touching you with a feverish hand. Just a note of warning. It is catching. . . . Joe Jensen was really digging down deep last week to pay his basketball bets. By the way, Joe is now a jack of all trades. He turned locksmith this last week. . . . Happy birthday to Gertie Wheat, Mabel Schaaf, Beulah Johnson and Esther Fox. . . . It's "hello" to Arthur Cromie and Roy Hans, newcomers to the early bird shift. . . . Congratulations to Arthur and Vivian Bottoms for their blue-bootied tax deduction. Also to Lois Sible Phares and her husband for their pink-bootied tax deduction. Both mothers are former co-workers. . . . Alberta Foulks was really ready to go home at noon last Friday. Too bad you had to fish your card out of the box and stay another three hours. . . . If you wondered why Leona Hollis was late the other morning, it was the small matter of having a flat tire. It was only flat on one side too. . . . Callie Sanders was a visitor last Monday. Tillie Nuttle visited us Wednesday and Ida Wilson Thursday. We were glad to see them. . . . Someone else we were glad to see was Betty Lupton after an extended illness. . . . Harry Chism has come up with a way of getting the Churubusco turtle. It seems that down at Kokomo they have the world's largest bull. Get this bull, feed it salt for a couple of days, lead it up to the lake for a good drink. By that time the lake would be drained. Give the turtle a kick in the posterior, and it would amble out on dry ground. Nothing to it at all. You can make up your own mind as to whether that is a lot of turtle or a lot of bull. . . . The confusion on the 536 line was because a mouse decided to build a nest among some coils. . . . Bertha McCague and Frances Hart gave a surprise party last Tuesday for their mother Lola McCague. She received many pretty gifts from her former co-workers. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Marge Kennel in the death of her father, Ruby Minton in the death of her son, and Goldie DeLong in the death of her father-in-law. . . . Have you noticed the streamlining job Alice Brockmeyer has done? We really should turn her in as a Powers model. . . . Margaret Swain was helping Hap Hazard the other day when she fell.



Team No. 8 of the Apparatus League, with the help of Charlie Briggs' first 600 count and Don Waldrop's 254, rolled a season single high game of 1046 and second high three game of 2819. Charlie's 600 came on games of 194, 195 and 218 for a 607. The first one's the toughest, Chollie.

We have 200 counts of the last two weeks to report so here goes: Ross "Champ" Smith, 231; Harold Spath, 226; D. Pappert, 217 and 207; Dan Oesch, 220; Howard Hickman, 213; Don Waldrop, 213; Andy Anderson, 212; Johnny Aumiller, 212; Harold Fanning, 211; R. Roberts, 209; A. Thompson, 207; R. Dunten, 206; Charlie Briggs, 204, Larry O'Shaughnessy, 203; Erwin Aumann, Bob Blomker and R. Bressler, 201.

Masonic League

The League is developing another one of those close battles for first place. The Ionic, Gavels, Levels and Doric teams are all tied up for first. The Patrols and Composite teams are right behind just one and two games respectively.

There were only four 200 counts this week, but they are big ones: Jones, 229; Miller, 227; Art Crayton, 221, and Martz, 212.

Office League

The Blueprint team is enjoying a comfortable three-game lead over the Designers, Alternators and a virtually unknown team by the name of Dickason's Barber shop.

The new wood put a stop to the 200 counts this week as there were only six. Harry Goheen, 229; Frank Schlink, 224; Bill Piercy, 205; "Willie" Bushong, 203; Don "Red Hot" Waldrop, 202, and Vic Rump, 201.

Small Motor League

The battle of the first place teams, Production and Models, was won by Production three games to zero.

Lowell Welker bounced back into those 600 totals after a brief spell. Lowell shot games of 205, 183 and 215 for a 603.

Two hundred scores were rolled by Parks, 221; Hoffman, 214; Doehrman, 212; Matthews, 211, Erwin Auman, 206, and Ray "Lucky" Lindemuth, 201.

Bowling and Stuff

Hurry, hurry, hurry, get those entries in for the annual G-E Employees Tournament.

The G-E Club trophies given to men and women for high single and high three game totals are now on display at the club. The high scores are 279 and 247; the high totals are 694 and 596.

Let's hope we have some good scores to report next week, as the Brouwer Screwballs take off for Atlantic City to participate in the A.B.C. Tournament. A little old 3,000 count would do.

Eddie Kraft led the All Star Keglers of this city to victory over the famous Strohs Detroit Five. In a six game battle the All Stars toppled a total of 5,937 pins compared to the Strohs 5,894 total. Ed had the following 200 counts: 258, 232, 206 and 205. High man for the Strohs was Kenet with 200 scores of 253, 227, 205 and 201.

G-E Club Wins Two, Drops Two

The G-E Club basketball team played four games last week, winning two and losing two. They traveled to Tecumseh, Mich., last Monday and lost a 15-point decision to the Tecumseh Products team. Tuesday, March 8, they played First E. V. Church and won, 66-61. The following Thursday the club lost a close game to Wilshire American Legion, 47-50.

Monday they outplayed a strong St. Joe A. C. team to win 66-52.

First E.V.	G.	F.	T.	G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Courtney	8	3	19	Bucher	2	4	8
Masters	6	2	14	Lowden	5	3	13
Lubinbill	3	4	10	Gettys	1	1	3
McComb	4	0	8	Davis	3	3	9
Welch	1	1	3	Stoup	0	1	1
Perry	1	0	2	Slack	2	1	5
Brown	0	0	0	Carr	11	3	25
Toussant	0	1	1	Junk	1	0	2
Humbert	2	0	4				
Totals	25	11	61	Totals	25	16	66

Wilshire	G.	F.	T.	G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Dellinger	6	1	13	Davis	2	1	5
Carr	1	4	6	Carr	6	1	13
Straver	3	1	7	Gettys	5	1	11
Hall	0	0	0	Zimmerlee	0	0	0
D. Painter	0	3	3	Lowden	3	1	7
Chapman	0	0	0	Junk	0	0	0
Miller	2	0	4	Stoop	0	0	0
C. Painter	6	0	12	Bucher	4	1	9
Richney	0	0	0	Slack	1	0	2
Totals	20	10	50	Totals	21	5	47

St. Joe A.C.	G.	F.	T.	G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Vanltyan	5	0	10	Carr	7	1	15
Ramsey	5	0	10	Buchier	7	2	16
Beyham	2	0	4	Davis	5	6	16
Verial	2	0	4	Gettys	4	0	8
Nern	0	3	3	Zimmerlee	0	2	2
Dermody	1	3	5	Stoup	0	1	1
Stanski	2	2	6	Junk	0	0	0
Hilgeman	3	2	8	Lowden	4	0	8
Kastoff	1	0	2				
Totals	21	10	52	Totals	27	12	66

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Robert Benz, Charles Johnloz, Joseph Moritz, Bertha Miller, Leo E. Miller, John D. Lamle, Magdalen Perrey, Joseph Rodermund, Christian Schwise, Basil Stephens, Gertrude Sunday, Waldo Barkley, James A. Clark, Clarence Duhamell and Warren Garman.



The Squares after winning six straight games dropped a 47-40 decision to the Firemen in the Interdivision Basketball League. This makes the Firemen champs of the second half with a record of eight wins against no defeats. They will meet Winter St., first half champs, in a three game playoff. The Firemen piled up a 17-1 lead in the first quarter. Although the Squares narrowed the margin, the winners led all the way.

Winter St. sharpened up for the playoffs by beating Taylor St., 57-17.

The Apprentice Men dropped one to Transformer, 33-26. The game was decided in the third quarter when Transformer made eight points while holding their opponents to none.

Fractional HP led for three quarters, but finally ran out of steam and lost to Small Motors, 29-20.

Box Scores:

Winter St.	G.	F.	T.	Taylor St.	G.	F.	T.
W. Reitdorf	3	4	10	Growcock	0	0	0
D. Reitdorf	6	1	13	Reichert	0	0	0
Beneke	7	2	16	Angel	1	0	2
Fisher	0	1	1	Lothamer	1	1	3
Schinbeckler	1	0	2	Trott	2	2	6
Kent	3	0	6	Esterline	1	1	3
Blauvelt	4	1	9	Pappert	1	0	2
Gallmeier	0	0	0	Slanto	0	1	1
Totals	24	9	57	Totals	6	5	17

Firemen	G.	F.	T.	Squares	G.	F.	T.
Moodie	3	5	11	Rogers	1	0	2
Meyers	1	1	3	O'Keefe	5	2	12
Morkoetter	2	0	4	Robertson	3	2	8
Stemmler	2	0	4	Hart	5	2	12
Etter	2	0	4	Winchester	0	0	0
Lambroff	0	1	1	Antalis	1	0	2
Baals	1	4	6	Parent	1	1	3
Somers	0	0	0	Eton	0	1	1
Schible	1	0	2				
Vance	0	0	0				
Totals	17	13	47	Totals	16	8	40

App. School	G.	F.	T.	Transformer	G.	F.	T.
Staley	1	0	2	Wehrly	6	0	12
Wuttke	1	4	6	Jamison	2	2	6
Werling	1	1	3	Taylor	2	0	4
Allen	1	1	3	Kramer	0	1	1
Beiber	0	0	0	Carpenter	1	3	5
Wagner	2	3	7	Felger	2	1	5
Rasor	2	1	5	Byers	0	0	0
Totals	8	10	26	Totals	13	7	33

F.H.P.	G.	F.	T.	Sm. Motor	G.	F.	T.
Hower	1	1	3	Markey	1	0	2
Trabel	3	1	7	Voors	1	4	6
Howell	1	0	2	Wickliffe	3	3	9
Bentley	0	1	1	Rosswurm	4	1	9
Trosin	3	0	6	Keister	0	2	2
Hopper	0	0	0	Kohl	0	0	0
Wilson	0	0	0	Neu	0	1	1
Lenz	0	1	1				
Totals	8	4	20	Totals	9	11	29

STANDINGS

	WON	LOST
Firemen	8	0
Squares	6	1
Transformer	5	2
Winter St.	5	2
Small Motors	3	4
Apprentice School	3	4
Fractional H.P.	2	5
Taylor St.	0	7
Tool & Die	0	7

G-E Rod, Gun Club Beats International Harvester

The G-E Rod and Gun Club defeated the International Harvester team in a rifle match held at South Side high school, Tuesday, March 8. The Club team shot a 1,101 total, while Harvester's score was 1,062.

G-E ROD AND GUN CLUB

	Prone	Sit.	Stand.	Total
R. Hart	99	91	92	282
R. Wickliffe	100	97	80	277
E. Allm'nd'ger	100	94	82	276
L. May	100	95	71	266
Total				1,101

INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER

	Prone	Sit.	Stand.	Total
F. Croghon	98	92	85	275
C. Swihart	96	94	76	266
A. Holloway	95	86	81	262
M. Sipe	99	92	78	259
Total				1,062

Two Bowling Teams Journey To Atlantic City



Fort Wayne General Electric will be represented at the American Bowling Congress Tournament in Atlantic City, N. J. The Brouwers' Screwballs will try their luck this week end, while the Fan Motor team hopes to bowl "its weight" the week end of April 1.



At the left are the team members of the Screwballs: Walt Mertz, Vic Rump, George Luedeman, Frank Matthews, and Les Shroyer. The other picture shows the Fan Motor team: Joe Eifrid, Merle Bennett, Andy Anderson, Larry O'Shaughnessy, and Hal Fanning.

Main Office Tops Volleyball League

The volleyball season ended with the Main Office team losing only one out of 42 games played. The players on the Main Office team are Captain Ray Soughan, Jack Fox, Tom Fox, Kenneth Arnold, Arthur Rasor and Richard Wagner.

All eight teams of the league have maintained a good competitive spirit throughout the season. Each team brought new men into the league this year and are looking forward to having a good league next season.

The scores for the games played Friday, March 11, are as follows:

Main Office 15, 15 and 15: General Tool 1, 1 and 3.

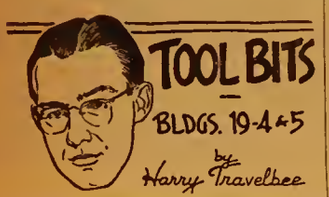
Small Motor 13, 15 and 15: Squares, 15, 4 and 11.

Apprentice Draftsmen, 15, 7 and 16: Apprentice Machinists 4, 15 and 14.

Winter St. 11, 14 and 11: Taylor St. 15, 15 and 15.

STANDINGS

	WON	LOST
Main Office	41	1
Squares	32	10
Winter St.	22	17
Taylor St.	23	19
Small Motors	17	21
Apprentice Machinists	17	25
Apprentice Draftsmen	9	33
General Tool	4	38



"Oscar," the turtle, seems to be the main topic this week. We have reports that Vic Barcus is off work with a very bad cold as the result of being thrown out of the boat while on Fulks Lake hunting that 400(?) pound turtle. Swede Moser has talked Glen Hoon into flying him over the lake to see if they can spot the giant. Frank Druhot is raising some over-sized nightcrawlers. He claims there isn't anything in Indiana lakes that he can't catch on a hook and line—including the turtle. . . . Today I'd like to pay tribute to the never-say-die Tool Room basketball team. They didn't win many games this year, but with the material available, we think Coach Paul Yentes did a good job. . . . We had a recent visit from one of our war-time employees, John Aldrich, who worked for Ed Schafenacher. John is now working hard at the carpenter's trade. . . . We have some good news about Dave Lewis. Dave expects to be back on the job in the near future. Also, we hear that Bill Jeffries is at home and feeling much better. . . . Harold Lehman tells me that just because Mart Walsh refused to pay $10 for planing a board, he didn't think the lumber yard employee had grounds to call Mart a Scotchman. So that's why the chips are flying out on Rekeweg Road. . . . Don't be surprised if you see enough smoke rising out of Ray Renfrew's section to be considered a three-alarm fire. Clearing the atmosphere slightly you'll see it's only Ray smoking the foot long cigar that Walter Griener gave him for taking care of his section while at Tiffin on business. . . . If you think something smells fishy around here, think nothing about it. It's just Charlie Abbott, Lowell Welker, and Carl Einsiedel eating sardines and Norwegian herring out of the can. . . . Franklin Lebrecht and family are nervously awaiting the arrival of a new offspring. Yes, Franklin's old pet cow is expecting a calf in a week or two. . . . Norman Jackemeyer's new cement mixer is making so much noise that it even started the frogs croaking ahead of time.

Mill and Lathe Bldg. 19-5

Bob Goers has been transferred to Bldg. 17-4. To give him a good send off some of the boys in the lathe section brought in pie and cake for a little party. Good luck, Bob, and be sure to take good care of your fish and your railroading. . . . John Stetler will be at the Taylor St. plant for five or six weeks. . . . Russell Sage has a new device that may be used either to wash your eye glasses (when you have them on) or to wash out your eyes. All this is being done while you enjoy an attractive picture. . . . Harold Hoffman is getting so far back in his reading of the daily paper that it is going to take him a month of solid reading to catch up. One of the boys on the lathe asked him if he had read about the end of World War II to which he answered, "Yes," but he hadn't got to the story of the Beast of Busco yet. . . . One of the first things we heard about Myron Auer, a newcomer to the lathe section, was that he is a Central fan. Don't feel too bad about Central, our team lost also. . . . Everyone has been talking or reading about that terrible beast of Busco so much that the boys in Bldg. 19-5 are forming a pool to try to guess his weight. The guesses are from 50 to 600 pounds. Word has come to us that the Armory has been engaged to display the turtle when it is caught.

Receives Gift At Retirement



When Ross A. Hindman left last week for retirement, his friends and co-workers at the Taylor St. plant gave him a wallet as a going-away gift. Attending the presentation were: William Smith, John Heine, John Schlicter, Jackson Binkley, William Kizer, Jesse Devaux, William Alt, Mr. Hindman, Lester Green, Evan Alton, Carl Heemsoth, Clarence Rothgeb, Pearl Chenoweth and John Burnett.



Today, the 18th, is an anniversary day. You may have forgotten the date—and you may not want to be reminded of it—but we returned to work just three years ago after a forced nine week vacation(?)! . . . History in the making—the announcement of the appointment of R. E. Zook to new duties in Schenectady was received with both delight and regret. We are sorry to have Mr. Zook leave and delighted with his advancement. We congratulate I. H. Freeman on his appointment as Supervisor of Personnel, we are sorry you are leaving Bldg. 18. . . . Emily Guth who has been working with Mr. Freeman is now in Bldg. 18-3 with L. N. Schneiders in the Transformer Accounting Section. . . . We hear, via the grapevine, that Helen Gellert, Bldg. 18-2, is a member of the Bldg. 18 "Building Club"—a ranch type house is in the making out Foster Parkway. . . . I hope that you were not a victim of the Federal Income Tax penalty percentage after the 15th. I suppose you made a resolution (just like shopping early for Christmas) that you won't wait until the last minute next year. . . . With Income Tax, Red Cross over and basketball almost finished we have nothing much to worry about. . . . Welcome to Chester Kowalski of Bldg. 6-2 who is now on the General Superintendent's Staff. Thursday night of last week a group of his friends gathered at the home of A. E. Leider to wish him success in his new assignment. . . . We have just learned of the injury sustained by Mrs. T. T. King, who with Mr. King, our former second shift supervisor, have been spending the winter with their daughter, and family in Lincoln, Nebr. We are very sorry and hope that she will soon be able to return home. . . . J. T. Fredendall, a former Bldg. 18 employee who retired a few years ago, with Mrs. Fredendall are living at 399 State Street, Albany, N. Y. . . . The Data Bureau in Bldg. 18-4 was invaded by the "Busco Turtle" as early as last week. Dorothy Long brought in fantastic tales of this wonder. How it travelled from one body of water to another and finally settled in its present location. Time will tell! . . . We welcome Jeanette Burkhardt back to Bldg. 18-4 after a four weeks' illness. . . . Did you notice a hushed silence in Bldg. 18-2? It was all caused by C. O. Olson losing his voice—at this writing he is still having difficulty. . . . Judy Gregory Lowe, formerly of Data Bureau, now living in Phoenix, Ariz., has a brand new nine pound son. . . . The girls in the Accounts Receivable section of Works Service Accounting enjoyed a potluck Monday. . . . The Bldg. 18-1 Payroll girls must have had a quiet weekend and nothing happened to Mae Lacey so the spell is broken. . . . Mary Cooper and Lucile Curie, as well as Mart Einseidel, Elmer DeBolt, Frank Peternell of Labor Relations are all very mum on their news—so to get their names in this column I will have to start manufacturing some, Luella Parsons type. . . . I have heard it said that what this country needs is less stress on dollars and more on sense! . . . Have you seen the little sign cards which J. E. Estabrook, Bldg. 18-2, hangs on his desk each day? If you have not, you should. They are a great help to anyone who must approach him—for instance last Friday the card read "I feel lousy, Thank you!" On Monday the good news was "I feel better—lots better." I would suggest that this idea be adopted by others—'twould be a great help in selecting the right approach tactics.

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Myron Auer

Well, all you lucky students, relax. You needn't worry about reading this lingo from me after today for this is my last article. Aren't you zipped up about that? I am. . . . The third and final semester of this year is one week old. Just one more set of those pesky tests and then we can rest. I've noticed Dick Gebert is steering clear of the school since the tests. Come on back, Dick, we won't waylay you. You can come around in peace, honest. . . . "Curley" Mannan had a really brilliant drawing class. One problem in his test had nary one correct guess. He sure slipped one in on us that time, fellows. . . . "Dig in" and "Hit the dirt" were the commands early last week in the grinding section as the fireworks really cut loose. There were fox holes everywhere in the near vicinity. Zollinger can give further details if desired. . . . Dewey, our successor to Jess, is leaving for Bldg. 8. They come, they go, but it seems to me they're always going. . . . The reason White, Wagner and Aughinbaugh catch so many fish is because they catch them over and over during the week. Wagner has caught the same bass at least four times. Let's eat him and forget him, Dick. . . . Not to be outdone, Mort tells of a fish jumping into his boat while he was rowing to sbore. He came fairly close to land when a rough storm blew up and lightning struck nearby and it scared this fish so bad it jumped right into Mort's lap. How about that? Fact or Fiction? . . . Don Macke's wife wanted Don to have that "New" look about him. We know those long stragley skirts are in style, but please shorten his apron just a little. . . . Bob "Errol, Simon Lagree" Barnes bowls much better with his life's companion behind him. Either he hits 170 or she gets a new hat. (Boy, is she supplicd). . . . Zurbuch got his signals crossed on a certain rush job. Stop looking cross-eyed at these special assignments and you'll fare better, Kenny. . . . The draftsmen have been pretty busy these days with tests and children to occupy their time, so we have little in the way of news. . . . Frank Woenker is busy getting softball rolling, however, Frank claims he is going to have uniforms and all for the boys this year. The way the guys talk you are really going to have to know your ins and outs about the game to get on the team this year. We hope you get results, Frank. . . . Jack Kirlin and Carl Hubartt are busy building a sail boat to use this summer. They acquired the bug from Lew Davis. Jack claims they even had to make a beam compass 13 feet long. We hope you guys have good results with them. . . . John Leffers is still plugging away at his bowling game. He has been bringing his average up steadily this year. He needs only six pins to match his wife. Keep going, John.

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Whosoever shall deny Me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.

—Matthew 10:33

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11 Securities Corp. Directors Honored At Dinner Monday

Company To Present Certificates To Local Men For Their Service

Eleven directors from Fort Wayne of the G-E Employees Securities Corporation will be presented certificates from the Company at a dinner Monday noon, March 28. The certificates express appreciation for their long and faithful service in handling Fort Wayne Works employee savings through this plan.

A total of 78 men, from throughout the Company, have served a total of 279 years as directors or representatives of the Securities Corporation during the 25 years of its operation.

The men from Fort Wayne and the years they have served are as follows:

F. G. Duryee (retired), 1923-24 and 1926; W. F. Koenig (retired), 1927-28; H. E. Zimmerman, 1929-

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Apparatus Dept. Shows Reduction In Severity Of Accidents Last Year

General Electric has recently released its safety report for 1948, which shows an improvement in the reduction of the severity of accidents for the Appartus department of .445 in 1947 to .279 in 1948. The severity of accidents is based

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Wilson Testifies On Labor Law Before House Sub-Committee

G-E President, Vice-President Suggest Fair Labor Legislation

Appearing before a special sub-committee of the House Committee on Education and Labor in Washington late Tuesday night of last week, G-E President C. E. Wilson and Vice President L. R. Boulware re-affirmed their conviction that any new labor legislation should be in the interest of the whole public.

Mr. Wilson, in his opening statement, said:

"My assumption is that what we all seek here is a labor law that serves the public interest—that is fair to employees, to unions, to employers—while adequately protecting innocent bystanders and the whole public.

"Three years ago, when I testified on this same subject before this

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Immediate Cash Payment Given To Beneficiaries Of Deceased Employees

Immediate payment of as much as $200 to the beneficiary of a deceased employee to meet urgent cash needs of the beneficiary is now possible under a special arrangement made between the Company and the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, it was announced today by William W. Trench, Secretary of the Company.

The payment, made only if desired by the beneficiary, would become an advance against the amount of the death benefits owing to the beneficiary under the terms applying to the "Free" insurance of the Group Life Insurance Plan.

In announcing the new arrangement, Mr. Trench said:

"Although normally it is possible to complete arrangements for payment of the full amount of the Group Life Insurance within a relatively short time, in many cases the immediate need of funds for making funeral arrangements, and other matters, is most acute."

The advance of money will be only where there exists no doubt about the status of the beneficiary.

The Group Life Insurance Plan provides for "Free" insurance, paid

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Decatur Employees Give $367 To Red Cross Drive

Employees at the Decatur plant contributed $367 to the Red Cross Fund-Raising campaign, held from March 9 to 18. This does not include the Company's contribution to the drive held in Adams county.

Father, Son Are Members Of Quarter Century Club



Joe and Jack Fox are shown above looking over a copy of the WORKS NEWS from 25 years ago.

Joe Fox, retired, and his son, Jack, Bldg. 6-2, have the unique distinction of being the only father and son combination in the Quarter Century Club.

The elder Mr. Fox, before his retirement in 1941, was a telephone maintenance man 28 years. Prior to his engagement at General Electric, he worked at the Home Telephone Company. He worked there 14 years.

Since his retirement, Mr. Fox has had a hobby of growing flowers. He has a large garden the size of two lots, and besides flowers, he also has a goldfish pond. In his earlier days, Mr. Fox was active

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SQUARES CLUB TO HAVE QUIZ PROGRAM TONIGHT

A 20-Question Quiz program will be the feature of a Squares Club open house tonight at 8 o'clock in the Squares hall. Prizes will be awarded to the winning contestants, it was announced today by W. H. Connor, program chairman. Members, their families and friends are invited.

Elex To Hold Rummage Sale

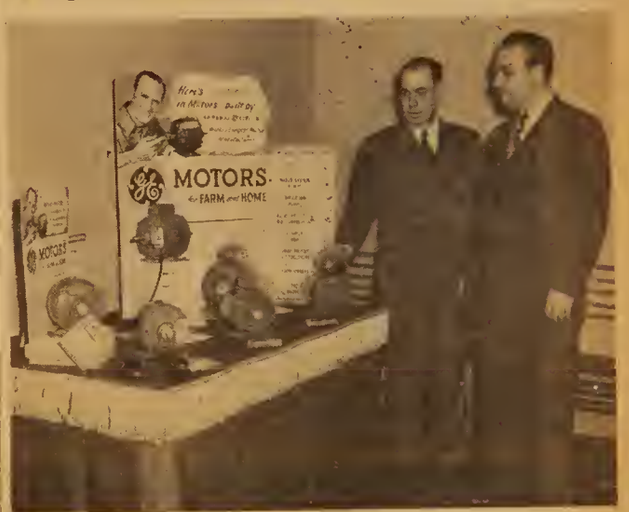
The Elex Club will have a rummage sale Friday and Saturday, April 8 and 9, at the home of Dorothea Slyby, 308 W. Brackenridge St.

The Partizan chapter will be in charge of the Friday sales, while Elex will supervise the sales for Saturday. Anyone desiring to contribute clothing or household goods for the sale should contact the Personnel offices at the Broadway or Taylor St. plants.

Reservations for the two Elex Easter parties—Monday, April 4, for the day girls and Wednesday, April 6, for the night girls—is Wednesday, March 30. Tickets are $1 and can be purchased from the contact girls.

The Melody Trio will be the featured attraction for both parties. Dolores Patterson, vocalist from Bldg. 26-2, will also sing for the day girls' affair.

FHP Teamwork Brings Company Large Order For Utility Motors



A. W. Bartling, Manager of Sales for the FHP Motor divisions, discusses promotional aids and quality features of FHP Utility Motors with W. B. Davis, buyer for the Western Auto Supply Company, Kansas City, Mo.

W. R. Boggess of the FHP Motor Sales Divisions announced today that an order for a substantial quantity of FHP Utility Motors has been secured from the Western Auto Supply Company.

Close teamwork between the Engineering, Manufacturing, and Sales divisions helped in obtaining the order when W. B. Davis, buyer for Western Auto Supply Co., recently visited the Fort Wayne Works.

Prior to Mr. Davis' visit, J. H. Behm and Charles Koomjohn made preliminary design calculations on a rush basis to enable the Company to meet the needs of Western Auto as to the best values possible for their market. Through the efforts of F. H. Campbell, Superintendent of Div. 14, a sample motor, in which Mr. Davis was interested, was made available within four hours without taking the time of making a requisition or drawings. Mr. Davis visited the Decatur plant where E. W. Lankenau and

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Every Easter Seal You Buy Helps A Crippled Child

There are approximately 200,000 crippled children under the age of 21 in the State of Indiana. The Indiana Society for Crippled Children and its affiliated county chapters is the only agency in the state giving all kinds of service to individuals with all kinds of crippling conditions. A great many children after best physical correction are able to adjust to normal life, but there are thousands who are unable to do this. Cerebral palsied children, children with rheumatic heart, those who have speech defects, impaired hearing, defective vision, victims of poliomyelitis, and those of many other disabilities make it necessary for them to have special education and training. There will always be a few who will not be self-supporting, but they are certainly entitled to the best kind of life that we can give them.

The Society does not duplicate the service of other agencies, but cooperates with them in giving a complete program and using their funds where the funds and facilities of other agencies cannot reach.

The five points of the Society is: (1) Early Discovery; (2) Medical Care and Treatment; (3) Education; (4) Camping and other recreational programs; (5) Vocational Training and Training Employment. The Society plans a very flexible program in order to meet the needs of each individual.

The sale of Easter seals provides funds to carry on the Society's direct service program. Forty-four counties, including Allen County, are now organized. Only 8.3% of the Easter seal sales go to the National Society for their service program. Therefore, 91.7% from the sale of seals remain in Indiana.

The Rev. H. H. Backs, president of the Allen County Society for Crippled Children, states that approximately 100 children and many crippled adults will be assisted in Allen County through the agency of the Allen County Society for Crippled Children.



Every Easter Seal you buy helps a crippled child

HUGH CRANE discusses Employment, Production, Prices

NEW YORK—A lot of people are arguing about whether we're having a "recession" or not.

And no wonder. It's like the story of the three blind Indians who described the elephant. One felt his hind leg, one his ribs and one his trunk, so they all came up with different answers. And the United States is an elephant of a country. Out in Pittsburgh they're still running full blast piling up new records in steel production trying to meet the demand; but up in New England they're down to one shift and less in the cotton and woolen mills with thousands of people out of work.

Conditions Generally Good

How bad has the set-back been? Well, here are some reasons why is hasn't been so bad, except in certain special cases.

To begin with, it's been prices, not production rates, that have tumbled. Farm prices have slid below support levels (farmers have been selling grains that couldn't qualify for support loans). Gray market prices have sagged toward mill and list prices. Some items like industrial alcohol and cocoa have taken dizzy falls. And even nonferrous metal prices have turned down for the first time since before the war.

But that's not necessarily bad. As an instance, the oil companies have been inching prices down for several months now—but oil production and consumption are both still well above last year. And that not only isn't bad but it's what we've been hoping for—an end of inflation without an end to high production and consumption.

Production Picture Good

As for the general production picture, it doesn't look so bad either. National income, steel production, electric power output, and even total employment are still running ahead of last year.

But here you get into statistical complications. For while total employment is still larger than a year ago (by a very small amount), total unemployment is also above last year. The explanation is that the population of working age has increased slightly, and most of this slight increase has been added to the unemployment, not to the employment figures.

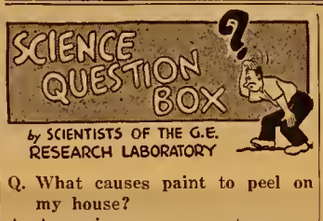
That looks good—but then you get into another complication. True, as many people are working now as a year ago. But they aren't working as many hours a week. There's been a good deal of spreading some abrasive powder, such as emery, silicon carbide or even fine sand, suspended in water or oil as a carrying agent, should be applied to the cutting edge. Move the rotating tube back and forth from the bottom frequently, so as to feed the abrasive into the hole. It is a good idea to have a support inside the bottle, so that the piece cut out does not break through too quickly.

the work. The average work-week is down between one and two hours.

Productivity Increasing

You would think that would show up in the production figures. But here you get into another complication. For its possible for the figures on production to go up slightly while employment (in total hours worked) goes down slightly. This is because productivity has been increasing in the last year as American industry has spent billions of dollars on new and more efficient machinery.

Gist of the story is that so far as the country as a whole is concerned, the recession to date has been of such small proportions that the statisticians have to take micrometers to measure it. There is unemployment in New England, in New York City, and in a few places in the South and Far West. But the rest of the country is going full blast.



Q. What causes paint to peel on my house?

A. Assuming you are not near a factory or chemical plant that generates fumes that affect the paint, it is probably due to moisture in the wood. This may come from the wood being too green when it was painted, or from moisture which penetrates from the inside. The type of paint used should not make any difference. Waterproofing the wall before painting will probably help.

Q. How can I make a one-inch-hole in the bottom of a bottle?

A. Get a thin wall metal tube about an inch in diameter. Place it in a drill or some other device by which it can be rotated while in contact with the bottom of the bottle. While it is turn-



The OLD PHILOSOPHER Says:

In the newspaper business some one is always asking a reporter, "What is news?" You'd think everybody knew what news is. It happens all the time and all around us but somebody's always asking the question. Well, news is notbing more than what happens to you and me and all the rest of us in this world or what happens to our possessions. And that brings in another constantly asked question, "What is an accident?" Everywhere you go you hear someone ask it. We've gotten pretty conscious of that word "accident" and you might think everyone knew what it is.

Well, as good as the accident record is compared with a few years ago, it would appear tbat lots of folks don't know what the answer to the question, "What is an accident." About the best definition I've heard in a long time is this: "An accident is something that happened when you didn't think it was going to happen." I don't believe you could find a clearer answer. Accidents are always like that. Just when we get sure nothing can happen to us, then is the time to watch out.

Meet the President





Welcome, Sweet Springtime! Comes a warm day, and Art Rowe begins talking about golf. It you'd like some of that Good Golf Gas, see Art. We overheard him discussing his scores, and he mentioned shooting in the eighties! That's pretty good, Art—how'd you make out on the second hole? . . . To Konvalescent Krakower: Hurry and get well, fellow, we're all saving our tonk money for you. . . . With Spring comes Easter, and with Easter comes Easter Seals—for the aid of crippled children. Buy Easter Seals, and you're buying a better tomorrow for a lot of unfortunate kids. Is there a better investment in the future of this wonderful America of ours? . . .And speaking of Spring: We can't seem to get ourselves away from this subject, so we thought we'd pass on a story concerning this lovely season. This tale was found after examining three joke books, searching for a Spring joke—we were surprised by the apparent absence of jokes about Spring, this was the only one we found! It was a warm Spring night, and the young man was overcome with amour. "Darling, be mine," he pleaded. "If you refuse me, I'll die!" She refused him, and 50 years later he died. . . . Welcome to Bob Eddy in the Ballast Sales Div. Bob, you strike us as being a man who already knows a nickel from a dime, so we'll not bother with the usual set of warnings—just relax and enjoy us! . . . Ah, yes, Spring! Oops —that reminds us—gotta take a bath!

Three Granted Patents



C. A. Thomas

A patent has been granted to Charles A. Thomas on an improvement in brush construction for commutator-type motors. Mr. Thomas is a group leader in the FHP Motor Development Engineering Division. His invention consists in splitting the brushes of the motor into two equal halves, inserting insulation between the halves, and inserting a rectifier in series with one of the halves in such a manner as to prevent short circuit currents from flowing between the brush halves during commutation. Mr. Thomas has been employed by General Electric since 1935 and has worked in the FHP Motor Engineering Divisions since that time. This is his fifth patent. He filed his patent application Feb. 5, 1948.



K. M. Feiertag

Karl M. Feiertag has been granted a patent by the United States Patent Office on his invention of an improved device for assembling motor cases. Mr. Feiertag is a draftsman in the FHP Motor Development Engineering Division. His invention consists of a novel construction of a case and means for holding the motor in the case. It was particularly designed for SMY inductor motors, but is being extended to apply to larger size motors at the present time. Six claims were allowed by the Patent Office covering the new features embodied in this invention. This is Mr. Feiertag's first patent. The patent was one of 670 that were issued last week.



H. M. Stephenson

The United States Patent Office has granted a patent to Hugh M. Stephenson on his invention of a combination overload coupling and limit switch. Mr. Stephenson is a group leader in the FHP Motor Development Engineering Division and has been employed by General Electric since 1916. His invention consists of a novel design for a device to couple a motor to its load, which has the ability to stop the motor whenever the load exceeds a predetermined value for either direction of rotation; or when the mechanism reaches any preset limit of its motion. It is intended for controlling aircraft motor mechanisms. Twelve claims have been allowed covering the unique features of the device.

Wilson Testifies

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Committee in the 79th Congress, I stated my belief that in this country we have passed the era of considering the interest of either management or unions as being pre-eminent. I urged then that the interest of the whole public should be accepted as paramount. I urge it again today."

Assuring the Committee that G-E had always attempted to be completely objective in its approach to employee and union relations, Mr. Wilson pointed out that the company was among the first, if not the first, to be genuinely receptive to the formation of some of the newer national unions in the mid-1930's. He said, further, "We believe that fair, able, and independent representation of employees by unions is thoroughly in keeping with the principals and actualities of such a highly industrial republic as ours."

Room For Improvement

Concerning the proposed labor legislation before Congress, Mr. Wilson stated that he felt the present law is a substantial improvement over the Wagner Act. "However," he said, "I think there may well be room for some improvement in the present law."

Concluding his prepared statement before the Committee, Mr. Wilson remarked that his testimony was substantially the same as that which he had presented before a Senate committee recently. He said that, in his opinion, "An adequate and fair labor law—by whatever name—should provide at least the following:

"1. Protection of the public."

"2. Protection of the rights of individual employees from abuses by employers or unions."

"3. Protection of legitimate rights of both unions and employers."

"4. Requirement of equal responsibility on the part of both employers and unions."

"5. Protection of free speech for both employers and unions."

"6. Protection of freedom to earn a livelihood."

Boulware Presents Brief

Mr. Wilson at this point introduced Mr. Boulware, who presented a prepared brief containing the G-E recommendations for adding to and strengthening the present labor law.

Mr. Boulware prefaced his testimony by emphasizing that G-E was offering these suggestions merely as conclusions based upon the Company's experience in the field of labor and union relations, with the hope that they might prove of value to the committee in reaching a decision on any new legislation.

Among the points suggested were the following:

Banning of the closed shop.

Continuation of the ban on secondary boycotts.

Strengthening of the present law covering featherbedding practices.

Strengthening provision of the law giving greater protection to the public in so-called "national emergency strikes."

Provide adequate protection against mass picketing and violence.

Extending the non-communist affidavit requirement to cover all officers and paid representatives of the unions as well as to all corporate officials who meet with them in bargaining.

Retention of the present safeguards for free speech to both management and unions.

Retention of present requirements for mutual responsibility of employers and unions.

Continuation of the ban on political contributions from the treasury of unions and by corporations.

Separation of the functions of the counsel and the board.

Exemption of supervisors from bargaining with employers, as in the present law.

Instances Cited

Mr. Boulware cited specific instances of G-E's experiences with these points and recommend their careful consideration by the Committee.

Following presentation of the prepared statements a period of questioning by the Committee was carried on in spirit of mutual respect and confidence. Due to the lateness of the hour, it being after midnight the brunt of the Committee's examination was handled by one man, Congressman Jacobs of Indiana.

The major portion of the time was given over to a discussion of the recent questionnaire which General Electric prepared and mailed to all employees and to citizens in various parts of the country.

This was the questionnaire which asked persons who received them to answer 18 questions about the proposed new labor legislation by writing in "yes" or "no", and then mailing the sheet to congressmen or senators.

Received Many Forms

Mr. Jacobs indicated that he had received a considerable number of these forms and he was concerned as to their accuracy.

He asked Mr. Wilson if he felt that such matters as this weren't too involved with legal complications to be answered by a simple "yes" and "no" questionnaire.

Mr. Wilson stated that there was no attempt to influence the Congress as to the means or legal approaches to their solution. Rather, he said the idea was to attempt to get the public viewpoint on the broad general principles involved. And he felt that was possible through the questions contained in the questionnaire.

Further discussion by Mr. Boulware brought out the point that G-E did not have in mind the "selling" of the present law, but instead the attitude of the public on any new labor legislation.

Held in High Esteem

The session was marked with several statements by committee members to Mr. Wilson that they held him in high esteem as a man and a citizen, and that his statements would therefore be given sincere consideration.

At the conclusion of the hearing, Mr. Wilson made a statement to the Committee assuring them of General Electric's approval of legislation leading to the elimination of discrimination of any kind in the matter of a person's right to earn a livelihood.

Manners easily and rapidly mature into morals.



The Big WIND

DIVISION 17
TAYLOR STREET
by Dorothy Heinzelmann

We have the first week of Spring tucked under our belts. Everyone is really getting into the swing of things, the gals with their spring housecleaning, and the guys are all getting those casting and fly rods in shape. Last Monday was really a perfect Spring day, but, of course, we never know what that Ole Man Weather has up his sleeve. Here's hoping he gives us lots more of the same. . . . Those three little girls, Vera Keefer, Lois Burry, and Anita Fitch, are again planning a tennis match for this summer. We advise Anita to get plenty of sleep before the big day, as we remember what happened to her last year. . . . We understand that Helen Moring does some fancy acrobatic stunts when she cleans house. . . . Joyce Schroeder seems to know all the answers on medical problems. She has an excellent remedy which she recommends for the perpetual pill consumer. . . . By the looks of Helen Fraser's lunch pail, we decided her appetite must be growing. Helen now ties a string around it to keep it from opening. . . . Ducky Drake seems to be a busy guy these days. We hear that he is remodeling his home and also giving his furniture the "new look." . . . WANTED: A coffee pot for Mae Morgan. Mae told us that she forgot to turn off the gas under her coffee pot when she went away from home the other day. . . . A belated birthday wish goes to Art Luessenhop last Sunday. Many happy returns of the day, Art. . . . We are seeing a lot of new and old faces in our Inspection and Test section. We welcome them all. Among them are Edmee Dowden, Kathryn Landis, Lucy Woodward, Lois Burry, Ollie McBride, and Joyce Boyd. . . . We also welcome our new student engineer, Dave Chambers; and hope that you will enjoy your stay with us, Dave. . . . An open letter to the girls on the second shift: I deeply appreciate the lovely St. Patrick's birthday party held in my honor. Many thanks to the following girls who participated: Margaret Kenyon, Helen Moring, Mabel Parker, Charlotte Brunner, Daisy Tannas, Vera Keefer, Joyce Schroeder, Anita Fitch, Helen Orr, Irma Beard, Jessie Wass, Lela Siebert, and Millie Snyder. . . . Your second shift reporter, "Braunie."

Immediate Benefits

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wholly by the Company, and "Additional" insurance, paid for by the employee. The plan provides that payment of the full amount of the "Free" insurance will be made when the named beneficiary is a dependent. The full amount of "additional" insurance is paid regardless of the dependency status of the beneficiary.

Mr. Trench, in commenting on the Group Insurance Plan, stated that at the present time more than 158,000 G-E men and women are participating in the Plan, and that since the Plan first became effective over 29 years ago more than $34,000,000 has been paid to families of G-E employees.

COUNT OFF 10-20-30



Taylor Street DIVISION 17

by Dorothy Heinzelmann

We extend our best wishes to Gerry Fry, who quit last Saturday, and who will become Mrs. Robert Simmerman, April 2. We will all miss you, Gerry. . . . Ed Saxton went bowling at the G-E Club alleys last Friday night and he forgot his bowling shoes, so he rented a pair at the club. When it came his turn to bowl, he got up, poised, threw the ball, and plop he went over the foul line, and the ball went into the gutter. Ed picked himself up, retrieved his ball and went through the same motions again, and again he went plop, and said ball into the gutter. Of course, Ed is one of those guys who says "if first you don't succeed try, try again," so he again picked himself up and again he went plop. By this time he was getting just a mite disgusted, and then he happened to notice that he had on left-handed bowling shoes, so off comes the shoes, Ed proceeded to bowl in his stocking feet, but then he found that the floor was too hard for that. He finally called home and had his sister bring him his own bowling shoes, and from that point on he got along fine. No more plops, and no more gutter balls. . . . Another new idea has hit Div. 17, and this time it is the guessing of the weight of the "Busco Beast." The guesses turned in so far have been anywhere from 10 lbs. to 400 lbs. and someone even guessed that it is an Old Model "T" car top. So step right up and place your guesses, folks. . . . Neva Lutz was feeling very low last Monday as someone poisoned their dog last Saturday and they had had him 13 years. We don't blame you, Neva, and in our estimation that is about the lowest thing a person could do. . . . Andy Anderson sojurned to Gary, Ind., last Saturday to bowl in the State Tournament, and Monday he was very unhappy about the whole thing. He not only was unhappy with his bowling which consisted of two 200 games (the third you will have to ask Andy in person) but he was also unhappy to think that he was a 45-minute drive from Chicago and didn't go. . . . It seems as though that well-known club that was making the rounds a week ago has fizzeled out, but we hear that they have a new one started called the "Nickle Sap Club." Wonder why they had to put the "Nickel" in it? . . . Charlie Engle says he has just about run out of stories, and if they don't get that "Turtle" soon he won't know what to say next.

FHP Teamwork

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his organization demonstrated the careful workmanship and testing given to the Utility Motors. He was especially impressed with the high efficiency and ingenious mechanization employed at Decatur.

The Western Auto Supply Co. will sell these motors through its many stores throughout the nation.

Some men drop a few copper cents in the collection plate and expect them to buy him a golden harp.

Completes 30 Years Service



Esther R. Walborn, FHP Motor Division No. 1, completed 30 years' service with General Electric, Friday, March 18. On this anniversary, she received a congratulatory letter for her service with the Company. Attending the presentation were Walter H. Sunier, Supervisor of FHP Motor Inspection and Test divisions; Esther Walborn, Harry Haberkorn, Ted Bain, and O. J. Mettler, Supt. of the division.

Apparatus Dept.

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on the number of lost-time accidents for one million man-hours.

In comparison with the other departments of the Company, the Apparatus department ranked seventh in frequency of accidents, fifth in severity, and seventh in a combination of frequency and severity of accidents. The frequency of accidents is the number of lost-time accidents for one million man-hours.

The Fort Wayne Works ranked first in the Apparatus department in its reduction of the severity of accidents with .076. Fort Wayne was third in frequency with 3.20 and in the two combined with .24.

Securities Corp.

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30; H. C. Prange (retired), 1931-32; W. P. Altekruse, 1933-34; C. F. Braun (retired), 1935 and 1942; W. C. Buuck, 1938-39; E. G. Sauerwein, 1940-41; L. D. Hopper, 1943-45; G. W. Kline, 1946, and E. R. Blotkamp, 1947-48.

Three Sign Certificates

Signed by President Charles E. Wilson, Chairman of the Board, Philip D. Reed, and W. O. Hay, Jr., President of the Securities Corporation at its liquidation last August, the framed certificates bear this inscription:

"On the occasion of the retirement from active service of a great institution, the G-E Employees Securities Corporation, which has cared for the savings of tens of thousands of G-E employees in the period 1923 to 1948, thus giving them help in times of sickness, heavy educational costs, old age and other periods of personal need, we the undersigned award this certificate to ..... for his able service and interest in his fellow employees."

The 78 recipients of certificates included 12 stock directors, 42 bond directors, eight representatives, and 16 who held office both as bond directors and representatives.

Ended Last August

The Corporation ended its existence last August by paying a premium of 15 per cent on the face value of the bonds in the hands of 21,000 bondholders. This, with interest, meant a payment of $116.40 for every $100 of bonds outstanding. In addition to the bondholders approximately 26,600 employees benefitted in the premium payment by their participation in Additional Pension Trust.

President Wilson announced last year that the liquidation was decided upon because the Corporation could no longer serve the investment needs of the greatly expanded total of employees of the Company, which was nearly 200,000. The Securities Corporation was replaced last October with the G-E Employees Savings and Stock Bonus Plan.

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Aubrey

We have heard of the absent-minded professor doing some crazy things, but when Earl Wynn put black drawing ink in his fountain pen, that was about the tops. Next time you want to fill your pen, Earl, ask someone to read the labels on the bottles for you. . . . Gene Foster has a new theme song these days "All I Want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth." Christmas is a long way off, Gene, maybe Santa will visit you earlier if you are real good. . . . Perry "Dog House" O'Neill was really true to the Irish on St. Patrick's Day with his green shirt and tie but Gordon O'Smith had him beat because he not only had a green shirt and tie but he had the trousers too. . . . Who is going to bring the birthday cake in to celebrate all the birthdays we have this month? We want to say Happy Birthday to Ann Smith on the 26th, Charlie Gable on the 27th, and Hugh Neely on the 29th. . . . Peggy Turschman had quite a freak accident the other day, but for some reason she is having a hard time making people believe that it was a chicken liver popping out of the skillet that made the marks on her forehead. It's a good story, Peg, and you stick to it. . . . Welcome to Francis Thomas who has joined our Planning section this week. . . . Kenny Sheehan said he enjoyed his trip to Detroit last Friday and only wishes he could find an excuse to go more often. . . . That's about all for this week, see you later.

Three Elected To Society Of Professional Engineers

Marvin A. Baker, Warren B. Brighty and Erwin W. F. Aumann have been elected to membership in the Indiana Society of Professional Engineers. All three are design engineers in the Motor and Generator divisions, Bldg. 31-2.

Tanks To You From Plating-Two

By Marie Lantz

According to our transit passes, Little Turtle launched his career in these parts as an Indian chieftain some 169 yrs. ago. Though famous for bloody battles and massacres, we know now that he rests in peace. What we don't know, however, is whether or not the BIG TURTLE, who has gained fame as the "Beast of Busco," rests at all. At least, if he does, he moves his resting place and leaves the farmers of Fulks Lake and their fans at unrest. . . . The art of ad-libbing seems to be another one of "BINGO" Walt's aptitudes. Some of our friends, non-G-E'ers, attend both Firemen and Elex Bingos just to enjoy Bill's antics. Sure, they would like to win, but they consider they're well repaid by Walt's walloping wordage. As an M. C. (more clowning), they say, he's really O.K. Just the life of the party by his bright repartee. . . . There were a few here who showed their true colors last Thursday. Some of the descendants of Erin were a wearing o' the green. There were others, who, for a' that, showed their love for St. Pat, though his color was not seen. Irishman Jim Daley sported a green bow-tie, but Harry Connor celebrated with Irish stew for supper where his daughters were dressed in native color. Though "Frosty" Forest Barker says he, too, is part Irish, he bore no visible green to honor this part of his heritage. But he doesn't need to, his name does that. . . . None other than our Kenny Longenberger was looking up at you from the Inquiring Reporter's column in last week's issue. . . . Oh, this Spring weather—we'll never be knowing. One day it's warm, the next day it's snowing.



OUT OF THE BLUE in 26-2 office

by Delores Patterson

Has anyone noticed the way Ginny Winegart straightens up her cabinet that holds her papers and important books? If there is a sheet of paper sticking out of the folder, instead of putting it back in place, she throws it away. Ginny, that is not being saving! . . . People seem to be having very bad luck, especially with their own eyes. Hank Lantz of the drafting group has his eye all patched up. Jim Locker's eye is just red (no patch). He was fixing his hot water system and the steam hit his eye and as of Thursday he says, "It's still burning." . . . We are very happy to welcome a few new people. Dick Koop came from Winter Street to Fractional and now is in drafting in Bldg. 26-2. Best of luck, Dick, but just watch yourself with that bunch of boys. They're always up to something! Another new boy is Dick Walters, formerly of Bldg. 6-2. He is taking over the duplicating job that his brother had. . . . We are very sorry to hear that last Friday Vera Kilian had an operation but she is recuperating very well. . . . Last week-end Dick Rump traveled to Atlantic City to compete in the National Bowling Meet. . . . Would anyone like to join Ginny Winegart in a sundae? Dorothy Bartholomew said if no one would see her she would like to have one with all the trimmings at Reiff's, but she is afraid she might be seen by her fellow workers. . . . We're very glad to have Herb Driftmeyer back, after a two-months' illness. . . . Now since Spring is in the air and everyone is so-o ambitious let's all do our bit in the Easter Seal Drive.

Father, Son

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in sports, having played shortstop for the Fort Wayne Shamrocks. One of his team mates was Chick Stahl, fielder, who later went on to the Major Leagues.

Mr. Fox has two sons and five grandchildren. Both sons work at General Electric. Jack works in Bldg. 6-2. and his brother, Thomas, works in the Regional Warehouse. Mr. Fox lives at 311 W. Superior, where he and Mrs. Fox have resided the last 48 years.

Jack first came to General Electric in 1923, when he worked in the cost section of the old Meter Department. When the department was moved to West Lynn in 1931, Jack transferred to Winter St. where he worked again in the cost section. Four years later he became associated with the Regional Warehouse cost and billing section. Since June, 1948, he has been Supervisor of Billing for the Fort Wayne Works Service and Contributing Divisions.

Having an interest in all kinds of sports, Jack was a gymnasium instructor at the Fort Wayne Turners 10 years. His favorite sports at the present time are fishing and baseball.

He is married and has two children, a boy and a girl. The Foxes live at 1622 Barthold.

G-E Employees Share Total Of $277,218 Awarded For Suggestions During 1948

Paid $180 For Suggestion



Russell Kryder, Specialty Transformer Div. 91, received $180 for his suggestion on salvaging sheet steel. Some months ago, the procurement of ⅛ inch sheet steel was critical and production on certain transformer lines was being held up due to lack of material. Mr. Kryder noticed that the Motor and Generator Division had a large amount of short ends on hand which could be used for covers in the Transformer Div. He suggested that this scrap material be secured from Motor and Generator and used in the Transformer Div. His recommendation not only salvaged this material, which would have gone to the scrap pile, but also kept production going.

The above picture shows Mr. Kryder receiving the check for his suggestion. Seated, left to right, are: Walter Wolf, Foreman; Mr. Kryder, and Robert Mann. Standing: Herman Korte, and S. A. Macy.

Biggest Distribution In Any Peacetime Year

A total of $277,218 was paid during 1948 to employees of General Electric Company for ideas submitted under the Company's suggestion awards system, it has been announced by A. D. Marshall, Assistant Secretary of the Company and Chairman of the Suggestions Committee.

Marking the highest total amount awarded under the system for any peacetime year, Mr. Marshall said that the sum was paid for 17,629 different ideas submitted by employees of the Company, including those of some of the affiliated companies. In a number of instances, more than one award was paid to an individual for separate suggestions made.

2½ Million Dollars

The Company has paid out in suggestion awards approximately two and one-half million dollars since the suggestion system was first adopted in 1906. Last year's awards, Mr. Marshall pointed out, equalled the peak year of 1943. The latter year, he said, probably reflected the stimulus growing out of the pressures of war, and the heightened opportunities for making suggestions in connection with conversion processes and speedier production needs. He added:

"There is every indication that the suggestion system is gaining wider recognition and more employees are benefiting from the cash rewards paid for suggesting improvements in production, safety factors, better products, and other ways that advance company techniques in many directions.

"Experience shows that one out of every four employees submits at least one idea and that about one-third of the ideas submitted are adopted and receive an award."

Largest Single Award

The largest single award last year amounted to $2,285 and was paid to Charles Bendig, in the refrigerator division of the Erie Works, for an idea to improve the finishing operation on refrigerator cabinets. A $2,000 award was paid to Arthur Scipione, Fitchburg plant, for an idea to improve the method of fabricating nozzle boxes on superchargers.

American Welding Society To See 'Light Fantasy'

The new G-E traveling stage show, "Light Fantasy," will be presented tonight at the Chamber of Commerce following a banquet of the American Welding Society.

C. M. Summers, M. C. Halleck and Paul Moore will demonstrate the show, which deals with light and sound phenomena.

Singleton Named Assistant Supervisor Of Procedures



P. G. Singleton

P. G. Singleton has been appointed Assistant Supervisor of Procedures, Fort Wayne Works Contributing and Service divisions.

Beginning his G-E career in 1929, Mr. Singleton first worked as a messenger in the mail room. He then transferred to the pay roll section in 1931, becoming section leader seven years later. He went to the accounting section in 1941 as a section leader and later became a statistician in the budget profit and loss section.

In May 1945, he became section leader on the termination of government contracts in the accounting section. The following year Mr. Singleton was named Assistant Supervisor of cost in the Specialty Transformer division. In 1947 he was made a member of the financial staff in the Specialty Transformer and Ballasts divisions, doing methods and procedures work.

For hobbies, Mr. Singleton likes to fish and play golf. He is a member of the Supervisors' Club, is married and has one daughter. The Singletons reside at 320 West Oakdale drive.

William W. Coggeshall Dies After Long Illness

William W. Coggeshall, 50, died at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 19, at the Lawton Place Nursing Home after two and a half years of illness. He resided at 313 West Main St.

He was first employed at General Electric in 1920 as a drill press operator, and had worked on various jobs including crane operator, machine hand, and machinist. When he left in 1929, he was a machine hand. Mr. Coggeshall returned to G-E in 1940 as a mill operator in Bldg. 27. He was a sweeper at the time he left due to illness in 1948.

Private services were held Tuesday at 10:30 a.m., at the C. M. Sloan Funeral Home.

Top Floor Topics

DIVISION 95

By Walter E. Pohler

Last week's column contained no items of interest about co-workers on the second shift because we had no reporter to collect news. Our good friend Wimpy suggested that Wyonetta Gerdom had previously handled this assignment very satisfactorily, and he felt sure she would be willing to carry on. This she agreed to do and here are the items. . . . A birthday surprise potluck was given in honor of Beulah Brown. Gifts were presented to the honored guest. No mention was made of age. . . . Everyone is wondering what Helen Thieme had to drink that was stronger than coffee. 'Tis said she fell down in the bus. . . . It is reported that Mary Jane is a Potato Queen. Please tell us how this may be accomplished so that the other girls may become Queens also. . . . It seems that Ray is always very quiet on Monday evenings. Could it be attributed to a large week-end? . . . Co-workers are wondering what happened to the Pyramid Club Lillian Bradmiller was interested in. Also if friend hubby enjoyed it.

Notes on First Shift

Birthday congratulations were in order for Ethel Hullinger on the 14th. Like all young ladies no mention was made of the number of years, but someone stated she probably wouldn't see 32 again. . . . It seems that we have several young ladies who are skating enthusiasts. Namely Betty Sapp, Maxine George and Joan Detweiler. It appears that it was Betty's first time out and some mention was made of a new boy friend. Anyway it is reported that the floor didn't need sweeping the next day. . . . Velma Meads is back at her post after being off several days with a cold. . . . We have always known that Loretta Bloom was inclined to be religious. What we didn't know was that she was so serious about it that she prayed on the streets of our fair city. She was seen on her knees on Broadway, the other evening, apparently praying to Allah. Could it have been the snow, Loretta? . . . Bob Bubb was all smiles last Friday. The reason—Michael Patrick was born on St. Patrick's day. Weight eight pounds. Congratulations, Bob. . . . Someone has suggested that Hazel Bennett refrain from carrying her lunch in her purse. . . . Famous last words of Emma Regan who resides in "Cheribusco"—"No turtle yet." . . . We all extend our sympathy to Beulah Smith in the death of her father.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

Rudy Rastenburg and Russell Neireiter recently celebrated their birthdays. The birthday paddle was liberally used on both, especially on Russell. . . . If you haven't seen Howard Musselman's new cheaters yet, do so. They make him look like somebody who just stepped out of a clothing store on Barr St. . . . Frank Elder won't trust Russ Neireiter with his new mechanical pencil anymore, since he has found out that the Neireiter offsprings are looking for new pencils. . . . Frankie Enderle, wonder boy, Don Juan and financial genius, has stated to this reporter that he does not want to see his name in the WORKS NEWS any more. Too much undesirable publicity and ensuing embarrassment is more than his delicate spirit can stand, says Frank. . . . In response to numerous inquiries we wish to state that Commodore Wolfe is enjoying excellent health and is looking forward to a full season of zestful yachting on Waldron Lake this summer. . . . What's new with Glenn Goshorn this week?

Pohler Is New Editor Of 'Top Floor Topics'



W. E. Pohler

Walter E. Pohler is the new division editor for Specialty Transformer and Ballast Div. 95. He edits "Top Floor Topics, Div. 95." His first job with General Electric was in 1923 as drill press operator in Bldg. 27. Between that time and 1941 he held various jobs, including time clerk, set-up man, leading operator, bench man and dispatcher.

In 1941 he reported for active military duty, serving first in the infantry and later in the air corps. During the last three years of his service, Walter was detailed in the Inspector General's office, Headquarters, Strategic Air Command at Andrews Field, Washington, D. C. At the time of his discharge in 1947 he was a lieutenant-colonel.

Walter returned to G-E in September, 1947, and was assigned as a dispatcher on final assembly in the luminous tube and ignition assembly in Div. 95. He is now floor dispatcher for the division. In January, 1948, he joined the Quarter Century Club.

While he was in the air corps, Walter was interested in building model airplanes.



We had a visitor on the floor last Monday. No it wasn't "Oscar the Turtle" but "Tabby the cat." . . . Tom Dickenson had better join the window washers—he sure did a swell job. . . . We welcome Trease Trout and Marie Griffin back after being off on sick leave. It's good to see you again, girls. . . . Glen Carney (in his second childhood) returned to work after a siege of the mumps. . . . Clara Frede is back after a week's illness. . . . Frank Brindle had his new car parked out here on South Broadway last Friday night and he can't say it is his new car anymore. Some guy smacked into it and tore off the fender and bumper. . . . We wish Dorothy Comer a speedy recovery from her illness. . . . Birthday greetings to Eleanor Kohrman, Margaret Hilgeman, Hilda Seiler, and Ruth Baker, thanks for the lovely cake. . . . We are wondering if the teeth that Sam Beer has are better to eat with or without them. They say he has a better place to use them and we would like to know where. Are you sure you feel O.K., Sam? You don't look too good and we suggest that you see Doc right away and he will probably tell you where and how to use the teeth. . . . We are wondering which Ed Boedeker likes best to do—ride the rails or test motors? . . . Les Hubartt is carrying his dinner so he won't have to help his wife clean house during his lunch hour. More power to you, Les, if you can get away with it. . . . It is too bad that Louie Clark packs his own lunch or he probably would have raised holy-ned when he got home after he found that stale sandwich in his lunch bucket. . . . Cecil liked his stale cake too. . . . We suggest that Carl Metker eat all of his lunch from now on. . . . They say that clothes make the man but, boy, what a difference they make in Pondo Valscheff! When he gets a white shirt and tie on he sure doesn't look like the guy who wears that apron up here on the floor. No wonder the gals fall for you! . . . Sunday was the first day of spring. Don't let the FEVER get you—make good use of the nice weather!



Sing while you drive: At 45 miles an hour, "Highways Are Happy Ways;" At 55 "I Am But A Stranger Here, Heaven Is My Home;" At 65 "Nearer My God To Thee;" At 75 "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder, I'll Be There;" At 85 "Lord, I'm Coming Home." Speeding at 90 the car gave a jerk, services Monday at the "Little White Church." . . . Johnny (Injun) Wilson had better get a timer on his sun lamp, or he will be a cooked "goose." . . . We are hoping the "turtle" is removed from Fulk's lake soon as "Slim" Miller has it so large it is eating humans. . . . "Churubusco can have its turtle," says Bill Swafford, "as the frogs are so large in the lake at Kendallville that the lake actually drops when one jumps on land." . . . Fred Vogt should give Dale Irwin some of his "famous" hair tonic for disappearing hair. . . . Louie Botteron must have his apartment rented as he is talking about the new Buicks. Be sure and give all of us a ride, Louie. . . . Herb Habig just can't hold his new Pontiac down. He passed a car the other night speeding at 12 m.p.h. Suddenly a voice was heard (The Boss) "don't get reckless, honey." . . . We have heard Johnny Burnett is really interested in the "Pyramid Club." Anyone with any information as to its function be sure and get in touch with him. Since this club was formed Vern Dassler is known as "Doubting Thomas." . . . Leonard Kinley passed Luke Shorter up like a dirty shirt the other morning. Mr. Kinley is supposed to pick up Luke and bring him to work but for some reason he forgot all about him one morning last week. So now Luke has his wife standing on the front porch to flag him down. . . . Elmer Buuck is planning on retiring since his wife has joined the Pyramid Club. . . . It was heard Mr. and Mrs. Robert Turschman motored to Churubusco last Sunday to visit Fulk's lake, but returned to the city to attend the all popular Pyramid Club meeting. . . . Noble Bell wore a green tie to work St. Patrick's Day and Eldon Bell and Mike O'Grady "clipped" it for him. Since the incident Noble has been receiving "hand-me-down ties" from his fellow workers. . . . Bill LaVine always knows when Friday rolls around as that's the day Margaret Lepper has her hair in a scarf. . . . Katherine Irwin didn't let St. Pat down; she was all decked out in a pretty green bow streamers and all. . . . Did anyone notice the red face Harold Amstutz had at the Employees' Store. It seems he was explaining to the clerk the type of flash bulb he wanted and opening the package he bad to show the salesman he found someone had taken the flash bulb out and replaced it with a 100 watt light bulb. . . . After 25 years of cooking Myrtle Barfell was seen going home with two cook books Elex is selling. . . . The girls in the 14x3B wish Delores Ranley a happy birthday. . . . Also Effie Wyatt celebrated her birthday last week. Her co-workers remembered her with very lovely gifts. . . . Harvey Chen, a Test Engineer, is leaving our division and we wish him a lot of good luck. . . . We welcome Dorothy White, Lucille Bates, Margaret Bahde, Lora Rhoads, Ruth Jacobs, and Mae Sucker.



Spring has sprung, the grass is rizz—wonder where the turtle is! Do you suppose Abe Martin is making a trap for "Oscar"—he sure has been a busy little bee collecting some mighty suspicious looking pieces of material. . . . Erv Huth probably thought this was going to slip by unnoticed but not so. Not when a couple of sleuths happened to be walking behind him on his way to the parking lot to get his car the other night, when he remembered he hadn't driven that day. With a turn-about-face (and a red one) our little friend started pounding the pavement towards home. . . . Should Ruth Luther wake up some morning with a "toothache in her heel," it won't surprise her in the least, since she swallowed a tooth the other day. . . . Our conference room up here in Bldg. 20-2 sure looks nifty since it had a bath—sticks out like a sore thumb now. . . . Tragedy struck in the Altekruse family when Bill's son-in-law was killed at Kendallville last week. We extend our sympathy to them and to Leo Miller, whose sister died recently. . . . Today we bid adieu to Wiley Shockney and Marge Ditmar, both are leaving the Company. Good luck, kids, and drop in and see us sometime. Joan Florstedt is the new gal, taking Marge's place. Hope you like it here, Joan. . . . A word to the wise is sufficient—from now on, folks, when Patterson's around, keep an eye on your fountain pen. (He likes it, too.) . . . The following is a ditty Carlos Campbell posted on the bulletin board in Standardizing after giving the boys the "works."

I thank everyone who helped in this thankless task.
——— Carlos ———
I thank you whether you gave or not.
I enjoyed your griping and bellering a lot.
And with joy I look forward to hearing you holler
Next March, when the Red Cross wants a dollar.

P.S. Erv says he has $6.40 in the "Busco Beast" pool now, with weights ranging from a 14 lb. automobile top to 676 lbs. of turtle.

FLOOR LORE FROM 4-4

By Voyce Brumbaugh

Spring is here at last. Now that the basketball season is over our thoughts will have to turn to housecleaning and making gardens. . . . Speaking of basketball games, the gals in the Repair and Return section had some luck in the various pools. The winners this week—Betty Skevington, Bertha Burnau, Ruth Barnes, Margaret Parisot and June Martin. As for the winners among the men it was rather concentrated. Earl Johnson and Lloyd Runyon were the big winners. . . . Advice to Edith Venrick—always read the fine print. Last week she was taken for 75 cents on the basketball pool instead of 30 cents. . . . To Florence Behrens—the door handle is always on the right. . . . We welcome back to the section John Stanek and Bob Mobberly. We are very glad to have you back, fellows. Also we put out the welcome mat for a newcomer to the section—Merlin Gromeaux. . . . Belated congratulations to Perry Jeffries. He has a new daughter. . . . Mildred Hoover had a birthday last week—St. Patrick's Day to be exact. We celebrated by having some delicious chocolate chiffon cake. . . . Anyone looking for an easy bet of a carton of cigarettes—just see one of the gals in the section. Mainly Margaret Parisot. Everyone is calling her P.O.P.—"Push Over Parisot". . . . Congratulations to June Martin on becoming a new aunt. All the time we thought she was worrying about her dog having puppies. . . . We think Harold Mettler will be sure to see that the car doors are closed the next time he goes to the lake. Seems he and his two boys went to the lake last Saturday and his wife packed them a nice big lunch. The sad part is the dogs ate the lunch. Harold forgot to close the car door—result they had to eat at a restaurant. . . . So long for this time, folks.



We wonder where Brownie's mind was the other day when she asked one of the girls for a black crayon and they gave her a dried prune. She started to fill in the terminal board with the prune, but didn't have very good results. . . . What makes Glenn Hobbs (not Hobbles as some people have been calling him lately) go around saying "Where am I?" What's the matter, Glenn are you lost? . . . I'll give you fellows in the Tool Room a little tip that someone passed on to me and here it is. Don't leave any candy lay around on Glenn Bower's bench, as we hear that he is taking it away from Young. . . . We wonder how Bob Bruns got the name of "The Farmer." . . . Kenny Cassleman gives out what he calls the "fisherman's handshake." If you never had the opportunity of catching fish you wouldn't understand. . . . Is Danny Reuille a bird fancier or was he just waiting on a bus. Anyway he missed the special and came in late for work. . . . Why do they all call Dorothy Linsky, "Curly?" . . . Spring is here, Stuckey came in all dressed up in a light blue suit, and Charlie in a dark blue suit. . . . When Velma Rose saves a seat for a certain person, it seems like someone always takes it before he gets there. . . . We hear Vera Hoover was on a vacation. Where to, Vera? . . . We wonder why Wanda Grim keeps waltzing and smiling at her coils when she is working. Could you be practicing, Wanda? . . . The question of the week is: Should we give Stuckey his money from the final after accusing Peggy Reynolds of cheating? Jasper wasn't so bad after all, were they, Stuckey? . . . Everyone would like to know who Ruth Freeland's card partner is?

At a political convention, nothing is flatter than a sour keynote.

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"Thar She Blows" . . . Six surviving Edison pioneers were honored at a dinner at Schenectady marking the 102nd anniversary of the birth of Thomas A. Edison. Tom Dempster, who as a boy had been allowed occasionally to pull the whistle cord at Edison's factory blew the whistle again. Left to right are: Fred Wilson, August Tinnerholm, John Weber, Mr. Dempster, David Miller ond Peter Kirsch. Below, Walter E. Kruesi, President of Edison Pioneers, congratulates Vice President C. G. Suits (left), following his speech ot the Pioneers Annual Luncheon. Looking on is Thomas Edison's son, the Honorable Charles Edison, one time Secretary of the Navy and former Governor of New Jersey.







"Light Sorcery" . . . Pupils of the L. C. Ward School in Fort Wayne recently entertained C. H. Matson, Manager of the Fort Wayne Works, in appreciation for the "Light Sorcery" show sponsored by G.E. These students were among eight hundred who attended a special performance.

Queen of Hearts . . . Miss Claire O'Keefe of the Transmitter Division, Electronics Dept., Syracuse, was Queen of the Valentine Dance held recently by the Electronettes Club. Crowning the Queen is Oscar Kaufman, one of the artists in the Advertising Section at Electronics Park.



They Split the Jackpot . . . The highest suggestion award ever made at Erie Works was won recently by Zigmund Golembeski, left, and John F. Wagner, extreme right. Here they show foreman Walter Vale how their $2750 winning idea will reclaim refrigerator cabinet material which formerly was scrapped, causing a loss.

General Electric Company Honors 10,000th L



1. Here in the Pension Accounting Division Charlie Boynton, Supervisor (standing left), shows Bob Jensen, Manager, the pension application which was submitted by Homer Landry.

During the month of February, in the office which prepares the monthly checks for G-E pensioners, it was discovered that the number of checks issued each month was climbing close to the 10,000 mark. From that day on incoming applications for retirement were watched to discover just who would become the 10,000th living pensioner, and when it came in it was found to be from Homer Landry, a Boring-Mill Operator in the Turbine Division of the Schenectady Works.

Mr. Landry started to work at General Electric in 1916, just four years after the Company started its first pension plan. He joined the Additional Pension Plan in 1928, when that plan was first offered.

In 1946 the Pension Plan was amended so that Mr. Landry could apply for the refund of all the money he had paid into the Additional Pension Plan over the years, and the Company itself paid all Mr. Landry's pension benefits for his years of service up to 1946, just as it did for all other employees having more than one year's service at that time. This Company contribution to the Pension Plan totals more than $100,000,000.

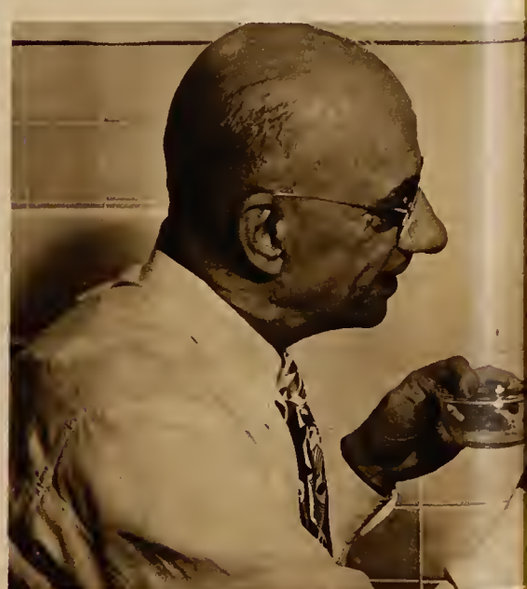
In retiring now under the Amended Pension Plan, Mr. Landry is taking advantage of the optional early retirement provision. He will receive from the Company, in addition to his regular pension, an extra amount for the first few years of his retirement because his Social Security will not begin until he reaches 65 years of age.



2. Upon learning that Mr. Landry was to become the 10,000th pensioner, W. W. Trench, Secretary of the Company, L. J. Male, Schenectady Works Manager; Mr. Hotaling, Foreman; and W. E. Saupe, Manager of Manufacturing, Schenectady Turbine Division, went out to the shop to congratulate Homer, who is second from the right.



3. As the day of his retirement draws close, Homer's fellow employees gather around to wish him well, and to present a farewell gift, a well-filled purse.



4. At breakfast next morning, Grandpa dishes out the cereal to his 7-month-old grand-daugh-

...ving Pensioner



5. Lunch time arrives and Homer decides to try his hand at a little cooking. Mrs. Landry says that cooking is one of his favorite pastimes, and furthermore that he is a very excellent cook.



6. Homer expects to do a lot of fishing this spring, but Mrs. Landry has other ideas, feeling that the money Homer got back from the Additional Pension Plan can best be used to do some needed redecorating around the family home.



...ter Denise. Incidentally, Homer owns his two-family home, and rents half to his son-in-law.



7. One of the pleasures Homer now finds he has time to enjoy is to baby-sit with his granddaughter. Here he reminds his own daughter Winnifred, who worked at GE for eight years, that it hasn't been so many years ago that she used to occupy the same position on his knee.



8. After Homer finishes redecorating the house, he wants to get started on a project of his own. Here we see him looking at a piece of land with two other GE pensioners, George Andrews, left, who owns the property, and Bill Jennings, right.



9. Deciding to get some of his own pet projects started, he drops in at the local hardware store to get a few necessary tools for the tasks.



10. Later, Mrs. Helen Simonds of the personnel office drops in to deliver his first pension check, a regular procedure, and to explain the GE Pensioner's Hospitalization Plan which provides free hospital benefits for eligible pensioners.



11. "It is great to have time to do all the things I've always wanted to do", says Homer, as he tunes up his car for a long awaited trip to Montreal with Mrs. Landry to visit relatives.

Candid Camera





A Break For Skiers . . . Bill Rauch, left, and Erwin Boynton, G-E engineers at the Schenectady Works, recently built their own ski tow near East Berne, 20 miles from Schenectady. Here they're looking over the special clamp they devised to grab the tow rope. At right: After waiting nearly two months for an opportunity to ski on local slopes, Eastern skiers finally got a chance to get in some skiing. All set for some practice are these G-E skiers, from left: Ken Woodward of Lynn River Works, and Ray Freeman, Ray Freeman, Jr., Chuck Wheeler, and Lloyd Hendrick, all from the Fitchburg, Mass. plant.



"Gobs O' Fun" . . . This lively show was put on by employees at the Bloomfield Works recently. Going into their act are "the Andrew Sisters", Frank Grott, Leo Case and Frank Downey; and "Bing", Paul Kooiker, all of Bloomfield Works. "Gobs O' Fun", a fast-moving musical revue with a sea-going setting was thoroughly enjoyed by employees, their families and friends.



Air-Wall Heating . . . G-E recently announced a new heating system — an important step in reducing home-building costs. This method blankets the cold outer wall of the room with warm air, by using special grilles which direct the warm air upward. The model likes it fine.



Grooming A Champion . . . H. T. Montgomery of the Pittsfield Apparatus Works is the proud owner of a pair of prize-winning Irish setters and two of their pups. Here he grooms Champion Red Coat of Tercor, who has won several "Best of Breed" awards, in various dog shows.



Did you get your sweetpeas planted on St. Patrick's day? I'll admit it would have been rather cold to do so. . . . As cold as it was, can you imagine anyone yelling for the iceman? . . . If you don't think that spring is here, all you have to do is drive out of town. The kids are flying kites and little lambs are frisking around. The crocuses are up, and so are the pussy willows. Those are all sure signs of spring. . . . Minnie Barr is positive that Yehudi was playing a trick. The other day she thought she came to work carrying her lunch. Noontime came and no lunch. On checking, she had left it at home and Sonny at it. The cafeteria just had an extra customer that day. . . . Happy birthday to Alice Kreiselmeyer, Kate Weigle, Floetta Zartman, Mabel King and yours truly. . . . Irene Blank and her husband attended the Sportsmen Show at Indianapolis last Sunday. . . . Newcomers to the early bird shift are Kenneth Vonderau, Mary Irvens and Eva Gangware. . . . Anne Chomey Gibson has also returned to work. . . . I hear we should install escalators between the second and third floors. Since Bill Martin is messenger boy, the steps are too much to take. . . . Verna Bullerman has joined the "I gotta new car" ranks. It even has rayon seat covers. . . . Did you have to dig up some shekels to pay off your Auburn bet? It was hard to find anyone who would bet with you, everyone was for Auburn. . . . Have you noticed the shadow following Jack Dennis? . . . Martha Rice with a bandaged finger says, "I sat on it." . . . Erma Landes was trying to get a Florida tan in Fort Wayne. She nearly cooked herself. Better not go to sleep next time. . . . Harold Bowker could see the old green backs fading away when the rumor had it that the "Busco Beast" had been nabbed. He was already to stake his farm off in parking lots. It is only a mile away as the crow flies (but who flies like a crow?) Anyway he said he could take off his shoes now. No going around without shoes as long as that beast was loose. . . . Don't know what it was Kate Weigle dropped on the elevator, but it opened out like an accordion.

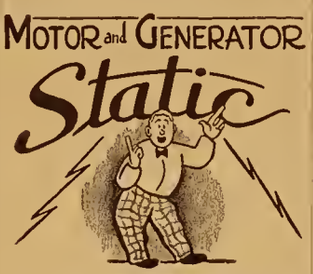
A flatterer sometimes doesn't know when his line is out of order.



Fractional Fiction 4-5

By Elaine Sutter

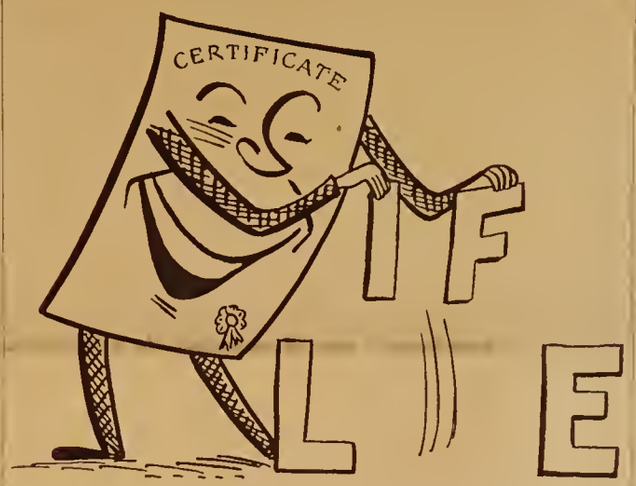
Birthday greetings of the week go to Gladys Macon. . . . If anyone wants any ashes for their garage floor we suggest that they contact Fred "Hot Ashes" Schultz. Guaranteed to send the garage and its contents up in smoke. . . . We want to inform Henry Burch that the trolley bus fares were raised recently; instead of trying to ride free. . . . Recently a club meeting was held of the workers of Bldg. 4-5 office. There was a deep sea fisherman story on film shown of catching large fish, but it ended up showing George Seabold catching just some small bait fish. George, is that the kind of fish you always catch? We understand before they were whales instead of fish.



Thought for the week: "It wouldn't hurt so much to become angry except that, for some reason it makes your mouth work faster than your mind."

Here is a guess on the new "Mystery Melody": The Bell of St. Clemens or the Chimes of St. George. This was submitted by Jay David of Bldg. 19-1. When you admit you're wrong, it's a sign you're getting wiser. . . . Sign of Spring: Stan Marquadt, our Marine captain, is getting that "Halls of Montezuma to the Shore of Tripoli" expression in his eyes again. . . . Could be: The other day someone tried to call Dwight Myers on a matter of business, but dialed Charley McAfee's number by mistake. When Charley said, "Hello," a voice inquired, "Say, Dwight, can you fix me up?" Before further explanation was possible, our Irish friend replied, "Faith, and if you call me 'Dwight' once more, I will fix you up." . . . Dog's Life: Mrs. Druce tried to look after Art's welfare, so when she departed for California the little woman left a well-stocked larder for his convenience. Among the items was a ham bone Art could use in cooking beans, cabbage or some other delicacy. When Mr. Druce came home from work and discovered the bone, he could not visualize a use for it, so tossed the tidbit to Topper his Irish terrier. Usually when a dog gets a bone, he tries to bury it, but Topper being an "inside" dog had few opportunities to paw dirt. As Art settled down to enjoy his newspaper, he observed the pup wandering from room to room looking for a hiding place. Later Topper returned without the bone, but with a satisfied expression. When Mr. Druce retired that evening he discovered the hiding place—Topper had buried the bone in the middle of Art's bed. . . . New Monster? Jim Mitchell, proprietor of "Mitchell's Emporium" and mayor of Blue Lake, is waiting to hear final reports on the "Beast of Busco" before announcing the size and weight of the "Blue Lake Monster" he intends to discover.

Your Group Life Insurance Takes The "If" Out Of Life



Ever think of it that way? Yes, your Group Plan gives you the satisfying assurance that should the unexpected happen—if you should die—those who depend on your income would have prompt financial help. Life, of course, is made up of ifs. They are the uncertainties, the emergencies, the "rainy" days of the future. Thanks to your Group Life Insurance Plan, however, you are providing those you love with sound protection and a defense against these uncertainties.

None of us likes to think about death, because, at best, it is an unpleasant subject. However, it should certainly be reassuring for you to know that your dependents will have financial assistance should the unexpected happen. You know that your family will not have to depend on someone "passing the hat," but, rather, will have prompt help in meeting many of the ordinary expenses brought about by such an event.

What Are the Facts

It's all very well to say that "Heck, I feel great. I've got a long way to go;" but just what are the facts? Statisticians of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, which underwrites our Group Insurance Plan, report that, on the average, seven out of 1,000 employees will die this year. Furthermore, their records show that one out of three employees, starting to work at age 21, will not survive to age 65. Not alarming odds, perhaps, but reason enough to stop and reflect on the valuable protection provided by your Group Life Insurance. The insurance people can tell us how many will die, but they can't tell us who. Nobody can. That's why it's comforting to know that, no matter what happens, we're protected with Group Life Insurance.

Points to Remember . . .

Better check your Group Certificate today to make sure that the person named as beneficiary is the one to whom you wish benefits paid in case anything should happen to you. If the person named on your Certificate has died, you will want to name a new beneficiary. Likewise, if you have been married recently or are about to be married, you may wish to change your beneficiary. If your beneficiary has changed his or her name, it is wise to have this change entered on your Certificate.

By taking care of such changes now, you will help eliminate possible delay or confusion at some time in the future. It is easy to change your beneficiary. The person in charge of the Group Plan will give you a Change of Beneficiary form and will tell you what to do.

Your Group Life Insurance Certificate should be kept in a safe place, but somewhere where a member of your family will be able to find it when it is needed.



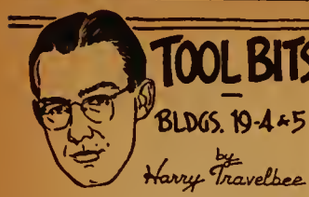
Now that Spring is officially here, we can turn our thoughts toward getting those gardens started. . . . Last week Gurney Lindley celebrated his birthday, and this week Ted Warner celebrated another birthday. Congratulations, fellows, many more happy ones, too. . . . Harold Whonsetler isn't the only one who attracts attention on the power saw. Last week Louis Watt joined the blade breakers fraternity. After all these years, too. Confidently, Louis, I think it was a set-up. . . . On St. Patrick's day last week, Howard McMaken received a Scotch greeting card and it made him feel so good that he helped give away several card games to his opponents Ward Staley and Noland Myers. Mac was big-hearted as could be. . . . Several visitors last week were Walter Fry and Cecil Forest, formerly of this group. . . . Claude Gill formerly of this group was quite ill last week, but is reported to be O.K. again. . . . Bill Johnson owner of the "Fish Hound" extraordinary says since he has been getting so many skunks in the euchre games, the dog is even turning his nose away from him when he gets home. . . . Russell Deveny has left the group temporarily for Bldg. 4-2 to help on some winding machine repairing. Too bad C. Stolte didn't have that new Packard before you left, Russ, or did he? . . . Charles Myers, our foreman, is now an official resident of Ossian, Ind., since last Thursday.



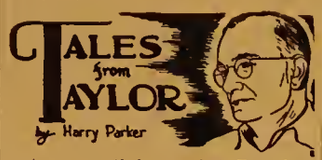
A surprise dinner party was held at the Colonial in honor of Rita Fleckenstein by the girls in the Green Room. Rita has enlisted in the WAC's and will be stationed at Camp Lee, Va. She was presented with a gift from the gang. Ask Phyllis Borkenstein how near Rita came to not receiving it. . . . We all miss our good friends Gertrude Hughes, Reva Smith, and Matilda Tuttle who were transferred to third floor. Lots of luck, girls. . . . We wonder if Freddie Lenker ever heard of the song, "The Twelfth Street Rag." . . . We are all looking forward to the time when Virginia Reed will be sporting a new mink cape, as we hear she has entered a local furrier's contest. . . . We don't know which one is more of a farmer, Zella Disler or Carrie Green. Neither one can find their way around Fort Wayne very well. . . . Bill Rectanus came to work on St. Patrick's day wearing a big green ribbon. He tells us he changed his name to McTannis for the day. . . . Tom Hildebrand says the only time he gets his name in the paper is when he's a grandpa. . . . We wonder if Wayne Weimer was AWOL last Friday. We hear he's been court martialed. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gepfert on the birth of a son. . . . Al Reiman has left Bldg. 26-4 and is now working in Bldg. 26-3. Good luck to you, Al. . . . The Hudson Bay Co. wants to hire "Bring 'em back alive" Lockwood to direct their trapping operations in the far north. . . . We suppose Ray Horstman and Ned Gruelach will be leaving us pretty soon, when the proceeds of the Pyramid Club start rolling in. . . . Wonder if Cupid caught up with Sam Dailey. He took two weeks' vacation. . . . Norb Sordelet is going to try to catch Oscar (the turtle) some night when everyone leaves with his three pound test leader and flyrod. . . . The boys have just found out who the biggest crabs are in the Transformer Livision. . . . Doris Fosnought has left to await the arrival of the stork. . . . Millie Kouder was transferred to Bldg. 26-2 office. . . . Bill Crouse is going to hire a dentist to fill the chips in the porcelain bushings. . . . Famous last words of Johnny Bryie, "I'm only one." . . . Gene Galloway was out to the cemetery doing a friend a good turn, when along came a car load of deputy sheriff's armed to the teeth. They thought Gene was a grave robber instead of grave digger. . . . The Bldg. 26-4 office welcome the newcomers to their office. . . . Happy birthday to Max Kimble and Johnny Robinson. . . . Belated thanks to Otto Fultz for his candy. He thought he had won the check pool and Ed Yergens won it instead. The candy was good, anyway—better luck next time. That wasn't bad enough, but then Otto had to have two wisdom teeth pulled. Poor Otto.

First comes a touching family scene—then a touch!

The difference between a statesman and a politician is that the first works for the public and the second has the public working for him.



The Jig and Fixture Section has chipped in and bought Frank Druhot a sun dial since he can't read his watch correctly. Frank rushed to the time clock to ring out only to discover it was 10:42 instead of 11:42. Better luck next time, Frank. . . . Dick Hemrick's dog, Skippy, is a pointer and a setter according to Dick's loving neighbors. They say every night "Skip" sits and barks at the moon. . . . The Tool Room has a star amateur in Paul Brinkroeger, who is appearing in the Bethlehem Church Amateur Program with his variety of 25 or 30 harmonicas. . . . We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sauerwein on their 25th Wedding Anniversary. . . . Russel Jones' little daughter apparently hasn't heard about inflation and the high price of butter and eggs. She was having a good time smashing eggs on the floor and had reached the two dozen mark when Mrs. J. interrupted the fun. . . . Al Devaux looks as if he had gotten caught in a buzz saw. When we finally cornered him for an explanation, he came forth with a story that he was cutting brush along the line fence and got all scratched up. . . . Clyde Spangler thinks he was swindled. Woody Hursh was supposed to have sold him two tickets to the basketball game. However, he discovered they were tickets to the Spencerville Firemen's Fish Fry. . . . B. B. Byanski thinks Mart Walsh doesn't boil his eggs long enough. Mart decided one of the eggs in his sack was boiled and gave it to Bernie to eat. Believing it was hard boiled, Bernie bashed it on his surface plate, only to see a nice fresh egg running slowly between his fingers. . . . Want to buy a duck? See Ralph Steward and country cousin Gus Kruse. . . . Granville Gorrell walked up town the other day, but decided to take the bus home. As he approached the bus, two ladies with their arms full of bundles and babies were waiting. The one said to the other, "You put a token in for me and I'll pay you later." Granville walks up to the conductor, reaches down into his pocket and pulls out two streetcar checks and drops them in the box. As it was told to us, he didn't ask for the extra one back, but quickly sat down. . . . Scott Click had the privilege Saturday of flying over Fulks Lake with his son at the controls; however, he didn't get a glimpse of "Oscar." He enjoyed the ride and avoided the traffic jam around the lake. . . . A story has reached us that we have a man of profound influence on our floor and to prove it, he told Herb Thiele that he could get him a brand new 1949 Chevrolet for $1300 complete with radio and heater. Herb has ordered five. Good deal—how's about lettin' us in on it? . . . Who needs glasses? Ray Mutton or Russell Sage? Ray crossed the street right in front of Sage's car and from all reports, it was only by inches that he missed Ray. Russell said that Ray looked right at him, but evidently something else must have caught Ray's eyes. . . . Bob Goer is no longer with us, hut he still makes news with that fast 1949 Ford. Bob says the durn thing just wants to go wide open, but doing that in Ohio is a little embarrassing—$$$ and costly too. . . . Paul Auman and Don Alcott are now working in the lathe section. Welcome to Bldg. 19-5, boys.

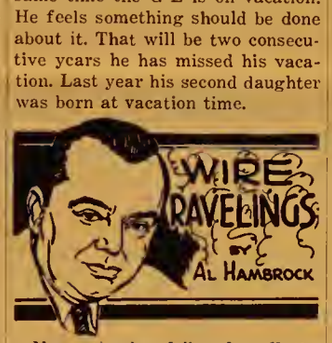


As you all know Art Brandenberger when constructing his new home installed electrical heating units in it. This has turned out to be a headache as the cost of operation is much higher than he expected. So now he is looking for a contractor to build a chimney so he can install a coal burning furnace. So heavy was the pull on his service lines that a new alarm clock he had purchased would not function properly. He therefore proceeded to blame the manufacturer of said clock for producing an inferior product. Now an extra service line had to be run into his home to operate the clock properly. . . . George Cowan was bemoaning the fact that someone had lifted the hub caps off his banana-colored car and is looking for some to replace them. He is casting side glances at Harold Hart's car with evil thoughts. (As you know Harold drives the same make and model as George does.) To frustrate any designs George might have on his hub caps, Harold is having them welded to the wheels. . . . Ralph "High Speed" Ecenbarger, who is always the first one in the parking lot every morning, was complaining the other day because he had to get up so early to accomplish this. He is now trying to cook up a deal with the plant guards which would make it possible for him to park his junker under the gate house canopy. He would then be able to tear out of the lot at a much greater speed than at present. . . . Herman Doehrman's old crate was just about ready to lay down and quit. Realizing that he had to do something quick or pound the pavements with shoe leather, he started looking at new cars. Asking what they would allow him for his old car, the salesman took one look at the old "Davy Jones Special" and said $10. Being very disappointed at this turn of events, he began looking at used cars and selected one of a popular make, only getting a $12.50 allowance on the deal. Nevertheless, he is happy over the fact that he will have dependable transportation this summer. . . . Since "The Beast of Busco" has aroused so much interest and a lot of our eating houses are featuring turtle in their menus, Clarence Stove thinks that it would be a good idea to establish a turtle cannery. He is going ahead with the idea and is forming a company and selling stock. The funds will be used in erection of a building suitable for this purpose and to hire lake and river scouts to scour the waters of this state and ferret out any and all kinds of turtles. Turtle caviar will be one of his specialties. . . . Archie Boen announces that he is now a grandpa, and from now on desires to be called "Gramps." The only trouble though is at his advanced age he cannot take the crying and activities that go with the raising of a baby.



"Perpetual worry will get you to one place ahead of time—the cemetery."

Speaking of turtles (and who isn't these days?) Mary Beaman brought her pet turtle in for the gang to see. It was about the size of a half-dollar when it was given to her son 18 years ago. Coincidently, it is named "Oscar," painted on its back when he received it. (Our apologies to men named "Oscar"). He now measures about six inches across the widest part of his shell. When asked how he stood his day at the G-E, Mary said she let him down on the floor and he went directly to his pallet on the register and went to sleep. Oscar had a hard day. After all, manufacturing is a little out of a turtle's line. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Foster are proud to announce the arrival of a little daughter. Her name is Deborah Lynn, and she weighed 5 lbs. 11 oz. at birth. Congratulations. . . . George Miller is threatening to take the wheels off his tool box. It seems as though his tools run away everytime he turns his back. . . . We're glad to welcome Harry Haley and Herb Garlets back to our section. It's nice seeing them in their familiar U.S. Marine Reserves. They are required to go to camp for two weeks out of a year. This year it is at the same time the G-E is on vacation. He feels something should be done about it. That will be two consecutive years he has missed his vacation. Last year his second daughter was born at vacation time.



Many thanks, folks, for all the nice birthday cards and gifts. All were greatly appreciated and made yours truly very happy. A kind word passed on to your fellowman goes a long way in making him feel that this life isn't so bad after all. Now as to the picture about 99 per cent of the comments were, "Too bad you had to go and grow up so homely." We agree with you that's for sure. . . . Birthday greetings to Burl Teboe, March 23; Ray Kierspe and Alton Corson, March 25, and William Zierlof, March 27. . . . Get your rye bread with healing qualities from Ray Kierspe. It jerked one grateful guy (Bill Rohe) right out of his sick bed into work bright and early the next morning. . . . Porky Schoenenfeld has been working on his boy's train for the past three weeks, trying to get it to run. Porky didn't show in last Monday. The reason seems to be the train now runs and Porky had to play. . . . Slim Walters to his better half said, "Honey I think I'll go fishing today." without saying a word the Mrs. went to the basement, brought up a bucket and mop and said, "here's your fishin' equipment for today, old boy." Ain't being hitched wonderful, Slim? . . . Self- admiration caused "Wimpy" (Lemper) to say to Bill (Rohe), "say, do you realize that I am the only Wire Drawing foreman in the whole G-E Fort Wayne Plant?" Bill unimpressed reminded the inflated Wimpy that President Truman too could say, "Do you know that I am the only President of the whole U. S. A., ain't that something?"



Ah, Spring, beautiful Spring, it's here at last (only officially, however) but even so we have noticed several cases of spring fever the past week. The symptoms of this very common fever are a decided slowing down of a step, followed by long periods of staring into space, and most cases usually develop into long sighs when the peak is reached. The best cure, outside of a good dose of sulphur and molasses, is to allow the fever to run its course which usually takes until summer. . . . There's more secrets connected with our complete file. We have discovered, through a very good source, that it all has to do with a new language that Helen Eggeman, and Doris Smith speak. But beware, girls, Bob Gebert knows about this new language. . . . My, what a pretty pin Betty Millhouse has from Atlantic City. I didn't know Betty had been in Atlantic City lately. Wonder if there's more to this than meets the eye. . . . How about this! Dottie Fletter not only gets a ride home, but one to work also. Imagine that door to door service. . . . The General is back; That smiling Irishman, Sherm Welch, returned to the fold Monday after a two-months' leave of absence and looks just dandy. Glad to have you back with us, Sherm. . . . Little Eva (Eva Westrick that is) became an Aunt again Friday, and we'll have you know that this is the 32nd time. Think of that 32 little nieces and nephews. That wasn't Eva's only good fortune Friday, she attended the Elex bingo party and won a new Spring Bonnet. Teresa Arend also hit it lucky and won the jackpot at bingo the same night. . . . Maureen Horn paid us a nice visit Monday. She's living in Evansville, Ind., now but decided to say hello to all the gang while in Fort Wayne. . . . Harriet Springer is wearing the season's first and deepest tan, and a very becoming little tan it is too. Nice having you back, Harriet.



If you are in doubt about Spring, let us help you—the tie Carroll Elder wore on Monday was proof enough that Spring had arrived. A new tie, complete with butterflies, what more could you ask. . . . We had three visitors last week, Sherman Nyffler, "Hobby" Haberkorn and Carl Cochren. Welcome back, folks, and don't forget to come again. . . . Last week conversation centered around basketball and the "The Beast of Busco!" Now it's the turtle and baseball—oh well, it all helps nickels to change hands. . . . Is spring cleaning worrying you? Do you have nightmares about it? If a window washer will help—contact Dale Hobson. We even have proof of his work. For rates better see him. . . . We are sending our get well wishes this week to Bill Decker who has been sick in the hospital. Hurry up and get well; summer's coming, besides we need you back. . . . This will probably be our last opportunity to wish Imogene Hortenstein the best of luck in her new occupation of housewife and mother, so we will make the best of it and say good luck and best of everything from all the gang. The girls surprised her with a shower last week, and the pictures are proof of the good time everyone had during the evening. Let's hope you remember us at least once in a while and don't forget to write. . . . From all the noise heard at noon, that must be a hot euchre game in the Conference Room; how about that? . . . We hear Paul Schlie had to withdraw the offer for the Chevy before he got rid of any "half and half" pups!



No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday, March 28, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—One key on Lindley Ave. parking lot.

FOUND—Pearl beads between Bldg. 4 and 18 Gate.

FOUND—Pearl beads.

FOR SALE

BOY'S BLUE WOOL SUIT—Size 9-10. Like new. $5 H-66332.

G-E UPRIGHT VACUUM SWEEPER—E-38255 after 6 p.m.

LADIES SUIT—Blue pin stripe, size 40; grill and sandwich toaster. Telephone 34X Zanesville, Ind.

BOY'S BLUE CHECKED SUIT—Size 15-16. Like new. A-76785.

V&K ELECTRIC SOFT WATER PUMP—$20. H-60533.

RABBITS—Does, bucks and hutches. H-74113.

CHIME CLOCK—$5; chest of drawers $5. H-70855.

GIRL'S SUITS AND DRESSES—Size 10-12, reasonable. A-1 condition. H-17602.

APT. WASHER—Toidey seat; floor, table and vanity lamps; smoking table. A-68714.

G-E SWEEPER—In very good condition. Very reasonable. H-66483.

KITCHEN TABLE—$5; Walnut drop-leaf table, $20. A-95325.

KROLL BABY CRIB AND MATTRESS—Excellent condition. A-99461.

TWO MATCHED RED FOX FURS—Or will trade for treadle sewing machine. E-55637.

4x5 SPEED GRAPHIC—Range finder, flash and exposure meter. A-49012.

REVERE 88 MOVIE CAMERA—F2.6 lens. First class condition. A-68274.

REVERE CAMERA, PROJECTOR—And complete accessories. All in perfect condition. $175. A-66741.

RUGS—9x12 blue with pad; 7 ft. 6 in. x 6 ft. candy stripe. Reasonable. H-64045.

WANTED

HAND PUMP—For 4 in. deep well H-26093.

8" TABLE OR BENCH SAW—With or without motor. H-66688.

BOY'S SPRING COAT AND CAP—Size 5-6. A-97595.

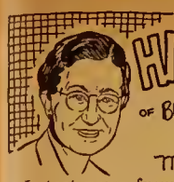
120 BASS LADIES' SIZE ACCORDION—In good condition. H-60565.

TAYLOR TOT—With grocery carrying space. E-36792.

GARDEN TRACTOR—With Cultivators. Size, make, condition not important. A-69604.

TRANSPORTATION

RIDERS WANTED—Can haul two riders from county line north on State road 1 coming in through Leo. E. S. Kelley, works for Vic Hall, Bldg. 17-1, from 7-3:30. Ext. 2208.



by Mamie Allen

Latest news from the sick: John Craig has recovered sufficiently to leave the hospital and will be glad to receive callers at his home. . . . George Seibold is still in the hospital but improving. . . . David Dulin also is ill at home. To all of them we send best wishes for a speedy complete recovery. . . . We extend sympathy to Gertrude Markley whose sister died last week. . . . Carl Stadelman feels he has a perfect right to show special pride in the 1949 Indiana State basketball champions because his wife hails from Jasper. . . . About this time of year Bob Bennett starts talking about his garden. These last few days must have been an incentive to get out the tools and seeds and draw up plans for this year's planting. . . . When Bill Widdifield has a job to do nothing can stop him. He had planned to trim his grapes last week and when that day came he went about the job even though the vines were covered with a couple of inches of snow. . . . Our Irishman Roy (O') Bracht came to work on St. Patrick's day wearing a beautiful green tie. Three other Irishmen (?) Andy Nichter, Bill Doell and Virg Allmandinger didn't think he showed proper respect for the day so they proceeded to cut the tie off, close to Roy's Adam's apple. . . . We have no way of knowing, so it could have been anything from fish bait to lard in the big can Mary Rupp was getting from Martin (Brownie) Brown in the parking lot the other day. . . . The distressed look of Paul Monroe's was caused by the breaking up of a beautiful friendship between him and the team of mules, which he was forced to dispose of. He hasn't made up his mind yet what method he will use to do his plowing from now on. . . . Now that spring has come we listen for Edna Mowery's daily report of new lambs. As of today the total is 17—seven pairs of twins and three singles. . . . Congratulations to Hilda Walda who so ably conducted the Elex bingo of last Friday. Through her efforts and those of her committee she collected a large group of interesting and useful attendance prizes. . . . Elsie Fabian who had an orchid on display at the Elex Spring Bonnet breakfast is taking this opportunity to report that it was not won by an Elex number—the lucky number belonged to a man.

Employees' Stores Close For Inventory

The Employees' Stores at the Broadway and Taylor St. plants will be closed Wednesday, March 30; Thursday, March 31, and Friday, April 1, for inventory. Both stores will be open for business, as usual, Monday, April 4.



by Vivian Bond

The "Old Timers" basketball game scheduled for tonight at the G-E Club should provide entertainment for the whole family. I understand many special sports features have been arranged, so take the whole family over to the G-E Club gym for an evening of good fun. . . . The following burst of original poetry is presented with permission of the author and the assurance that any reference of the late episodes of Mae Lacy, Works Service Accounting, is surely intentional.

You're pretty nice,
But there has been more than twice
That you have been in trouble,
Others do, but that's not you; You're always in there double.
And on parties you are a wow
We'll have to have you show us how.
We must inform Emily that she is not right—
You looked so cute waving your porkchop that night.
In perfect circles you are a pip—
But be more careful where you sit.
Cum and paint—you were a mess.
What you'll do next is anybody's guess.

If this keeps up, Mae Lacey, will be as well known as the "Busco Turtle."

Bldg. 18-3

The two new faces in Specialty Transformer Cost Section are Margaret E. Ford and Rose Marie Smead. Please accept our belated welcome. . . . I am told that Clara Thiesman is quite a bowler, would suggest an exhibition. . . . Sophia Jesse, with friends, spent last weekend in Chicago, dividing their time between the Palmer House and doing their spring shopping on Maxwell Street. How were the bargains? By the way—do they still sell dill pickles and pups from the same stand? . . . Irene Draper believes in early shopping. She has quite an array of Easter novelties ready for the day. . . . Happy birthday to Ruth Hunt and thanks for the candy. . . . Anyone interested in seeing a very pretty Buick—just stand in front of Bldg. 18 most any morning and you will see Paul Kissinger being dropped off for his day of hard labor, in grand style.

Bldg. 18-4

We are sorry to learn that Esther Sears' husband is home again with foot trouble. . . . Today is the last day for Mary Alice Herber, who is leaving to accept a Civil Service appointment in either Germany or Austria. She served several years with the WAC's during the war. . . . Barbara Meyers is leaving this week to work in the office of Tom Dent, Bldg. 6-1. Best of luck, Barbara. . . . Happy birthday to Annabell Redding. . . . Our welcome to Frances Thomas, who has moved up from Bldg. 18-3. . . . Congratulations to our reporter Dolores Connin who will be installed as an officer of Fort Wayne Chapter 432, Order of Eastern Star, March 25, at the Masonic Temple. . . . Barbara, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al Tharp, listened to wedding bells Saturday, March 19 when she was married to Richard Hartigan, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hartigan. They left immediately for Beloit, Wis., where they will make their future home. Our congratulations to the young couple as well as the two fathers who are both well known in General Electric. . . . Karl Reid leaves early Friday, with his family, to visit in Columbus, Ohio. But no escape from "The Turtle." It is becoming a national affair.

Let's Eat!



CAFETERIA and RESTAURANT MENUS

MARCH 28 THROUGH APRIL 1

BROADWAY	TAYLOR STREET
Serving Hours:	
Cafeteria—16-1 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.	10:48 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-2 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.	
16-1 6:45 P.M. - 8:12 P.M.	6:45 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.
Restaurant—16-2 12:00 M. - 1:00 P.M.	

MONDAY, MARCH 28

Beef Broth and Noodles	Tomato Noodle Soup
Roast Pork	Breaded Pork Loin
Beef Stew	Italian Spaghetti
Tomato and Bacon Sandwiches	Barbecue Sandwiches
Whole Browned Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Creamed Corn	Buttered Limas
Harvard Beets	Buttered Broccoli
	Sweet Potatoes

TUESDAY, MARCH 29

Cream of Potato Soup	Cream of Celery Soup
Roast Beef	Smoked Sausage
Ham and Cabbage	Beef and Noodles
Hamburger Sandwiches	Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whole Browned Potatoes
Escalloped Tomatoes	Harvard Beets
Glazed Carrots	Whole Kernel Corn

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

Vegetable Soup	Vegetable Soup
Pork Chops	Roast Beef and Dressing
Macaroni and Cheese	French Fried Fish
Boiled Eggs	Chili
Barbecue Sandwiches	Tuna Salad Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Stewed Apples	Stewed Tomatoes
Spanish Limas	Buttered Cauliflower

THURSDAY, MARCH 31

Cream of Chicken Soup	Cream of Potato Soup
Swiss Steak	Swiss Steak
Chicken and Noodles	Beef Stew
Ham Sandwiches	Chopped Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Buttered Peas	Buttered Spinach
Buttered Carrots and Celery	Stewed Apples

FRIDAY, APRIL 1

Tomato Barley Soup	Bean Soup
French Fried Oysters	Salmon Patties
Baked Ham	Veal Chop Suey
Boiled Eggs	Hot Roast Pork Sandwiches
Swiss Cheese Sandwiches	Fried Potatoes
Escalloped Potatoes	Buttered Squash
Green Beans	Creamed Peas
Buttered Hominy	

Wide selection of home-made pies and delicious salads served daily.
Breakfast served at Broadway daily from 6:20 to 7:50 A.M.

Special dinners and parties arranged upon request.

Menus Subject to Change

Inquiring Reporter

WHICH OF THE MAJOR G-E APPLIANCES IS THE GREATEST LABOR-SAVER FOR THE HOUSEWIFE?



ELDON K. BELL

Taylor St.

"I believe, without a doubt, the washing machine is the greatest labor-saving appliance to the housewife. We have come a long way from the tub-and-board day."



MARTHA E. RICE

Bldg. 17-3

"I think the electric refrigerator is because it really works for the housewife 24 hours per day, saving money as well as labor."



ROSALIE GERMANN

Bldg. 26-4

"All the G-E appliances are a big help to the housewife, but for myself I think the automatic washer is the greatest labor-saver in time and energy."



WALTER R. DUHN

Bldg. 19-2

"We have had our G-E flat-ironer 10 years, which we think is the greatest labor-saver in our home. My wife has cut her time spent at ironing in half since its purchase. Probably its best feature is the end of those long hours of standing while using a hand iron."



GRACE WALL

Taylor St.

"In my opinion the washing machine is the greatest labor-saving appliance G-E has to offer the housewife. After the laundry is finished for the week the other household tasks seem small, but I don't like to think of the many inconveniences if it were not for all G-E appliances."



Flip, flip, such swift shutting of lights, but it must be urgent as Waymon says, "Must hurry and get a beeah, before Al closes for the night." . . . We suggest Wilbur Fuelling move to California to his red-headed fiancee or have her move to Decatur R. R. before Ali Ghan sees her and gets a Humpty Dumpty heart. . . . The two little Drakes—Max and Virginia moved in their new home in Berne. From reports it must be a wonderful set up. How about a housewarming? . . . Norma Bower loves big juicy steaks, Kokomo Joe relishes minute steaks and lots of butter and milk, Carl Fisher devours raisin pies, Wilbur Fuelling prefers corn pone, and Pete Fairchild munches chicken, light or dark; oh well, invite the whole KH Line and make hash. . . . Why does Carl Schnepp always go back to Nashville, Tenn., about 9:30? Could it be that his spirit is inspired from that new book he sent for by mail order concerning Roy Acuff? Don't be surprised after a few easy lessons he'll be on television with Charlie McCarthy. . . . Wilbur Steele, speedball of the KH Line, says they'll get the motors out if George doesn't wear out before. . . . Charlie Zimmerman was seen shopping in Fort Wayne, Saturday. Did you get the missus her Easter bonnet? . . . Earl Mounsey sure is a good navigator. He traveled five miles through Franke Park to make a short cut of one-half block to get on the California Road. He sure is a homing pigeon when it comes to taking a short cut. . . . Jerry Light wants to know why they are always out of anything he wants at the cage. Must be Grade A products. . . . Jenny Snider is now on vacation at home—having taken the Optional Retirement Pension. . . . Sherman Zimmerman, that bow tie is sure snazzy. . . . Jake Baker sleeps during noon hours. He claims those early morning milking hours keeps him hustling on the run. . . . Bob Shoup is back on the job again, let us have some news in print, Bob. . . . We hear Carl Fisher has become literary-minded these days, those Popular Science books are sure educational. . . . Reggie Geisler takes it quite serious when it comes to fishing. He'll not fish when the snows on the ground, he thinks everybody will spot the good fishing places after his tracks. Don't worry, Reggie, bears were seen roaming along that vicinity. . . . Eddie Noonan is giving up women, that's his resolution for 40 days. Presume he'll take up poetry. How about an inspirational poem for the WORKS NEWS? . . . Hello, Folks! Here I am back again and I can't keep my fingers from pecking you out a few of the happenings around this place that has occurred in the last few weeks. . . . To start with Mickey McDougal really celebrated St. Patrick's Day by going down to Pete Fairchilds where he and others put in a new cement driveway and was demonstrating Pete's new power mower by running it up and down the driveway. Mickey is so Irish that he probably thought there was green grass there instead of cement. . . . And what do you know? Bob Brown, the pasteboard peril, is just recently a father and I believe he went overboard because he was seen at two o'clock in the morning taking french fries to the youngster out at the hospital. One thing for sure, Bob is going to see it will not go hungry. . . . Boy, that sure is a swell radio that Pete Fairchild has. I wish I had one just like it. . . . Do you know Gladys McBride? Huh, she probably doesn't know you either since she has that new Ford. . . . My, oh my, is there a doctor in the house? Surely Nellie White very nearly needed one very recently. A bone was lodged in her throat and it wasn't a fish bone either. . . . We don't blame Merle Burkhead for strutting his stuff as their first baby girl arrived at the Burkheads last Tuesday. . . . I feel so sorry for Al Windmiller, the Geneva Whirlwind, as he is away off over there in a corner by himself and nobody comes to see him. Never worry, Al, we haven't forgotten you. . . . We wish to inform friends of John Knott being in the hospital and any callers will be appreciated. His condition is not too serious. . . . The St. Patrick's motif was nicely carried out in the shop as there were several Irishmen present by wearing of the green. Yeah, even Ira Huber, test pilot, wore a very green shirt. . . . We also want to tell you of the baby boy born to Bert Scott, formerly Bert Stump of the Flange Line. The baby was born in February. . . . This paper would not be up to par if it did not mention Plymouth Fisher, otherwise known as Orval. I suppose he now has his Plymouth and is up inspecting the new car. . . . Folks, this is all and I will probably give you some more after the Easter Parade and if you have any items that you would like to have printed just let me have them. . . . Our sincere sympathy to Beatrice Coffelt upon the death of her sister.

A department store official says that women are the ones who always want bargains. Is that why they like to make husbands feel cheap?

G-E Club Gymnasium Is Scene Of Gala Sports Event Tonight



Plotting their tactics for beating the Motorettes are Ted "Nicki" Hicks and Ralph "Becky" Dunlap, members of the Taylorettes basketball team.

The G-E Club gym will be the scene tonight of a sports event that will long be remembered, according to J. C. Duryee, chairman.

Volleyball and basketball games will be featured as another in the G-E Club's Family Night series. The games are being presented free of charge to all club members, their families and friends.

The series will start at 7:30 p.m. with a volleyball game between the Fort Wayne YMCA and the G-E All-Stars. The latter team includes Dick Wagner, Tom Fox, Ray Soughan, Jack Fox, Hal Robertson, Hugh Folsom, Paul Berghorn, Ralph Mesing, Glen Macy, Leon Lahrman and George Cowan.

Novelty 'Girls' Game

The program will then feature a novelty basketball game between the Taylorettes and Motorettes. The members of these teams are:

Taylorettes—"Penelope" Burnau, "Nicki" Hicks, "Henrietta" Nahrwold, "Becky" Dunlap and "Clarissa" Liddy.

Motorettes—"Ola" Langenberg, "Prunella" Farrell, "Hortense" McKee, "Elaine" Goodman and "Katie" Rowley.

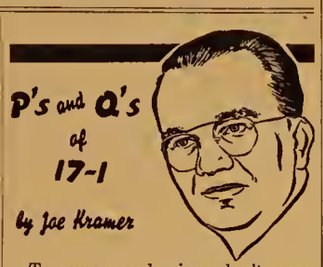
Old Timers To Play

The Old Timers' basketball game, stellar attraction of the evening, will feature a hoop contest between the Small Motor and West Side teams at 8:30 p.m.

The Small Motor team consists of Paul Burnau, Jim Oman, George Langenberg, Merton Edgar, Ted Hicks, Ken Wheatley, H. J. Nahrwold, Ralph Dunlap, Les Menze, Preston Slack, Tom Fox, Vic Leakey, Earl Souers, Everett McKee, Carl Rider, Bob Dent, Russell Poorman, Joe Henry, Perry O'Neill, Loyal Liddy and John Anspach.

Players on the West Side team include Bill Hattendorf, Bob Glenn, Bufford Long, Bill Schible, Erv France, Lowell Welker, Adam Farrell, Charles Lammiman, Bill Mosshammer, Glenn Macy, Francis Richards, Joe Goodman, Ray Soughan, Dennis O'Connell, Gail Rowley, Erven Hutb, Bob Crosley, Charles McAfee, Harold Braden, Bob Griffin and Sam Baumgartner.

The Crosley "Sisters" will entertain during the intermissions.



To some people signs don't mean a thing, and one of those persons is Betty Sue Morris. Sue walked into the Tool Room the other day and boldly asked Vic Hall if he could please direct her to, of all things, the Tool Room. Just like we said, signs don't mean a thing. There was a big sign hanging right above Sue's head that says Tool Room. . . . We want to welcome Verna Meyers to Bldg. 17-1. Verna came to us from Bldg. 4-4, and we hope she enjoys working with us. . . . Helene Evanoff asked that we retract the statement we made last week. We said Helene was taking a dancing lesson in the telephone booth. Helene says she wasn't. . . . All that Edmond Tickel would say was that it wasn't a door that caused that discolored mouse on his right eye. We wonder. . . . Now that the turtle is the talk of Bldg. 17-1, and numerous weight guessing contests have been started, it was up to the Tool Room to go all out. A walking contest is to be staged by Ed Huhn and Jack Lewis or John Braden and Ralph Pettit. If the turtle weighs less than 100 lbs., Ralph and John will walk from Churubusco to Fort Wayne; and if he weighs more than 100 lbs., Jack and Ed had better get their walking shoes limbered up. All we hope is that they get the turtle out, if there is a turtle. . . . The wearing of the green was very much in evidence last Thursday in Bldg. 17-1. We didn't know there were so many Irishmen and Irish ladies working in Div. 19. . . . A belated birthday greeting to Bernard Patrick Kramer. Happy birthday, Mike, sorry it's late. . . . Mary Gerhard has asked the question of the week—Would someone please explain how to tell a hard boiled egg from a raw egg without breaking the shell? Address all answers, Mary Gerhard, Bldg. 17-1. Thank you. . . .

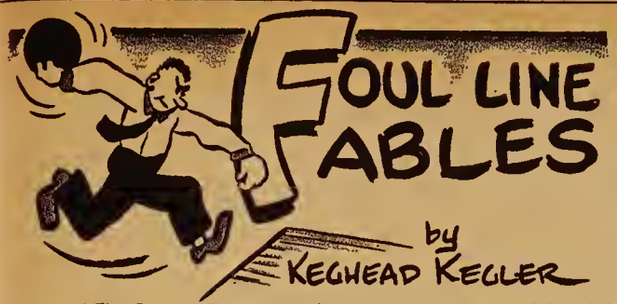
If anyone has any questions about the riding qualities of a Buick, see Vic Hall. Vic is now the proud possessor of a 1949 Super Buick. . . . The scale in the bond room really gets a work out on Monday morning. People seen using the scale Monday morning were Ruth Meeks, Addie Masbaum, Agnes Cordes and Bill Walt. If you want to know how to keep the weight down on the scales, see Richard Evans.



Apprentice BROADCAST

By Mildred Ellis

Spring is here (we hope). Spring has a new meaning to some of our newlyweds. They are learning the trials of spring housecleaning. Oh, to be single again. . . . Thursday was a big day for the Irish. McNulty and Barnes each sported beautiful green ties. Spots before my eyes again, this time it was just O'Gebert with his new green polka dot bow tie—classy eh? Barnes claimed that the shirt he had on Thursday was the nearest he had to green. Me thinks he'd better have his eyes checked. . . . Some traveling was done by our apprentices over the week-end. We hear that Paul Mischo went to see the "Beast of Busco." No beast did he see—where's Busco. . . . Paul Wuttke spent the week-end in Chicago. While there he saw the Chicago Relays and Tony Martin. Paul claims that the relays get better every year. . . . Mr. Wolf was out of town on business Thursday and Friday. . . . Robert Zollinger makes the news this week by introducing a new Oil Bath. Confidentially, I don't believe the idea will go over very big with the fairer sex. . . . The "lunch gang" miss Don Macke. . . . When bad luck strikes once, it sometimes strikes twice but in the Raupfer household it usually strikes three times. This time the Chicken Pox. . . . Question of the Week—"What happened to Barnes' 'stinky' old pipe." Too bad it was found—hanging out the window for air, of course, no one in the mill section knew who "dood it." . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Jones who are the proud parents of a baby girl. . . . Yes, the draftsmen are still around. With the basketball pools and turtle pools the boys have been keeping pretty busy. Well! John's wife guessed the right number again to walk off with $11.50. What is the matter with you, John. I guess Dorothy should do all of your gambling. . . . The boys sure looked sharp in the volleyball game last week. They looked like a new team altogether. Even some of the machinist's said they sure had improved. . . . The draftsmen have entered a team in the G-E bowling tournament. The boys elected Carl Hubartt captain. The other members of the team are John Leffers, Warren Berkheiser, Leon Lahrman and Joe Rowan. Good luck, boys, we hope you all have a good day at the same time. . . . Final test grades came back and the "front row" boys did it again. This time they came out on the long end instead of the usual short end. That Metallurgy test almost threw one of the draftsmen because he didn't notice the questions were scrambled. . . . The final in pools is the one about the turtle of Fulks Lake. The weights range from 47 to 414 lbs. Homer Carson figured the turtle weight by specific gravity or submarine or something, at any rate his scientific guess is 414 lbs. . . . Warren Brown's alarm clock (a Rhode Island Rooster) must be on the rampage, because Brownie has been to work on time for a full week now. Methinks he oiled the clock with cod liver oil.



In the Office League Erv Aumann's 603 count on games of 211, 202 and 190 helped the Dickason Barber Shop Boys to a three game sweep Monday eve over the Blueprint boys. This left the two of them all tied up for first.

There were only three 200 scores rolled (You'd think they were bowling at Atlantic City) 224 by Walt Gerke, 204 for Ted Ross and 202 snagged by Don Waldrop.

Small Motor League

The Production boys still lead the league. Two hundred scores were kegled by Bill Walt, 220; Parks, 200; Paul Berghorn, 213; Ife Holmes, 202; Paul Walker, 226; C. Holmes, 202, and Boedeker, 213.

Interdivision League

The following scores were rolled two weeks ago, but better later than never.

The Series and Specialty boys banged out a 1029 for high single game this half.

Don Dimke paced the 600 counts with a bulging 656 on games of 200, 198 and 258. Russ Rose was right behind with a 635 on counts of 208, 169 and 258. Other 600 counts were rolled by Walt Mertz, 191, 201 and 225 for a 617 and Erv "Bad Boy" Haugk 224, 168, 216 for a 608.

Berning, Jr., led the 200 list with his 255 count. Others were Wayne Wiemer, 234; Junghaus, 224; Milt Marks, 222; Erv France, 221, Putman, 219; Lee Crowell, 210; Thurm Leichty, 206; Geise, 203; Paul Walker, 202; Walt Starke, 202; Jerry Saylor 201; Adam "Lazonga" Farrell, 200, and Andy Koorsen, 200.

This week's 600 parade was led by Habig with games of 215, 178 and 237 for a 630 total. Close behind was Rump on counts of 221, 211 and 194 for a 626.

Two hundred games were rolled by Iannelly, 248 and 216; Buck, 232; Billman, 228; Mertz, 217; Les Shroyer, 215; Matthews, 215; France, 214; Tobias, 213; Starke, 212; Kuntz, 211; Buesking, 207; Putman, 207; Schmidt, 206; Allmandinger, 205, and W. Seidel, 201.

Ladies' Monday Night League

Margaret Lepper rolled the high series of the week with her 500 count. For her total she kegled games of 151, 177 and 172. Other high games were made by Maxine Root, 173; Esther Muzzillo, 170, and Emma Vaughn, 180.

Transformer Division League

France and Hobbs led the league with their 200 games of 200 and 219 respectively.

Decatur Bowling Leagues

In the Mixed Doubles League, the high men were G. Schultz, 607 for a series; H. Murphy, 255, and George Laurent, 224. In the women's divisions were V. Murphy, 152; F. Schultz, 169, and H. Schultz, 167 and 162.

George Laurent rolled a 621 series in the Monday Night League with G. Schultz rolling 231 and H. Murphy, 200.

Again George Laurent led the G-E Fraternal League with a 620 three game series. Two hundred games were kegled by McIntosh, 211; H. Murphy, 210; E. Faulkner, 226; F. Wolpert, 212, and Zelt, 206.

Bowling and Stuff

No 3,000 count to report, but we do have a neat 1261 count to report in the doubles by Ed Kraft and his partner Chick Carr, Ed getting a big 690 count as his share. The 1261 put them in ninth place on the big scoreboard at Convention hall, home of the 1949 ABC Tournament.

George Luedeman led the singles division with a 601 count. Ed Kraft was right behind with a 598 and leading the all-events was also Ed Kraft with a 1841 total.

Bill Doehrman, Ed Kraft and Chick Carr were honored by the ABC last Saturday evening for having participated in 39, 29 and 27 ABC tournaments respectively.

Old Keghead had more hecklers on the train home than Ed had well-wishers, as Keghead came up with a measly 422 count. The ABC gave me credit for a 462 just to prove they make mistakes also. I'm quite sure everyone enjoyed the trip, unless it was "Breakfast In Bed" Mertz.

Have you entered the G-E Employees Annual Bowling Tournament? Entries close April 2, so hurry, hurry, hurry.

Good luck to the Fan Motor Team this coming week at the ABC Tournament.

There's no use for Brouwer's to go to the State Tournament with the Motor-Generator team unless it's to have a good time, because the M.G. boys always get the wood.

Winter St. Beats Firemen, 46-42, In First Playoff

Winter St. won the first game of the playoffs Monday in the Interdivision Basketball League by defeating the Firemen, 46-42.

As the score indicates, it was a close battle all the way. The winners took a slight lead at the start and held it. The star of the game was "Tex" Beneke with 22 points. Most of his buckets were from well out. The Firemen held the score close; but each time they threatened, Winter St. rallied.

Box Score:

Firemen	G.	F.	T.	Winter St.	G.	F.	T.
Moodie	2	0	4	W. Reitdorf	0	2	2
Stemmler	2	4	8	Kent	0	1	1
Morkoetter	5	4	14	Richardson	0	2	2
Etter	1	0	2	D. Reitdorf	2	1	5
Baals	1	0	2	Schinbeckler	0	1	1
Meyer	2	0	4	Fisher	0	0	0
Vance	2	1	6	Blauvelt	1	2	4
Lambroff	0	0	0	Gallmeier	4	1	9
Somers	1	1	3	Beneke	9	4	22
Schible	0	0	0				
Totals	16	10	42	Totals	16	14	46



It's spring again! Several of our most enthusiastic golfers have been thinking all the long winter months of their golf clubs stored away in their closets. It won't be long anymore, fellas, until you can get them out on tbe green. . . . Then, also there are many of us who have been long ready to haul out our fishing tackle and poles to go on those summer picnic and fishing trips. . . . Do you realize that it's only 18 weeks until vacation? . . . R. W. Kaeck, A. C. Division, didn't quite make the exclusive "Floor Sitters Club," when he fell last week, but the floor was so close, he could almost feel it. . . . The close associates of Norm Oetting wish to thank him for buying a new pipe. But, Norm, please be careful and don't wash this new one in Duz! . . . Glen Stapleton and Harry Balz, D. C. Division, have just about decided that it is a good thing it is "spring" and housecleaning time. They both had unwelcome visitors in their desks over the week-end who ate some of their candy bars. . . . Joe Gardt brings home tbe groceries. He won a basketball at the Elex Bingo the other night. . . . Charlie Thomas has been seen lunching here quite often lately. We heard the explanation was that his wife is now on a diet. Could it be he likes his game of checkers, too? . . . Art Wilson was the lucky winner of the raffle in which the tool chest belonging to the late Paul Menze was the prize. . . . Happy birthday to Glen Stapleton, Max Barrows, and Mildred Hartman. . . . Lucile Zimmerman, Purchasing Section, has been wearing a pretty diamond on the third finger of her left hand for over a week. The lucky man is Edwin "Red" Mourey. . . . We hear that Gladys Knauer has a wonderful technique on "How to Catch a Man." Tell us more, Gladys! . . . We in Bldg. 4-6 bid farewell to the Purchasing Section, which is now in the process of moving to Taylor Street. We extend our wishes for a speedy recovery to Arlene Dillinger, Renewal Parts Division. Arlene is in the Van Wert Hospital recovering from an appendectomy. . . . We also wish a speedy recovery to Mrs. Dick Killian from her recent operation. . . . We still wonder what caused Hazel Rowe to fall flat on the floor in the Production Section, but we are glad she wasn't injured. . . . With the approach of spring, a young woman's fancy turns to love, and since the most readily available creature in Bldg. 4-6 is Meat Ball or Nature Boy O'Keefe (Sometimes called Ray), we assume his prefumed mail will far outweigh his business correspondence. . . . We in Northern Indiana are quite proud of the Auburn High School Basketball team, and, of course, were all rooting for them when they played in the finals in Indianapolis last Saturday. We are doubly proud of Jim Schooley, who won the Trester Award, which is the highest award given to a High School Basketball star.

Personality of the Week

We introduce Ernie Hicks, draftsman in the D. C. Division. Ernie graduated from Indiana Technical College and the G-E Apprentice School and has been employed with the Company nine years. Ernie's favorite hobbies are refinishing furniture (which incidently requires a great deal of skill) and record players. Ernie is married and has two children, one is in the first grade at Forest Park School and the other has not yet reached school age. The Hicks reside at 1026 N. Anthony.



The regular Interdivision Basketball League season ended last week leaving only the payoffs. While the race was not as close as it has been in some previous years, the spirit was excellent.

Taylor St., after losing all of its seven previous starts in the second half, never gave up. They won their last game of the season, beating Tool and Die, 36-26.

Tool and Die was down to five players the biggest part of the second half, but Manager Yentes had them out for almost every game.

Transformer and Small Motors, two teams that ran hot and cold all season had a close game with the former winning, 37-33.

The Apprentice School piled up a 10-point lead in the first quarter over Fractional and held it all the way winning, 44-32.

The Squares and Winter St. played the season's finale with Winter St. coming out on top, 34-24.

Box Scores:

Small Motor	G.	F.	T.	Transformer	G.	F.	T.
Markey	1	0	2	Felger	3	0	6
Voors	5	6	16	Woodward	3	1	7
Wickliffe	4	0	8	Wehrle	6	0	12
Rosswurm	1	0	2	Beyers	0	0	0
Koehl	0	0	0	Kramer	0	0	0
Neu	1	1	3	King	4	1	9
Drayer	0	2	2	Carpenter	0	0	0
				Taylor	1	1	3
Totals	12	9	33	Totals	17	3	37
Squares	G.	F.	T.	Winter St.	G.	F.	T.
Rogers	0	0	0	W. Rietdorf	2	0	4
O'Keefe	4	0	8	Kent	0	0	0
Robertson	4	5	13	Richardson	0	0	0
Hart	0	0	0	D. Rietdorf	4	1	9
Winchester	0	0	0	Schinbeckler	0	0	0
Antalis	0	0	0	Fisher	0	0	0
Parent	1	0	2	Blauvelt	2	3	7
Eaton	0	0	0	Gallmeier	3	0	6
Finkbeiner	0	1	1	Beneke	4	0	8
Totals	9	6	24	Totals	15	4	34
App. School	G.	F.	T.	Fractional	G.	F.	T.
Rasor	5	2	12	Howell	0	0	0
Owens	0	0	0	Wilson	3	1	7
Staley	3	1	7	Trabel	5	4	14
Beiber	0	0	0	Betley	3	0	6
Mowery	0	0	0	Hopper	1	3	5
Werling	8	0	16				
Allen	2	4	8				
Gottschalk	0	1	1				
Totals	18	8	44	Totals	12	8	32
Taylor St.	G.	F.	T.	Tool & Die	G.	F.	T.
Esterline	9	0	18	Yentes	5	0	10
Trott	2	0	4	Staley	5	2	12
Growcock	0	0	0	Truelove	0	0	0
Lothamer	4	0	8	VanOrsdale	2	0	4
Pappert	2	0	4	Dunlap	0	0	0
Reichert	1	0	2				
Totals	18	0	36	Totals	12	2	26

STANDINGS

	WON	LOST
Firemen	8	0
Squares	6	2
Transformer	6	2
Winter St.	6	2
Apprentice School	4	4
Small Motors	3	5
Fractional	2	6
Taylor St.	1	7
Tool & Die	0	8

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



G-E Rod, Gun Defeats Huntington Rifle Club

A match was held Thursday, March 17, at the Huntington YMCA between G-E and the Huntington Rifle Club.

E. Allmandinger and F. Reed tied for fourth place with each having the exact score for eacb relay. They shot off the tie at standing position with F. Reed out in front 78-77.

G-E Rod And Gun Club				
O. Emrick	98	95	82	275
K. Hart	97	92	81	270
L. May	99	97	74	270
F. Reed	98	93	71	262
Team Total				1,077
Huntington Rifle Club				
W. Large	96	97	81	274
S. Bowlin	97	93	77	267
H. Carr	97	95	69	261
C. Sauers	96	86	70	252
Team Total				1,054

Signs of Spring



Spring is here! According to the calendar, Sunday was the first day of spring. The next day Pa began painting the screens, Ma got her spring cleaning started, Uncle Ed started resurrecting his golf clubs and fishing tackle from the hall closet, and Aunt Suzie spotted the first robin of the season.

Other signs of spring came from the children. To record their reactions to the warmer weather, the WORKS NEWS photographer caught the scenes above:

1. Bobby, 8, helps his sister Nancy, 12, on with her roller skates. They are the children of R. C. Cowan, Taylor St.

2. Having a little string difficulty while building his kite is Jack Hirschfelder, 5, son of Darreld J. Hirschfelder, Bldg. 26-4.

3. Watch out for neighbors' windows and worn-out trousers when the boys take off for the nearest lot and a game of baseball. Trying out a brand new bat, Danny Somers, 14, gets ready to crack the first ball out into center field. His father, Forest, works in Bldg. 20-2.

4. No spring is complete without its lovers. Karen Sonday, 9, receives some flowers from an admirer, Monty Lepper, 8. Karen's father, Edwin, and Monty's father, Ray, are both employed in Bldg. 4-2.

5. Neil Bracht, 13, goes whistling down a lane to catch one of those big ones. He is the son of Roy F. Bracht, Bldg. 4-2.

6. Big sister, Dianne, 12, decides that if she is going to do any swimming this year, she is going to have to hand her swimming suit down to Colleen, 8, and buy a new one for herself. Daughters of George M. Murray, Bldg. 31-1, the two discover they have grown since last summer.

7. Andra Jeanne, 8, and Sue Ann, 12, daughters of William P. Schible of Bldg. 20-1, look over all the latest seed catalogues to plan their new garden.

Medical Memos

By Mary Heymann

Until another name has been found, our new column will remain "Medical Memos." There have been several suggestions for a name to be used as a title for the column telling of the activities of the Medical Section. To be fair with all concerned, it has been decided to have a CONTEST! All entries will be filed immediately in the nearest wastebasket. No box tops necessary. The winner will be given his (or her) choice of either one package of cold pills or six bandaids. So Enter Now. Do Not Delay! . . . Red Cross First Aid classes are in full swing. Our section is well represented. Veda Orff is one of the instructors, while Berneta Welbaum, Alta Bishop, Lyle Rupert and Mary Heymann are attending classes. There was some confusion, I understand, at the first class. It seems someone went to the wrong church! Do you suppose a city map would help, Veda? . . . Thelma Harrison, Taylor Street, recently became an aunt. Her niece is named Patricia. . . . Several of our group have been having what is known as "the common cold." Berneta Welbaum and Bertha Schrader of Bldg. 21-1 and Mabel Wilson, Winter Street, were off work but are back now. . . . Dust and the smell of paint are flying high and low in Bldg. 21 where new floors and general housecleaning are in order. Everything's topsy-turvy, but soon you won't know the old place. . . . Wanted: to trade even, my new Nash for an Austin or horse and buggy—Signed: Duane Stroud. Have a heart, Duane, the garage repairmen need work too! . . . Minnie Fryback of the Aboite Center road entertained at 6 o'clock dinner on Saturday night for some of the former nurses and co-workers of the Methodist Hospital. . . . Would like to use this litle poem as a closing thought:

When there is righteousness in the heart,
There is beauty in the character,
When there is beauty in the character,
There is harmony in the home,
When there is harmony in the home,
There is order in the nation,
When there is order in the nation,
There will be peace in the world.

Anon.

May we keep this thought ever in our minds and hearts.

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He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities.

—Isaiah 53:5

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Voltmen Announce Schedule of Games

Semi-pro Champions Open Season Against Michigan City Here May 15

The G-E Voltmen, twice national semi-pro baseball champions, will open their home season against the Michigan City Cubs Sunday afternoon, May 15, at Dwenger park.

The complete league schedule for the ensuing year was announced this week and includes 50 battles. A number of exhibition games with leading clubs from throughout the country will be added to the schedule later.

The league schedule ends Aug. 21 to allow the Voltmen to invade Wichita, Kan., and defend their semi-pro championship title in the annual National Baseball Congress tournament.

To Sign New Players

John (Red) Braden, now in his eighth year as manager of the Voltmen, has been busy the past few weeks signing new ball players.

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Average of Nearly 50% Of Employees Investing In Payroll Savings Plan

The United States Treasury Department announced today that employees of the General Electric Company were investing in U. S. Savings Bonds at the annual rate of $30,005,270 as of Dec. 31. Participating in this automatic Payroll Savings Plan were 86,384 workers, an average of nearly 50 per cent of total employment. This is a gain of almost 100 per cent over 1947 when 45,000 employees participated.

City Traffic Departments Place Safety Lane Across Broadway



Wilbur Babcock, of the City Traffic Engineering Dept.; A. R. Vegalues, G-E Chief of Police, and Gregor H. Klug, Captain of Traffic for the City Police Dept., watch one of the city workmen paint a safety lane across Broadway before placing the white blocks.

Work was started last week by the city of placing permanent safety lanes for pedestrians across Broadway and in front of the gates to the plant.

The project was arranged by the Company in co-operation with officials of the city traffic and police departments and bus companies.

REPORT IS AVAILABLE AT EMPLOYEES' STORES

Copies of the General Electric Company's Annual Report and Yearbook for 1948 are available to all employees at the Decatur, Broadway and Taylor St. Employees' stores.

MBA Benefits Nearly Double Under New Plan

2,348 EMPLOYEES, DEPENDENTS RECEIVE $284,714 LAST YEAR

During 1948 a total of 2,348 employees and their dependents received $284,715.53 in disability, hospital, death and surgical benefits from the General Electric Mutual Benefit Association. There were 1,498 employees and 850 dependents that benefited from the plan.

The total amount paid in 1947 was $166,472.90. The amount has increased over 1947 because of the expanded MBA plan. This new plan increased hospital benefits and added surgical benefits for employees and hospital and surgical benefits for dependents.

The average paid to each employee this year was $146.32 and to each dependent, $77.08.

Employees or their dependents that received more than one of the benefits were counted as one person in the total report, as were those who received benefits for two or more separate reasons.

Benefits totaling $136,591.15 were paid on 1,371 employee disability cases. Hospital benefits amounting to $38,489.16 were paid on 662 cases. Payments to 62 employee beneficiaries for death benefits amounted to $12,200. Surgical benefits were paid on 574 cases and totaled $31,911.55.

Benefit payments in 1948 exceeded 1947 payments by $52,718.96.

Elex Plans Trip To Niagara Falls

The Elex Club will sponsor an excursion to Niagara Falls June 11 and 12. Mary Leiter, Winter St., has been named chairman of the trip.



Mary Leiter

A special train will leave the Wabash station at 1 a.m. Breakfast will be served enroute after leaving Detroit. The train will arrive at Port Huron, Mich. at 7:30 a.m. and will then go by tunnel to Sarnia, Ont., where Elex members will pass immigration and customs lines. Arriving at Niagara Falls, Ont., at 12:30 p.m., the girls will transfer to the General Brock Hotel, overlooking the falls. They will be housed there.

The girls will have all day Saturday and Sunday morning free. From the Canadian side, some of the outstanding points of interest are the front view of the American Falls, Horseshoe Falls and Canadian Rapids. The falls are illuminated during the evening.

After Sunday dinner, there will be a special bus tour arranged to see other points of interest. Following the sightseeing trip, at 3:15 p.m. they will board the train and arrive in Fort Wayne Monday, June 13, at 12:45 a.m.

The cost of the trip is $31.50. The price includes round-trip railroad fare, breakfast and dinner enroute, hotel accommodations at the hotel, two to a room, transfers to hotel and station, sightseeing trip,

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Red Cross Drive

A total of $10,171.88 was contributed to the Red Cross during the fund-raising drive recently completed at the Broadway, Taylor St. and Winter St. plants.

Fractional Horsepower Div.	$4,313.28
Works Service, Contributing Div.	2,539.68
Transformer Divisions	1,480.15
Motor-Generator Div.	1,038.77
Winter St.	800.00

Production Methods Conference Held Here

Eight production supervisors and assistants from the Schenectady, West Lynn and Pittsfield Works were guests of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions and the Contributing and Service divisions of the Fort Wayne Works this week at a conference in Bldg. 16-2.

A part of a course on Production Methods, the conference was held as one in a series of four which are being conducted at each of the participating works in this group. There are six groups altogether in the General Electric Company taking the course and each group includes about four works.

The first session of this group was held at Schenectady last February. They will meet at Pittsfield in May and at Lynn in June.

Gamec Opens Conference

F. T. Gamec, Production Manager of the Specialty Transformer

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Seated: (l. to r.) L. E. Bradbury, Schenectady; W. J. DiGerolamo, West Lynn; C. R. Stevens, West Lynn; T. W. Jones, Fort Wayne, and Clifford Thiebolt, Fort Wayne. Standing: (l. to r.) M. S. Fay, Schenectady; J. J. Lavin, Schenectady; C. W. Prowse, Pittsfield; J. J. Derven, Schenectady, and H. Desmond, Pittsfield.

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What's Good For The Goose Is Good For The Gander

Politicians smart in the ways of public reactions have widely sold the idea that if a company raises prices, it's an outrage to the consumer, and if it cuts prices, it's a plot to prevent the paying of higher wages. Under this theory, business, never government, always takes the rap.

Take the matter of profits, which are at an all-time peak. Wages, costs and turnover are also at an all-time peak. The basic reason is that the rubber dollar is now worth approximately 50 cents, and it takes twice as many dollars to operate. Employees believe that twice as many rubber dollars for wages is O.K., but do they admit the stockholders should also receive twice as many rubber dollars? Not so you could notice it. Yet that's the real answer. The percentage of profit to the amount of business done is about the same as when the dollar was worth 100 cents.

One of the weakest arguments used by economists for the CIO and other labor groups is that wages can be raised without raising prices simply by making up the difference out of profits. What that would mean is that the pay of the stockholder would be cut. Profit, in the form of dividends, is what the stockholder gets for the use of his money—precisely as the worker gets a return, in the form of wages, for the use of his time and his skill. Both are absolutely vital to a free and progressive economic system.

The argument that good profits rob workers, consumers or any other group, is one of the weakest conceivable theories. Today, a very large part of the profit earned by industry goes, not to stockholders, but into new plants and other physical facilities. And it is those plants which will provide employment, at good wages, to workers in the future—and it is those plants which will provide goods and services the people want, and produce them at the most reasonable possible price. Suppose, for instance, that we taxed profits 100 per cent. How long do you think it would be before an economic depression, with soaring unemployment, dropping living standards, and all the other manifestations of bad times, would get a firm grip on the country?

This nation was built on good wages for workers and good profits for owners. It's just another example of the truism that what's good for the goose is good for the gander.

Take It Easy, Doc



Jackie is a normal boy except for hearing and speech difficulties. He's receiving speech and hearing treatment regularly that will help him communicate with others and adjust his handicap to everyday life. You help boys and girls like Jackie as well as those with other handicaps when you buy Easter Seals from the Allen County Society for Crippled Children.



SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q: What is a gas turbine?

A: In the ordinary gasoline engine used in automobiles, a mixture of gasoline vapor and air is admitted to the cylinder and exploded, the expanding gases pushing on the piston and turning the crankshaft. With a gas turbine, however, air is compressed and led to a combustion chamber into which the fuel is injected and burned, so that the temperature of the air is raised and the pressure increased still more. The stream of hot gas pushes on blades of a turbine, which turn a shaft. Part of the power has to be used to drive the compressor, but the rest is left over to do useful work. The idea of a gas turbine is a very old one, but only in recent years has progress in aerodynamic design and metallurgy made it practicable.

HUGH CRANE *discusses* State of the Nation

NEW YORK—The other night I was over at Ed's and his Missus' for dinner. Afterward we were having a quiet after-dinner-coffee talk about baseball, pyramid clubs, Ed's boss, the kids, and such things, when in walked Joe Aiglon and Elmer Pettengill, just through bowling.

So in no time at all the usual argument started up, about "conditions," the state of the world, and such high-flying subjects of conversation. Joe likes to talk about them because he always has either a gripe or a bright idea, while Elmer likes such talk because it gives him a chance to show that he doesn't believe in anything that anybody says.

"The government ought to do something," said Joe. "People in the Blank Department are being laid off for lack of orders. We're going into a depression. Why doesn't somebody in Washington get busy about it?"

Who Is "The Government"?

"What do you mean, 'the Government?'" asked Elmer. "Do you mean the President, or Congress, or the Federal Communications Commission, or the Bureau of Wild Life—or what?"

"Oh, anybody," said Joe. "Somebody, anybody. They ought to make some jobs. Guys are out of work."

"That's bad," said Ed's Missus.

"Sure, it's bad," said Joe. "It doesn't make sense. The country needs everything; but instead these guys sit around and bite their nails. 'No orders, no work,' says the foreman. Can you beat it? Where's the President of the United States, why doesn't he do something about it?"

"Pass the butter," says Elmer, handing himself some crackers and cheese. "I hear the price of butter has come down."

Should President Do More?

"Don't you think the President ought to do something to stop the recession?" says Ed to Elmer. "It might get bad if it goes much further."

"What can he do that he hasn't done already?" says Elmer. "He's asked for more money for everything he can think of, from old-age benefits to aid-to-Europe. Give him what he asks for and there'll be

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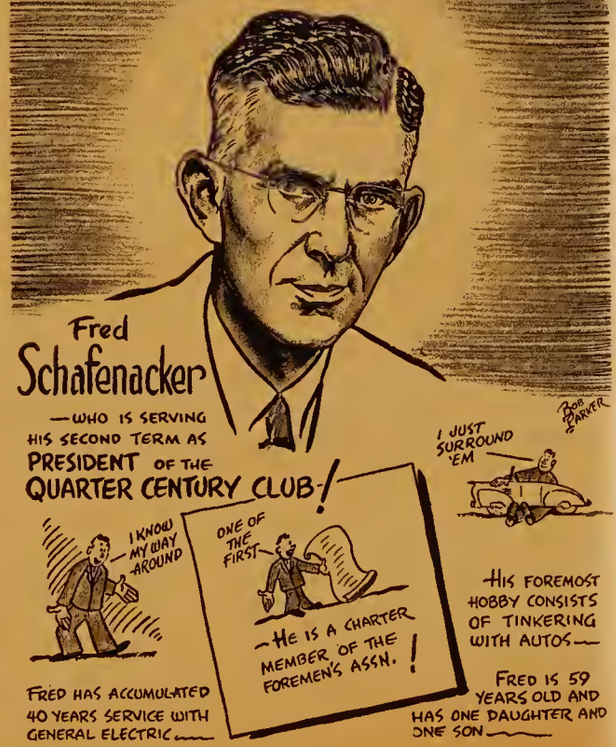
Our Faces Are Red

Last week there was a story on the front page telling about the "only father and son combination in the Quarter Century Club."

We had checked the authenticity of this story with proper authorities and were assured it was accurate.

Since its publication, however, we have learned of at least one other father-son combination in the club. To remedy our error, we would like to hear about all the others so that we might run another story.

Meet the President





P's and Q's of 17-1

by Joe Kramer

In spring a young man's fancy turns to what young girls have been thinking of all winter. . . . It must have been spring that caused Addie Masbaum to walk to the Fairfield parking lot before she realized she had left her car at Brouwers service station (notc the commercial) to be washed. . . . Speaking of spring, Vic Hall is looking for a musical horn to put on that super Buick. We wonder if he wants a whistle or wolf howl. . . . Ed (Bring-'em-back-alive) Huhn will be more careful in the future about unchaining certain animals. It seems, so the story goes, that Ed was playing with a coon on a chain. Being of a democratic nature, Ed couldn't see any reason to keep the coon chained up. The scratches on his arm and back will testify to his misjudgment. . . . Carl Fisher is looking for an instructor to give him 10 easy lessons in how to land fish. It seems he is able to get them up to the boat, but unable to get them in the boat. . . . Curly Sprague is now in the jewelry business. If you have any watches to be demagnatized, or old rings to be mended, get your order in early and avoid the Easter rush. . . . Paul Geiger missed out on the 7 a.m. gab session last week due to Johnnie Junk not coming along in time to bring him to work. Paul was out of sorts all day due to missing the pep session. Maybe he should try standing on the right corner next time. . . . If anyone knows the steps of the new dance, the BeBop, Helene Evanoff would like to take a few lessons. . . . We wondered where Ed Brosche got all of his playful boyhood ideas. It finally came to light this year that Ed's birthday occurs during National Boys' Week. Ed was a playful 29 yesterday. Happy birthday, Ed. We also extend best wishes to Paul Geiger. Paul is celebrating his 28th birthday. . . . Ed Martin has changed his name to Captain Cupcake. It so happens that everytime Frank (Nature Boy) Martin's wife bakes cupcakes, the Captain sticks his nose out the door and says, "Let's go for Vesey Avenue." Ed gets there before the cork is out of the vanilla bottle and can be seen taking home a sack of cupcakes. . . . George (Goldie Locks) Mosshammer is in the market for a new hat to go with his Easter suit, but he does not know what kind of flowers to have on the hat. George has a new pen and pencil set to put in the pocket to make him look dignified, so he says. . . . Another person looking forward to Easter Sunday is Charlie Niblick. Charlie is all set with his Ed Arthur suit. We have no reports as to where he got his hat, but we do know it did not come equipped with flowers. . . . We wonder why some people won't take a copy of the WORKS NEWS home, and if they do, we wonder why the page that this column appears on is missing. We won't put your name in the WORKS NEWS anymore, Mr. Tickel. . . . We don't know whether it was a dancing lesson or a modeling demonstration that Wally McKay was giving in the office last Monday noon.

Bob Drake Receives Tickets For Naming Minstrel Revue



Bob Schulte, publicity chairman of the Squares Club, presents two tickets to Bob Drake, Bldg. 28-2, for his winning entry in a contest to name the minstrel show which the club will sponsor later this month. Mr. Drake proposed the title "Plantation Capers."

Test Engineers Hear Address By C. E. Slater

Charles E. Slater, of the Labor Relations division, addressed the Test Engineers' bi-monthly meeting Tuesday at the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Slater's topic was "Human Relations in Industry."

In his address, Mr. Slater discussed the organization of the Labor Relations division and the background necessary for labor relations personnel. He then pointed out the need for mutual respect and understanding by both labor and management. He stated that as a result of this understanding there are better working conditions, is more job security, and better community and personnel relations.

G-E Engineers To Hear Talk By Paul Robbins At Annual Meeting

The Fort Wayne Association of General Electric Engineers has announced plans for their annual meeting to be held at the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce Wednesday evening, April 13, in collaboration with the Anthony Wayne Chapter of the Indiana Society of Professional Engineers.

The special feature of the meeting will be an address by Paul H. Robbins, Executive Director of the National Society of Professional Engineers. He will tell of the steps which have been taken and are being taken by the National Society toward obtaining adequate recognition for professional engineers. It is expected that Mr. Robbins will also relate his experiences in presenting information concerning engineers to committees of Congress during the formulation of the Taft-Hartley Law and the current revisions being considered for that law.

Production

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and Ballast divisions, opened the conference Tuesday morning and introduced C. E. Slater, of the Labor Relations Division. Mr. Slater discussed the importance of the production function as related to labor relations.

Before conducting a tour of Specialty Transformer Div. 93, W. H. Connor explained the floor layout of this division in terms of objectives, capacity and realization. Mr. Connor is the Manufacturing Engineer in the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions.

T. W. Jones, Assistant to the Supervisor of Production in charge of Order Service in the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, discussed the operation of layout and production methods of Div. 93 Tuesday afternoon.

A dinner at the Hotel Van Orman concluded the Tuesday session.

Maintenance Problems Given

A. E. Leider, Production Manager of the Works Service division, opened the meeting Wednesday and introduced Clifford Thiebolt, Supervisor of Production in the General Service division. Mr. Thiebolt explained some problems of maintenance related to production.

A tour was then made of the General Service division.

W. C. Wichman, Manager of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, talked on the subject, "What does a product manager feel is the responsibility of the production function?"

A talk on office methods and their applications by E. J. Horstman, Supervisor of Procedures in the Specialty Transformer divisions, concluded the conference Wednesday afternoon.

Elex Plans

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bridge tolls, tips and handling of baggage at the hotel.

Reservations can be made either with Irene Meyers at Broadway, or at the Taylor St. Personnel office by making a $5 payment. When making reservations, the following information must be given: Name, address, age, birthplace, and marital status. If any naturalized citizens are taking the trip, they must have their naturalization papers. Everyone must have some means of identification for the customs officials.

Hugh Crane

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pie in the sky for everybody from Norway to Mississippi."

"Yeah," says Joe. "That's inflationary. That'll drive prices up through the roof."

"Listen," says Elmer, "What do you want Joe? You do want deflation. You do want inflation. You want everybody should have jobs, but you don't want high prices. Which do you want?"

"Neither," says Ed's wife.

"Stability," says Ed. They both spoke at once.—I suppose because they're both stable people.

"All right," says Elmer, who seemed to be quite riled for some reason and had stopped eating crackers. "All right, I'll tell you how to get stability."

"I know," said Joe, "you get stability by having the President and his advisors do something."

"Not at all," says Elmer. "Not at all. Quite a different way. You're way behind the times."

"How's that"" I said. "We try to keep up with things. The Full Employment Act and all that. Shouldn't something be done to take care of inflation, if inflation's the problem, and of deflation, if deflation's the problem?"

"Not Do Something"

"Mh, Mh," said Elmer. "Quite the contrary. Something has to be not done."

"What do you mean?" asked Joe.

"Just this," said Elmer. "The President has already asked for everything you can imagine—on either side. More spending than the country can stand, and more taxes than the country can afford. He's got a heavy foot on the accelerator and a heavy foot on the brake. Congress will have to decide. If it decides that inflation's the problem, then it's less spending. If deflation's the problem, it's less taxing. Either way, something has to be subtracted.

"And it's Congress that has to do it," he continued. "Not Harry. The President is our hope of everything; Congress is our hope of stability. Just let's not condemn. . . ."

But at this point Ed's Missus interrupted by saying, "You boys must be tired arguing; would you like some scrambled eggs?"



Anybody who wants any new methods of cooking see Earl Munson, the chef of the tool crib. Say, Earl, if you care to, you can bring us samples of your cooking, since we are always pretty hungry about 9 a.m. . . . Ah, spring is here, as the birds are singing, the bees are buzzing, and so is Red Smith. He is always whistling "Cruising Down the River." Red, why don't you learn all of it. . . . It seems like a "Mr. Bruns" had a little nose trouble and had to pay for it. He stood up on his bench to look over the top of the new engineering test room and stepped on Wayne Gilliom's nice $7 pipe, breaking the stem and was Brun's face red. He was willing to pay for the damage that was done, but poor Mr. Gilliom was out of pipe smoking for the afternoon. Wayne, you ought to carry a spare as you know accidents will happen. . . . Can you imagine Louie Miller trying to pay the candy lady with 1/4-20 nuts instead of money? Too bad it didn't work, Louie. . . . We see that Paul Sturm came into work this morning wearing his cowboy boots and they sure had a shine on them. Paul, the fellows want to know, "where you keep your horse?" . . . "Life Gets Tedious," so I'll have to sign off for this week and save some gossip for the next time.

Decimal Minute Men Hold Annual Election

Perry Esterline has been elected president of the Decimal Minute Men.

Other officers elected are William Meyers, vice president; Edson Dickey, secretary; Hobart Retter, treasurer, and Gail Kreager, sick and welfare. The steering committee was also elected and includes Neal Hench, Eugene Foster and John Laymon. Installation of officers will be held Monday night, April 18, at the Chamber of Commerce.

Plan to get your Voltmen ticket early.

Two Join Q-C Club



Russell L. Armstrong
Bldg. 26-2



Jacob Hoelle
Bldg. 5

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Auhrey

Joan Lebig had decided that the next time she feels like a little outdoor exercise she is going to stick to her bicycle and leave the horses to the cowboys. She said everytime she would let out with a moan, the horse thought she was saying "Whoa" and there she would be standing still again. . . . Perry O'Neill played on one of the "Old Timers" basketball teams the other night at the G-E Club, and he too discovered some muscles he hadn't used for awhile. Perry, you are getting too old for that sort of thing, you had better stick to fishing off the bridge. . . . The very best of luck to Earl Wynn who is leaving our group this week. Earl, we really do hate to see you leave. . . . Have you noticed the cushion on Dick Pinkham's chair? That is really solid comfort. When are you going to get the footstool to go with it, Dick?. . . What happened to your scores in the bowling tournament last Saturday, Hughie? Guess you should stick to fishin' too. . . . See you next week.

Fractional Fiction 4-5

By Leola Carrier

Birthday greetings of the week go to Lucinda Pettit, Olga Hart, Louis Hutchinson and yours truly. . . . Spring is here in some ways. Ilo Kraft is serenading the roads by taking driving lessons. So be on the lookout, if you see a fast or slow driver, it might be Ilo. . . . We understand we have another good fisherman on the floor. He is Everett Shull. He recently caught 26 catfish in one fishing. . . . The co-workers of the packing section wish Joe Moritz a speedy recovery. He is on the sick list. . . . Old news is still good. One morning Francis Gerardot came to work with his shirt on the wrong side, and Ruth Leeuw with hose that were not mates. Could it be spring fever or the alarm didn't ring and they had to hurry. . . . Lucinda Pettit spent the week-end in Chicago and Neva Scott in Buffalo. They had a wonderful time. . . . George "Ola" Langenberg put on a good exhibition last Friday night at the old-timers basketball game. Other members of "her" team had difficulty with their wearing apparel, but Ola managed to keep her wig and clothes on. The whole team was dressed as girls and they had the house in an uproar all during the game.

First Joint Meeting of Trainees Is Held This Week In Schenectady

"Leadership—Key to the Future"

This was the theme for the first annual joint meeting for men on the Advanced Manufacturing Leadership Program. The meeting was held in Schenectady, March 30 and 31.

Men attending the meeting represented the three phases of the training program: the Advanced Manufacturing Program, the Advanced Production Program, and the Advanced Methods, Planning and Wage Rate Program.

The objective of the meeting was to provide an opportunity for the trainees to hear several members of Apparatus Department management discuss the various phases of the Company's business and the part effective leadership plays in meeting these business challenges. Trainees actively participated in the meeting by asking questions of the speakers and discussing between themselves the contents of the various talks.

W. W. Trench, Secretary of the Company, highlighted the two-day meeting with a dinner talk Wednesday evening at the Hotel Van Curler. His subject dealt with the importance of leadership to the Company in the past and what it will mean in the future.

The Wednesday meeting was devoted principally to talks and discussion on some of the major functions of the Apparatus Department, such as, Sales, Engineering, and Employee and Community Relations. Speakers for this day were: N. Currie, Jr., C. H. Lang, B. A. Case, J. A. Spencer, H. V. Erben, K. O. Schulte, T. D. Foy, and A. M. Webster.

The second day of the meeting was devoted to talks on such functions of manufacturing as: Methods and Equipment, Quality Control, and Production. Talks were presented on this day by: C. H. Linder, C. W. Fuller, A. V. Feigenbaum, L. J. Male, T. F. Garahan, and F. T. Lewis.

Men sponsored by the Fort Wayne Works who attended the meeting were:

Advanced Production Program—B. F. Brickley and E. S. Sembroski.

Advanced Methods, Planning and Wage Rate Program—M. F. Trott, J. T. Howerton and R. D. Olson.

Others, who are now located at Fort Wayne but sponsored by other works, are:

Advanced Manufacturing Program—T. B. Greenman.

Advanced Production Program—W. R. David, R. G. Loecher, R. F. Richard, W. L. Scanlan and E. C. Hazelwood.



OUT OF THE BLUE in 26-2 office

by Delores Patterson

The Service Bureau welcomes Helen Folsom from Taylor St. She has taken over Vera Killian's place. Vera is doing well and if anyone desires to see her, she's in room 258 at the Lutheran Hospital. . . . Just think what a li'l bit of teasing can do. Thelma Schmidt has been teasing Bob Thomas and George Sawles about dressing up instead of always wearing their sport clothes. To her surprise they came to work Thursday each with a tie and suit on. Boys, you did look nice. . . . The Production office of Bldg. 26-2 welcomes Velma Meads and Millie Kouder both from Bldg. 26-4. . . . The Drafting division welcomes back Ralph Pappert. He had been ill several days. . . . Have you ever heard of a kissing transformer? Roedean Dowell was typing a quotation and in the body she was supposed to type about "vertical blocking oscillator transformers," instead she typed "Osculator transformers" — osculating means kissing, so they now have kissing transformers in Bldg. 26-2. . . . Last week Les Denham went to Chicago and while there the hotel was so crowded he spent the night on a cot in the powder room —cost $2.50. Did you have a restful and peaceful night? . . . With the surplus of girls in Fort Wayne, why don't John Oldenkamp and Chet Krasienko give more than just one gal (and the same one at that) a break? With all their charm it hardly seems fair that one girl should get all the advantage of it (Quarter please.) . . . The fellows in Ballast Engineering were wondering where Gordon Harvey's tan was when he returned from two weeks in the "land of sunshine," (California, that is). It was strictly a business trip though, so consequently, Mr. Harvey still has on his Indiana complexion.

Elex Club Holds Sale, Plans Easter Parties

The Elex Club rummage sale is being held today and tomorrow at the home of Dorothea Slyby, 308 W. Brackenridge St. The Partizan chapter is supervising today's sale, with Elex members clerking tomorrow.

The Melody Trio will sing for the Elex Easter parties Monday, April 4, for the day girls and Wednesday, April 6, for the night girls. Delores Patterson, Bldg. 26-2, will also sing for the Monday evening program.

Supper will be served from 4:45 until 6 p.m. for the day girls' meeting at the G-E Club gym. The night girls' luncheon will be at 12 noon in the YWCA.

George Steinacker Dies At Hospital

George J. Steinacker, 52, 2016 Oakley St., died at 4:45 p.m. Friday, March 25, at St. Joseph's hospital where he had been a patient since Wednesday.

A lifetime resident of Fort Wayne, he was a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church and its Holy Name Society. He managed a grocery and meat market with his father before coming to General Electric in 1942.

Mr. Steinacker is survived by his father, Frank J.; a son, James J.; a daughter, Mary Theresa, and a sister, Mrs. Veneta Doescher.

Five Employees Go On Retirement



Lola McCague

Lola McCague, Bldg. 17-2, left today for retirement. Mrs. McCague first came to General Electric in 1922, when she did armature work in Bldg. 4-5. During her service with the Company she has worked as an assembler, inspector, gager and finisher. At the time of her retirement she was an insulator.

Mrs. McCague is living at 1113 E. Wayne St.



C. O. Tuttle

Caryl O. Tuttle, Bldg. 26-1, retired today after 23 years service with the Company.

Mr. Tuttle was first employed in 1916 as a punch press operator, and later became a punch and die setter. In 1921 he transferred to Bldg. 17-3 as an assembler. Mr. Tuttle then was a punch press operator in Bldgs. 4-1 and 26-4. Since 1925 he has been working in Bldg. 26-1.

He lives on Arbor Ave.



Arba Kurtz

Arba Kurtz, Taylor St., retires today after 21 years of service. She was first employed in Bldg. 17-4, doing armature work. She later did hand winding, stacking, burring, and cleaning after having been employed at molding in the Plastic division. Since 1948 she worked in assembly at the Taylor St. plant.

Miss Kurtz lives at 1825 Webster Street.



W. F. McKinney

W. F. McKinney, foreman of the carpenter and box shop, Bldg. 10-1, retired recently. He started at General Electric April 6, 1925. He has been a foreman since 1939. He previously worked in the factory methods shipping division and in the carpenter shop. Prior to his G-E service, Mr. McKinney served as an officer in the U.S. Coast Artillery.

He resides at Hazelhurst Dr., is married and has a daughter who is a student at Indiana University.



Effie Wyatt

Effie Wyatt, Taylor St. plant, retires today after 22 years with General Electric. Her employment service dates to January, 1926, and her first job was an insulator in Bldg. 10-3. She has worked as leads and cables maker, field wedger, finisher, assembler, and tier. At the time of her retirement she was a carton packer.

Miss Wyatt resides at 506 Lavina Street.

70 Suggestors Share $901 In Awards

Thompson Earns $50



Fred Thompson, FHP Motor Div. 16, made a suggestion to install a system of electrical switches on annealing ovens which netted him $50. Mr. Thompson, at the right, points out a few features of his suggestion to Jack Dobson, his foreman.

Seventy suggestors shared $901 in awards this week. Top man for the list is Harold L. Gick, FHP Motor Div. 13, who received $145 for his suggestion about the finish on jet pumps.

Next in line is Fred Thompson, FHP Motor Div. 16, with a $50 award. Mr. Thompson's suggestion pertained to the installation of a system of electrical switches on annealing ovens. Chet McIntosh, Decatur plant, was awarded $45 for his suggestion on testing overloads. Forty dollars went to Robert M. Turschman, FHP Motor Div. 14, for suggesting the purchase of tubing in 35 inch lengths.

Those who received $25 awards are Ardell W. Hambrock, FHP Motor Div. 13; Roy J. Burris, FHP Motor Div. 14; T. H. Gehrig, Decatur plant, and John A. C. Lea, Specialty Transformer Div. 95.

The following employees received awards amounting from $5 to $20:

FHP Motor Div. 13: Donald I. Macon, Bertha Albrecht, Charles A. Sherland, Paul L. Brandt, Ruth M. Smith and Brice Martin.

FHP Motor Div. 15: Christian Stauffer, Ralph Dilworth, William B. Widdifield, Paul K. Habecker, Park E. Schemehorn (two awards), Lola M. Whitackre, Donald E. Rose, Sylbert Heaston, Carl W. Barber, Willis K. Dillman (two awards), Roy W. Molthan, Roy F. Bracht, Merl E. Bryie, Francis F. Fann and Harry C. Grimm.

FHP Motor Div. 16: George Eshelman, Owen W. Cartwright, Adrian H. Weaver, Eunice Zehr, John Anderson, and Art Maske.

FHP Motor Div. 17: James J. Carey.

FHP Motor Div. 10: Charles E. Gable.

Decatur Plant: T. H. Gehrig (two awards), Cecil Franklin and Josephine Ivetich.

DeKalb Plant: William H. Walsh and Jack Wise.

Specialty Transformer Div. 91: Doyle D. Miller, J. H. Plescher, Hovy L. Schrader, Robert A. Bunyan, George E. Barker and Glenn R. Kaylor.

Specialty Transformer Div. 94: Norman R. Voelker, John R. Darnall, Murray J. Sherman, Lester B. Redding, Paul B. Gressely, and Helen L. Eger.

Specialty Transformer Div. 95: Harold Niemeyer (two awards), Dorothy M. Luellen, Max W. Lydy, Catherine Parkins (two awards), Loretta G. Bloom, Ernest A. Kern, Anthony M. Luke and Nicholas E. Derloshon.

Motor and Generator: Lawrence E. Flickinger, Lloyd F. McClure, Alfred H. Woehnker, Ralph E. Jacobs, Leo P. Christle and Marvin A. VanSkyock.

Miscellaneous: Frank W. Hopper and William M. Lipp.

Gick Receives $145



Harold Gick, FHP Motor Div. 13, suggested changes in the method of finishing jet pump motors and earned $145 in a suggestion award for his idea. He is at the left showing a motor, finished according to his suggestion, to Edward Kimmel.



April Fool! Bet you thought I wouldn't write any news today. . . . Better get all your garden tools sharpened. Our farmers and would-be farmers will soon be having spade and spud troubles. Oh, my aching back. . . . Spring may be bursting out all over, but on the early bird shift, it's new faces. Hello to Irene Ely, Eliza Page, Velora Drury, John Doenges, Eliza Fowler, Fane Clingenpeel, Florence Lehman, Ada Gatlin, Gleniveer Grimm, Betty Kummer, Marcella Rodman, Mary Harper, Clara Thompson, Vernon Baker, Roy Houtz, Jr., Callie Broks, Ethel Carr, Ivah Grandstaff and Pauline Kirchner. . . . We say hello and goodbye in the same breath to Paul LeCoque. He was called back to Taylor St. Nice knowing you. . . . Returning to work are Madalyn Lake, Guy Johnson, Rose Hughes and Jenny Zimmerman. Rosa Collier has returned to first and Gertrude Martin and Mary Irven have gone on second. . . . Sorry to report that Pauline Stocks has taken a leave of absence. . . . If I have missed anyone, I'm sorry and a hello to you, too. . . . Anyone wishing the color of your kitchen changed every week, see John Anderson. That's his hobby. . . . If you see a pair of lowers floating down the St. Mary's river, they belong to Gertie. . . . Mary Wright came tripping in with a couple dozen eggs (raw) took a spill and so did the humpty-dumpties. We didn't even have a skillet or breakfast would have been served. . . . Happy birthday to Jeanette Breinfalk. . . . A new fad on the 534 line —Not new Easter togs, but new cushions for their chairs. They seem to think it will save them in the end. . . . Jerry Snyder cut her bair and I do mean cut. She can't get a permanent, it is so G.I.ish. . . . A few of Floetta Zartman's friends had a surprise birthday party for her last Sunday. . . . Corrine Martin (Bill's wife) celebrated with Floetta. We would like to see some of those pictures that were taken. . . . Jack Dennis has been chewing wedge cuttings in his tobacco. He would be very happy to know who is the culprit. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Grace Jones in the death of her sister-in-law.

Plan to get your Voltmen ticket early.

Just get too important in your own way if you want to get in the way of others.

There's only one state that allows women to work 15 hours a day—the state of matrimony.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

Spring is here and with it came a bouncing baby boy to Robert J. Bubb. Congratulations, Bob. . . . Adam L. Ragan celebrated his silver wedding anniversary last week. He brought in some of his anniversary cake to a select few. Congratulations, Adam, and many more happy anniversaries. Adam says when everyone else is done trying to catch the Beast of Busco, then he will catch it. . . . Luther McConnehey is now reading the funnies to Ruben Dewart. . . . It seems as thougb Paul Noffze has a part-time job as an insurance claims adjuster. Recently Paul estimated the loss of the big Avilla fire, but comparing his figures with the ones from a local newspaper we found tbat he was only $17,000 higher than the actual loss. . . . It is rumored that Ted Mullens laid off Tuesday in order to get a look at the Beast of Busco. . . . There must be some secret connected with the envelope that Floyd Null keeps locked up in his locker. We don't know what it is, but will take a guess and say that it has something to do with the daily noon time recreational session. . . . John Layman Sr., and Gerald Crum have teamed up and are practising the mystic art of magic. It is not an uncommon sight to see either one of these boys pull some unforeseen object from an empty container. At present it looks like Crum might be taking his magic a little more seriously than his partner because we observed that he was successful in pulling a new car out of the bag for himself last week. . . . Someone in the division has tagged Paul Noffze as having an original quotation and one that he uses quite frequently is "I'm only human." . . . Now that spring is here Fred Thieme will be taking orders for fresh fish again. . . . Bob Bunyan and Fred Wellensiek seem to have a lot in common in the fact that both like to run "clamp jobs." . . . Our division wishes to extend our heartiest welcome to a past supervisor who in recent years has attained an unknown number of friends in the division. We speak of Fred Banks who has returned as our superintendent. . . . We would all like to extend our best wishes to Caryl Tuttle upon his retirement. Good luck, Tut.



Be on your guard as this is the day when the foolish who think they are wise are out to trick you. . . . That sure was a "smelly" trick that was pulled up here last last week. We never did like limburger. . . . They tell me that Edna Hergernrader and Ann Hershberger enjoy working so much more now and I say "Why not?" . . . Some people are lucky like Ruth Tutwiler and get all the bargains. I think they see me coming and boost all the prices. . . . Your reporter sure isn't on the ball when one of the girls is an attendant at a wedding and we don't know about it. How about a little more cooperation? I bet Ruth Reed made a pretty attendant. . . . We are wondering what has become of Merl Keeslers' Pyramid Club. We are all waiting to help him spend his winnings! . . . That girl with the many talents, Clarice Woodruff, is at it again. First it was knitting mittens, then socks, then sewing. Now cream puffs! They seem more interesting than any of her other talents. How about a sample? . . . Esther Fagan is going to take up dressmaking. She likes the new necklines this season. . . . Florence Reckeweg and Eleanor Whitehouse are our big time bowlers. They are always comparing scores. Who is ahead now, girls? . . . Happy birthday to Ann Hershberger.

Motor and Generator Static

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Our thought is the key which unlocks the doors of the world. There is something in us which corresponds to that which is around us, beneath us, and above us."

Alhert Spencer, Bldg. 31-1, tells us that the Mystery Melody is "Saint Paul's Steeple.". (?) . . The man who rows a hoat generally doesn't have time to rock it. . . . Iona Goodin, formerly Iona Dawson, became the proud mamma of a baby girl Monday, March 28, 11 a.m., at the St. Joseph hospital. Mother and baby are doing fine. Aunt Donahelle is expected to recover. . . . Ye Olde Editor just received a card from Art Voelker. Here is Art's new address:

Rect. A. L. Voelker, U.S. 52005797
Co. B, 8908 Class No. 109
TSOTAG
Camp Lee, Virginia

How True: If you're a man of few words, you won't have to take so many of them back. . . . Overheard at the dinner tahle: Marion Bailey, "I hope next Saturday is as nice as today; I know where I'll he." Friend, "Going fishing?" M.B. "Gosh, no, golfing." F. "Oh, hit it and go find, huh?" M.B. "When I hit it I don't have to look for it; I know where it is." . . When is a cat a rat? Jim Mitchell has a cat he feels would qualify for either title. Sez Jim, "I kept this cat to protect the Emporium from rodents, but she turned out to he a rat." James purchased a large angel food cake for a customer and Tabhy, discovering this bit of pastry, decided it would make a nice place to nap. So Tabby nested down for a sleep and on awakening decided she needed food, so ate part of the cake. This developed her appetite so going over to the doughnut box she pulled several out and took a few bites out of each. By this time Tabby decided she needed another rest, so climbed up to the shelf where cereal was displayed. Feeling this space was too crowded, kitty kicked boxes off the shelf until she felt there was plenty of room, then stretched out to nap. Last week Jim announced he intended to discover the "Monster of Blue Lake." This writer feels that James has made that discovery . . . Roscoe Markley, our big ham and egg man, had a narrow escape. He crawled into the pig house to check on his stock and frightened the pigs who started squealing. A mother hog hearing their cries rushed at Roscoe who escaped hy pushing his head through the roof and enlarging this hole crawled to safety. There are times when it pays to have a good solid head on your shoulders . . . Boh Kite, our cowboy, intends to give lessons on riding and bronco husting at Buck Lake Ranch. Anyone desiring lessons contact, "Two Gun Kite" who for a nominal fee will teach them all the tricks . . . Ed Homan is a fast thinker, far faster than Ed Foley is, under certain conditions. A few weeks ago we told of Ed Foley's rip in his trousers, his trip home to change clothes and his hopes that no one would discover the truth. Ed Homan had a similar accident but thinking fast, he procured some masking tape and made temporary repairs, also hoping no one would find out the truth . . . Dick Hobson didn't forget the little woman's hirthday. He hought flowers hut sent them a day early. When he discovered his mistake he purchased a large hirthday cake. "This will he a surprise," he remarked.

RAMBLINGS 31-2

APRIL is here. Now is the time to plant grass seed, to spade the garden, to paint those screens, to polish the golf cluhs, to start spring cleaning, to clean out the closets and hring those too short, too tight, or too faded things in for the Elex rummage sale next week. . . . We hope the return of spring will hring Chick Waltemath back to the office. Chick has been ill for sometime. He is still improving though and we want to see him soon at Bldg. 31-2. Say, fellows, how about stopping in to see Chick sometime; vistors are welcome. . . . Speaking of spring, "Marv" Baker was not trying to be stylish by wearing mitts on his hands. He was doing a little painting and got some on his hands. Marv washed his hands in turpentine and soon discovered he was allergic to something. Either the paint or turpentine caused his hands to turn very red. . . . Paul Gratny has taken a position in our Commercial Section, working for Mr. Kissell. . . . Howard Naslund is sad. All his friends, who helped him with his work on the house, are leaving town. . . . The windows of Bldg. 31 will he washed today. —Loof lirpa!

Your Roving Reporter

Ouch!



THAT HURTS LIKE—LIKE BEING SHOT FROM AN AIR RIFLE! Of course it does, and it has, in many instances, as great a penetrating power when given a suitahle firing chamber with a propelling charge of compressed air from one of our TOO MANY factory air line outlets throughout the Works.The firing chamber would be a tapped or drilled hole, a corner or slot in the machine, work bench, etc., or any similar place where the air can he trapped and then "bounce" back out at you or your neighbor. Or it may he the direct blast from the ⅛" air gun nozzle which propels the particle of metal, emery, dust, etc., against you. Particles thus propelled HAVE CAUSED BLINDNESS OR PARTIAL BLINDNESS TO FORT WAYNE WORKS EMPLOYEES.

Why did we select Art Thieme, Foreman, and Safety Leader, General Tool division, and the Safety Committeemen in this division to help us with this article? Because this division helped us "start off" our current program of REDUCING THE NUMBER OF AIR GUN INSTALLATIONS AND INCREASING THE SAFETY IN THE USE OF THOSE REMAINING.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer



The Puhlicity Department of General Electric has just issued a hooklet "Electrical Developments of 1948." It is thrilling to read of achievements made during the year and it should be a matter of satisfaction to every employee to know that he had a part in making this record possihle. I am sorry to turn poetic on you two weeks in succession but the following seems to fit in so well. So, with my apologies to an unknown author—

YOUR JOB

Wherever you are working—in office or shop,
And however far you may be from the top
And though you may think you are treading the mill,
Don't ever belittle the job that you fill;
For however little your job may appear
You're just as important as some little gear
That meshes with others in some big machine,
That helps keep it going—though never is seen.
They could do without you, we'll have to admit,
But business keeps on, when the big fellows quit!
And always remember, my lad, if you can,
The job's more important (oh, yes) than the man!
So if it's your hope to stay off the sheif,
Think more of your job than you do yourself.
Your job is important—don't think that it is not
So try hard to give it the best that you've got!
And don't think ever that you are of little account.
If they didn't need you, you wouldn't be there.
So, aiways, my lad, keep your chin in the air.
A digger of ditches, mechanic or clerk,
Think well of your company, yourself and your work.

In these days of uncertainties and unrest the world over, this advice is timely and should behoove us one and all to—maybe read it again—and apply it to ourselves. . . . Claire Theisman, Bldg. 18-3, celebrated her birthday last week with ice cream, cake 'n things. . . . Doris Rhonemus, Bldg. 18-3, and her husband were "caught" looking over the open house on Maple Grove recently. Could it be they are planning to move in from Leo? . . . A. S. Johnson, Bldg. 18-1, has been the center of discussion with regard to the Kentucky haskethall team standing. Needless to say, being a "Southern Kernal" he was right proud of his home state. . . . Ed Trabel, Jr., Bldg. 18-B, messenger, has difficulty keeping his balance. The floor comes right up to meet him every now and then—Happy Landings! . . . Wanted a "walkie-talkie, alarm clock" for Marion Champion, Bldg. 18-B. She likes to sleep on the hus going home, hut she should have the alarm or she may have a long ride to the end of the line. . . . Ruth Ann Ryan and Donna Walters, Bldg. 18-B, have a good running howling record at the G-E Cluh alleys at noon each day. . . . Thanks, Hazel O'Brien, Bldg. 18-B. She proved beyond any douht in my mind that she really can hake good cakes! . . . Betty Carper, Works Service Payroll, and Vickie Bickis, Accounting, are leaving today. We understand Vickie will "center aisle" to a well known tune early in June. We are sorry to say goodbye hut wish you both all the success and happiness in the world. . . . It would seem that the farewell party for W. Blomenherg held Friday night at the Squares hall must have been quite an affair. He is leaving G-E to explore the great state of California. Our very best wishes to you in your husiness adventure in the sunny state. . . . Mrs. Lawver, mother of Jeanne Grant, Bldg. 18-4, who has heen quite ill is now improving nicely. . . . Ronnie, son of Ray White, Bldg. 18-4, was the youngest contestant from Fort Wayne in the Public Schools Musical Contest. He is in the sixth grade and plays a baritone. As only junior high and high schools were represented, Ray is very proud that Ronnie was selected. . . . The March wind blew until it finally took over Bldg. 18-4. It captured papers from the Data Bureau. Al Tharpe raced downstairs and upstairs but the papers were always two paces ahead of him. . . . Spring is definitely in the air—as evidenced hy the heautiful crocus in hloom. With the heauty comes the dreaded spring housecleaning for the ladies and for the men, the joyful thoughts of golf are overshadowed by the gentle hints of the painting, etc.

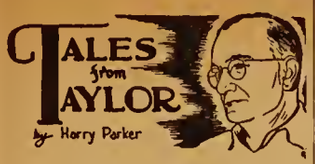
Medical Memos

By Mary Heymann

Some kind person suggested the title for our column, and if the contributor will walk, not run, to the nearest dispensary, we will he glad to award the prize. . . . Signs of spring are noticed everywhere. In practically all of the dispensaries new uniforms, furnished by the Company, have heen blossoming right and left! Some are very attractive and hecoming and we do appreciate them. . . . Mabel Wilson and Mae Mulvane have been enjoying being out in their yards these nice spring-like days. 'Tis good to breathe in that fresh Ossian air. . . . We regret to say that Thelma Harrison, second shift nurse at Taylor Street is leaving. She was presented a gift by her fellow-workers. We shall miss you, Thelma, and come in to see us soon and often. Alta Bishop has been assigned her duties on second shift at Taylor Street. . . . Sunday, March 27, is to he the day for the long-awaited bowling match to be held at Waynedale. Our bowlers, Berneta Welbaum and Mary Heymann, and the girls from Bldg. 17-3, are getting in practice so they will be competition for the men's team. The girls' team has quite a name; why not ask them about it some time? . . . Alta Bishop attended the state nurses meeting in Indianapolis, March 24-26. She is one of the candidates for chairman on the industrial section hallot. Lyle Rupert and Veda Orff attended the meetings Saturday. . . . We think a good old fashioned hoe-down would he fitting for the new floors just completed in Bldg. 21. How ahout "Birdie in the Cage?" . . . We would suggest cart attendants for the new Rogers Market. The purpose of this suggestion is to eliminate the "nipping" of other folks' carts, just in case the food looked better in the other guy's cart, and also the emharrassment of having to give it hack with the enumerating of groceries and meats. Of course, might result in heing short a pound of hutter—Could be, Berneta?

For Worriers Only

Worry is like a rocking chair. It will give you something to do, but it won't get you anywhere.



Otto "Whitey" Nahrwold is a great believer in the game of chance. Anyone who comes forth with a get-rich-quick scheme has Whitey for a follower. A week ago he invested $2 in one of these so-called bonanzas with the assurance of a quick return of about $4,000. He told the boys that he could just picture himself basking in the Florida sun watching the swaying palm trees, but something happened that shook his confidence and he asked for his $2 back. Now all he can do is look at pictures of the palm trees. . . . About a year ago Ray Quandt was busy talking about his plans to construct a garden tractor. Nothing ever came of it, so now he has dragged it out of the mothballs with bigger and better plans for it this year. He is trying to obtain a low priced motor to install in it and wonders if a Whizzer motor bike engine would do the job. . . . When it comes to daily work attire, Jean Reynolds is a devout devotee of shirt waists and dungarees. The other day someone in the cafeteria ventured a wager that she never wore a dress. So now it is up to you, Jean, to settle this by appearing upon the scene attired in an all-feminine costume. . . . A few weeks ago Gaylord Evans was in a playlet at one of our local churches, and in this he was required to dress in feminine attire. He was so well pleased about the whole thing that he had pictures taken of himself in this get-up. He is now thinking seriously of taking up ballet dancing. . . . Paul Wilcoxson was observed the other day talking, laughing and gesticulating to the bearing press. Some of the boys thought that he had gone off the beam and asked for an explanation. He told them that it was a lot more fun to do this as the press was good company and never gave you an argument. . . . Joe Turley is very proud of the fact that he is soon to become a grandfather and eternally reminds the boys of it. He was telling us that it would happen the week just past, but so far neither grandson or granddaughter have put in an appearance. All of us are just as anxious for the arrival as Joe is; for this reason, we will not have to listen to him talk about it any longer.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

Scoop! It has been reported that an announcement was made via the public address system at a certain Calhoun St. night spot March 19, that Frankie Enderle and his lovely companion were soon to be merged in marital bliss. Our congratulations, Frankie, we thought you'd never make it. . . . Can anyone verify the report that Russell Neireiter does the dishes and the laundry at his home? I wonder how he is on ironing white shirts. Rastenberg states that Russ even "Luxes" his dainties. . . . Frank Elder entered the hospital last week for some necessary repair and overhaul work. Good luck and be back soon, lad. . . . Here's our guess on the mystery melody. It's "Canterbury Bells." . . . We are sorry to hear that Florence Weimer's condition is not so good, she has entered the Methodist Hospital. . . . Also sorry to hear of the auto accident of Rosemary Daugherity's husband. . . . Mary Secrist had some bad luck this week, getting a sprained ankle when she stepped off the bus. . . . Welcome to Bldg. 19-2 Emelie Droege and Frank Matthews. . . . Ray Horstman just returned from a two weeks' naval cruise at Great Lake, Ill. . . . Lee Anderson has that worried look; seems that middle age spread is under way. . . . We're glad to have Wally Snyder back after a month's illness. . . . Sometimes we think Nort Stoller has been a policeman. He continually goes around and about putting stickers of all sorts on the boys who happen to be showing him the back of their neck. Don August finally got in the mood, and slapped a sticker on Norm's protruding pate. Now Don has proof that a sticker won't stick when there is nothing to stick to. . . . Wayne and Irene Nichols are the proud possessors of a pretty green Plymouth.

Top Floor Topics

DIVISION 95

By Walter E. Pohler

Last week we mentioned that several of our young ladies were roller skating enthusiasts. The plot thickens. Three of these ladies were skating together. It is believed they were trying to attract the attention of the opposite sex and were doing some fancy dado's, when lo and behold there was a big spill. The next day Maxine George had her knees painted red. She stated it was a new fad for lipstick. Joan Detweiller and Doris Connett were also moving around in a cautious manner. . . . Our genial friend Al Miller was off sick several days recently. He reported, on his return to work, that an attempt had been made to pull the Churubusco turtle out of the lake with a Model T Ford. The Model T stalled and the turtle pulled it into the lake. Were you really sick, Al? . . . With the advent of spring it is expected that some people will blossom out with new clothes. We suggest that Maurie Mastin make sure he has all of the tags removed from the clothes he buys before he wears them. . . . Our advice to either pay the rent or be thrown out was not heeded. Our office is practically bare. Some folks still-think it is cheaper to move than pay rent. . . . Irene Shively put her hand into a can the other night and then had to have help in removing it. What was in the can, Irene? . . . Claire Weisel, who lives near the Gale Harris' turtle farm, has been absent several days. Is the hot dog business good, Claire? . . . Alta Franklin has been receiving telephone calls from a gentleman whose name is reported to be Barefoot Willie. . . . Some of the people on second shift expected to leave recently. A potluck was planned in their honor. When plans were changed, and the people didn't leave, the potluck was cancelled. This caused our genial friend Wimpy to have a face a mile long. In view of this fact the potluck was held as scheduled. That man loves to eat. . . . Gertrude Haflick has had her head in the clouds and all the buttons were popping off her clothes. The reason—a new granddaughter. Congratulations, Gertrude, we know that grandchildren are always more important than one's own children. If you doubt this statement just observe some of our other grandparents. A good example is Buss Groves. . . . We need a little help from the people in the stacking section. Francis Gnau has a good story about Bert Bruber which should be published. But he can't pass it onto us because Bert has him blackmailed. Will someone please help us to get this story? . . . By next week we hope to be able to include in our column the names of the assistant editors for the first shift. . . . Anyone desiring information about joining a pyramid club are referred to either Jack Lee or Bill Mills.

Plan to get your Voltmen ticket early.

600 Attend Family Night



Nearly 600 spectators saw the volleyball and basketball games last Saturday at the G-E Club's Family Night. The sports event featured a volleyball game between the Fort Wayne YMCA and the G-E All-Stars, a novelty basketball game between the Taylorettes and Motorettes, and the Old Timers' basketball game.



Your reporter's life has been threatened if the following article is printed, but the story seemed too interesting not to be published, so we are giving it to you in spite of the danger involved. It seems that Mr. and Mrs. Ed Glusenkamp are very fond of the two cats they own, especially Mrs. G. To make things convenient for them she props the outside door open so they can have free access in and out of the house these mild spring days. One day last week while she was talking on the telephone she heard a series of unfamiliar growls and on looking around discovered not two but three cats, a stranger was in their midst, and all were making quite a fuss. Abruptly closing the conversation Mrs. G., armed with a broom, started after the intruder. Up the curtains, over chairs and tables went the animals goaded by her broom, and when the smoke had cleared after the stray was finally evicted, the house was a mess. Shortly after, when Ed arrived home, he found his spouse in a very bad mood which wasn't improved a bit by some of his side remarks. The next evening the atmosphere was still a bit chilly in their household when the telephone rang. Mrs. G. started to answer when Ed happened to think it might be "Dinner winner" calling, so he said answer "Fish." Taking the receiver down she said "Fish" only to find a very surprised party at the other end of the line who had never even heard of that program. This embarrassment served only to complicate conditions of the night before which didn't help things, so after a few futile attempts at making peace Ed, realizing that discretion is the better part of valor, put on his hat and coat and went to visit the sick. Might be a good thing for him to build a dog-house but no doubt if he did the cats would usurp even that. . . . Kenny Guisinger spent Saturday and Sunday overhauling the old car in hopes it will run just like a new one. . . . Joe Trentadue is inviting all his friends to come to the Methodist Church in Monroeville on Sunday, April 10, to hear a musical program in which he will participate. It's FREE too. . . . Mary Rupp says that lard can transaction in the parking lot wasn't anything compared to the time she mislaid her car keys. She called her landlady to bring a key only to be told she had mislaid hers too, then she called a locksmith. In the meantime the landlady found her key and arrived at the lot just ahead of the locksmith. His trip cost her $2 which didn't even include the key. She does have an extra one now though—got it from Santa Claus. . . . Roy Bracht is about the only fellow in Tool Maintenance that isn't an ardent fisherman. The boys are wondering if he will get some pointers from his son Neil whose picture appeared in last week's WORKS NEWS. The group also include pictures of Karen Sonday and Monty Lepper whose fathers are employed in this division.



The age of wonders is certainly with us. We refer to the now overly-popular "Beast of Busco" and the "Creighton Ave. Creeper." The latter, it seems, is the discovery of Gloria Wiebke, who claims she found a night crawler which looks like an oversize baloney and weighs over four and a half pounds. This mighty wiggler makes its abode in Gloria's backyard. Discovery of the nasty worm was made when she found large holes chewed in her basement walls. As in the case of the first beast, this one is also to be commercialized. The owner is looking for a sausage cutter with which she intends to make live bait. . . . The scene shifts to a booth at a local music store, where we find our Fire Chief, Ernie Hanauer and Mr. Glidden busily engaged in selecting some choice "classical" recordings. Was it just his imagination, or did Ernie actually smell smoke? Sure 'nuff, the smoke began to roll and the Chief immediately went into action, grabbed Glidden's hat off the light bulb where it had been hanging, and doused the fire. No damage, outside of a slightly air-conditioned hat and two red faces. . . . Sure signs of Spring: Johnny Bell sporting his annual hair cut. Good to see your face once again, Johnny. Charlie MacKay tripping the light fantastic out in the hall one fine morning. Bill Schible on the alert for lawn seed —and not the sawdust he got stuck with last year at this time. . . . Our best wishes to Juanita Morningstar in the Telephone Room. Juanita was married last Saturday. . . . Good luck Art Davis, who leaves today. . . . We hope Larry Woodward will soon be leaving the hospital and fully recovered from the heart attack he suffered at work recently. . . . Even with his new glasses, Sam "Porky" Mastro, after reading the paper two hours, didn't discover it was at least six months old. His usual smiling face turned a bit sour when so informed. . . . Otto Borkenstein is on a special diet—one good tooth with his noon lunch. Isn't that a little rough on your plate, Otto? . . . Everything just went black for John Hall the other night when he went to go home and couldn't get his car started. Seems like John had sealed beam lights installed on that super deluxe Dodge and so many gadgets must have confused him. Anyway instead of using the starter he kept riding the dimmer switch and couldn't understand why it wouldn't start. After considerable time and much mumbling, he called a garage man over to see what was amiss. John crawled in the car to demonstrate and tries more of the same. He was soon straightened out and told which was which. How about one of those nice fluid-drive jobs, Johnny? . . . Birthday greetings to Henrietta Walburn and Wally Howard. . . . Dallas "Little Joe" Broxon had the start of a beautiful mustache. When the rest of the fellows noticed, it lasted just a little over a week. Wonder how long Walt Chaney's will last. . . . Wonder what makes the girls scream when George Hughes walks down the aisle. . . . Seems Merle Morkoetter decided to teach Harold Smith the finer points of playing euchre. As the game progressed and the evening wore on it became quite evident that Mr. Smith didn't need lessons. Anyone wishing to teach euchre please contact Mr. Morkoetter. . . . Could the big smile on Bob Pion's face be because of that '49 Plymouth?



Today is April Fool's day, but we are not fooling when we remind you that Lent is half over. If you haven't started yours yet why not start right now? Go to services, go early and get the choice seats. . . . The following should have made the NEWS several weeks ago. We knew, but just failed to do our job and follow through. Mr. and Mrs. John Hine are the proud parents of their first child, a son. God saw fit, Johnny and Evelyn, to give you a child because He knew the same as all of us know that you will be among the finest parents. The best of everything to you from all of us. Mrs. Hine was the former Evelyn Hewes of our wire production office. . . . Jane Kay is the name of the new eight pound four ounce granddaughter of Betty Pickett and is Betty ever proud. We know how you feel, Betty. . . . Lois Connett is raising "Jews" now. We mean the wandering kind. Sure makes that old office look more like home. Thanks for your interest. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Truman Buckles are planning a new home in Indian Village. But "Sewer, sewer, who's got the sewer." Truman has had all the city brass and brains out on his lot to look for it. But to date still no sewer. Call in the detectives, we say, maybe the Indians have it. . . . It's usually a new suit for Easter, but not for Steve Bobay until his old nag gets a new pair of shoes (so says Steve). Seems to us that's just a lot of waste of time and money; just to get that old nag over to a soap or glue factory. . . . Vaughn Sheets, Buck Buckles and Pappy Rasor all wonder why they pay as much for a hair cut as everyone else. We got the answer, gents, you have to pay for the time it takes to find your hair. Sounds reasonable, doesn't it? . . . Nolan Riley had nose troubles. He had to go to "Busco" to see Oscar. Nosey Nolan caught a cold while nosing around. Now he's really got nose troubles. Serves you right, Nosey.

Insulation News

Happy birthday to Josephine Balsamo March 21. Jo treated the gang to candy, ice cream and chocolate cake with pecan fudge icing. Unfortunately, Jo placed the food just a little too close to Bill Glenn. Consequently, the rest of us had to really get there early before Bill took over. Better run fast, Bill, those calories are bound to catch up with you. . . . The way Bill Hattendorf is limping lately, we figure he must have bumped his leg on the side of a boat. . . . Anybody in the mood for a good wager? See Marie Gehle. Marie is willing to bet anybody that since the snow's stopped snowin, and the breeze has quit blowin', that the windows in Bldg. 12-B will stay sealed fast. Guess the fresh air fiends hibernate in the spring, Marie. . . . We all send our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Grace Bedsworth. . . . We knew that one of these days Joe Kramer's desk would speak up. We received this poem from it for Joe the other day.

"Once I was a brand new desk
And worth my weight in gold,
Time it's true has marred my looks
But it's Joe who has made me old.

"If you'll dust in all the corners,
Why you're just bound to see,
That underneath this ugly top
I'm still the same old me."

Remember, Joe, that desk may be somebody's pine tree.



Oot keew siht·Eniper Trebor ot yadhtrib yppah. . . . Yar, ti tuoba woh? Smaet eugael eht fo eno yb gnicnuort doog a nevig saw maet gnilwob Swehttam Yar. . . . APRIL FOOL. . . . George Houck and Cris Delagrange have been so proud of their jobs lately that they have been taking them home to show their wives what good work they do. . . . Fred Vietmeyer has been doing a lot of looking at the new Dodge. Be careful, Fred, that new car bug will bite you if you don't watch out. . . . Ray Bowers has been exposed as a Dr. Jekyl and Mr. Hyde, or how could he be at work and also parked downtown at the same time. Anyway he was given his choice of appearing in court to defend his innocence or pay a 50 cents traffic ticket. Although being innocent, he decided it would be much cheaper to pay the 50 cents than lose the time necessary to prove his innocence. . . . Ward Staley is anxiously awaiting the arrival of those baby chicks and ducklings from those eggs he has under the light bulb. . . . Last Friday morning Jess Batchelder came to work looking more tired than usual, and when panned about his looks he told this one: "I had to pick my wife up after a party. Upon arrival at the place I was to get her, the lights were burning brightly so I decided to take a nap until the party was over. At 2:30 a.m. my wife woke me up and told me she had returned home with some friends and had been looking for me since that time." . . . One thing we would liked to have seen was Ray Matthews hanging on that arbor press handle in Bldg. 17-4. . . . The "Old-Timers Night" Friday at the G-E Club was really an old-timers night. Those of you who missed those games would have recalled a lot of pleasant memories seeing those veterans of the interdivision leagues. Many of them played their games at Library hall before the club was built. . . . I have also been told that Ray Matthews' bowling team was given a good trouncing by one of the Junior League's teams. How about it, Ray? . . . Happy birtbday to Bob Rapine this week, too.

Plan to get your Voltmen ticket early.

FLOOR LORE FROM 4-4

By Voyce Brumbaugh

What has happened, folks, not very much news this week, but a little is better than none, I guess. . . . Congratulations to Wendal Hoflich who is the proud father of a baby girl. Even though it is the first one, he still has all the buttons on his vest. . . . Bernie Kelher, formerly of this section, has opened a grocery store at Main and Fulton St. I'm sure he would welcome your patronage if you are ever out that way. . . . If Byron Neuman pays off a bet, where in the world will Miller put his "buck" sheep? . . . We had two birthdays last week, Ruth Lange and Betty Skevington. Ruth served some very good individual cakes, while Miss Skevington outdid herself by having a delicious chicken dinner. . . . Suggestion for Ionena Foster: The next time you want to give Carl Reeves the newspaper during lunch period, it might be better to hand it to him instead of throwing it. That way you won't knock his coffee cup over and spill it on his desk and trousers.



We have a new employee you should meet. We mean Joe Schmoe. If you haven't met him yet, see Larry Reed for Joe Schmoe is his new name. You see he wanted to meet the new man too so "Emmie" Stock just stopped him in front of a mirror. Neat, huh? . . . Our sick list this week includes Sol Andorfer and Floyd Shellenbarger along with Bill Decker. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery and we're hoping these spring days will help a lot. . . . We extend to Blanche Allen our deepest sympathy in the death of her father. . . . This is the story of a motor, an exceptional motor which surprised Ed Klomp. It seems a motor came back from inspection with so many reasons for failure, poor Ed was about ready for the man with the net. After some stewing, Ed learned it was intentional and all the boys were having a good laugh. When this gag dawned on Ed, his smile just grew and grew and grew. . . . Marian Leiter read a closing notice which went "Tester Scrapped." Now this intrigued her, especially when the dictionary said a "tester" was "an earthen pot or an ancient coin worth 12 cents." Some description of our testers! . . . Clarence Nussel got a new member for Sky King's Airplane Club. It seems that after Nussel proudly displayed his new Sky King ring, Dale Hobson sent in his box top and only 15 cents and anxiously awaited his. It came last week and proud Dale brought it in for all to see. It has a ball pen and a magnifying glass all built right in the ring. Lucky sonny boys, Nussel and Hobson. . . . Clara Metcalf tells us she's been married 29 years and all of them to one man! Congratulations and we think you deserve a medal. Try for 50, Clara, sounds wonderful! . . . Edith Childer's favorite song is, "All I Want For Easter Is My Two Front Teeth." After being informed it should be Christmas, she says she doesn't care to wait that long! . . . Cora J. Conrad received a sympathy card 'tother day. After knowing they celebrated their first wedding anniversary, thought the card fitting for the occasion. We imagine it was sent for "Poor Arnie's" benefit. We really do wish you both many more years of wedded bliss.

Pome of the Weak

Spring is here to stay,
You can always tell they say,
By someone's smiling face,
The face belongs to Esther Hakes,
The smile is caused by a flame,
The flame's name is Wayne,
He really keeps her on the run,
After acquiring the Plymouth '41.

By "Anymouse"

Sometime ago we told about the Ford Mouse Exterminator Co. He has taken in a partner who is none other than George (double "N") Fann. They don't guarantee their work!



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday, April 4, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Two separate keys.

LOST—Ronson cigarette lighter, leather bound. Lost between Bldgs. 19-5 and 20-1.

LOST—Three keys on a chain, two door keys and one medical key.

FOUND—One earring with brilliant sets. Found back of Bldg. 18.

FOUND—Pair white mittens. Found in cafeteria, Bldg. 16.

FOUND—One gold colored button.

FOUND—Pair of glasses in a blue case. Found in Jones St. parking lot.

FOR SALE

ELECTRIC RAZOR—Remington Threesome. H-8995.

SHOWER STALL—Complete, $20; gas stove, side oven, $25, good condition. H-65522.

DOUBLE COIL BED SPRINGS—Good condition, reasonable. H-8025.

SINGLE SIZE METAL BED—Complete; small vanity, reasonable. A-75442.

GIRLS' SUITS, DRESSES—Red Coat, A-1 condition, size 12-14, reasonable. H-35932.

1936 FORD V-8—Fair condition; house-trailer, good condition; both $750. H-28621.

1946 FORD—Four-door, deluxe, $1,000. 1832 W. Fourth St.

ELEX RUMMAGE SALE — 308 W. Brackenridge, Friday and Saturday, April 8 and 9.

WANTED

UNFURNISHED APARTMENT — Three rooms, private bath. A-85855 between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

8MM MOVIE OUTFIT—H-50672.

FOR RENT

CEMENT MIXER—Three cu. ft., electric motor powered. H-76004.

PERSONAL

THANK YOU—To everyone for being so thoughtful during my shut-in days. Irene Meyers.

MISCELLANEOUS

HELIUM FOR BALLOONS—Any school or church carnival committee wishing to share a bottle of helium during April or May, call H-81327.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—May Sucher, from Kendallville to Taylor St. Works for Lowell Arnold, from 6:48-3:18. Extension, Taylor St. 375.

WANTS RIDE—Ralph E. Jacobs, from Liberty Center, Ind., or within a five mile area. Works from 8-5:15 in Bldg. 31-1. Extension 565.

WANTS RIDE—Mary Irven, from 4 mi. north on 427, Leo rd. Works for Frank Shidler, Bldg. 17-3, 3:30-11:43. Ext. 372.



Welcome to Decatur, Al Reynolds, the new test engineer. . . . Duane Fry, our test engineer, is going to take the fatal step to the altar soon we hear. We wish you much happiness, Duane. . . . The subject that is most talked about at the present among the girls is, "What are you buying for Easter this year?" By what we hear there are going to be some mighty pretty outfits Easter morning. . . . The GeCode Club girls are having their Easter party April 5 at the Zion Lutheran Church. The day girls' party is to start at 6 p.m. and the night girls' at 12:00 noon. Keep that date in mind, girls. Day girls, take note in change of time of party from 6:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. And don't forget the Chicago trip scheduled for April 2 and 3. . . . Spring is really here when you look at the yellow and purple crocus that are blooming beside the office door. The person who planted those lovely flowers is Ray Johnston. . . . The church choir that Dave Embler directs is presenting the Lenten oratorio "The Crucifixion" Palm Sunday. Mary Ann Laurent read about this in the paper and the next day she asked Dave what this Ontario was they were going to sing. Mary Ann changed different colors when she found she had read "Oratorio" wrong. . . . Yours truly was very proud of the eleven strikes he had the other week in bowling. If it wouldn't have been for the spare he had in the sixth frame he would have had a 300. Of course the 279 he ended up with wasn't hard to take. . . . Have you noticed the big smile Doyle Steele has lately. The reason, no doubt, is that his wife presented him with a baby girl recently. She has been named Phyllis Ann. . . . Flash, Bill Beard, the master operator on the far end of heat run, hopes for another Dollar Day, so he can refill his gas tank. They tell us he found a real buy, seven gallons for $1. . . . Happy birthday to Rosemary Miller, Irene Schafer, Mickey Dougal, Josephine Ivetich, and Leona Fruechte. We probably missed a few others unintentionally. . . . Our retired employee, John Knott has spent a little time in the hospital recently. A speedy recovery to John from his fellow employees. . . . Emma Goldner motored to Detroit recently to visit with her brother and children. Her new Ford performed well, according to her speed demon record reports. . . . Orilla Parr of the KH Line is taking a short period off for a much needed rest. . . . Cupid is going to be busy this Saturday when Rita Smitley will wed her fiance from Huntington, also when Alma Kiefer will take the sacred vows. . . . Dagwood Bumstead has a competitor in the local G-E. Mr. Bogner, Tool Room Section is the No. 2 comedian when it comes to that last minute take-off. . . . The new 1949 chassis are far more perfect, according to Milton Brown's recent report from an Indianapolis trip. He stated there is even less play in the framework than the '48 model. . . . Another patient has returned to work after being ill for some time. We hope you are in A-1 condition now, Doris Shaffer. . . . Anyone needing a good recipe on how to corral a crying baby around midnight see Eloise Noll for full instructions. . . . The Jack Gray family had an addition to their family this month. Do you think Junior will make a good plumber like his father or do you think he has symptoms of a banker? . . . Helen Liniger Drake has presented her husband with a son. Mr. Drake is an employee of the G-E. . . . Have you heard the latest? Duke Keller has taken steps to make himself an unavailable lad. Recently, Duke gave a third finger, left hand, sparkler to Joan Brunton. Congratulations, Duke. . . . Saw Elmer Beer the other day and he seems to be getting along pretty good, and we will be glad when Elmer gets back. Cliff Hakey has an enviable record of which he is proud. In six and one-half years he has never lost a day's work nor been late for work.



Jim Pugh says that anyone leading a dull life should get a bulldog pup. The other morning, Jim put a cap on (which he hadn't worn a long time) and was ready to kiss his wife goodbye when his dog rushed up to him and almost took a bite of his leg. You see the dog didn't know him with this cap. Guess he thought there was a strange man in the house. The last Sunday Jim was at the lake he and his pup were having a little game of tag along the sea wall when Jim lost his balance and fell in the water. Short game, folks! . . . Don't mention "The Egg and I" to John Hensler. Seems Mrs. Hensler had sent two hard boiled eggs in John's lunch. When he cracked the first one, a form of a chicken appeared—an unusual one to say the least. It's being sent to Purdue to be analyzed, and we may have a story on this later. . . . Myron Auer is trying to reduce, but his friends aren't cooperating. He was ready to retire the other evening, when three of his buddies brought three and a half gallons of ice cream. The only polite thing to do was to eat a little (LITTLE?) . . . In the comic strip "The Nebbs" Willie Nebb's wife always says "My Willie can do anything." Chet Stoner is using the same expression about his new tractor. Boys, you're invited to his farm for a demonstration. . . . We are not sure but Mrs. Wiedleman must have been shrinking some garment when she did her washing last week 'cause Gus's apron sure is a lot shorter than usual. . . . It has such a delicate pink shade too. Getting ready for Easter, Gus? . . . One of the better square dancers in our division is Agnes Ditlinger. She has been seen quite frequently at the Hoagland Arena kicking up her heels in fine style. . . . The Easter Parade is around the corner and Jack Roesener has a hobby that brings up something dear to every kid's heart. Yep! Easter baskets of all colors. . . . Since when did Wilson Garman start backing up the Auburn Red Devils? We heard a telegram read at tournament time wishing Auburn good luck and it was signed Willie Garman. Willie's friends call him a plain old publicity hound. . . . We would like to inquire as to what grade coal Henry Frey is burning in his car. When Hank moves out from an intersection, it seems like the day turns into night. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ahlersmeyer celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Saturday. Entertainment was furnished by Charlie Abbott's Swingsters. Some of the guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Steward, Mr. and Mrs. Del Rehm and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Greiner. . . . The old fishing story you heard so often last summer was repeated last Saturday by Joe Mettler and Swede Moser, who as usual had to report no fish, and Art Dicke as usual had to report he couldn't get out again. . . . We noticed Ed Shafenacker's picture in a local newspaper, posing by the wreckage of two cars. One report has it that Ed was buying one of the wrecks for spare parts for his pick-up truck. . . . Jim Ehresman tells us the twins are packing a mighty wallop. He showed your reporter a bill for a new pair of specs.

In the Spotlight

AT YOUR G-E CLUB

By Bill Allen

The third in a series of family night programs for the entertainment of G-E families and friends was presented last Friday in the Club Gymnasium.

Labeled as "Old Timers" night this program was truly misnamed, as a title of "Squeaky Joints on Parade" or "Basketball Waltz" would have been more appropriate.

The highlight of the evening was a long basketball game of two four-minute halves featuring such "little known" women stars as Katie Dent, Becky Dunlap, Prunella Farrell, Penelope Burnau, was a laugh riot from beginning to end. Katie Dent handicapped by tons of padding was usually found parked in the north end of the gym floor—he couldn't move. Prunella Farrell of Bldg. 27, caught going through the line on an off tackle play in the 1st half was severely lectured by referee Junior Weber, only to return in the second half with a flying tackle that nearly dropped him through to the bowling alleys.

A good sized crowd of some 600 rabid fans roared as "big" Ife Holmes and "Pee Wee" Pres Slack with their Mutt and Jeff appearance showed signs of their former basketball powers with some deadly accurate passing. Bob "Fullback" Starkel not to be outdone by Adam "Workhorse" Farrell came through with several brilliant "line plunges" only to find that someone else had the ball.

Basketball was not alone in the G-E Club Spotlight Friday night, as an interesting Volleyball exhibition featured the G-E Club All-Stars and a team from the YMCA. Volleyball is another of many sports promoted by your G-E Club for General Electric employees. The Y team brought numerous bursts of applause from the crowd with their setups, "spikes" and all-around teamwork.

Inquiring Reporter

WHAT IS THE MOST UNUSUAL APRIL FOOL'S DAY PRANK YOU REMEMBER?

CARL H. SMITH

Taylor St.



"A co-worker came into work one day limping quite badly. We asked him what was wrong, so he just pulled his pant leg up and motioned for everyone to come and see. After he had quite a crowd there, he raised it a little higher and on his knee he had 'April Fool' painted."



BETTY FOREMAN

Bldg. 17-2

"I recall the April Fool's day when I was working in a candy factory dipping chocolates. The girl I was working with took little balls of snow, and dipped them to look like regular chocolates. Then we put them in a pretty candy box, and passed them to everyone who came in. It was really funny to see the amazed expressions on their faces when they bit into the chocolates, and the water ran down their chins."



EDMUND J. BAUER

Bldg. 20-1

"As a boy at home, I recall an occasion when we had pancakes. After considerable struggle trying to cut them, I discovered mother had inserted cardboard discs in the batter and then fried them as an April Fool joke."

GOLDIA LUTZ

Bldg. 31-1

"The most unusual April Fool's day prank I know is to have a delicious box of candy passed to you, only to find it filled with cotton."



ANNABELLE BARRICK

Taylor St.

"A few years ago one of the employees left his No. 13 boots in the coat locker. They were too tempting and were found by him at 5:15 p.m., glued to the floor."



Winter St., Firemen Clash Tonight In League Play-off



In the Interdivision basketball league, Winter St. first-half champs, and the Firemen, winners of the second-half, are battling for the season championship in a three-game play-off. The series is now even with each team winning a game. The deciding game will be played this evening at 7 o'clock in the G-E Club gym.

The Winter St. team is shown in the picture to the left. The members are (l. to r.), first row: Arnold Beneke, Jr., Donald Reitdorf, Dick Kent and Bib Shinbeckler. Standing (l. to r.) are Stuart Fisher, Wayne Reitdorf, Dick Gallmeyer, Leland Richardson, Harold Blauvelt, and Gayle Griffith, coach.

In the photograph at the right are the members of the Firemen squad. Kneeling (l. to r.) are Henry Vance, Bob Baals, Gene Etter and Paul Stemmler. Standing (l. to r.) are Art Lindenberg, coach; Joe Schible, George Lambroff, Merle Morkoetter, Jr., Ray Moodie, and Harold Somers.





SLEUTHING in 4-6

by JOAN POOS

Mary Smoak is really convinced that she lives in the country, not only because of the muddy road, but three crows may be seen parked having a "confab" in her back yard every morning. Mary, a "big city gal," called them black birds, but her husband informed her differently. . . . Harvey VonGunten has finally found a way to stay away from tobacco. He now has a four foot extension on his pipe. . . . Al Ulmer and Jim Capps' "Temptation Project" had its first birthday March 22. As of March 28 it had grown from a penny to two silver dollars. . . . If anyone has heard Helen Conrad scream, it was because she "spied" the alternative of the male sex—a mouse. She in turn scared a few other people. . . . The D.C. Section has an abundance of talent. Among other things they have three rattlebone experts, S. L. Moore, A. W. Wilson, and R. P. Loveland, who gave the section a demonstration. Contact "The Three Rattlers" for auditions. . . . Last Friday during the snack period (about 10:00 a.m.) Norm Oetting gave John Chipko an apple. John is not onc to forget a favor and during the noon hour he bought a bar of polishing rouge, which resembles a bar of fudge and presented it to Norm. One would have had to be present to have appreciated the outcome. Norm has been convinced that teeth polishing is a dentist's job. . . . Delayed, but none the less sincere, sympathy to Dan Geary because of the death of his father. . . . Irene Whelan must have been daydreaming about vacation time the other noon. She boarded a G-E Special (she thought) and found herself on the North Side. The basketball games are over, Irene! . . . Happy birthday to Delores Soule and to Don Porter. . . . Helen Brosche, formerly of the Bldg. 4-6 file room, is sporting an engagement ring—'tis said. More power to you, Helen, and best wishes. . . . Jane Winebrenner who will be married Saturday, was honored at a luncheon shower Wednesday noon. . . . Warning to all gamblers. Al Volz doesn't pay his bets. . . . A lot of fellows seem to be "Cruising Down the River" these days for one can always here someone whistling the tune, it seems. . . . Another indication of spring(?) Some of the engineers already are making preliminary plans for their annual outing in June. . . . Congratulations to Stan Tomkinson and C. F. Voss, who are the latest recipients of licenses as Professional Engineers. . . . Our best wishes to Tom Turner, who is transferring to the Works Laboratory next week. . . . Ned Hackney attended the regional conference meeting of the ASME on the 28th and 29th at the Van Orman Hotel as a representative of the Fort Wayne section. This is the first time the local section has been a host to a convention of this sort. . . . Ed Whipple attended the Company's bi-monthly meeting of the Gear Coordinating Committee at New York City on March 22 and 23. . . . Welcome back to Judy Clark, who had pneumonia. Sure it wasn't "spring fever," Judy? . . . Eric Hoppe is looking dapper these days in bow ties. The girls think you look "terrific" Eric! . . . Another talented member of the D.C. Section is Forrest Carlson. It seemed that "Forrey" has kept his talents as an actor secret until last Sunday night when he gave a command performance as Charles Laughton, which was really wonderful!

In Dev. there's a cute little blonde named Puff
Who always goes dashing around in a huff
As an editor she's great
And at bowling she's no stalemate.



The Big WIND

DIVISION 17
TAYLOR STREET
by Dorothy Heinzelmann

We hear the girls in the sound room seem to be quite fond of their pet fish named "Eva". . . . Betty Boldt thought she had a unique hobby, but then decided it didn't pay in the end. . . . Belated Birthday wishes go to Mary DeVries who treated the gang to some of her delicious homemade fudge last Friday. . . . Ethel Koontz was all smiles Monday, as she and Charlie Briggs won the mixed doubles tournament last Saturday at the club. . . . Harold Mosshammer really has a good-looking son, but then Harold says, "Well why not, he looks just like his Dad." . . . Kenny Frick is going into the "pig" business in a big way. He bought a pig over the week-end, but says that's just the start. . . . Welcome back to Carol Teleschow and Ruby Stucky. Ruby came back on her birthday, some celebration, but belated birthday wishes go to you, Ruby. . . . We also want to welcome Fred Adams to our division. . . . Maggie Moore entertained her brother and family from Coldwater, Mich., over the week-end. . . . Kate O'Connor had a new job last Saturday. She was working for Charlie Wilt and spent the day wiping up every alley she bowled on. Kate says she was glad she was prepared for that sort of work, by wearing her slacks. . . . Bob Federspiel feels very low since Roy Orr sold his car, as now Bob has nothing to push, maybe Roy will get another soon, Bob, just to make you happy. . . . Here's wishing Joe Eifrid, Andy Anderson, Merle Bennett, Larry O'Shaughnessey, and Hal Vanning loads of luck in the ABC Tournament in Atlantic City. . . . Last Monday afternoon, Howard McVay's wife called in and asked for Howard. However, he wasn't around so Frank Beatty said he would take the message for him if she wanted him to. Mrs. McVay was a little hesitant but finally told Frank what it was she wanted. It wasn't so bad that your face had to get that red was it, Frank?



COUNT OFF

Taylor Street
DIVISION 17
10-20-30
Dorothy Heinzelmann

Marguerite Stahl and her daughter, Elizabeth Ann, went to visit Marguerite's mother last week-end. After they had finished eating dinner Marguerite wanted to wash the dishes, and she told her daughter to get a dish towel and wipe the dishes, as it wouldn't hurt her. Elizabeth got the towel and started helping, but Marguerite noticed that she wasn't in a very good mood about it and so she said, "When I was a little girl I always liked to help with the dishes." On that, Marguerite's mother spoke up and said, "Don't let her kid you, when she was a little girl, she would eat out of a saucer to keep from washing the plates." They have a way of remembering, don't they, Marguerite? . . . Peggy Bandt went home one evening last week and discovered she didn't have her key with her. She tried all of the doors and windows, but they were all locked. However, she knew that the bathroom window was unlocked, but that was on the second floor. She tried to figure out a way to get up to it, and then finally decided to borrow a ladder from her neighbor. She got the ladder and also the neighbor to hold the ladder and up to the second story she went. She opened the window and crawled in, but what we would like to know is whether she missed the tub or fell in it as she went through the window? . . . Did everyone see Ed Brockhall's picture in the paper last Sunday? And, by the way, if you still happen to have the paper around the house please bring it in as we hear that Ed is going to re-paper his kitchen with his picture. All kidding aside Ed, that was really a dandy mess of fish. We are sort of wondering if you took one of them over to Al Mettler's, who is on a sick leave, 'cause you remember how he used to put you on for telling him how big the fish was that you caught, but all you ever gave him was the little skinny ones. . . . Congratulations to Jackie Elder and Andy Anderson, who took second place in the mixed doubles tournament last Saturday. . . . Neva Lutz should start going to cooking school so she could learn the proper way to open a tin can. . . . It sure is nice to see Rose Cuney back with us. . . . Congratulations to Louise Sinn on her birthday last Monday, and the candy bars were delicious, Louise. . . . Ruby Stoops was a busy little gal over the week-end. She spent last Friday night at Bluffton with Marguerite Stahl and attended the junior class play at Lancaster Center. Marguerite's son was in the cast. Then Ruby spent Sunday in Huntington where she attended the wedding of her niece. . . . Anyone who would like to have their bus schedule changed, should contact Eddie Bandt. . . . Mel Riley is again in the market for a car, but he says a Crosley is out. . . . Hope you didn't have too many April Fool's pulled on you today.

Main Office Volleyball Team Captures Interdivision Title



The Main Office volleyball team won the Interdivision League championship for the 1948-1949 season with 41 wins and one loss. The team's only defeat was to the Squares, who were runners-up.

Members of the championship squad are (l. to r.) Dick Wagner, Ray Soughan, Tom Fox, Art Rasor and Jack Fox. Kenny Arnold, the sixth man, was absent when the picture was taken.

G-E Club Loses To City Marksmen

A rifle match was held at South Side high school Tuesday, March 22, between the Fort Wayne Rifle Club and General Electric Rod and Gun Club. The club team lost to the city marksmen 1110 to 1116.

FORT WAYNE RIFLE CLUB

	Prone	Sit	Stand.
F. Feldes	98	94	89
L. Roussel, Jr.	100	94	86
A. Stone	99	94	85
Al Russel	98	94	85

Team Total 1116

G-E ROD AND GUN

	Prone	Sit	Stand.
L. Bland	98	99	82
F. Reed	100	94	84
K. Hart	99	94	84
O. Emrick	100	96	80

Team Total 1110



The Taylor St. boys of the Interdivision League are still out in front. In a dog-eat-dog affair Wednesday evening, the Brouwers took two games from the Broadway Beer and Wine boys. In another match the Doodlebugs clipped the Motor-Generator men (?) games. These are the M-G boys that always get the wood.

Six hundred series: George Luedeman, 157, 231 and 234 for a 622 total; Walter Mertz, 201, 195 and 213—609; and Don Dimke, 200, 208 and 195—603.

Two hundred scores: Frank Matthews, 202 and 202; Russ Rose, 244; Murry Johnson, 225; Walt Seidel, 223; Milt Marks, 214; Bainbridge and Erv Haugk, 209, Bob Buck and Burnau 206; Lee Crowell, 205; Paul Walker, 202; and Tobias, 204.

Masonic League

The Ionic five is leading the league by two games over the Levels and Patrols.

Two hundred scores: May, 226; Briant, 220; Frank Quinn, 215; J. Smith, 210; M. Bailey, 210; Schaberg, 209; Braden, 208 and Trevey, 200.

Small Motor League

The Production boys are still out in front.

Two hundred scores: Ray Matthews, 202, and 205; Anderberg, 237; Paul Walker, 223; Walt Whonsetler, 220; Highland, 217; Don "Shorty" Kaiser, 213; Orv Doherty, 213; Frank Quinn, 212; Kaade, 204; Erv Aumann, 204; Ty Cook, 204; Bob Walt, 201, and Ife Holmes, 201.

Office League

The Blueprint boys slipped back into first by a single game over the Dickason Barber Shop team.

Six hundred series: Erv Aumann, 191, 220 and 223—634.

Two hundred games: Frank Schlink, 200 and 213; Paul Perry, 202 and 201; Vic Rump, 214 and Clarence Rump, 206.

Apparatus League

Team No. 5 is leading the league by seven big games. Bob Knepple bagged his first 600 with games of 212, 179 and 216 for a 607.

Two hundred scores: Dick Blust, 214; W. Wright, 211; Larry O'Shaughnessy, 210; Bill Piercy, 207; R. Alcott, 207; W. Pappert, 205; R. Horner, 202, and Bob Hickman, 201.

Decatur League

George Laurent came through with the highest single game rolled in Decatur during the season with a big 279 in the G-E Fraternal league. Five strikes, a spare and six strikes accounted for the record. Other 200's included E. Falkner, 203; T. Murphy, 214; Lord, 213; and 200; M. Brown, 204; Werling, 221; Beery, 222, and Baumgartner, 229.

Charlie Cook piled up a high game of 256 in the Monday Night league. Other 200's were Shoaf, 212; Schultz, 214, and T. Murphy, 213.

Paced by Tim's consistant bowling (177, 149 and 214) the Murphys defeated Hiltys three games. Nelsons won three from Bakers. Appleman and Faurote won two from Laurents and Schultzs won two from Basharas. Fred Bashara outdid himself in the last game and rolled a score almost equal to the spot. Two hundred games: Murphy, 214; Laurent, 204; Appleman, 210, and Nelson (near miss, 198).

Ladies Monday Night League

Esther Muzzillo leads the high game parade with a 188. Other high games were rolled by Virginia Buuck, 178 and 186; Ethel Koontz, 176; Vivian Fleckenstein, 172; Louise Fanning, 175; Ann Lee, 173 and Margaret Lepper, 173.

Transformer Division League

France made a 600 series with games of 174, 226 and 206 for a 606 total.

Two hundred scores: Smith, 205; Beery, 209; and Feaser, 213.

Bowling and Stuff

Tomorrow at midnight is the deadline for the annual G-E Employees Tournament entries to be filed.

High scores for those trophies are 279, Orv Doherty; 247, "Tommie" Williams; 694, Les Shroyer, and 594, Helen Wagner.

G-E Club To Enter Main Auto League Again This Season

Charles Wilt, G-E Club president, announced today that the G-E Club would again be represented in the Main Auto Major League, Class A Softball. All games will be played at the Municipal Beach diamond.

Perry Esterline has been retained as manager, with Tom Anderson, coach, and Ivan Parrish, publicity manager.

The G-E Club Majors captured the second half championship last year, but lost the championship playoff to the Reserve Club. Manager Esterline will be able to start this season with a veteran and hustling team, signing all of last year's regulars. He is busy trying to sign one more infielder and a hard-hitting outfielder.

The first call for practice will be about the middle of April, the exact date to be announced in the near future.

Voltmen Schedule 50 League Games

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Don Runge, former two-sport star at South Side high school, was signed last week to replace John Corriden in the outfield. Corriden now manages a Pittsburgh Pirate farm team club.

Runge, 23-year-old, 5-10, 175-pounder, starred in football and track at South Side. He began a three-year hitch in organized baseball in 1944, when he played in the Class D Pony League and Newport News in the Piedmont League. After serving a year in the armed services, Runge split last season between the Fort Worth Cats of the Texas League and Mobile of the Southern Association, both Class AA loops.

Braden announced this week that there will be two new catchers, three new pitchers, a new third baseman, and at least two new members in the outfield. The holdover players will include Hugh Orphan, Al (Lefty) Hazel and Bill Brandt, pitchers; Olin Smith, Bill Hardy and Stan Shargey, infielders, and Paul Dyke, outfielder.

Coach Dee Hamilton will assist Braden for the third year.

Slated As Tough League

The Michigan-Indiana Baseball League, headed by President Gordon Graham of Lafayette, is slated as one of the toughest semi-pro organizations in the nation. All six clubs are reported strong this year with many new additions.

Negotiations are being completed with the following teams for exhibition tilts:

New York Cubans, Indianapolis Clowns, Harlem Globe Trotters, Homestead Greys, House of David, Cleveland Buckeyes, Kansas City Monarchs, and the Chicago American Giants.

All home games will be played at Dwenger park.

Tickets On Sale Later

"We would consider it a successful season if every employee would see at least one game," Charles Wilt, G-E Club president, stated today.

Booster tickets will go on sale for one dollar at the G-E Club office sometime later this month. General admission will be 50 cents with a booster ticket, or 74 cents without a booster ticket. The G-E Club will continue its policy of admitting free of charge all children under 12 years of age.

The league schedule is as follows:

At Home

Sunday, May 15—Michigan City, 2:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 19—Benton Harbor, 8:30 p.m.
Sunday, May 22—Lafayette, 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 25—South Bend, 8:30 p.m.
Saturday, June 4—St. Joseph, 8:30 p.m.
Thursday, June 9—Michigan City, 8:30 p.m.
Saturday, June 11—Benton Harbor, 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, June 14—South Bend, 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, June 28—St. Joseph, 8:30 p.m.
Saturday, July 2—Lafayette, 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, July 12—South Bend, 8:30 p.m.
Thursday, July 14—Lafayette, 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, July 19—St. Joseph, 3:30 p.m.
Friday, July 22—Benton Harbor, 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, August 2—Benton Harbor, 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Aug. 9—St. Joseph, 3:30 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 13—South Bend, 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Aug. 16—Benton Harbor, 8:30 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 19—Michigan City, 8:30 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 21—South Bend, 2:30 p.m.

Out-of-Town Games

Friday, May 27—At Benton Harbor.
Sunday, May 29—At Lafayette.
Monday, May 30—At Benton Harbor.
Friday, June 3—At St. Joseph.
Sunday, June 6—At South Bend.
Wednesday, June 8—At Michigan City.
Sunday, June 12—At Benton Harbor.
Friday, June 17—At St. Joseph.
Saturday, June 18—At South Bend.
Sunday, June 19—At Lafayette.
Friday, June 24—At Michigan City.
Saturday, June 25—At South Bend.
Sunday, June 26—At Benton Harbor.
Wednesday, June 29—At Lafayette.
Friday, July 1—At St. Joseph.
Sunday, July 3—At Michigan City.
Monday, July 4—At Lafayette.
Thursday, July 7—At St. Joseph.
Sunday, July 10—At Michigan City.
Sunday, July 24—At Lafayette.
Wednesday, July 27—At St. Joseph.
Friday, July 29—At Michigan City.
Saturday, July 30—At South Bend.
Sunday, July 31—At Michigan City.
Friday, Aug. 5—At Benton Harbor.
Saturday, Aug. 6—At South Bend.
Sunday, Aug. 7—At St. Joseph.
Friday, Aug. 12—At Michigan City.
Sunday, Aug. 14—At Lafayette.
Wednesday, Aug. 17—At Lafayette.



The Firemen beat Winter St. in the second game of the Interdivision Basketball league play-off, 42-22. This gives each team one victory and everything depends on the last game.

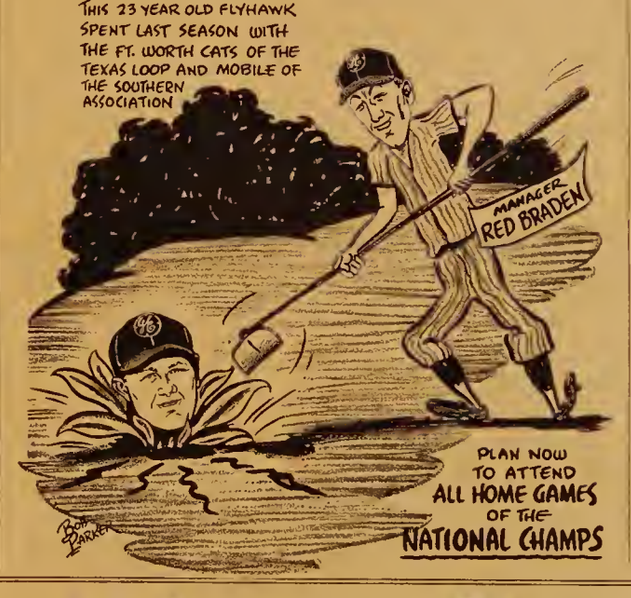
The Firemen took an early lead and held it. Paul Stemmler was high point man with 13. Both teams were off on their shooting, but the Firemen did a fine job of guarding the Winter St. boys, never letting them get set. The final game will be played tonight at 7 p.m.

Box Score:

Firemen	G.	F.	T.	Winter St.	G.	F.	T.
Moodie	2	0	4	Beneke	0	1	1
Stemmler	5	3	12	W. Reitdorf	1	1	3
Morkoetter	2	1	5	D. Kent	1	2	4
Etter	1	1	3	D. Reitdorf	1	4	6
Baals	2	3	7	Schinbeckler	0	1	1
Meyers	0	5	5	Blauvelt	1	2	4
Vance	0	1	1	Gallmeyer	0	0	0
Lambroff	1	0	2	Richardson	1	1	3
Somers	1	0	2	Fisher	0	0	0
Schible	0	0	0				
Totals	14	14	42	Totals	5	12	22

Model Racing Fans Invited To Meetings

All model-midget-racer enthusiasts are invited to attend weekly meetings Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. in the garage at Taylor St., where a thimble-down race track has been constructed.



Stronger Nine For '49

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Mildred Ellis

Spring has sprung
The grass has riz
I wonder where all the flowers is

Spring fever has hit the Apprentice School, especially the lathe section. It seems that Wagner just can't complete a job in the time allowed him? . . . Today was field day for all of our practical jokers. Methinks one little joke back-fired. Early in the week Rasor fixed it so that Barnes would be given an order for an anonymous job, but it wasn't quite so funny when Barnes gave Rasor the job to do. . . . Speaking of jokes? After last semester's grades were passed out there was no doubt in at least one instructor's mind how his class felt about their grades. When he entered the classroom he was greeted by a paper dummy with a noose around its neck strung up to the light fixture. Just so there would be no doubt who it represented, the instructor's name was attached. . . . Something new is to be added. Zurbuch announces that each Monday morning we will be greeted with a new safety poster. You may even be greeted with a new poster during the week if an appropriate occasion arises. Just ask "Lefty" Wuttke. Let's all read and obey these posters that we may have a safer school to work in and that we may live a longer fuller life. . . . Evidently Mr. Wolf has picked up a few good pointers from his son-in-law. At least I have been informed he made a perfect three-point landing in the bench section, probably still all excited about that new granddaughter. . . . I forgot to tell you last week about Morton bowling a 211 game, best I tell you now it may never happen again. . . . Birthday greeting this week to Art Braun and belated greetings to Bob Finton, Fred Borton, Wayne Bergman and H. Morton. . . . Perry Zahn's class in industrial organization really appreciated the fine talks given them by A. S. Johnson and R. J. Hoffman. The General Electric huge family tree really has the boys out on a limb, so to speak. . . . We are glad to have Paul Mischo back again after being ill for a few days. . . . We wish a very speedy recovery to Mrs. Merton Allen who is ill in the Garrett Hospital. . . . Since the state basketball tournament is over, Homer Carson is available as a small loan department. For an extra small fee, he gives advice on "How to invest your money wisely." Joe Rowan also picked up $18. . . . It's easy to see that sheep shearing time is here, because the boys in M-G appeared with fresh-cut-hair-dos. Could it be there was a fire sale on hair cuts last week? . . . For the latest in "hot rods" see Butch. He's had his "Chevy" on M.B.A. all winter. After sweating and scraping to get enough money for the major repair, he learned his trouble wasn't much at all. "Ain't that sumphin?" he says. . . . It's sure hard for the fellows to stay in class these nice spring evenings, because everything the instructor says seems to get compared to fishing in some way. . . . Woenker reports that he has Brouwers Service Station talked into sponsoring the Apprentice softball team. So the team should look quite "classy" in their new shirts and caps. Frank is getting quite pepped up about this season. Since we have been having such swell weather, he claims he will have the boys out any day getting the fat run off them. We can just see the pounds melting on such sturdy guys as Birkenbeul, Leffers, etc. Just think all winter's consumption of 3.2 going to waste.



"The fool hath said in his heart, there is no God."—Psalm 14:1.

We think the printer played an April Fool's joke on "Rovings" last week. One line was omitted and it did not say who the fellow belonging to the Marine Reserves is. His name is Joe Haas and he thinks something should be done about having his two weeks of camp at the same time as the G-E vacation shutdown. Cheer up, Joe, maybe something can be worked out yet. . . . The fellows in Group 16x40 would like to have a ride in Jerry Wert's new car. So far he hasn't taken anyone with him. . . . Betty Foreman's picture is in "Inquiring Reporter" column today. Would anyone suspect Betty of playing the sort of trick she describes? . . . Roy Hans is back in our section and very happy about it too. . . . Paul Koldewey and wife were two of the fortunate people that saw the final game at the state basketball tournament. They said it was a thrill of a lifetime. . . . Max Feilitz can be seen in front of a mirror almost any time of day polishing his bald spot. He claims he has a special cream that gives the extra gloss. . . . Though a little late we learn Barbara Wilson has been wearing a diamond for over a month. The lucky fellow is Robert Montgomery. . . . We're glad to report that Mrs. Dave Slater is making a steady improvement in her search for health. She is able to get out doors again and also take short rides. We wish her a complete recovery. . . . Gus Motz makes it easy for his boss to locate him. He has been wearing a bright red cap for the last couple of weeks. . . . Bob Foster stopped in to say "hello" last Monday and reports that little Deborah Lynn is keeping her dad awake at night. He seems very proud and happy in spite of the crying. . . . Dick Madden is spending all of his leisure(?) making and painting new kitchen cupboards. . . . We neglected to mention when telling about Mary Beaman's pet turtle last week that he also is a barometer. If it's going to be a cold or rainy day he hides under the furniture and if it's going to be fair weather, he gets as near the window as possible. He is just the thing to have for washday.

Volunteer Firemen Install New Officers



M. L. Spade

Maynard Spade was installed as the Volunteer Firemen's new president, Saturday evening at the Squares hall. The other officers installed were Troy Long, vice president; Ray Soughan, secretary, and Harry Zimmerman, treasurer.

Mr. Spade and Mr. Long automatically become the new leaders of the Board of Management. New members elected to the board were Mr. Long and Verland Patterson.

The entertainment committee for the year is headed by Mr. Long, assisted by Walter Lydy, John McMaken, Ora Martin, George Lambroff, Harold Mosshammer, Merle Morkoetter, Jr., Harold Karmer, Herbert Dial, Floyd Snyder, Frank Gitter and Leo Reffelt.

Cecil Rose is chairman of the athletic committee. His committee members are Jim Daley and Art Lindenberg.

(Two views of the activity following the meeting are shown below.)



Rumors are flying and our most talked about person is our basketball star, Herb Jesse. Herb was the star player in a basketball game recently at Ossian when the fathers decided to show their sons how the game really should be played. Rumor has it we will be losing Herb to the Zollner Pistons, the manager having asked him to sign a 10 year contract to play one exhibition game a year. From the groans around the office the next day, we think Herb should sign a 100 year contract for one game each 10 years. . . . What has happened to Cecil Strong and his 'Busco Terrier'? No news? Your Taylor Street pals would like to know, Cecil. . . . I wonder what game Ward Staley and Noland Meyers will take up next? They've been euchered so much lately they've decided to retire from that game temporarily. If interested in the finer points of pinochle, see Kenny Redding. . . . Doyal Huffman has "spring fever" or is it "building fever?" Anyway spring is in the air. . . . The welcome mat is out to Barbara Meyers who recently transferred to Bldg. 6-1 replacing Phyllis Nordyke. Best of luck to you, Barb, on your new job. . . . We have a new angle on the "Beast of 'Busco" as contributed by Jim Laisure, Bldg. 8-1 Grinding Room. "The Fluke of Fulks Lake."—It was a cool sunny Saturday afternoon and there was quite a crowd of spectators gathered at Fulks lake. Every nerve was centered upon catching the giant turtle. The diver was there with his trusty everleak diving suit and the cable and turtle harness were in readiness. Approaching the lake was a man driving a team of big mules. The diver entered the water with the contraptions and readily spotted Mr. Turtle. He approached the turtle very cautiously and prepared to put the harness upon him. Mr. Turtle very slyly watched out of one eye and if one could have understood turtle talk you might have heard him say, "Hurry up, I'm getting hungry." Now the diver has the harness attached and to this he affixes a light, but very strong cable and proceeds out of the water. His helmet is removed and they affix the cable to the double tree of the waiting mule team. Everything seems to be in complete readiness. The driver starts the mules, the cable tightens and moves. But WAIT! The mules aren't going forward anymore. They are pulling frantically but are being dragged back toward the water. Everybody is in hysterics as the mules are being pulled back farther and farther and finally into the lake and they disappear below the murky waters of Fulks lake. Dismay is rife. What would be the outcome? What had happened? Suddenly someone shouted and the crowd turned to stare at the opposite shore. There sat Mr. Turtle, calm as a knot on a log, nonchalantly picking his teeth with a single tree." So much for the Beast of 'Busco.



Effie Wyatt was given a farewell dinner. Our very best wishes to a swell gal, who is retiring. . . . We hear Margaret Lepper made the 500 series, congratulations. . . . Sophia Bodigan gave a shower for Helen Horstmeyer our bride-elect of April. . . . Johnny Burnett was a "lucky" guy when he drew Jasper to win the state basketball championship. However, we understand Johnny tried to persuade his brother-in-law to buy the ticket when Jasper was slated to play Madison in the evening game. . . . Maxine Daniels received a beautiful birthday cake from Lucy Whitlock. Lucy made the cake in the shape of a lamb, and it was really a work of art. . . . Danny Daniels certainly calmed down Herb Habig a week ago. What happened, Herb, did your team lose? . . . Bob and Peggy Turschman have had the "blues" all week. Their dog was struck by a car. . . . Spring must really be here. We have noted some of the girls are "showing" bare feet again. . . . Esther Watson had her granddaughter in a dither last week. It seems she had a dress in lay-a-way and Esther being very thoughtful picked it up for her one evening after work. A few minutes later her grandchild stopped in the store to get it. After some excitement the clerk finally convinced her that it must have been her grandmother who had picked up the dress. . . . Janet Hier was built up for an awful let-down. It seems her husband had purchased two luscious T-bone steaks. Janet preparing them just "right" had her heart set on a very wonderful dinner. However, they were so tough they couldn't eat them. The next night they had beef stew. . . . We are wondering just what Gatha Hartman did with the four dozen doughnuts she bought a week ago Friday?

Often the greatest trouble with middle age is that that is where it affects you.

Plan to get your Voltmen ticket early.

Firemen Have Card Party



The camera played kibitzer at two card games during the social period of the Volunteer Firemen's meeting Saturday evening at the Squares hall. Shown in the picture on the left are (clockwise, from lower left) Elmer Hamilton, Fred Duryee, Harry Zimmerman and Ahe Koch trying to get the most 'meld' from their hands. Waiting for the deal in the picture on the right are (l. to r.) Ora Martin, Jack Kurtz, Louis Hopper and Norman Culler.

FORT WAYNE WORKS

NEWS

We were reconciled to God by the death of His Son.

—Romans 5:10

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General Electric's Anti-Inflation Ads Receive Recognition

The General Electric Company and the advertising agency, Fred Rudge, Inc., were presented one of 12 bronze medal awards for General Electric's advertising campaign to combat inflation. The announcement was made in the recent issue of **Advertising & Selling.**

The Annual Advertising Awards are based on the criterion: Advertising as a Social Force.

The series of General Electric ads appeared in the WORKS NEWS and city newspapers in an effort to enlist the cooperation of 15,000 supervisors, 200,000 employees, and 6,500,000 community neighbors in 45 G-E plant towns in the battle against inflation. They were designed to give readers a clear picture of existing conditions and to discuss matters found to be of the greatest current interest to them.

Ads Illustrate Data

Most of these were captioned by question headlines, such as "Should Pay Be Equal Everywhere?" and "Should Wages Go Up—and Down—With Profits?" All of the advertisements carried cartoon or diagrammatic cuts supplementing the copy. In many cases special material was high-lighted as in the

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G-E Employees Donate $10,180 To Red Cross



The presentation of a check for $10,180 was made this week to Red Cross officials by C. H. Matson, Works Manager, on behalf of the G-E employees who contributed to the 1949 fund-raising campaign at the Broadway, Taylor St. and Winter St. plants. In the picture above are (l. to r.) K. W. Michael, chairman of the Fort Wayne Works campaign; Mr. Matson; D. K. Huntress, general chairman of the Red Cross drive in Allen County, and Glenn Reynolds, executive director of the local Red Cross chapter.

WKJG's Hilliard Gates To Give Talk On Sports At Supervisors' Club

Hilliard Gates, manager of Station WKJG, will be the speaker at a meeting of the Supervisors' Club at 8 p.m. Monday, April 18, in the Squares' hall. "The Local Sports Picture" will be his topic.

Mr. Gates traveled 12,000 miles to provide radio coverage of 125 basketball games this season. A short discussion will follow his talk.

M. L. Crouse will present "Magic Is Fun," a show of legerdemain, as another feature of the program.

A business session and social activities have also been planned by P. A. Vance and W. H. Crouse, co-chairmen of the evening. Other members of the committee are O. B. Fultz, L. B. McNamara and W. W. Weimer. A buffet lunch will be served at the close of the formal meeting.

Hodell Writes Feature For BRIEF Magazine

The latest issue of **Brief**, magazine for foremen and supervisors of the Apparatus Dept., contains a story by Lisle Hodell, Manager of Manufacturing in the FHP Motor division, as its feature for this month.

"Synchronized Flow" is the subject of Mr. Hodell's story, which is illustrated by a group of pictures taken at the Taylor St. plant.

The Fort Wayne Works is also represented by a story about Charles A. Schild, a 1948 Coffin Award winner. Mr. Schild was a

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Plastic Models Solve Homemakers' Problems



Clarence Kruse, employees' store clerk, shows Mr. and Mrs. John Leininger, both of Bldg. 18, how easy it is to plan an ideal kitchen of G-E appliances with an Applianset.

An ingenious method for planning attractive, step-saving General Electric kitchens and laundries has been developed by two G-E engineers at the Bridgeport Works.

It used to be a big problem to plan your kitchen and laundry, but those days are past. With an Applianset—like the one on display at the Broadway Employees' Store—you can see your dream kitchen, complete to the last detail, before you begin working on the real thing.

The Applianset was devised by

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F. T. Clarke Named Safety Supervisor Of Apparatus Dept.

Frederick T. Clarke has been appointed Supervisor of Safety for the Apparatus Department at Schenectady, it was announced by J. A. Spencer, in charge of Employee Relations for the department. Mr. Clarke has 20 years of experience with General Electric and was formerly Safety Supervisor of the Apparatus Department's Switchgear Divisions at the Philadelphia Works.

Mr. Clarke, who studied engineering at Drexel Institute of Technology in Philadelphia, Pa., and safety engineering for one year at the University of Pennsylvania, joined General Electric in 1929. He started in Relay Tests at the Philadelphia Works and was transferred to Automatic Panel Test the following year. He remained in that position until 1937 when he became a Requisition Engineer.

In 1939 he was transferred back to the Relay Test Section of the Apparatus Department's Switchgear Divisions in Philadelphia, and in 1941 was named Foreman of the

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ELEX RUMMAGE SALE

The Elex Club's rummage sale will be held today and tomorrow, April 8 and 9, at 308 W. Brackenridge St. Supervising the sale today are members of the Partizan Chapter. Elex members will be in charge during the sale tomorrow.

Foremen To Hear Speech By State Representative



W. O. Hughes

W. O. Hughes, state representative from Allen County, will be the speaker at a meeting of the Foremen's Association at 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 13, in Kreis Stoltzenau hall.

Mr. Hughes is a Fort Wayne attorney and was the minority leader in the last session of the Indiana General Assembly. He will discuss such topics as the Soldiers' Bonus, the Railroad Elevation bill, and others of interest that were considered by the Assembly.

"It is expected that the discussion will be kept on a non-partisan basis and good government will be the theme," it was pointed out by Everett Lindeman, president.

Non-members who are eligible for membership are invited.

FORT WAYNE WORKS NEWS

Don Campbell.....Editor

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Religion, Like Liberty, Will Not Maintain Itself

A group of conscientious men started out to do a big job nine years ago. They wanted to remind the American public that religion, like liberty, will not maintain itself. When one goes, the other follows. And they've done something about it.

The Laymen's National Committee is a non-profit, nonsectarian organization of laymen of all faiths. They are not connected with any other organization.



Out of their determination to bring about a more sober realization that "man cannot live by bread alone . . ." developed an annual movement which today is not only accepted as here to stay, but receiving more and more plaudits each day —National Sunday School Week—which will be observed this year from April 11 to 17.

Moral decay is being carefully nurtured by those who would replace American ideals with alien, godless ideologies. The aim of setting aside this special week is to increase Sunday School attendance with the idea that religion must be so important that Communism will be unimportant.

Let Us Never Be Content With Things We Do Today

A famous author, pressed by an interviewer for his secret of success smiled and said, "I write to please myself." Further he said, "If the story doesn't sound right to me, I re-write it until it does. I am my own critic and I hope, the severest one I'll ever meet."

In those words are worlds of wisdom. We must all be our own critics. No one will ever be as tough on us as we ourselves . . . if we only apply the courage necessary to action. Never be satisfied with what you have done. Today's job must be better tomorrow and so on until the end of time, if progress is to be made.

Once we understand what Burns, the Scottish poet meant when he prayed for the gift "to see ourselves as others see us," we have gone a long way on the road to better things. Let us never be content with the things we do today. Let us always search for, until we find, the better way.

REMEMBER . . . . .

. . . . When electrical maintenance was located in the basement of Bldg. 16. . . . . When testing of large generators was performed in Bldg. 2, where the Plating Section is now located. . . . . When the FHP Motor Division was located in Bldg. 3-2 in a space about 50 ft. x 100 ft. . . . . When distribution of power was overhead, between buildings. . . . . When Link Johnson and his gang were the motive power for hauling large products between buildings. . . . . When "Billy" Wehrs ran the shaft lathe in Bldg. 8. . . . . When Bill Bracht helped the breakers kick out when you approached your estimated load requirement. . . . . When bi-polar generator and exciters were built in Fort Wayne. . . . . When Walter Wolf milled commutator bars and Bill Rehling would send a 6 inch length back for credit. . . . . When we manufactured direct current watthour meters and prepayment meters. . . . . When Killian Vorndran was watchman at the Pennsylvania Broadway crossing. . . . . When the Spanish American War flagpole fell across the Pennsy tracks. . . . . J. J. Wood's diamond ring with a stone as big as your thumbnail. . . . . E. A. Barnes' Oldsmobile. . . . . Our experiments with X-Ray transformers. . . . . When we manufactured switchboard instruments of all descriptions. . . . . When we built the first revolving field alternator. . . . . When spinning of copper and aluminum was an art in Bldg. 3-1. . . . . When the safety movement was in its infancy.

It's The Wasteline That Bothers Us



HUGH CRANE discusses Government Price Support

NEW YORK—News from the farm is out-of-this-world.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture keeps tabs every spring, beginning as of March 1, of American farmers' "intentions to plant."

Last year we had a bumper crop of wheat and a super-duper crop of corn. That's one main reason why the prices of eggs, chicken, pork and beef have been coming down and will probably come down still further. But these crops were so large that in spite of our exporting an enormous amount of grain this year we'll still have nearly half a year's domestic requirements of wheat left over at the end of July when the new crop comes in, and the government will be holding the bag not only for most of this grain but also for several million bales of unused cotton and a whole lot of other surplus crops.

More Acreage This Year

But now comes the news that farmers are planting even more acreage to wheat this year than last year and only a shade less corn. And their total intentions to plant all crops come to around 360 million acres against only around 300 million acres last year.

That means that with only average weather the country will have another huge crop of nearly everything this summer, on top of the leftover from last year. And that means that while we're knee-deep in grain this year we'll be waist-deep in it a year from now.

Will Cost Billions

It's happened before in recent years that bumper crops have overflowed into garage floors, empty churches and open fields; but this year it'll be worse than ever. There'll be more grain than can possibly be stored or than the railroads can carry; and the government will have to lay out billions to take over the surplus.

What to do with it? We can't expect to export it all; the European crops are good this year; so are the Canadian. We can't feed it all to livestock; there's a limit to the amount you can use to feed a hog or fatten a steer and it takes time to grow more pigs and cows.

What Caused Situation?

How did this come about? Well, there are three principal reasons.

In the first place the law requires the government to support the price of grain at levels which farmers still seem to find quite attractive.

Secondly, it became again during the war a free country so far as acreage is concerned and a farmer can plant all he wants to of the principal grains.

And thirdly, there's talk of acreage control next year, but if it comes the farmer's future acreage will be determined by his past acreage, so he might as well keep it up now while Congress lets him.

This kind of thing didn't happen

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SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q. How does an "electric eye" work?

A. This term is usually applied to the photoelectric cell or phototube, an evacuated bulb containing a surface of sodium, potassium or some other material which emits electrons when light strikes it. Also sealed in the bulb is a wire called the anode. Connected in the proper circuit, an electrical current (a stream of electrons) will flow through the phototube when illuminated, and variations in light cause corresponding variations in current. Another type of light-sensitive element, called the photovoltaic cell, converts the light energy falling on it directly to a current. These are used in the common photographic exposure meters.

Meet the President

Charlotte STANFORD

PRESIDENT OF THE ELEX CLUB



CHARLOTTE IS ACTIVE IN SPORTS—BOWLING AND ACTING AS SECRETARY OF TWO LEAGUES—SHE ALSO MANAGED THE GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM—

— WORKS IN FHP MOTOR DIV. 13 AT TAYLOR ST.

YE OLD METER GIRLS TO HAVE SPRING PARTY

Ye Old Meter Girls will have a spring party at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, in the Dehler-Hughes hall. Mrs. Wilbur Lec and Mrs. Willard Stephen are co-chairmen of the affair, assisted by Catherine Wise, president of the group.

Tickets for the party are 50 cents each. Reservations can be made at the Personnel offices at Broadway and Taylor St. plants or with any of the committee members.

Receive Recognition

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case of one captioned "Prices Will Keep On Going Down," which ran a column of up-to-date instances in which price cuts were being put into effect all over the country. In many cases boxed recapitulations at the bottom of the page offered the reader specific instructions as to what measures he could take individually.

In announcing the award, the magazine stated:

"G-E never failed to pledge its own total support of the actions it advocated, the point of view set forth being one of continually abetting production in industry for the good of individuals everywhere, whether as members of management, labor, or simply as consumers."

The awards were founded by Edward Bok in 1924 and until 1930 administered by the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. After a lapse of four years they were renewed in 1935 under the sponsorship of Advertising & Selling, and since that time have been called the Annual Advertising Awards.

Fractional Fiction 4-5

By Leola Carrier

We wonder if anybody saw an unchaperoned trailer going down Rudisill Blvd. last Saturday. It belongs to Gordon Parmalec. . . . Notice: Martha Smeader declares nobody ever noticed her hair cut. . . . A lot of fooling went on during the past week, especially when Charley Trey tried to pick up a nickel that was nailed to the floor. Better luck next time, Charley. . . . Wanted: A seamstress in case of emergency of moving platforms out of the way for safety. See Herman Macke for the information. . . . Co-workers of Eileen Magers presented her a nice parting gift. She is leaving for her new home in Chicago. . . . Charles Brown, who is now retired, gave his friends a vist last week. . . . Accidents do happen according to Augusta Gallmeyer who spilled coffee on herself and lost a half day's work. Were you trying to fool yourself on April Fool's Day, Augusta. . . . We wish to express our sympathy to Forrest Allman on the death of his father.

Writes Feature

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foreman in the FHP Motor Engineering Development section before his retirement on March 1.

Named as a "Mr. General Electric," Hilbert J. Nahrwold, Tool Maintenanee foreman at Taylor St., is congratulated by the magazine for his participation in civic affairs as a city councilman.

Coil Winding Group Holds Meeting Here



Seated: (l. to r.) J. A. LaCasse, Pittsfield; P. H. DuBois, Lynn River; R. M. Kramer, West Lynn; G. G. Fasake, Schenectady, and L. C. Sterling, Schenectady. H. J. Proxmire, Fort Wayne, is addressing the group. Standing: (l. to r.) T. L. Winestock, Pittsfield; L. H. Driftmeyer, Fort Wayne; J. F. Schreiner, Schenectady; A. F. Mittermaier, Fort Wayne; Karl Twele, Philadelphia; A. D. Cranner, Philadelphia, and W. W. Winn, Erie.

The Transformer, Instrument and Control Coil Winding Committee for the Apparatus Dept. met at the Fort Wayne Works Tuesday and Wednesday, April 5-6.

The sessions opened Tuesday morning in the Central Planning conference room, Bldg. 26-2, with a short talk by W. F. Oswalt, Assistant Manager of Manufacturing, Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions.

Tours of Bldg. 26 were held during both mornings of the conference.

The Tuesday afternoon session included a discussion of the morning tour, agenda items, Bobbin manufacturing and procurement, and Works Laboratory activities.

A discussion of the morning tour, new items, and cost reductions concluded the conference. The next meeting of the committee will be held in September at the Schenectady Works.

Reinking, Allen Are Appointed To New FHP Payroll Positions



H. H. Reinking



J. L. Allen

H. H. Reinking has been appointed Supervisor of Payroll and J. L. Allen was named Assistant to the Supervisor, Payroll, FHP Motor divisions.

Mr. Reinking began his General Electric career in 1926 as a messenger. Later that year, he transfered to the payroll section, and in 1936 was assigned to the accounting division in Bldg. 18-3. He returned to payroll the following year as a clerk. Mr. Reinking was then promoted leader in the gross payroll and distribution section.

In 1946 he was appointed assistant to the Paymaster in charge of gross payroll, distribution and payroll statistics. A year ago he became Assistant to the Supervisor of Payroll, FHP Motor divisions, the position he held prior to his recent appointment.

He is married and has two sons and two daughters. The Reinkings live at 2315 Broadway. An accomplished pianist, his hobby is music.

Joins G-E In 1942

Mr. Allen was first employed by the Company in 1942. He started working in the cost section, Bldg. 4-6. Six months later he left for service in the air corps and saw overseas action on Guam. He returned to General Electric in 1946, working in the payroll section at the DeKalb, Ill., plant. He later was appointed Supervisor of that section, the position he had before transferring to Fort Wayne to take over his new duties.

He has purchased a home at 7404 Beatty Ave. in Waynedale, and his family, Mrs. Allen and two sons, plan to move there soon. Gardening is one of Mr. Allen's chief interests.

Elex Partizan Chapter Plans Luncheon Meeting

The Partizan Chapter of Elex will its monthly meeting Tuesday, April 19, at the new Hobby House on E. Wayne St. A luneheon will be served at 1:45 p.m. A business meeting and social period will be held following the meal.

Margaret Tomson is chairman of the meeting. Her committee consists of Edna and Luella Tarmon.

F. T. Clarke

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Acronautic Equipment Test Department.

A year later he was transferred to the Darby, Penn., Works, returning to the Philadelphia Plant in 1944 as Safety Supervisor.

Mr. Clarke is a member of the American Standards Association, and is on the Executive Committee of the Electrical Section of the National Safety Council. He is married and has two sons, Fred, Jr., and Richard.

Hugh Crane

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in the old days and in fact couldn't, for a very obvious reason. When crops began to get too big, prices would begin to slide and they would keep on sliding until they got so low that farmers didn't find it worth while to plant so much. The trouble was, though, that the prices would slide so far that they would drive honest hard-working farmers into bankruptcy, so the country gave up that system. Nowadays the government supports the price.

Has Its Faults, Too

But the new system doesn't fully make sense either, so far. This surplus business seems likely to continue not just this year but for some years to come. Congress is now working round toward continuing the present support levels (90 per cent of 'parity' for most crops). And everybody is very reluctant to go overboard and vote for acreage or production controls such as we had in the 1930's. Farmers don't like them, and besides, it just naturally sounds bad and goes against the grain of most Americans to prevent a man from producing something. Yet if you offer a man a good price for his product, and undertake to buy all he produces, you're liable to get a good deal more production than you thought you were bargaining for.

You may think this is all highbrow stuff, but it isn't. It affects the price of groceries. And you'll see and hear more and more talk about it as the months roll by between now and harvest time.

Elex Board Meetings Scheduled For April 20

Elex Club board meetings will be held Wednesday, April 20. The second shift girls will convene in Room 204, Bldg. 8-2, at 1:30 p.m. with Rachel Fisher presiding. Charlotte Stanford will preside at the day girls' meeting, which will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the large conference room of Bldg. 8-2.

You never know whether to take some politicians at their face or two-faced value.

Some people can hear a rattle in their cars quicker than one in their heads.

Plastic Models

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Victor Civkin, who is in charge of architectural engineering at Bridgeport, and his co-worker, Gerald Macari.

Models Prove More Practical

While working in the Appliance and Merchandise Department's Home Bureau several years ago, these two architectural engineers developed the idea of using models of G-E appliances to work out arrangement problems. Up until then, all the pictures used in advertising appliances were pictures of actual kitchens. Variety in arrangement was difficult because it was impractical to move the heavy pieces.

The first models used by the two engineers were made of wood. All the appliances were scaled to one inch to the foot. The only difficulty was that cupboards which had to be put on the walls often jarred out of place before the picture was taken.

Civkin and Macari then hit on the idea of having them made of plastic, because it is light, attractive and versatile. They learned that the Chemical Department at Pittsfield had the facilities for turning them out, so they soon received their cooperation in the project.

Wall Fixtures Are Problem

At first the wall fixtures were equipped with metal brackets which looped over the side walls. There was still liable to be an unsightly gap between cupboards, unless the whole model was on an absolute level.

The problem of making the pieces fit closely together was finally solved by a Chemical Department representative, who suggested magnets.

The walls of the Applianset are metal and by attaching a tiny magnet to the back of each corner cupboard, cabinet, and clock, these unruly fixtures now stay where they are put as firmly as if they were glued. They're easily moved and placed where the homemaker wants them, to complete the dream kitchen.

There's no fun achieving success when everybody is looking the other way.

The trouble with Father Time is he doesn't make any round trips.



The first wedding anniversary of Louella Hockemeyer left her up in the clouds. Monday she was seen wearing two gay colored aprons. . . . Who is the new boy with the Florida tan? Namely Harold Dalman. Welcome home, stranger. . . . What is all the mystery about the Hoover armature? Who has it? Where is it? That's the $64 question. . . . Glen Fernwalt is the new capable packer. . . . Freda Copeland and Bea Helm paid us a visit last week. It was nice seeing you again, girls. . . . Dorothy Comer, who has been on the sick list, is recovering quite nicely. . . . The Easter bunny has paid us an early visit. Esther Fagan was given a live rabbit and some colored eggs last Friday. Everybody thinking it was an April Fool joke found out it was the real thing. . . . We welcome Helen White. Hope you like us, Helen. . . . Billie Tucker brought some toast to work the other morning. She put it under a heat lamp to get warm. She told one of the girls to watch it so it didn't burn. They watched it all right, watched it go up in smoke. If you want your toast, Billie, you had better eat it cold. . . . Test and Inspection boys went out to a party at Fred Clark's last Friday night. Just a little party on Sam Beers. Say, can that Clark guy put on a feed! If you don't think so ask Harry Berry, I doubt if he could get in the door when he got home 'cause he sure put it away. . . . Say, Ed Boedeker, how do you like Carl Harmon for a card partner? It's ok, Ed, you don't have to say it out loud. . . . Lester Hubbart better keep quiet and help his wife with the housecleaning this week. . . . Elmer Koehlinger was the big-boy Friday night or should we say lucky. . . . Clarence Nahrwold didn't do bad either! . . . We sure missed Pondo's singing Friday night. Since there wasn't any girls present I guess he didn't think it worth his time and effort after working so hard all day. . . . Bob Blee has been put on the spot and X marks the spot. So sorry, Bob, you have been such a good boy too. . . . Ray O'Brian says his nickel cigars put off plenty of smoke. . . . Jim Hargis had an expensive fishing trip. He leaned over to put some bait on his hook and along came a gust of wind, and good-by hat. It was the third time he wore the hat too! . . . Paul Ginder doesn't live right. Whirlwinds usually blow a great distanee or so I've been told, but this one didn't. It stopped when it hit his freshly painted car. He had to do the job completely over. . . . The cooking Clarks are at it again. Louie was helping Clara bake some lemon pies to take to Michigan with them and she doesn't know what made her taste it but imagine her surprise when she found out she had left the sugar out! P.S. she dumped it back in the pan and added the sugar. . . . Lee Raver sure is an early riser—she got up at 1:30 a.m., put the coffee on and started dressing when she looked at the clock again and back to bed she went. . . . Mary Nute was explaining to Thelma Purdue and Thelma Harter just how to hold the bowling ball when bowling. Later they found out that she had told them wrong and our conclusion is that she wanted to be sure no one else beat her. She says that Purdue woman is a born bowler! . . . We had a farewell dinner party for Clara Krudop who is retiring today.

Given Presents At Retirement



Arba Kurtz, Taylor St. plant, is shown receiving presents given during the luncheon in honor of her retirement April 1. Left to right are Adeline Muzzillo, Louise Reinhart, Miss Kurtz, Mary Kneubuhler, Bonnie Rothgeb, Irene Michel and Bessie Monroe.



Kathryn Erwin gave a farewell dinner party for Effie Wyatt, who retired last week. Effie, who has been employed by the Company for 23 years, has not been late to work at any time. We feel this is an excellent record. Also last Thursday her co-workers had a party for her in the cafeteria and presented to her some beautiful luggage. We extend to Effie our very best wishes for a very happy future. . . . It seems Janet Hirer and Ginny Plummer were discussing monkeys one day, and a couple of days later Clayton Culver asked Janet if she had remembered their discussion, and she replied, "yes, why?" Mr. Culver very nonchalantly said, "Oh, I saw one uptown last night and thought of you." CRASH! . . . We understand Lowell Arnold has very willingly offered his assistance to one of our employees, just in ease she is a lucky winner in a certain club. . . . Spring is really here. Virgil Snyder his been boasting about his tomato plants. Could it be he has fresh sliced tomatoes already? . . . We wonder if old age is creeping upon Arlo Hawk, or is he just absentminded? It seems while trying to find just who had taken his cigarette lighter, he found he had it in his hand. . . . Hurrah for Ann Johnson, she bowled a 584 series. . . . Lottie McFarland has her garden all planted and soon will have a diet of lettuce and roses. . . . Why is it Ife Holmes always breaks all the teeth out of the combs he buys? . . . Mable Staley took the wrong bottle out of the medicine cabinet, but whatever it was, her cold is getting mueh better. . . . "Slim" Miller needs a bib. The average person eats his food, but not Slim he just dribbles it down the front of his shirt. . . . Sophia Bodigan had a shower on our bride of April, Helen Horstmeyer. Helen received many lovely gifts. . . . It looks as though Walter Doctor is a wee bit jealous of Elmer Buuck's purple shirt. Anyway he is trying to prove himself eligible to wear one. . . . The next time the boys are out for an enjoyable evening and they flip a coin to see just who will buy, they are going to check the coin Bill Kurtis has to see if it doesn't have "heads" on both sides. . . . Happy birthdays for the month go to Kenneth Rupp, Beatrice Hans, Irene Bowman, Esther Watson, May Schnitt, Myrtle Barfell, Glen McNamara, Leonard Kinley, Kathryn Norr and Kathryn Erwin.

Frank Morgan Retires With 24 Years Service



Frank Morgan

Frank Morgan retired Friday, April 1, after 24 years service with the Company. He was employed the entire period by the General Tool division, starting as a machinist. When he left for a leave of absence in 1944, he was a universal mill operator.

Mr. Morgan lives at 4214 S. Calhoun St.



Ward Staley's incubator failed or the rheostat failed to work, so all Ward got for his efforts was some cooked eggs. Better luck next time, or you might be more successful if you started with the live birds. . . . John Repine learned a new trick last Friday (April Fool's Day) and is now in the market for some paraphernalia consisting of one funnel, one penny and a glass of cold water. He says when he gets the stuff he will show us how to drop a penny off his nose in the funnel placed in his belt. . . . There is a theme song about hydromatic drive. Ray Bowers is singing it since he pulled the gear shift lever off his car. . . . The decoration in the grinding section last week was the result of Ted Warner's birthday. Ted's children presented their dad with a beautiful shirt and Ted was very proud of the gift too. . . . Marcellus Junk is back on the job after a couple days tussel with old man flu. . . . Also back after several weeks' illness is Walter Schuler. You can't keep a good man down long. . . . Courtland Anderberg has returned to Bldg. 19-4 after pinch hitting for Walter Schuler. It was nice having you out, Andy, come again sometime. . . . Frank Phillips was kicking about no threads on a job from the lathe last Monday and upon checking the sketch found he had failed to put them on the sketch. . . . John Bastian and wife celebrated another wedding anniversary last week. Don't those years slip around quickly? Congratulations and many more happy ones, too. . . . Ernie Brown was given a nice birthday gift this week by being elected governor of the Moose Lodge. Congratulations and many happy returns.



Once again death has visited our group and taken away a friend and co-worker. Although Paul Redmerski had been ill for quite a few months he was never forgotten. His cheerful smile and friendly hail was as sure as the sunshine. To his family we extend our deep sympathy. . . . We also extend our sympathy to Don Kruse whose brother died last week. . . . All of our best of luck to you went to the bowling congress with Roger Crabill. Hope they did some good. . . . Paul Baker and Bill Hoefer are leaving us today, and we wish them lots of luck. . . . Ross Harter is now a Winter Street man again—our loss for sure, but in his place we have Bob Lauer and our best hello to him. . . . We bid farewell to Polly Van Horn, who is leaving us and taken up housekeeping as a full time job. Sincere wishes for good luck go with you, Polly, it's the little things in life that really count. . . . Did Ruby Lydy and Clara Metcalf like the gifts they received April 1? . . . Someone must have given Alice "Farmer" Pflueger a bum steer when she was a kid. . . .

Here I sit, but all in vain,
To think up an item for the ole
WORKS NEWS
Nothing even on Charlie Crain
So I guess I'll just have to take the
boos! . . .

Top Floor Topics

DIVISION 95

By Walter E. Pohler

As we collect our thoughts to write a few lines for our column this week, we wonder how many of our readers realize that probably one of the really big moments in the history of our country has just taken place a few days ago. We are referring to the signing, April 4, 1949, of the Atlantic Pact. Only history will tell whether or not this pact will serve its intended purpose. The point we are trying to make is that most of us go our normal way, not taking too much interest in anything other than the things which effect our way of life. We have heard little or no comment from any of our co-workers regarding this matter, and your writer must admit he has not taken time to become familiar with the provisions of this treaty. As a point for consideration we feel that all of us should take a more active interest in the affairs of state. By so doing we could vote more intelligently, and it is quite possible that our country could be an even better place in which to live. . . . Eva Bobbish reported back to work on Monday after being off since Jan. 13. We tried to get her to tell us all about her operation, but the story was too long to publish in this column. Anyway we are glad to see you back, Eva. . . . Bill Braun completed his first semester at Purdue Center with straight A grades. Nice going, Bill. . . . Speaking of Purdue Center, why don't some of the rest of you ex-G.I.'s take advantage of the opportunity of attending night school, under the G.I. Bill?

Squares To Hold Minstrel Show April 20



Don Motter, orchestra director, and Glenn Seabold, chorus director, scan some of the orchestrations they will use in the Squares minstrel show, Plantation Capers.

Plantation Capers, the Squares minstrel show, will be presented Wednesday, April 20, at the Civic Theatre, it was announced today.

Different groups have been rehearsing the past few weeks and soon combined rehearsals will start. A number of professional acts will be included in the show, but the major portion of the cast will feature members of the Squares Club.

Rehearsals for the chorus are being held every Tuesday at 5:15 p.m. in Bldg. 16-2 cafeteria, and every Thursday at 12:30 p.m. in the G-E Club auditorium.

Tickets are available from club members for 50 cents. There will be an open house at the club rooms after the show.



Discussing plans for the show, above, are Frank Gamec, general chairman; Joe Zasa, show chairman, and Frank Ondrovik, administrative chairman.



Last week was party week in Bldg. 18-1. The Accounting Girls entertained with a luncheon for Vickie Bickis, who is now at Taylor Street; and Betty Carper was feted with a luncheon by the Works Service Payroll girls. . . . Our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hawkins, Bldg. 18-5, in the death of one of their twins. We understand that little Ann is much improved from her siege of pneumonia. . . . The fishing season is here, as a witness, these Monday morning conferences in Bldg. 18-4, as to ways and means of snaring the victims. See Al Tharp or Ray White for particulars. Understand that Mr. Tharp is promoting a fishing school. I do not know whether it is for anglers or otherwise. (H. B. Leach, Bldg. 18-1 please take notice). . . . Speaking of Mr. Leach's fishing ability, I notice that the Purdue Center fishing school held a fishing derby at Fletcher's Cedar Shores last Sunday. However, I fail to see our Mr. Leach listed as a winner. Could it be that his practice is not as good as his theory? Now don't tell us you did not enter the contest. . . . April Fool is here and past, but the people in Bldg. 18-4 are still wondering what it was about the phone call that Karl Reid received to make him grin from ear to ear, also, the "private" heavy mail received by Messrs. Kappel and Tharp. . . . Then too, Julia Waldrop, Bldg. 18-1, had to leave early Friday evening to pick up a certain piece of wearing apparel she had lost—that was not an April Fool! That was serious. . . . By the way, Elizabeth Carnell, Bldg. 18-1, has a new parking place for her new (?) car. Oh, well, it is safer in the filling station anyway. She says it's carburetor trouble. . . . We are all pleased to know that Rex Mericle has returned to his work in Bldg. 18-5 after several weeks illness. . . . Ralph Bailey, Bldg. 18-1, as far as we know, is the golf addict this spring. Of course, he and Mrs. Bailey had to travel all the way to Springfield, O., just to play the game. . . . Phyllis Morrison, Bldg. 18-3, celebrated her birthday last week. . . . Not everyone can take one ride on last week's pass, as Florence Badger, Bldg. 18-4 did—no foolin' . . . The FHP Orders and Sales section, Bldg. 18-3, extends welcome to Charley Hooley, who was recently transferred from the Air Conditioning Dept.



"Remember, there has never been an over-production of kind words."

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson are the proud parents of a baby son, Dennis Eugene, born Friday morning, April 1. Congratulations. . . . We wish Noble Dinger belated birthday greetings. His birthday was March 31. . . . If Joe Griffin had as much luck in everything else as he does in playing cards, he would be sitting on top of the world. . . . Speaking of cards, Jim Kavanaugh and his partner took third place in a bridge tournament recently. . . . Bob Rehrer really moved fast last week-end when he looked out of the window and saw one of his sons out in about five feet of water. Bob lives at Tri Lakes. . . . Arlouine Wise brought a pair of dolls that she had made to work. They were really cute and she must have spent many hours making them. . . . Earl Yoquelet's wife made him an April Fool sandwich for his lunch. . . . J. Rippe had quite an experience trying to hang wallpaper, not only on the walls but on the ceiling also. Some fun, eh, Rippe? . . . Miles Rupert's wife caught him before he was really awake with the old April Fool joke of a quarter that wasn't there. Get on your toes, Miles. . . . Glen Keck and wife attended a golden wedding celebration with 114 people held at Jonesville, Mich., last week-end. The couple honored was Mr. and Mrs. Charles Keck, Glen's aunt and uncle. . . . Carmelita Fough and Bettie Foreman have swapped shifts. Carmelita is with the early risers and Bettie is on second. . . . Charlie Laymon now calls himself the "Admiral of the Fleet." Fleet of dies for repair, that is. . . . Frank Brohman was going to start redecorating his house April 1, but he decided it was too close to "that" time so he's going to start in May now.

Design Engineer Receives Patent



A. F. Ordas

A. F. Ordas, design engineer in Motor and Generator Engineering, Bldg. 31-2, has recently been granted a patent on an improved type of stator core utilizing random wound coils. The new stator core has slot openings which are initially wide for ease in winding and may thereafter be closed to any desired degree to provide characteristics of a closed slot construction. This is Mr. Ordas' first patent.

After obtaining his degree of B.S. in E.E. from the University of Illinois in 1935, he attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston where he obtained the degree of M.S. in E.E. in 1937.

Mr. Ordas began working for G-E as a student engineer while attending M.I.T. in 1936. He has worked in the Induction Motor Engineering divisions at Lynn, Schenectady, and Oakland.

From the Oakland Works he was transferred to the Motor and Generator Engineering division at Fort Wayne in February, 1939, and has been associated with that division to this date.

Mr. Ordas is married, has two children, and resides at Huntertown, Ind., R. R. 1.

Elex Club Announces Niagara Falls Trip Open to Non-Members

The Elex Club's Niagara Falls trip, June 11 and 12, has been opened to non-members. The fare is $33.50 for non-members, while the cost for members is $31.50.

The train will leave the Wabash station at 1 a.m. Saturday, passing immigration and customs at Sarnia, Ont. The girls will stay at the General Brock hotel, and have free time until Sunday afternoon. Then they will go on a sight-seeing trip of the various points of interest at the falls. They will board the train at 3:15 p.m. for the return trip to Fort Wayne.

The excursion rate includes round-trip railroad fare; two meals enroute; hotel accommodations, two to a room; bus to hotel and train; sightseeing tour; bridge tolls; tips, and handling of baggage at the hotel.

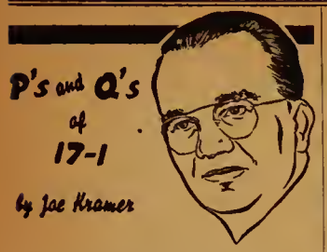
Reservations, with a $5 deposit, can be made at the Personnel offices at Broadway or Taylor St. The following information must be given when making reservations: Name, address, age, birthplace and marital status. Naturalized citizens must have their naturalization papers. Everyone must carry some means of identification for customs officials.



Eveleen Bennett is thinking of raising her own orange trees so that she will have all of the juice she can hold. . . . We are happy to hear that Marvelene Butts has taken her husband home from the hospital and that he is doing nicely. . . . Wanna buy a pig? Hugh Reynold does. He is going around buying up all of the little fellows that he can find. Smart fellow, that Reynolds. . . . Pres Slack and Howard Schultz are real farmers now they are both buying tractors. Could it be just spring fever or do they have that much acreage. . . . Paul Traub was seen observing very closely a rug-cleaning demonstration Saturday. Do you suppose that he is going to use that knowledge himself or pass it onto Mrs. Traub. . . . We were already to send booties to Walt Kryder when we found out that the new baby at his house was not a baby at all but a calf.



Bill Ort's dream of making a hit in the Easter parade vanished the other day on his way home from the cleaners with his new gabardine suit. He was also carrying a bottle of Clorox. It kept slipping from his grasp and he regained it a few times but finally it got away from him, crashing on the sidewalk. Bill's only hope was that the protective bag might save his suit but when he arrived home he found the worst had happened and the trousers were definitely a polka dot pattern of many different sizes. . . . And speaking of clothes, the paper skirt Joan France wore out of here one evening last week was only to protect her pleated skirt from the rain, not the start of a new fad. . . . Velma Smith has left us. She and her husband have bought a farm near Bourbon where she expects to be plenty busy. . . . Joe Trentadue gave the wrong information about the concert for last week's paper. It was held last Sunday, April 3, instead of next Sunday. . . . We were glad to see John Craig able to be in to see us last week. Hope it won't be long until he will be well enough to return to work. . . . Bill Shuler was a leetle mite unhappy while in Chicago last week-end. He couldn't understand why he was picked up by a traffic cop and fined $20. All he was doing was speeding, driving the wrong way on a one-way street and running a red light. The law sure doesn't have a sense of humor. . . . Erna Mann also spent Saturday in Chicago, where she did some shopping and took in a couple of stage shows.



There has been much said in the way of comments on the use of this column to advertise the wares of the farmers in the south end of Bldg. 17-1, such as Mike Kramer's and Ralph Beerman's livestock, Clarence Doctor's tomatoes and Paul Geiger, the great corn king. Now a new addition Kurt Hartz is looking, not for livestock or poultry, but fertilizer without so much sand as a filler. . . . We have a request to devote more space to the raising of gold fish. If anyone can furnish information on the subject, please direct answers to this column or to Mary (Pete) Gerhard. . . . Ralph (Pop) Beerman was passing out cigars marked "Baby Boy." It is rumored the boy will be named Randall Poe. Congratulations to the new mom and pop. . . . No, that isn't a new girl in the office. Ruth Meeks just lost a battle with some of that stuff called henna rinse. At least, Ruth didn't try to blame it onto a heat lamp. What say, Helene? . . . The April Fool joke they tried to pull on Ernie backfired. Ernie knew all along that he hadn't packed a hard boiled egg in his lunch Friday morning. Ernie says, "Try again, fellows." . . . Speaking of eggs, we wonder who the "Goldie Lock" individual was that gave Frank (Nature Boy) Martin a soft boiled egg one noon. . . . Cliff (Tidy) Combes was serenading the fellows in 19x72 group by singing the well known "Happy Birthday" song. . . . Ed Brosche, the well known play boy of Bldg. 17-1, furnished the appropriate toupee for George Mosshammer to wear for his retirement picture. . . . George Kaade suggests that a klaxon be put on the hand trucks to make the people who block the aisles move. . . . Question of the week directed to Ermond Tickel: What are wind breakers? . . . The honor of the greatest story teller in Bldg. 17-1 goes to Howard Reinking. . . . Advance notice to the baseball teams: Elizabeth Love and Agnes Cordes were seen practicing up for the coming season. We wonder who baked the cake they were using? . . . Congratulations to Verna Meyers. She won $30 in the mink counting contest. . . . There are some people that believe that the string used for holding pearls could be made out of steel rather than fine thread, especially when the thread breaks and the pearls go all over the floor. Betty Sue Morris said she really had a hard time trying to find her pearls. . . . The pass word now being used by the husbandry men in the south end of Bldg. 17-1 is "Have you got your oats sowed yet?" . . . We are wondering if that trip that E. P. Tickel took last Friday to see Ed Kronmiller in such a big hurry was absolutely necessary. . . . Meriam Valentine gave us a new excuse for being late. It wasn't the failure of the alarm clock to ring, but it was due to the battery being dead. You should quit playing the car radio so much, Meriam. . . . The signs of spring in Bldg. 17-1 office brought out when Addie Masbaum and Tavie Popa put flower displays on their desks. . . . Harold (Red) Braden, or maybe we should just call him the golf-playing Braden, just can't wait to get out and swing those clubs. He was seen in the wash room practicing with the broom handle. . . . Just 16 more weeks and vacation starts. From the looks of the maps and folders floating around Bldg. 17-1, you would think it was next week.

Effie Wyatt Honored At Luncheon

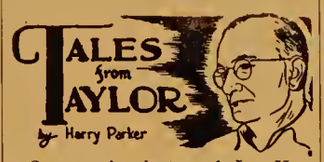


Effie Wyatt, FHP Motor Div. 14, retired Friday, April 1. A luncheon was given in her honor at the Taylor St. cafeteria by her friends and co-workers. She is shown above receiving the luggage given as a farewell gift. At the presentation were (l. to r.) Dale Irwin, Clara Lake, Effie Wyatt, Kathryn Erwin, Mable Staley, Ethel Evans, Beulah Hogle and Mildred Orr.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

Russell Neireiter, well known in municipal and lodge circles at Poe, Ind., lists electrical house wiring among his many accomplishments. Russ says if he wires your house he'll guarantee you'll never be bothered with light bills again. . . . We wonder what Charley Dixon and Jim McClain plan to do with all the profits they'll make on hogs that they intend to raise this summer. . . . For shame, girls! Last week we appealed for only one girdle for Art Swain, Jr., but not even one did Art receive. Surely, among the thousands of female employees, one or two could spare an oversize girdle for Art. . . . George Foerster returned to work last week after being off because of a prolonged illness. . . . Famous last words: "Take my thimbles, for instance," Harold Mundt. . . . Frankie Enderle (Oops, we forgot that he was not to be mentioned in this column, ANY MORE,) admits to having fallen down a flight of stairs recently, but refuses to divulge any of the details of where, when and why. . . . What was Daisy Rickford doing sitting in the aisle of a Broadway bus, one day this week? When the bus makes a quickie around a curve, better brace yourself next time, Daisy. . . . We're glad to hear Florence Weimer is improving. . . . Stan Stults has the urge to go fishing, so he jumps in his little bus and goes to Waldron lake. He caught 25 pounds of carp; at least he tried.



One evening last week Leo Herber was observed in a local used car lot looking at a light delivery truck. We have no idea what he wants with it unless he is going to do ash hauling on the side. In this case if any of you have ashes to be carted away this spring, you had better see Leo and get your order placed early. . . . Last Sunday at church Willard Hull hung his overcoat containing his house key in the cloak room. After services he returned to the cloak room for his coat, putting it on he and the Mrs. proceeded homeward; arriving there he felt in the pockets for said key which was not there. Taking a good look at the coat he discovered he had taken the wrong one. So he got back into his famous old Kettle and drove madly to the church. He arrived just in time to see some other man putting on his benny. . . . Last week while "Popeye" Patterson was busy with bowling activities Fritz Bergman had to pinch hit for him and was a very busy man. He seems to like the nickname of "Popeye" and is wondering if he might annex it for himself. He told Phil Schoppman it sounds much prettier than "Baldy." . . . James Goins was told by someone, we cannot recall just who, that if you held a guinea pig up by its tail its eyes would fall out. Jim said that he did not know this but would ask his wife who has had experience raising these little animals. We would wager a bet that his wife gave him a horse laugh because a guinea pig does not have a tail. . . . Mable Miller and her husband have purchased a home on Baker St. and will soon move to this new location. She was telling us all about it the other evening and said that in the basement was a vehicle that resembled a chariot of the type used by the Roman gladiators. She is going to have it reconditioned, purchase a span of horses, then she and Art will take their evening constitutional by racing up and down that thoroughfare. . . . Now that Bill Sivits had all of his teeth out he finds it very difficult to hold his pipe in his mouth. He has to support it by hand. He is now trying to get a general service man to construct a sort of halter made out of heavy wire that will fit on over his ears, thereby supporting said pipe and leaving his hands free to do other things.

Apprentice BROADCAST

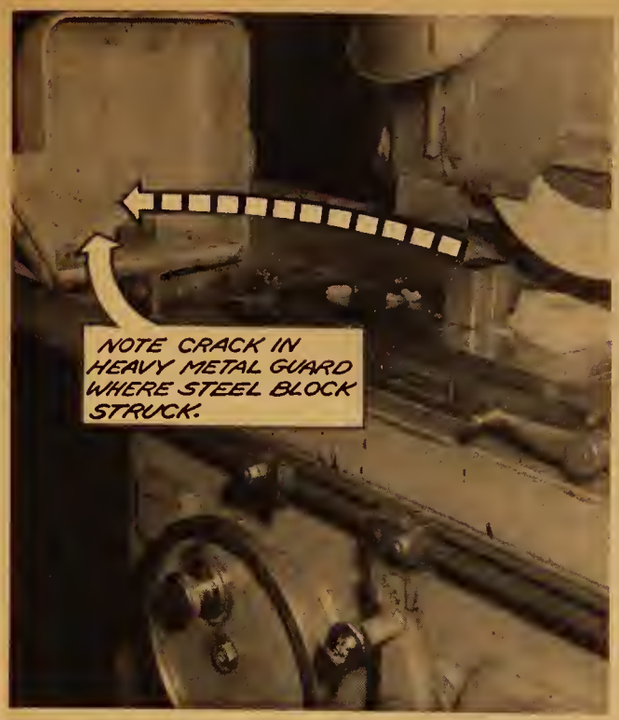
By Mildred Ellis

In the springtime a young man's fancy turns to — softball. Ev Schmidt and Don Miller have very generously offered to get this year's team in shape, for free. All they expect the team to do is dig up and haul away all the excess dirt in the yards around their new homes. They will even let the team keep all the fish worms they find. . . . Since Dick White is busy week-ends cutting wood on his new property, we don't hear many big fish stories on Monday mornings, but now he has something to show for his efforts. . . . It's not that Leffers has gone to the dogs—they keep coming to him. M and G pets seem especially fond of John. . . . Speaking of dogs: On one of those nice days last week it seems that Birkenbeul's feet were too warm so he slipped his shoes off. He claims his shoes disappeared. Really, Bob, don't you think you're a bit too old to be running around barefooted. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Robert Zollinger are the proud possessors of a new Mercury. . . . Why is Donald Konow always so eager to run errands when they are to Bldg. 18? . . . It makes us sad to see Kenny have to don an apron and go back to work. . . . Dick Sebold is back on pension again. . . . We bragged on Warren Brown getting to work on time too soon, he had another bad week. Some one had better re-set that "old rooster," it must be running slow again. . . . Mark McNulty bought his little girl a tricycle for her third birthday. Now he is wondering why he couldn't buy a basket for it and let her go to work delivering groceries. Mark "claims" to be Irish! . . . Stoup would have more time to spend with that certain someone in Danville if Ron Allen would give that old Ford of his some vitamins. . . . Birthday greetings to Merle Aughinbaugh. . . . Did everyone see Dick Wagner and Art Rasor's picture in last week's WORKS NEWS? They were on the team that won the Interdivision Volleyball Championship. Congratulations, fellows. . . . Last Friday Bob Barnes' daughters played the old trick of mixing sox. At noon Bob became aware that he was wearing two different kinds of sox. We hear that Homer Carson also fell for the same trick. "Wake up," fellows. . . . Donald Miller found out (the hard way) that cardboard sandwiches are quite filling but not very tasty.



Andy Anderson came into work last Monday morning feeling pretty good after his long trip to Atlantic City to bowl in the ABC. As a team Andy didn't do so good, but by the time the singles rolled around he was ready to cut loose. His first game was 223 and ended up with a big 611 count. The reason he feels so good is that in his first ABC tournament he collected. Next year it will be in Indianapolis and already Andy is making plans. . . . Clark Holmes also took a trip east. He didn't take his bowling ball along, as he says this is his off year; Clark went to Washington, D.C., to see the cherry trees. We are still waiting for him to get back so he can tell us all about it; no doubt he will have some tall tales, such as "Harry wanted him to stay for dinner." . . . Marguerite Stahl's mother has been ill, so last Saturday Marg went over to her mother's house and baked her a cherry pie. Marg is now known as "pie face Stahl." . . . Jimmie Lynn has the latest Busco turtle tale. Jimmie says he was up to the lake last Saturday and saw a team of horses pull the turtle out but while the fellows were arguing where to take it to get it weighed it crawled back in the lake. . . . Newt Melching drove his truck to Bluffton the other day. When he had finished shopping, Newt went back to where he had the truck parked but no truck. If you see a truck going around without a driver, please grab it and bring it to Newt; he doesn't like to walk. . . . Congratulations to Laura Schroeder. She celebrated her birthday last week by passing candy. . . . We sure missed Dorothy Heinzelmann (our editor) last Monday, we hear she has a cold but until she gets back we'll have Butch Witte pinch hit for her. . . . We are wondering why Francis Walker didn't put her little dog through her tricks Saturday night. . . . Those attending the wedding of Jerry Fry at Zion Lutheran Church Saturday evening were Jackie Elder, Peggy Bandt, Gladys Pantizen, Ruby Stoops, Marguerite Stahl, Elinor Laux, Francis Walker and Selma Voight. Selma was Matron of Honor. We sure wish Jerry a happy life. . . . We were all surprised to see Selma Voight at work today. We thought sure she was on her way to Chicago.

Grinder Operators....



. . . . . WILL ESPECIALLY APPRECIATE THIS STORY.

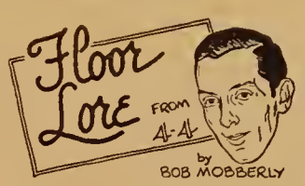
The above picture, taken in the Apprentice School, depicts a no-injury accident; however, there could easily have been one if the GUARD HAD NOT SERVED ITS PURPOSE SO WELL. It stopped the steel block shown under the wheel with parts of the broken wheel involved in the accident. The block was not properly secured, consequently, when contacted by the rotating wheel it was thrown against the guard. The grinding wheel was also broken in several pieces.

INCIDENTS LIKE THIS PROVE THE INDISPENSABILITY OF GUARDS AND OTHER SAFETY DEVICES TO PROTECT US FROM HUMAN ERROR.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer



Alva Vorhees says he is getting younger every day. He must have borrowed Carl Fisher's educational scientific magazine. . . . Pete is interested in the new Nash. He had his mind made up on a Cadillac but changed after finding a wonderful extra feature. . . . Yes, Marcia Martin, it is not so good to work without gloves, so let us be more careful on remembering where we put them. . . . You'd think we were in the North Pole the other day when Sherm Zimmerman came to work in his winter coat. You can put your coat in moth balls, Sherm, you probably can get along without it several months. . . . It's about time Paul Gause's name is mentioned. How about something for the News? . . . Mina Lampy, tires flat on the bottom are flat also in 30 miles an hour zones. Say, Mina, your new Nash is sure a super model. . . . Pete Koenig can even crack hickory nuts with his teeth. Those new molars look like super sure grip performers plus that new deeper bite. . . . The next time you lose your dinner, Alma Fruchte, you may not be as lucky to recover it so soon. . . . Chicken Gumbo Soup — m-m-m-m — Geo. Womack sure loves it, after midnight or anytime. . . . That beautiful floral birthday present from Mrs. Waltke to Mrs. McBeth sure was thoughtful. Happy birthday. . . . Dale Harshman sure is a model farmer, if anyone can get a Berkshire hog to lay down by tickling his ribs, he has farming mastered. Do you furnish music for the cows and chickens? They say it increases milk and egg production. . . . Leonard Meyers and Alton Andrews were last week's birthday victims. . . . Let us add the Schurgers to the list of proud parents. Johnny, the baby boy's father, works in the Test section. Congratulations. . . . Anyone needing insurance, see super salesman, Arlo Lehman. . . . The night KH Line want to know how Don Morrison can get so much grub in such a small sack. . . . It would be a good idea to adjust your working fixture on a pedestal, Junior Lake, instead of cutting a hole in the floor to fit your work. . . . The new super micrometer in Ralph Stanley's office sure is a wonder machine. Don't let us get any slips on it, Ralph. . . . Fannie Amstutz of the KC Line has been on the sick list. She is reported recuperating very well from her recent operation. . . . Germaine Straub has taken up household duties full time; her successor on testing is Evelyn Plasterer. . . . Louis Drake has been sighted once more in Plant 2. . . . Let us try to remember our sick friends. Did you send that sick card to Warren Kleinknight, Russ Weldy, and don't forget to drop Ann Murtaugh a card. We all know she had been our nurse and has been on the sick list some time. . . . If you see a new copper uptown it probably will be Maurice Teeple. He was appointed to his new position a few weeks ago. . . . Well the Saints be presarved, if that "Ole" McDougal just hasn't gone and got himself a 40th birthday. Yes, sir, Mickey has now entered the place where life begins and it all happened March 30. Lots of luck, Irishman, and we hope you can live for another 40. . . . I always told you that Fisher would have trouble with that Plymouth. Do you know that last week the old cat was in the top of the garage and had no place to jump down, so he just naturally jumped down on the top of the old Plymouth and right through the top. . . . Clarence "Riggy" Geisler was off last week with a sore arm, but he'll be coming back soon. . . . Talk about identical ailments, Okeleah Stetler and Iola Hamrick were carrying around wrapped up fingers last week. I hope they get well, girls. . . . And do you know Henry Krueckeberg has at last traded off that bright shiny Chevy. I think he is getting a brand new Pontiac. I'll bet it isn't nearly as good as the Chevy. What about it, Henry? . . . Say people, if you would accidentally want to see your old friend Joan Oliver Workinger, all you have to do is drive out to Coppes Corner and there she will be. Believe me she is doing swell for an old married woman. Hi, Jo! . . . It is rumored that Warren Harden is casting his eye on a new Chrysler. . . . And if you want to subscribe for the Sunday Journal see Pete Fairchild and he will deliver it to you in his Merry Oldsmobile. . . . And speaking of new car owners, we shouldn't forget to mention Wilbur Fuelling and his new Ford, . . . Winter is over and now Pauly Myers' worries are over. Yeah, he won't have to be pulled so often and Jake Eady will save on his gas mileage with that Yaller Hudson. . . . Mel Baumgartner, who recently underwent surgery, at the St. Joseph Hospital in Fort Wayne, is recovering very nicely at this time and is able to receive visitors. Come on, Bummy, we would like to see you. . . . April 1 passed by and there weren't too many pranks pulled on any one. We understand Eloise Noll was one that happened to get fooled. . . . It seems Jim Staley has a new way of playing euchre, after he has the first two tricks in he throws in his hand. For further details see Jim. . . . It never fails, Dorothy Schnepf washed her car again and it rained. . . . Mr. Welch and his family have moved into their new home at 133 Porter Vista. We hope you will like living in Decatur, Mr. Welch. . . . Esther Meyer is an aunt for the second time and is quite proud of her sister's new baby. . . . Joan Liechty and her husband celebrated their third wedding anniversary (three months that is). . . . Everyone is giving Ray Leitz advice as to what he should do with his car since he has been having trouble with it. . . . There was quite a group that attended the concert given by the Westminster Choir at the Quimby Auditorium last week. Those that attended were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hancher, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Leitz, Mr. and Mrs. George Myers, Mr. and Mrs. George Roop, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Steele, Ola Kistler, Eloise Noll, Martha Myers, Tom Haubold, Dorothy Schumm, Millie Geimer, Mary Ann Laurent, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Embler, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Foreman, Harriet Pollock and Madge Jones. . . . We offer sympathies to Al Schneider, whose mother died recently. . . . The body of PFC Robert Holloway who was killed in the Battle of the Bulge, was recently returned to Decatur for burial; our sympathies to the parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Murray Holloway, both of whom are employees at Decatur Plant. . . . Russell Weldy visited the plant last week, while on a short leave from the Veterans' Hospital at Indianapolis. We enjoyed your visit, Russ.

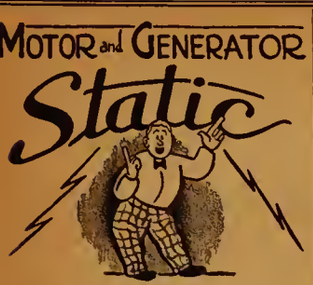


April is noted as a variable month, a month of many changes and surprises. And so is today, we arrive back in print with our former column, after several weeks' absence, with news and briefs of the members of the Repair and Return section. . . . We extend a sincere wish for the speedy recovery of Bill Putt's father, who recently underwent an eye operation. . . . In the future we believe Nena Foster will heed the weatherman's report! Nena had her wash on the line last week complete with several pairs of silk curtains. She was expecting her parents home early enough to take the clothes down should it begin to rain. Our last report Neva was feverishly telephoning home every few minutes to see if her parents had arrived home, and worried about doing the wash all over again. . . . Ray Schuckel hopes that henceforth Leon Rademaker can remember the stories exactly as Ray tells them. They just don't have the "Schuckel punch" unless they are repeated word for word, Leon! . . . Don't say we didn't warn you, Edith! We said you should eat the box and throw the raisins away — Remember? We're all sure you would be money ahead. . . . Speaking of jokes, we witnessed an "anti-Dal Smith joke gadget." Come now, fellows, those jokes can't all be that bad! . . . At a distance it appeared to be a gate-legged table. But as one reached the scene, it was Clara Heaston and Ruth Lange trying to pick up a penny, which had been nailed to the floor as an April Fool's joke. . . . Attention to lookalike fans: The Smith named Raymond bears a remarkable resemblance to the President. The second shift has begun calling him Harry and are awaiting the day he wears a bowtie! . . . June Martin knows that some people would walk a mile for a Camel, but in her case the party merely walked to her bench! . . . Ed Bowser has added the word "chum" to his vocabulary hut the recipient of the term doesn't appreciate it. Perhaps you should get a Smoo, Ed. . . . Don't get excited folksies—you're not having your picture taken; it's just "Franky" Fogwell "blowin'" a fuse! . . . Bill Putt really should appreciate this nice spring weather. It should give him a very good chance to break in that new Plymouth he got last week. . . . Our parting thought: The man who has nothing to boast of but his illustrious ancestors is like a potato—the only good belonging to him is underground.

Delfs Retires After 31 Years



George M. Delfs is shown above getting ready to pull a switch for the last time at the powerhouse before leaving on retirement Friday, April 1. He has been with the General Electric Company 31 years.



Thought for the week, "Being kind is like a boomerang. It comes back to us. Our kindness changes the whole world for the better." . . . We are sticking to what we stated last week regarding the Mystery Melody, "Saint Paul's Steeple." . . . Big John Gianoulis, president of the Fort Wayne chapter American Greek Society, had the honor of serving as best man at a Greek wedding. The happy couple came from Toledo, Ohio, just to have Uncle John serve. Alex and Harry Makraes say it was the best wedding they ever attended. . . . Do you ever take time out to read the historical message on the back of your weekly pass? I wonder. The bigger a man's head gets, the easier it is to fill his shoes. . . . Doris Olinger requested that the following death notice be published: Albert Louis Gater, her pet alligator, was found dead in bed April 1. Friends please omit flowers. . . . Art Druce says he can't understand some people. Frank Rathert and Art Druce are buddies of sorts. The other evening the boys stopped at a downtown store to make a few purchases on their way home. Frank, being a shrewd buyer, took exception to some prices and started to argue with the cashier over a few pennies difference. As the argument increased in tempo Mr. Rathert became excited and laid his wallet on the counter. When the dispute was settled to someone's satisfaction, Frank, in not too good a mood, left without picking up the billfold. Art, who was next in line, noted this oversight and picking up the wallet placed it in his pocket. After they arrived at the bus stop Frank placed his parcels on the sidewalk and started searching his pockets. "My wallet is gone," he remarked. "My, my," murmured Mr. Druce, who with a sympathetic look on his face watched Frank practically disrobe himself in the search. When Mr. Rathert had given himself a thorough going over and was ready to return to the store to continue the hunt, Art handed him the missing wallet. "Can't understand," says Art, "he didn't display the proper spirit of appreciation." . . . Dick Hobson, the reporter's delight, did nothing we can publish this week so his name must remain out of the NEWS. . . . Marion Bailey, our golfer of note, shot a trial round Sunday. The ground was so soft his tee shots were buried and he did his putting with a No. 9 iron. Jim Mitchell claims he carried a trench spade to dig his ball out of the ground. His score? None of your business! . . . "Pappy" Archbold has not made the news for quite some time. Can't understand what happened that caused him to reform and keep out of mischief. T'ain't natural. . . . Elex members from Bldg. 31-1 who attended the Easter party and supper were Mary Banks, Ruth Talbert, Mary Louise Foulks, Goldia Lutz, Beatrice Collar, Marilyn Keller, Edith Mennewisch, Irene Schaadt, Helen Huffman, Wanda Snyder, Elva Plattor, Edith Canfield, Geneview Wiener, Erna Eley.

Tuttle Honored By Friends



When Caryl O. Tuttle, Bldg. 26-1, left the Company last week for retirement, his friends in Transformer Div. 91 gave him a gift. Mr. Tuttle is shown opening his present. Left to right are John McMaken, Ruben Dewart, Delmar Dewart, Robert Miller, Samuel Rhoades, Doyle Miller, Raymond Farrell, R. V. Reed, Mr. Tuttle, Fred Thieme, Russell Aker and Glenn Robinette.

Ramblings 31-2

Last week Maurine Vetter was honored at a luncheon given at the Victory Club by the girls in the M and G Engineering division. Following lunch the girls presented Maurine with a lovely farewell gift. . . . Minerva Russell is taking a three months' leave of absence.



A wee bit late, as usual: Happy birthday to Rosemary Flenner, and also a big thank you for tbe delicious cupcakes she baked for us all. With such a technique I think Rosemary missed her calling, she should have been a baker. . . . Today we say farewell to Donna Grimmer, a newcomer herself, and hello to her successor, Beverly Springer. Beverly comes to Shipping from Regional Warehouse. Nice to have you with us, Beverly. . . . Now we know spring is here to stay. How? Cause "Dutch" Wilson was hauling in the big ones last Saturday. As you all know Dutch is our No. 1 fisherman, so naturally when those warm days arrive he gets out his tackle. . . . Helen Elbert was another individual who took advantage of this weather to do her housecleaning. As a result she has a very good case of aching muscles. Is there a bottle of linament in the house? . . . Herb Grueb has more trouble with handles than anyone we know. Seems that while rolling the lawn the handle broke in the roller. To remedy this he took the handle out of the lawnmower and put it in the roller. Now he's looking for a handle for the lawnmower. Life gets tedious, doesn't it?



We are sorry to hear of Merle Morkoetter's wife's illness, and sincerely hope she has shown some improvement at this time. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Donald Shoner in the death of his wife. . . . Our best to Ruth Luther, who left us last week, and a big hello to Pearl Coulter in the telephone room. . . . Leo Miller was quite perturbed one night when he was playing euchre with the boys. Off the record, folks, he threw the cards in the air and mumbled something about Ed Trabel falling in and coming out with a new suit on—or words to that effect. . . . Bob Hatfield picks the darndest places to fall asleep. Was the air a bit stuffy, Bob, or were you just catching up on a little shut eye last Friday afternoon? . . . Who else would stay up 'till 4 a.m. trying to figure out how the boys skinned you out of $3 at a poker game — nobody but Andy Frank. You just can't win fer losin' Andy, even when it is your lucky night. However, it would be a good idea to check with the calendar when it gets to be around April from now on, Chum. Fred Altekruse takes things pretty serious at times and last Friday was one of those days. It was a familiar sight to see Fred down on his hands and knees chiseling the pennies off of the floor that the fellows had nailed fast for April Fool's Day. . . . We're sure Mr. Greer must be proud of his young daughter, Jeanne Ann, winning a scholarship to Indiana State Teachers College. . . . Happy birthday to Frank Kilcoin and Don Stoneman. . . . After lodge meeting the other night, the fellows decided to get something to eat. Charlie Hartman was elected to pay the bill. Now poor Charlie only had a dollar and some odd cents in his pocket and found himself in quite a picklement. After being accused of trying to pay the bill with the waitress' tip and threatened with a stack of dirty dishes, each paid their own bill, and Charlie started breathing once again. . . . In case you didn't know, that's Walt Chaney without the mustache. Didn't last long, did it, Walt? . . . Glad to see Harold Smith back to work after being off because of illness. Seems someone saw him coming out of the Fort Wayne Tent and Awning the other day and thought it was quite a joke. Mr. Smith says it's no joke, he had a brace made to hang himself in every night—"Scares me," says Mary.



Ed Lauer has a new way of making coffee. He took the sink strainer from the green room and put it in the bottom of the pot. The people who drank the coffee said it had a real flavor, although it made them rather ill thinking about it later. . . . It so happened on April Fool's Day that someone nailed a nickel to the floor. Among the nickel grabbers for the day were Bertha Wollert, Jim McGill, Francis Nelson, Mary Odom, Al Mathieu, Helen Hunt and Louise Perry. Otto Fultz also tried to pick up a penny which was nailed to the floor. . . . What was the matter with Frances Batzner last Monday morning? She got off the elevator on the third floor, went to the clock to ring in, and even remarked how things were changed around. When it dawned on her she was on the wrong floor, she finally got on the elevator again and landed on the right floor. . . . We welcome Mary Carver back to work after a year's leave. . . . Darreld Hirshfelder got Oscar (the turtle) last week. . . . We hear Bill Crouse got a new toy, but a rather expensive one at that (a Pontiac). We wonder if he knows how to back it up yet. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Haflich on the birth of a daughter, Carol Dianne, also to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Enz, a daughter. . . . Fletcher Cumbey played an April Fool's joke on his kids. It was an empty gum package. Too bad he couldn't pick on someone his size. . . . Dick Moore is celebrating. His wife has gone to Baltimore for the week. . . . The boys would like to know why Glen Keck was chasing a bunch of sheep down the road the other night. . . . We wonder what the prescription is for Faye Russel's cough. . . . Ralph Smith has a new Plymouth and all you can hear him sing is "Far Away Places." . . . Jay Wickliffe wants to thank his co-workers for the kindness expressed during his illness. . . . Congratulations to Otto Braun who has worked with the Company 30 years. . . . Dorothy Halleck was transferred to the third floor. . . . Wonder why Martha Foelber didn't pass the candy she got last week.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday, April 11, 1949

BROADWAY LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Blue fountain pen in Lindley Ave. parking lot.

FOUND—Gold earring with brilliant sets and gold piece through the center. Found on west side of Broadway.

FOUND—Revlon lipstick. Found on Fort Wayne Transit Co. bus in front of Bldg. 18-Gate.

FOUND—Tie clasp on Broadway.

TAYLOR ST. LOST AND FOUND

LOST—An envelope containing money.

FOUND—A pair of black kid gloves.

FOUND—One brown pigskin glove.

FOR SALE

LADIES' SUIT—Black pinstripe, size 38; Junior suit, green, size 16. H-37255.

LA TOSCA ACCORDION—White, 120 bass. E-2627.

ICE BOX—White enamel, Econom-icer, capacity 100 lb. ice. Ideal for cottage. H-69685.

BOY'S SPORT JACKET—Girl's dress, skirt, coat, size 14. Bird cage. A-80365.

FIVE TIRES AND TUBES—550x16, real bargain. H-15645.

IRISH MAIL CAR—Or hand car, excellent condition. $5. A-1755.

CHILD'S SPRING COAT — Red; rain coat. Size 5, both $7. H-57155.

G-E MOTOR—Type KC, ½ hp, welded base. A-68274.

UPRIGHT PIANO—Bond, good condition, $50. H-66715.

WALNUT FINISHED DESK—And chair. H-57912 after 5 p.m.

G-E TANK TYPE SWEEPER — Girl's spring coat, size 10-12. H-75784.

WANTED

DAYBED—And mattress, or separate mattress. H-79386.

COLSON TRICYCLE — Three-wheel, chain-drive. H-46631.

USED TARPAULIN—Also approximately 300 sq. ft. lawn sod. A-75442.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—George More, from Huntertown, Route 3. Works for Gayle Stripe, Bldg. 4-2, from 7-3:30. Ext. 358.

WANTS RIDE—Don Carrier, from Paulding Road and Wayne Trace. Works from 3:30-11:48 p.m. Ext. 495.



Our deepest sympathy to the family of Paul Redmerski, Sr. Paul died Thursday evening, Mar. 31. He was an employee of the Tool division and a very fine friend of ours. . . . Cleo Crowe and the gang in the stock section have taken pity on Vaughn Sheets. They decided that he has finally proven himself and is now qualified to have his desk next to theirs. So that's just where it is. Everyone is now happy and in good company. After quite a lengthy discussion on "Which women are the easiest to get along with" a poll was taken. Gallup had nothing to do with it. Believe it or not Ripley. The married women came out on top by a very large majority. This should make you married girls very happy and give encouragement to others, especially those in the O.M. class. We forgot to tell you it was an all-man poll. Better give that swell hubby of yours an extra quarter to spend this week, girls. If you can't afford that give him an extra great big hug and smutcher sometime. . . . Lloyd Cowell is still off due to illness. . . . Jake Arnold is back and looking fine. . . . Harold Sorg paid us a visit and plans to return to work by the end of this month. . . . Seems like Wimpy Lemper is never satisfied. He gets 54 eggs a day. He still says they're only laying fair. You don't think they are ground out like sausage or by perpetual motion, do you, Wimpy? . . . Ray Anselman says he really enjoys helping his wife with housecleaning. Are you sure your thinking was straight when you made that statement, Ray? If it wasn't look out now she knows. . . . Al Eisenacker would be a hard man to track down. He also goes by waxy-wacky-baldy-soapy. Oh, we could go on forever. . . . Clarence Coulter's curbstone setter had six little puppies. One night last week one of them came up missing. Clarence looked high and low, finally he opened the refrigerator. There it was, Clarence's son had a hunch that daddy was getting ready to sell them, so he put one away for safe keeping. Good idea, sonny boy. . . . Last Sunday afternoon our good neighbor and former Cost Supervisor, Bob Meyers, his wife and their dog was seen in a scene something like this. Bob in his car coming from the corner ice cream parlor, hurriedly drives into driveway, and the garage. Next down the street comes the dog with a poke in his mouth most likely carrying the ice cream. Mrs. Meyers followed with her purse on arm who, no doubt had to pay. Here's what we think happened: Bob hurried home to unlock doors and set out the dishes and spoons so the dog could have the ice cream served by the time the Missus got home. . . . Congratulations to Harry Beltz, Elmer Hamilton and Vaughn Sheets on their wedding anniversaries.

Insulation News

Earl Gebert tried his best to catch an April Fool, but we were all too wise for him. He looked so disappointed when everyone failed to call their own telephone number Friday. Guess we're too smart in Bldg. 12-B. (At least that's what we keep telling them down at the office.) . . . Dorothy Baumgartner wants everyone to check if they have two pair of scissors. If so, the best pair belongs to her. She has been looking for them for two weeks. I hope she finds them soon, before we all develop a guilt complex. . . . Last week Bill Glenn became confused and thought he was the absent-minded professor. He accidentally left the keys to his desk on his key ring, which he locked in his car. Some say it is just absent-mindedness, some say to check a psychiatrist, but we claim it is just proof positive that spring is really here. . . . We extend a hearty welcome to Dorothy Lebrecht, who has joined the gang in the wood section. At the same time, we have to bid farewell to Edna Gage, who is leaving Friday. All best wishes and good luck, Edna.



We had the usual April Fool jokes last Friday. Even the mice knew it was April Fool's Day—must be educated mice. They ate all of Ted Gall's cookies and never even said, "Thank you." Personally I think they had only two legs. . . . Yours truly presented Mary Wright with an April Fool gift, a bunch of hay. Now Mary is debating whether to make an Easter bunny nest or share it with her stablemates. . . . The birds go south in the fall, but two birds from Bluffton are going to Florida for a vacation. They must be love birds and don't care what time of year it is. We hope Mr. and Mrs. Echrote have a very nice trip. . . . Glendale Rose arrived to take up residence at the Walter Kryders. She isn't a pink-bootied tax deduction, but is maroon and has hoofs. . . . Bill Martin wants to become a "Justice of the Peace" so that he can make a fee on the side. 'Smatter, Bill, frog-hair business bad these days? . . . Some people bring the most peculiar lunches. Kate Weigle came in the other day with a big sack of grass seed. . . . Bertha Furge was so anxious to go home, that she was seen carrying a coat hanger on her way out. . . . Jerry Snyder has been practicing "be kind to animals." The other day a little bird fell out of its nest. Jerry, to the rescue, fed it bread and milk. . . . It's a happy birthday to Minnie McCague. Helping her celebrate at Columbia City were Verna Bullerman, Fern Monroe and Eileen Steinacker. . . . New faces on the early bird shift include Tillie Nuttle, Verena Mitchell, Opal Longenecker, Mary Murphy, Evelyn King, Lenora Gillard, Nora Summers and Mada Caudle. . . . Sorry to hear that Thelma Oswald's husband is so ill. We hope that by the time this goes to press that he is well on the road to recover. Also Goldie DeLong will be off on our sick list. . . . We were sorry to bid Oliva Toor farewell this week. We will miss that smiling face. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Nellie Bellamy in the death of her aunt.



Propaganda: The Squares are staging a minstrel show, "Plantation Capers," April 20, at the Civic Theatre. Dick Thomas and Bob Loveland are the "End Men." A question seems to have arisen in connection with this show, what is Frank Fleischer going to (be) do? . . .

Thank You: Esther Batchelder thanks her cohorts in the tabulating office for the cheery greetings and beautiful flowers, which welcomed her husband home. He had been a patient in a hospital in Cincinnati for nine weeks. . . .

Happy birthday to Mary Ellen Duer, April 5, D. C. Division; Jo Biddle, April 7, Renewal Parts Division; Pauline Meehan and Marjoric Bear, Payroll Division. . . .

Best Wishes: To Deloris Soule, who is displaying a new diamond on her third finger, left hand. . . .

Admirer: Everyone is wondering, especially Nina Andrews, who the man with the red mustache is, who so obviously tried to flirt with her last week. . . .

Good Luck: To Mary Hume and William Roney, who left Payroll last Friday. . . .

A speedy recovery to Arlene Dellinger, who is now recuperating from an appendectomy, and to Betty Garber, who is ill at home. . . .

Laughs: For a fine selection of moron jokes, contact Judy Clark's mental file. Ask Denton Manccke about his "Glorious Past." . . .

Losses and Gains: Developmental lost Teddy Neds to the AC division. "Buzz" Braswell left the AC division to continue test at Schenectady. Welcome to: Harold P. Kestner, a newcomer to the DC division. He came from Erie, and his home is in Houghton, Mich. Bill Jamison, Developmental, and Cary Creamer, Inspection and Test. . .

Mighty Mouse: Rita Strack, who was delivering mail to the Payroll section, was startled by a mouse which made another appearance later under June Gaunt's desk. Either the original mouse had an "awful" lot of descendants or it's time for someone to design a bigger and better mouse trap. . . .

Ernie Hix went with his daughter to have her tonsils removed. She came along fine, but Ernie almost passed out. The question is, who went along with whom? . . .

Blue Skies: The weather man finally 'called one' right and gained the confidence of H. P. Love. . . .

Latest Arrival: Robert Knepple is the proud papa of a 1947 Studebaker. . . .

We wonder if Hugh Stevenson believes that the gas which was in his car when he bought it will last forever? Or is he waiting for gas to come down! . . .

The DC division wonders if Walter Brake finished his wife's spring housecleaning while he was gone?

April Fool: Lela Omspach's face was as red as her hair when Mr. Joncs asked her about Glen Stapleton's check. It seems that Lela gave Glen Stapleton and Harry Balz envelopes with a piece of green paper enclosed made out like their checks, with "April Fool" on one end. Harry unknowingly gave his to his wife as usual.

Inquiring Reporter

WHICH OF THE G-E BENEFIT PLANS DO YOU THINK DOES THE MOST FOR THE EMPLOYEE?



NED TROUT

Bldg. 24

"I like the MBA as it is 'on the job' when you are off the job."



BELVA IMEL

Taylor St.

"It seems to me the Pension Plan is one of the best because it is a plan from which most everyone will receive benefits, especially since the age limits were modified. We all have to look forward to the time when we shall need some source of income and the Pension Plan is a guarantee of some income."



CHARLES W. STRONG

Bldg. 6-1

"I think buying Bonds on the Savings and Stock Bonus Plan is most beneficial to employees because taking money out of employees' pay each week is an easy way to save money; for when you get old enough to get a pension these bonds and stock will be very useful. When you are working every day, it is a good time to save for a rainy day."



HELEN M. FRANKLIN

Bldg. 4-2

"The MBA is most beneficial because it helps in illness—when you need help the most."

MARGARET KENYON

Taylor St.

"The MBA seems most important to me. In case of illness, the weekly benefit check helps out so much until one is able to return to work. The G-E benefit plans are all good."



G-E Bowling Tournament Schedules Are Announced

Schedules were announced today for the annual G-E Bowling Tournament to be held April 9, 10, 16 and 23 at the G-E Club bowling alleys.

Five-man bowling will be held on Saturdays, April 9 and 16, with squads at 3:30, 6:30, and 8:45 p.m. Doubles and singles will also be rolled these two Saturdays, with squads at 1:30 p.m.; Saturday, April 23, with squads at 1, 3, 5:30, and 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, April 10, with squads at 1, 3, 5:30, and 7:30 p.m.

The tournament has been sanctioned by the American Bowling Congress and all G-E employees and G-E Club bowlers are eligible. The deadline for all entry blanks was April 2.

Handicap will be 70% up to 1020 for teams, 420 on doubles, and 210 on singles with the maximum of 35 pins per game, per man. Eligibility has been based on each bowler's established average regardless of what alleys. Entries used the highest league average of 1948. Those with no average for last year used the highest league average as of April 1.

Bowlers can compete only once in each event.

Guaranteed first prizes are team, $85; doubles, $35; singles, $20, and all events (actual pins), $10. The G-E Club is furnishing these awards.

The schedules are as follows:

TEAM EVENT

Saturday, April 9

3:30 Squad

Strohs—Scotts Thurs. Owl.....R. English
No. 7—Apparatus .....R. Sealover
No. 6—Apparatus .....R. Stute
Motor Gen.—Apparatus.....R. Blomker
No. 2—Apparatus.....D. Alcott
Planning—Small Motor.....C. Lauer
M—Transformer.....E. Lenz
Mikes—Apprentice .....D. Hoffman
Aircraft—Office .....F. Carlson
No. 12—Apprentice.....R. Smith
Reliable Coal—Moose Boys.....J. Aumiller
Autos—Transformer .....G. Hoopingarner

6:30 Squad

Patrols No. 12—Masonic.....E. Meyer
No. 4 Plating—Small Motor.....W. Demsey
Wire & Insl.—Inter-Div.....W. Glenn
No. 1—Apparatus .....H. Langer
Doric—Masonic .....M. Martz
No. 9 Comp'ste—Masonic..W. Lautzenheiser
No. 5—Apparatus .....M. Cook
Inspectors—Winter St.....C. Kolmerten
Compressors—Winter St.....L. Houser
Testers—Winter St.....H. Luedeke
Levels No. 6—Masonic .....M. Boerger
Fellowcraft—Masonic .....R. Kohlenberg

8:45 Squad

Cost—Small Motor .....E. Aumann
Engineers—Winter St.....W. Rieger
Tools—Small Motor.....P. Boedeker
Shipping—Inter-Dept. .....A. Koorsen
Sappenfield Sp. Sh.—Moose ....R. Junghans
Morris Meyers—Twilight.....R. Thomas
Machinists .....H. Gebhard
Broadtails .....I. Parrish

Saturday, April 16

3:30 Squad

Furniture—Home .....M. Cox
Worthman—Classic .....Wm. Doehrman
Squared No. 5—Masonic .....M. Buckmaster
Inspection No. 5—Sm. Motor.....C. Oyer
G-E Club .....H. B. Carter
Series Specialty.....Russel Rose
Blue Print.....E. Hagadorn
Maintenance .....P. Schoenherr

6:30 Squad

Inspectors .....E. Roby
Bells—Transformer .....G. France
Standardizing—Office .....W. Piercy
Pabst Blue Ribbon—Scotts.....D. Bucher
Corinthian—Masonic .....S. Dietrich
K.S.R. No. 4—Spec. F.H.P.....R. Zelt
No. ZBA Mot.—Ser. & Spec....H. Wiegman
West Acre Mot. Ct.—Merchants..J. Leffers
Grinders .....W. Weihe

8:45 Squad

Mot. Gen. No. 4—Inter Div.....Lee Crowell
Ionic—Masonic .....H. Braden
Brouwers—Inter Div.....F. Matthews
Designer's—Office .....R. Hanson
Broadway B. & W.—Inter Div..H. Fanning
Apparatus No. 11 .....V. Rump

DOUBLES & SINGLES

Saturday, April 9

1:30 Squad

*R. Rump—*W. Doehrman
*J. Stark—*G. Egts
H. Miller—Dale Bentz
G. Hoopingarner—R. F. Rowe
W. Buuck—*E. Kraft
C. Muggs—H. Skevington
R. Bultemeier—*W. Ort

Sunday, April 10

1 P.M. Squad

A. Crayton—Larson
Bressler—(Sealover) (D.O.)
*W. Miller—*M Runyon
*Junk—*Dimke
*Werling—*Hoffman
R. Williams—R. Smith
D. Blust—C. Redding
R. Junghans—R. Junghans

3:00 P.M. Squad

D. Bucker—R. Bucker
R. Zelt—H. Wiegman
*Somerville—*R. Dale
Buckmaster—(Hoelle) (D.O.)
H. Crouse—R. Armey
W. Suelzer—F. Garland
Bickhard—Dietrich
*F. Iannelly—P. Billman
Koorsen—Saylor
Merkert—Poinsette
France—(E. Lenz) (D.O.)
*Moore—(Kinnell) (D.O.)

5:30 Squad

(H. Langer—R. Schuelke) (D.O.)
*E. Crabill—*H. Garrett
(W. Boester—G. Horner) (D.O.)
(J. Heaston—C. James) (D.O.)
H. Gebhard—C. Baker
E. Abbott—T. Rockhill
(C. Archer—H. Smith) (D.O.)
(B. Bushong—R. Blomker) (D.O.)
J. Schwartz—(R. Meeks) (D.O.)
(D. Hershberger) (D.O.) 6:30 P.M.
(R. Rogers—H. Proxmire) (D.O.)
(J. Burton)—*M. Cox (D.O.)

7:30 Squad

*E. Haugk—*P. Walker
*F. Burnau—*W. Stute
W. Adams—*L. Crowell
*G. Schlund—*D. Kaiser
*R. Madden—(E. Aumann) (D.O.)
*L. May—*F. Manor
*M. Cook—*F. Gitter
*R. Hickman—(J. Aumiller) (D.O.)
*D. Desch—*H. Hickman
*W. Hinton—*Reffelt
*R. Matthews—*P. Boedeker
F. Kopp—*I. Parrish

Saturday, April 16

1:30 Squad

*(L. Schlaudroff—E. Bienz) (D.O.)
*W. Mertz—*F. Matthews
*G. Luedeman—*L. Elward
C. Kabisch—*E. Korte
*G. Soule—E.Roby
(D. Snyder—R. Grote) (D.O.)
(R. W. Kent—H. B. Carter) (D.O.)
Ralph Lee—H. Conrad
D. Pappert—L. Brown
R. Guingrich—Carl Miller

* Denotes all events

G-E TO ENTER SOFTBALL TEAM IN HAM LEAGUE

The G-E Club will have a team in the Ham Softball League again this year. The first call for players will be Tuesday, April 12, at 7 p.m. in the G-E Club gym. Bill Schible has been named manager again this year, and Sam Baumgartner, coach.

Those players 35 years old or over who wish to play on the Ham team this year are requested to fill out the application blank below and send it to Bill Schible, Bldg. 20-1.

All are requested to wear gym shoes during the indoor sessions.

HAM LEAGUE APPLICATION BLANK

Bill Schible
Bldg. 20-1

I would like to apply for a position on the Ham softball team.

Name .....

Bldg. ..... Floor.....

Age.....

Home Telephone.....

Home Address.....

Kraft Takes All-Events Lead In State Bowling Tournament



Eddie Kraft, Taylor St. Shipping section and playing for the Worthman Home Builders bowling team, took over the all-events lead in the Men's State Bowling Tournament at Gary, Sunday, April 3, with a 2,010 total. It was the third highest all-events total in state tournament history.

He missed a perfect game Saturday night by one stroke in the team event. Eddie missed a strike in the ninth frame, ending with a 279 game. This game put his team in ninth place with a 2,801 total. He then rolled a 688 series in the team competition Saturday, followed by a 635 in the doubles and 686 in the singles Sunday. These games placed him third place in that division. Eddie ended his singles bid with a 274.

G-E Club To Sponsor Boxing Exhibitions

A series of exhibition bouts has been offered to local city organizations by Frank Newport, G-E Club boxing manager.

Mr. Newport hopes to schedule an exhibition every two weeks to give the members of his classes an opportunity to display their skill. The bouts will include a few Golden Glove champions.

The first exhibition bout has been scheduled for Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. in the Local 901 club rooms.

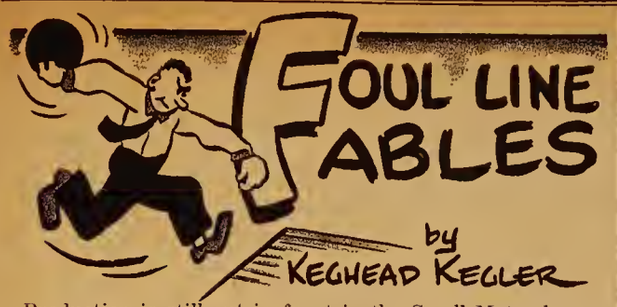
Medical Memos

By Mary Heymann

"Spring fever" seems to be one of our main ailments these lovely, balmy days. After searching through our shelves of medicines, I can't seem to find any remedy. Who cares, anyway, as long as it's spring? . . . There will be no mention made of the recent bowling match. The girls on the team are weaving new hair styles to hide their ears which were pinned back! It was fun, anyway, and maybe next time it might be a different story. . . . We are living in a confused world, it seems. Even the Easter bunny was mixed up and called early in the Bldg. 8-1 Dispensary. Maybe he had been using a 1948 calendar. . . . The fish at Turkey lake had better be on their guard. Mabel Wilson will soon be going up there to catch some of those famous bluegills. . . . If the new Nash could only talk now it would probably say to Duane, "you got me fixed at last and just to show you how much I appreciate it, I won't even stop for red lights!" . . . First aid classes ended Monday with final exams and a potluck dinner. The classes have been very beneficial. It has been interesting to note the changes in treatment from year to year. . . . Remember way back when Dr. Garton, during an unusually busy morning when the telephones had buzzed almost constantly, put the stethoscope to an patient's chest and said "Hello?" . . . Joy that isn't shared with someone else dies young.



Myron Auer thinks that motoring is a very pleasant pastime except when you have two flat tires on one trip. Myron figured his trip a total loss until he passed a big Buick parked along the road that had run hot and was out of water, so "Good Deed Auer" brought the stalled car water. Myron ordinarily doesn't accept cash for these deeds, but in this case, the owner of the Buick forced a dollar onto him. Doesn't that make you boil, Myron? . . . We don't usually write about the boys on the fourth floor, but this is too good to keep. Seems that a lathe man was walking to the parking lot with Bernie Byanski. As usual, Bernie had the cigar in his mouth, but as he walked along the cigar jarred loose and fell to the ground. Byanski made a dive for it and started to smoke it again when a fellow worker said to him, "So that is where you get all those cigars." From what we gather, Bernie's face was a little on the scarlet side. . . . We hear that Herb Thiele is giving up cigarettes. That's hard to believe. . . . Cliff Clapesattle is in the market for a new casting rod, but he is still waiting for that Stoney Spinner that Roemer and Neukam promised to buy him. Better come across, boys, cuz he has witnesses to your statement. . . . All tree cutters see Nolan Lowden. Seems that he has a big oak tree on his lot that he wants cut, but doesn't quite know how. Clem Huguenard was trying to tell him, but Nolan didn't seem to think too much of his ideas, so step up experts and give. . . . Here is one of the oddities of the daily euchre game. Imagine, Henry Frey leading with his nose. As it happened, Hank was merely an innocent kibitzer, standing directly behind Eldon Moodie, who in a burst of excitement, swung a roundhouse with the ace of spades, right on Mr. Frey's nose. . . . The value of the penny seems to have made a gain, if last April Fool's Day is to be considered. Someone soldered a nail on a penny and as usual, everyone was watching to see who attempted to pick it up. Homer Meeker was the victim. Since he couldn't pick it or kick it, he immediately went to the nearest bench and got a hammer with which he removed the one cent piece and put it in his pocket with the rest of his April Fool's change. Homer believes the old saying, "He who laughs last, laughs best." . . . How to stop a trolley coach? Just make sure you have some tool room buddies standing by. According to Rufus Niblich, if they can't yell loud enough one of them will lay down in front of the coach to make it stop.



Production is still out in front in the Small Motor league. Lowell remains warm, as he had games of 227, 190 and 200 for a 617. Paul Boedeker had a 605 on games of 193, 205 and 207.

Two hundred scores: Walt Mertz, 212 and 200; Leo Elward, 205; Paul Berghorn, 204; Hinton, 213; "Slug" Lauer and "Sapp" Quinn, 201.

Office League

Blueprint and the Dickason Barbershop boys are tied for first with just two nights to go.

Bob "Sore Thumb" Blomker had the only 600 count, a 606 with games of 229, 185 and 192.

Two hundred scores: Bill Piercy, 212 and 232; Don "Elmhurst" Waldrop, 247; Bob Hanna, 222; Les Shroyer, 211; Bob Kallmyer, 207; Maury Cox, 205; Vic Rump, 204; Walt Nitz, 202; Miller, 201; Bob Knepple, 200, and Orv Doherty, 213.

Masonic League

The Ionic team is out in front by two games.

Two hundred scores: Lauterberg, 248; Boerger, 244; Miller, 236; May, 219; H. Smith, 218 and 200; Somerville, 206; Archer, 205, and R. Crabill, 203.

Transformer League

The M team is leading with 17 wins and 7 losses.

Two hundred games: Wyckoff, 201; Oberlin, 202; France, 205; Rogers, 228, and Lieberenz, 231.

Monday Night Ladies' League

Ethel Koontz lead the league with a 521 series on games of 187, 173 and 161.

High games: Justine Luyben, 187; Esther Muzzillo, 184; Pauline Hartman, 180; Margaret Fletcher, 173, and Nellie Wendt, 171.

Decatur Plant Bowling Leagues

Monday Night League scores: Cook, 263; H. Murphy, 225, and Laurent, 214.

Fraternal Bowling scores: A. Miller, 204; Babcock, 214; Laurent, 235, and Lord, 214. Lord got the high series with a 500 total.

Mixed Doubles bowling scores: Men, Laurent, 212. Women, M. Baker, 149, and B. Faurote, 247.

Bowling and Stuff

Still the hottest bowler in town is Ed Kraft, who shot the third highest all-events total in state tournament history over the weekend, a rousing 2,010 total. Ed just missed a 300 game by a ten pin in the ninth frame.

Bill "Willy" Doehrman after a dismal 445 in the team event came back to shoot a 676 in the singles. The Brouwer Screwballs warped the Motor-Generator Boys. It seems they are not the ones that get all the wood. We understand that they do have fun though.

Now's the time to sign up for your charter membership in the Fort Wayne Bowlers Welfare Association. By signing up now you can become a member regardless of age. After May 1, bowlers over 50 will not be accepted. Death benefits are $200 and sick benefits are also available. The bright side is that the dues are only $1. See your league secretary and sign up.



Tuesday evening Isabelle Hausbach found that it isn't so much the beauty of a thing but the sentiment behind the giving. A surprise party was given for Isie by the Purchasing section girls. She was given a corsage made with two old gardenias, a blown-up balloon and a wooden whistle. To confuse and excite her more, her gift was concealed in the balloon, but not to her knowledge. The girls had her go on a treasure hunt first locating notes hidden in the house telling her what to do and, of course, the last note told her to prick the balloon to see what she would find. Isie, being very skeptical, wasn't going to prick it for she had visions of the balloon being filled with water but, after a little coaxing, she pricked it and found a lovely scatter pin. Remember to always trust your friends and a happy birthday, Isie! . . . Last week Bob Henry had the advantage over lots of us. His wife was called on the "Keep the Music" program. She was asked about a tempo on a bolero. She was unable to answer correctly, but will receive a box of candy for six weeks from the Wayne Candy Company. "If you do not succeed the first time," they say, "try, try again." . . . Happy birthday, Mary Mickey. She received a beautiful corsage from the Requisition Engineering division. . . . Monday noon a potluck was held in honor of Theresa Lindenberg, who is leaving for Bldg. 26-3, and Isabelle Hausbach, whose birthday was Tuesday. The girls present were Phyl Fisher, Viola Brooks, Millie Kouder, Velma Meads, Ginny Winegart, Katherine Ernsbarger, Martha Newell, Vivian O'Neill, Betty Carter, Helen Brindle, Dorothy Bartholomew and Yours Truly. . . . Molly Hile never knows what to expect from the draftsmen. "Slippery" Pape caught a mouse, put it in a box and put it on Molly's desk. Wendell Miller opened the box, out of curiosity,-just as innocent Molly was sitting down to begin her day's work. To her surprise the mouse jumped right in her lap! . . . Barbara Dolson is quite the gal in the Engineering Division. To keep up with the latest style, she had her long bob cut. She is really becoming in her short bob, too!

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Aubrey

The "Beast of Busco" had better look out now. If they don't catch him very soon, Ralph Dennison is going to take the fishing tackle sent him last summer and go try his luck. Mr. Dennison also has a hobby of toy auto racers. The hobby was started by his son but when pop became interested Dick didn't have a chance. We understand they do have some very classy fast jobs. . . . Fred Hagadorn had some beautiful pink sweetpeas on his desk the other day. Are you going to keep it up all spring and summer, Fred? We would sure appreciate it. . . . Anyone knowing a good name for a stray dog, see Peggy Turschman. It seems a strange mutt came to her house one day and she has tried every name she can think of and he doesn't answer to any. If you can suggest a name she hasn't tried she would be very happy to try it. . . . What's the talk we have been hearing about the "Strange Dark Man" in Thelma Stapelton's life? Don't keep it a secret, Thelma, tell us all about it. . . . Welcome to Bob Olson, who has joined the Wage Rate section for a few weeks. Nice to have you with us, Bob. . . . We are going to have to keep a closer watch over Francis Thomas from now on. It seems he got all the way home the other day and then discovered he had left the Ford back here in the parking lot. Come, come, Tommy, you are not that old. . . . Happy birthday to Melrose Bryson today, and to Louis Shattuck on April 13.

A real estate promoter is a fellow who buys outlying property by the acre and sells it by the yard.



Winter St. became the Interdivision Basketball league champs for the second straight season. Playing one of the best games of the year, they stopped the Firemen, 55-38. It was a close game up to the end of the half, but from there on it was all Winter St.'s show.

It would be difficult to pick out any one player as the star of the game. It was a nice bit of teamwork. Richardson's work under the basket was very good, while Tex Beneke and the Reitdorf brothers did most of the scoring. A lot of credit is due Gayle Griffith, manager and coach of the Winter St. team. Year after year he turns out winning basketball teams.

The Firemen, softball and touch football champs, came withiu one game of sweeping the Interdivision athletic activities. Bob Baals and Merle Morkoetter tried hard to provide the necessary spark to get the team off on one of its scoring paces, but it wasn't their night.

Box Score:

Firemen	G.	F.	T.	Winter St.	G.	F.	T.
Moody	0	2	2	W. Reitdorf	3	2	8
Stemmler	0	0	0	Kent	3	0	6
Morkoetter	4	2	10	Richardson	3	2	8
Etter	0	1	1	D. Reitdorf	5	4	14
Baals	4	4	12	Schinbeckler	0	0	0
Meyers	2	1	5	Fisher	0	0	0
Vance	0	1	1	Blauvelt	0	3	3
Lambroff	2	1	5	Gallmeyer	0	0	0
Somers	0	0	0	Bencke	5	6	16
Schible	1	0	2				
Totals	13	12	38	Totals	19	17	55

G-E Club Majors To Start Practice Tryouts April 14

Manager Perry Esterline announced today that softball players interested in trying out for the G-E Club Major softball team should report for practice at the G-E Club gym between 5:30 and 7 p.m. Thursday, April 14.

He stated that he would like to sign two infielders and one outfielder to fill key positions. He hopes to recruit these needed players early so he will be able to get off to a fast start in the league play this season. All of last year's players are to report for the first workout.

Manager Esterline stressed that all positions are open and can be filled by some hustling ball players. Any player desiring to play topflight softball this season is invited to be at the G-E Club gym Thursday.





Rumor has it some of the girls in the winding section are taking up bridge. Let's hear more about it. . . . Bertha Thimlar is interested in law these days. Wonder why? . . . Say, Al Colbert, if you pay 34 cents for two six-watt starters, how much does one cost you? We think you ought to do all your shopping at Murphys. . . . We wonder who Dean Smith has a pull with as he can get all the nails he needs to build with and all the rest of us can only get five pounds. Why don't you introduce some of your friends to us, Dean? . . . McKinney sounds as if some frogs have jumped into her throat, or is her voice changing? . . . Anyone getting an invitation from Louie Miller to visit him in his new home when he gets moved, be careful and not accept too soon; there is a catch to it. He says he is going to invite everybody he knows and then charge them a donation of a few groceries to look the inside over. That isn't such a bad idea, Miller, if you can get away with it. . . . If any of you people would like a new main dish for your menu ask Glenn Hobbs. He told us that when he was a boy he tried roasted grasshoppers but he said he didn't care for them. We always wondered what made you hop around so fast, Glenn. Glenn was also comparing grasshoppers with shrimp, and Millie (the shrimp eater) didn't seem to agree with him at all.

A REPORT to our employees and neighbors

The local operations of General Electric in Fort Wayne resulted in many favorable accomplishments in 1948. The payroll last year amounted to more than $32,500,000. More than $6,100,000 of services and supplies was purchased from local dealers and manufacturers. Our local taxes amounted to more than $525,000. But these are only a few of the highlights. Thinking that our employees and neighbors would be interested in the part played by G-E as a neighborly industrial citizen, we publish the following facts and figures from our 1948 diary of activities here in Fort Wayne.



PAYROLL—More than $32,500,000 in wages and salaries was paid to the General Electric employees in Fort Wayne during 1948, including the Broadway, Taylor Street and Winter Street plants. We think this amount of purchasing power played an important part in the economic well-being of the community.

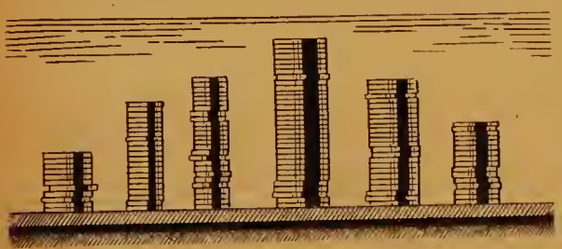


JOB DIVIDENDS—In addition to the wages and salaries paid in 1948, G-E employees also received extra "Job Dividends" in the form of: Pension Plans, Group Life Insurance, Mutual Benefit Association, Social Security, and education programs.

In addition, there were two new employee benefit plans offered to employees in 1948. The G-E Pensioners Hospitalization Plan which will provide hospitalization benefits for retired employees at no cost to them, and the Savings and Stock Bonus Plan which offers employees shares of General Electric stock.

One of our oldest Employee Benefit Plans is the Suggestion System. In 1948, more than $26,000 in Suggestion Awards was paid to employees for their suggestions involving improvements in their jobs, manufacturing methods, and working conditions.

A total of $76,000 was contributed by the Company to the support of Employee organizations, such as Elex Club, Volunteer Firemen, G-E Club, etc.

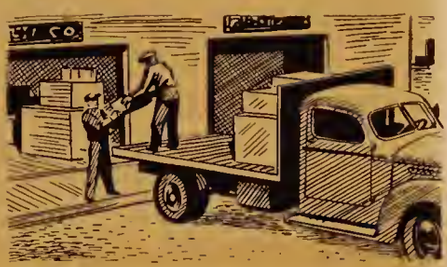


TAXES—A total of more than $525,000 was paid in taxes attributable to our local operations during 1948.



CONTRIBUTIONS—Employees indicated their desire to be good neighbors by their contributions of over $63,000 to the community sponsored social welfare activities in plant wide campaigns. It would be difficult to estimate the additional thousands of dollars contributed by individuals to church organizations and other groups in which they are personally interested. Company contributions were in excess of $20,000.

SERVICES AND SUPPLIES—To aid in the maintenance of our plants and the manufacturing of our products, General Electric purchased $6,100,000 in services and supplies from local dealers, manufacturers, contractors and public utilities. In this manner, we contributed to the maintenance and growth of local business responsible for the employment of many neighbors here in Fort Wayne.





EDUCATION—More than 2,000 employees participated in various company sponsored educational courses. These included apprentice training courses, cultural classes, sales courses, economic classes, business management classes, and many others.

In addition to the company-sponsored courses our employees helped local educational activities in every way possible through participation in the programs of city and county Parent Teachers' Associations.

We also made available to our employees and their children the benefits of our scholarship, fellowship and loan fund. Under this program, many students are encouraged to attend the college of their choice.



COMMUNITY RELATIONS—Our employees were good neighbors wherever community work was being done. Personal contributions of time and effort made to the local civic organizations was in keeping with the G-E policy that good citizenship demands an active interest in programs devoted to community betterment and advancement.

We wish we could say that our employment remained constant throughout the year, but this was not the case. Reductions in orders for our products because of a slackening off of the post-war demand caused a drop in employment below the previous year's peaks. However, at the close of the year, we were still providing many more jobs than pre-war. New product development made possible through the re-investment of profit created a number of new jobs and prevented employment from going as low as might have been the case. We sincerely hope that through 1949 employment will become more stable as we emerge from the uncertainties of post-war demand and production. We pledge our efforts to the accomplishing of this desirable end.

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Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

Matthew 21:9

Easter Sunday



My Faith Looks Up To Thee

My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary, Saviour divine!
Now hear me while I pray, Take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day Be wholly Thine.

May Thy rich grace impart Strength to my fainting heart, My zeal inspire;
As Thou hast died for me, O may my love to Thee
Pure, warm and changeless be, A living fire!

While life's dark maze I tread, And griefs around me spread, Be Thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day, Wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray From Thee aside.

. . . Roy Palmer.

Company Acquires DeKalb Plant From War Assets Administration

Arrangements were completed yesterday for the purchase by the General Electric Company of the DeKalb, Ill., plant from the War Assets Administration.

The Company has been operating the plant since 1946 under a leasing agreement with the WAA.

Title to the plant was given to General Electric at a meeting held at the offices of the War Assets Administration in Chicago. The purchase price was $475,000.

Emil Peters, of the General Electric Company's legal division in Schenectady, and Clifton Duncan, DeKalb plant accountant, represented the Company.

The General Electric Company has been operating the DeKalb plant in the manufacture of fractional horsepower motors for use in domestic laundry equipment since Feb. 1, 1946, under a five-year lease with the government agency. In October, 1948, the plant was offered for sale.

The General Electric Company's bid of $475,000 was accepted, subject to the satisfactory clearance of several conditions of sale. These conditions have since been met by the purchaser which permitted transfer of the title yesterday.

Over $7,500 Is Paid To Suggestors During First Quarter Of '49

Over $7,500 has been paid for suggestions adopted during the first quarter of the year, it was revealed today by A. C. Hartman, chairman of the Works Suggestion System.

The quarterly report shows that more than 38 per cent of all suggestions submitted have been adopted.

In a comparison with last year, records indicate that 150 suggestions per 1,000 employees were submitted for the quarter; as compared with 123 per 1,000 employees during the same period in 1948.

"Never in the history of the Fort Wayne Works has there been more interest shown in the suggestion system," Mr. Hartman stated.

While upwards of 500 suggestions are processed each month, he

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Elex Officers Plan Spring Conference

The Elex Club's Spring Conference of Officers will be held Saturday and Sunday, April 30 and May 1, at the Keys Hotel. Delegates from Decatur, DeKalb, Danville, Elex and Partizan Chapters will attend. Charlotte Stanford, Elex President, will preside over the meetings.

The Conference will open at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 30, with Decatur in charge of the dinner served at 5:30 p.m. in the Keys grill. The theme of the meal will be "Loo-Ah-OO, GeCode Style." Elex will have charge of the appointments for the May Day Breakfast at 10 a.m. Sunday. The two-day conclave will close at 2 p.m. Sunday.

Although the conference is primarily for officers, all members are invited to attend. The cost for

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G-E Teamwork Averts Layoff Of Workers at DuPont Plant

Repair Of Anode Transformer Made In Record Time

A spectacular display of G-E teamwork here last weekend averted a layoff of employees at a DuPont factory in Pompton, N.J., it was revealed today.

An anode transformer failed last Friday at the DuPont plant, causing a complete shutdown of one assembly line and a reduction of 50 per cent in capacity. The anode transformer is a vital part of the factory's elaborate control system.

R. W. Beach, of the DuPont Company, immediately phoned Bob Schulte, of the local Works Service Engineering division, and informed him that the damaged transformer would arrive in Fort Wayne that night by air express. He needed it back at the factory early Monday morning, if he expected to resume production.

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Captain of the plane and Otto Fultz, Production Supervisor in Bldg. 26-4, are shown loading repaired transformer for shipment to the DuPont plant in Pompton, N.J.

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God's Proof All Men Who Believe Shall Have Everlasting Life

Christianity throughout the world is again privileged to observe the most reverent of all holy festivals—Easter Day—the day on which our Lord, Jesus Christ, was resurrected from the tomb, God's proof that all men who believe shall have life everlasting.

Each man, woman and child should rededicate his life to the preservation of the faith and love for which God's Holy Son lived and died on Calvary's cross.

As we go to our respective sanctuaries on Easter Morn may we do so with love in our hearts for all mankind and with personal humility for the Great Trinity, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.

Human Society Would Be Wrecked If The Earth Failed

In Pearl Buck's "The Good Earth" famous best seller of a few years back she tells what the earth does for Chinese people. Well, when you stop to think about it the earth hasn't done as much for the Chinese as it has for us. Practically everything we have springs from the earth. Doesn't seem so at first glance. But what if the earth had ever failed us?

Henry Ford 25 years ago brought that thought out in the open and expressed it mighty well in these words:

"If the Earth had at any time failed, the basis of human society would have been wrecked beyond repair. But there have been seed time and harvest continuously, and though there have been local crop failures, never has a failure occurred that would have prevented the whole world's being satisfied if transportation conditions had been equal to the need. The Earth has always yielded enough to feed the people on it: the Earth goes on doing so year by year."

HUGH CRANE discusses Farm Crops and Price Support

NEW YORK—There is something rather absurd going on in Washington which every voter could do a little thinking about—and particularly every voter who works in a factory or machine shop.

I wrote you last week about how our good friends the farmers turned out bumper crops last year, more than anybody could use, and now seem likely to produce another bumper crop this year of everything from grain to cotton—also more than anybody is likely to take. So the government will take it, at taxpayers' expense, and what the government will do with it is anybody's guess. Dump it in the ocean perhaps, or bury it in a bunch of budget statistics. There won't be a market for it.

Why Such Big Crops?

The reason for the bumper crops is a simple one. Congress has promised the farmer that his grain and cotton will have 90 per cent of the purchasing power, per bushel or bale, that grain and cotton had between 1909 and 1914; and if he can't sell it for that, the government will take it. But since 1914 the American farmer has bought millions of tractors, combines, haybinders, and such-like machinery, has learned to use fertilizer and hybrid corn, has doubled his yield per acre and tripled his output per man-hour. As a result he is in almost the same position as the General Electric Company would be if Congress provided that it could get 90 per cent as much in buying power for its light bulbs as it got in 1914, and backed that promise up with a further promise that the government would buy at such price all electric light bulbs that G-E (or any of its competitors) could produce but couldn't sell to consumers at this old-fashioned price.

And this can go on. A big block of Congressmen want to continue this 90 per cent guarantee indefinitely. That would mean, with modern farming methods and with modern wage rates and farm-machine costs, surpluses every year, forever.

Taxes to Keep Prices Up

And these surpluses every year, taken over by the government, would mean that people who don't work on farms would every year be paying taxes to enable the government to take over surplus crops so as to hold up the price these people would have to pay for food at the corner grocers. Pa would be paying taxes so that Ma would have to pay more for groceries.

What should be done?

Give up all farm price supports? Not today. That's as old-fashioned as 1909-1914 purchasing power. Besides, farmers are people. Also, they have votes. And politics is "the science of the possible."

One idea a lot of people like is to keep the present price supports, but control the farmer's acreage. "A stick in every field." Henry Wallace tried that when he was Secretary of Agriculture. But there are a lot of things against it. First objection is that it would freeze production areas; California grows better cotton with less manpower than Alahama and would be crimped. The thing would work like a cartel to hamper the most enterprising farmers. Second, farmers would get around it. Acreage control is not production control. Good farmers could use better seed and more fertilizer. Third, it's un-American; it would kill competition.

Present Plan Is Best

The best plan in sight seems to be the one that's written into the law today. It says that after next New Year's, if a crop is too large the support price is lowered; if it's not too large, the support price sticks.

This seems to make more sense. It doesn't seem right for the government to keep on holding prices up at a level where they bring out more crops than we want.

But even this has one drawback. It's too bad that we can't seem to have anything fixed in this economic world. There would be a lot of advantages in a fixed price for, say, wheat, or corn. Like we used to have a fixed price for gold. Only nobody but bankers and hoarders cared about the fixed price of gold. It's a steady value for the dollar in bread, butter, eggs, meat and milk that really matters.



Easter Sunday



In the face of a child leaving church is reflected the full glory of Easter; in her radiant smile, her sparkling eyes, are the holy music and the reverent prayers.

Sandra, 3, is the little girl in the picture on the front page. She is the daughter of W. P. Schible, Bldg. 20-1.

SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q. Is it possible to shatter a glass vase by producing a certain sound?

A. Yes. It will shatter when stresses inside the glass exceed the breakage stress. The glass has a natural frequency, which can be found by striking it with the fingers to make it ring. A sound of the same pitch consists of air waves which are in step with the natural rate of vibration of the vase. Hence, each oscillation of the air molecules in contact with the glass give it a small additional push until it is vibrating enough to break. A sound of a slightly different pitch will soon get out of step with the natural vibration period, and then it tends to stop the glass from vibrating.

Meet the President



Sportsman's Show To Be Presented At Family Night In G-E Club Gym



Members of the committee in charge of arrangements are shown giving a demonstration in pantomime of a few of the sports activities that will be represented at the Sportsman's Show Thursday, April 21, in the G-E Club gym. The men and the sports they are demonstrating are: (Standing l. to r.) Al Tharp, casting; Oral Emrick, skeet shooting; George Hoopingarner, archery, and John McComb, target shooting. The man rowing the boat is Bill Hunt, chairman of the show, his passenger fishing out of the boat is Bill Skinner.

A Sportsman's Show will be the feature of the next Family Night at the G-E Club gym. The show is being sponsored at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 21, by the G-E Squares and Rod-Gun clubs.

Bill Hunt, chairman of the event, has announced that a hait casting exhibition has heen booked, with Art Wedler of Taylor St. doing trick casting.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Anderson and Arthur Coe will put on a display of bow and arrow skill. Mrs. Anderson, formerly of Bldg. 4, was state champion several years ago. Mr. Anderson works in Bldg. 20-2.

The program will also include two films about fishing and handling of guns. Howard Miller will show the fishing movie. The Rod and Gun cluh has ohtained the film "Trigger Happy Harry," a safety feature produced by the National Rifle Association.

Besides the exhibitions and films, numerous displays of sporting goods will he sponsored by downtown stores.

Paul Perry has also obtained a photography display and the Rod and Gun Club will have an exhibit.

Squares Women's Div. To Elect New Officers

Election of officers and a speech on interior decorating have been planned by the Women's Division of the Squares Club to be held at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 21, in the Squares club rooms.

Candidates for office are:

President
Lucy Baker
Priscilla Margerum
Vice President
Edna Beard
Helen Stenberg
Secretary
Lorena Doherty
LaVon Cutshall
Treasurer
Peggy Johnson
Mary Lou Cooper
Member-at-Large
Jeanette Clarkson
Marion Fleischer

The speech on interior decorating will be presented by a representative of Haskell & Associates, Inc.

Games of bridge will complete the program.

Mrs. James Capps and Mrs. J. H. Flickinger are co-chairmen of the meeting. Their committee includes Mrs. Frank Ondrovik, Mrs. I. E. Ross, Mrs. Marvin Hamilton, Mrs. Forrest Gibson, Mrs. Don Reek, Mrs. B. A. Rohn, Mrs. Carl Paul and Mrs. I. D. Rinehart.

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DIVISION 95

By Walter E. Pohler

The other day we saw Buss Groves with his chest thrown out so far that all the shirt buttons were ready to pop. The reason, a new grandson. Congratulations, Buss. Any good 50 cent cigar would be appropriate. . . . It seems that the Ned Biddle family had a dog. Having decided that the dog would be much better off in the country, a good country home was located for him and he departed from the Biddle premises. After several days the dog was brought back to the Biddle home. Now Ned says the children and Mrs. Biddle got lonesome for the dog and that is why he was brought back. However, we are reliably informed that Ned is the individual who was lonesome. . . . Howard Winters had a birthday Friday. He wouldn't divulge his age, probably was someplace between 30 and 50 years. Happy birthday, Howard. . . . We finally have proof that Ruby Musselman is a hard-hearted woman. She and her sister had occasion to go someplace recently on the trolley bus. Ruby had seven cents and her sister three cents. Ruby took possession of the sister's three cents and rode the bus while her sister had to walk. . . . Loretta Bloom seems to have acquired the ability to determine the speed of moving objects by sight. Loretta and Velma Meads were visiting some friends who were burning weeds on a vacant lot. While observing the fire, a rabbit was seen running out of the brush at full speed. Loretta exclaimed, "Gee, look at that rabbit running 80 miles an hour." Then she answered herself with this statement, "I suppose if my tail was on fire I would run 80 miles an hour also." . . . During this Easter season we extend the following greeting to our co-workers,

A wish for you that Easter brings
A host of lovely, happy things,
And through the season may you find
A deep content of heart and mind.



God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son. Today, folks, is Good Friday. The day on which that first Good Friday, Jesus was crucified, died and was buried. He gave His all so that we poor mortal human and weak beings could some day obtain Heaven and be happy with Him forever. What more can a man give than He lay down his life for another. So, folks, meditate and pray today and every day asking God to forgive us for all the sins of our past lives so that we, too, may arise on Easter Morn happy and contented knowing that we are a friend instead of an enemy of a most merciful God. . . . A very Happy Easter to everyone.

INSULATION NEWS

Come one, come all! We hear that there will be no admission charged when Bob Martin's Kaiser challenges Jim Ward's Buick to prove which is the car of the year. We aren't saying which year, though. . . . For the "new look" in bandages, see Bill Lipp. They're a bit fancy, Bill, but mighty cute. With you as the model, we just know they'll be all the rage in the medical circles. . . . Prices may be coming down, but Bldg. 12-B is going up. Up to Bldg. 12-3, that is. Before too long, we hope to be right up there with the rest of the world. And we'd like to say (if you'll excuse the expression) "Come up and see us sometime."

The popcorn business has reached almost $200,000,000 a year—and that ain't peanuts.

Elex Officers

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the entire week-end is $8. For those girls not staying at the hotel, the charge is $4.50. The fee for attending the Saturday sessions only is $3.50, and for Sunday, $2.50. Reservations should be made today at the Personnel Offices in Bldg. 8-2 and Taylor St.

Supervisors To Hear Talk About Sports By Hilliard Gates



Hilliard Gates

"The Local Sports Picture" will be the topic of a talk Hilliard Gates will give at a meeting of the Supervisors' Club Monday, April 18, at 8 p.m. in the Squares hall. Mr. Gates is manager of Station WKJG.

P. A. Vance and W. H. Crouse are co-chairmen of the meeting, which will also include a magic show by M. L. Crouse, a business session, social activities and a huffet lunch.

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Aubrey

Roy Rippe got Charlie Gable's suit coat on by mistake the other day. He didn't notice it until he went to push the elevator button and discovered he couldn't find his hands in the sleeves. After all, Roy, you are just a peewee compared to that big, long, lanky Gable. . . . Joan Liebig's sailor boy friend is back in town this week, and she has had a very hard time keeping her mind on her work. . . . Happy birthday to Everett Smith on April 18. May you have many more. . . . Henry Gollmer isn't going to wonder what to do with his spare time for the next few months. He started building his house last week, so his summer is pretty well planned for him. . . . Welcome to Ed Schlatter who has joined the raw material section from Div. 1. . . . The girls in the cost section had a dinner and theater party last week to celebrate three birthdays. Those attending were Norma Bastian, Ann Smith, Melrose Bryson, Marge Stodgell, Pat Dolan and Thelma Stapleton. . . . We understand Jean Harmes has been doing a little construction work at the lake over the weekends. When you are ready to take on other jobs, Jean, let us know and we'll see what we can find for you. . . . Eleanor Lambroff's engagement and coming marriage was announced in the paper over the weekend. Congratulations, Eleanor, and that was a very nice picture. . . . Hugh Neely would like to inform everyone that his basement wall is now in and they can stop worrying. It was a struggle, but he made it. . . . Have a nice Easter, folks, and remember it's a good day to go to church if you haven't been there recently.

ELEX COMPLETE PLANS FOR TRIP

The plans for the Elex Niagara Falls trip, June 11 and 12, are being completed. The latest information on the cost of the tour is that anyone having a railroad pass is permitted to use the pass. The fare for the pass-holders is $13.15 for Elex members and $15.15 for non-members. Children are invited to accompany their parents. Their fare is $22.35.

The train will leave Fort Wayne at 1 a.m. Saturday, June 11, and will arrive at Niagara Falls, Ont., at 12:30 p.m.

There has been a sight-seeing tour scheduled for Sunday afternoon. The train will leave the Falls at 3:15 p.m. for the return trip to Fort Wayne, arriving here at 12:45 a.m., Monday, June 13.

Over $7,500

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pointed out that the age of each suggestion—from the date it is received until the award is made—is slightly over three weeks.

Statistics also reveal that there has been an increase of salaried employees taking part in the suggestion system. An average of 44 per cent of the larger awards issued this year were paid to salaried employees.

Recipients of the largest awards during the first quarter of 1949 were:

John O. Haggenjos, Div. 17, $435; Joe Eifrid, Div. 17, $350; Roy E. Woods, Div. 15, $270; Russell Kryder, Div. 91, $180; Harold Gick, Div. 13, $145; Fred E. House, Div. 17, $115; George A. Lewis, Motor and Generator Div., $115; Mildred Fettinger, Div. 93, $105; Carl Clevenger, Div. 16, $105, and Robert Shirey, Div. 13, $100.

Sleuthing



The A. C. Division started spring house cleaning last week with the moving of the drafting section. Everyone seems to be quite happy with their new location, and they wish to congratulate D. Manecke on his fine job of planning. . . . We've heard lately that Walter Gerke is a very eminent bridge player. Glad to hear that, Walt! . . . The "Mystery of the Missing Rotor" was solved when Bob Dobbin finally looked into his middle desk drawer after hunting all over the premises of the hermetic section. For awhile we thought we would have to call in Sherlock Holmes, but Bob did very well. We now refer you to Bob Dobbin if you need a real sleuthing job done or a mystery solved. . . . Ralph Welsh was the 26th man on the elevator the day the elevator stuck between floors, but we heard that it was all Ray Jones' fault because he coaxed Ralph to get on the elevator with him. Remember, fellas, the capacity of that elevator is only 25 passengers. . . . We in the A.C. Div. are glad to see W. Siegmiller back after a week's absence, but we are also sorry to hear of the illness of his father-in-law. . . . Glenn Stapleton, of the D.C. Division, attended the Credit Union's State Convention in Indianapolis last week. . . . Shorty Poyser, one of the member of the D.C. Drafting Section, had a fine time playing housewife and taking of the children. It was hard work, wasn't it, Shorty? Seriously, though, we are glad your wife is feeling much better. . . . Gwen Steinbarger had a birthday April 5, so we extend to her a happy belated birthday. . . . If you wish to enjoy some good entertainment, contact Shorty Poyser or Frank Ross to find out where they will be playing next. Last Saturday afternoon they played at Kendallville. Incidentally, Shorty plays the bass fiddle and trumpet and Frank plays the piano. . . . With the bowling season almost over we find Gil Baker trying his very best to catch up with Walter Gerke's scoring. You have just one week left, Gil, but we hope you do it! . . . Bill Pringle and his family attended the Cherry Blossom festival in Washington, D.C., last week. Bill says that the festival was better than usual this year due to a new method of preserving the blossoms. . . . Harry Balz proudly displayed a novel salt and pepper shaker set which he made in his home work shop during his spare moments. That's a very worthwhile hobby, Harry. . . . We are all looking forward to seeing Bob Loveland and Dick Thomas perform as "end men" in the forthcoming minstrel show, Plantation Capers, which will be presented April 20 by the Squares Club. . . . Fred Wilson, of the Commercial Division, and formerly of Bldg. 4-6, is the proud grandfather of a set of twins, girl and boy. This is a sequel to Bob Winner's happy announcement of several weeks ago. Bob also of the Commercial Div. is the father of twins. . . . Wedding bells rang out for Beth Hoover, formerly of Bldg. 4-6 Sales Division and now at Taylor St., on April 10 at 3:30 p.m. at the United Brethren Church of Wakaka, Ind. Beth was married to Russell Young. Congratulations to both of you, Beth, and we wish you many years of wedded bliss.

Who shall decide when doctors disagree.

Haberkorn To Retire May 1



Harry Haberkorn, Supervisor of Inspection and Test in Bldg. 4-3, is shown above with a number of his co-workers and friends in FHP Motor Div. 1 on the occasion of his retirement after 42 years of service. Mr. Haberkorn left last Friday for his vacation and retirement which is effective May 1. Left to right are Dorothy Rebber, May Heit, Irmgard Gehle, Daisy Ford, Mildred Carpenter, Edward Glenwith, Esther Pape, Otto Roehm, Fred Castor, Ross Strodel, William Nieman, Elmer Sible, Ted Bain, Herbert Braun, Ruth Tutwiler, Edward Robin, James Sarasien, Mr. Haberkorn, O. J. Mettler, FHP Div. 1 Supt.; A. L. Knoll, Walter Fagg, O. D. Coleman, Clara Frede, Ruth Baker, Anna Ruth Clements, Frank Laier, Elsa Frede, Clara Krudop, Frieda Farley, Vera Fetro, Glen McDonald, Viola Donahue, Agens Grosjean and Betty Minard.

Floor Lore from 4-4



On this Good Friday, 1949, we would like, once again to present an old legend to our readers. This legend is aged and has been repeated many times by many people and we have told it before in our column. Since then, however, we have received many requests to repeat it, and we would like to present it again at this Easter Tide. . . . In this modern world, where modern modes of living leave little time for legends, we think it is fitting to repeat this legend as a prime example of things that are truly beautiful, shall forever increase in their beauty and never grow old. . . . At the time of the crucifixion of Christ, the dogwood tree grew very large, sturdy and tall in the forests. It grew as large and had the strength of the oak and for this reason was chosen as the material to construct the crucifixion cross. . . . Now the dogwood tree on learning of this fate to befall it, became very distraught at the executioner's decision to use its timber for such an act of infamy. . . . God, upon learning of the humility, pity, and semi-suffering of the dogwood, made the tree a promise. Never again would the dogwood grow tall and large but would, instead, grow short in stature so that it could never again be used as a crucifixion cross. As a further reward, God promised that the blossoms of the dogwood would blossom forth in snowy white, with two short petals and two long petals in the shape of a Cross. At the tip of the petals would be rust colored nail prints surrounded by blood stains, and the center of the blossom would be marked by a crown of thorns, so that all the world would remember that Easter many years ago. . . . This spring, if you are fortunate enough to find a dogwood tree in bloom, study it carefully. All dogwood are not alike, as there are 60 varieties of the species, but the most common variety is marked exactly as God promised. Find a blossom, look at it carefully, then perhaps you too will remember.

Engineers To Hear About Gas Turbine Electric Locomotive



J. C. Rhoades

James C. Rhoades, Assistant to the Engineer, Locomotive Engineering Division, Erie Pa., will address members of the Fort Wayne Engineers' Club Thursday, April 21, describing the development of the new Gas Turbine Electric Locomotive. The meeting will be held in the dining room of the Chamber of Commerce at 8 p.m., preceded by a dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Rhoades received his engineering education at Lehigh University and M. I. T., starting with the General Electric Company in 1934. Since that time, he has taken the Advanced Engineering Program work in Schenectady, and has devoted most of his engineering career to mechanical problems associated with the design of transportation equipment. Joining the Mechanical Design Section of the Transportation Motor Engineering Division in July, 1936, he was advanced to Section Head of that group in December, 1941. Mr. Rhoades was appointed Assistant to the Engineer in December, 1945.

Marvin L. Schmidt is program chairman for the meeting.

After the dinner, Rev. Robert J. MacDanel, pastor of the Third Presbyterian church, will speak.

Taylor Made Tools



For several weeks Cecil Strong has been giving his riders (including "Red" Allsetter, one of our firemen) a build-up on how his car would hold the road at high rates of speed and how a certain curve on U. S. 33 could be taken at about 95 mph. Then came a nice evening on the return trip home and Cec began talking what a nice time to try the curve. As he talked he pressed down on the accelerator until he had reached a pretty fast gait, but instead of taking the curve he continued on the straight road and looking in his mirror he couldn't see Red. He glanced around to see what had happened and there was Red on his knees between the seats in earnest conversation with his Maker. . . . For quite some time the euchre games were going along sociably. Then last week Jess (Stormy) Batchelder went wild and was skunked twice, taking along Gene Werling who was so bewildered at Jess' playing he hasn't completely recovered yet. . . . Last week Art Haberstock had considerable trouble with his apron string always becoming tangled. After several exhausting struggles he finally let his blood pressure get the best of him and tore the apron to shreds. He came in the following day with a new apron, and hasn't had any trouble since. . . . Bill Buuck was demonstrating his penny and funnel trick to a prospective victim the other noon when one of his previous victims, Johnnie Repine, surprised him with the cold water. Was Bill surprised! . . . Jess Batchelder wasn't the only one who went wild last week. Marcellus Junk went wild in the bowling tournament Sunday. Pairing up with Don Dimke in the doubles, they rolled a neat 1390 for first place. . . . Birthday greetings of the week go to John Bastian. . . . Louie Watt and Ewald Stinsmuehlen, who all celebrate on the same day, had a little get-together in honor of the occasion at Ewald's last Saturday night. Congratulations and many happy returns. . . . To all a very happy Easter.

Tales from Taylor



Kenny Miller was in a reminiscing mood the other day so he told us a story that was quite interesting. Of course, this happened quite a few years ago. It was a beautiful day in the spring he and his lady friend (who, by the way, is now his wife) were out for a drive arriving in the vicinity of the Stellhorn bridge they drove down to the water's edge. The water being low, Kenny decided to drive out into mid stream. There they sat basking in the warm sunlight and listening to the radio when suddenly clouds loomed upon the horizon, down came one of those heavy spring showers. Deciding that they had better get out of the river he tried to start the car which had sunk deeply into the sand. The radio had used so much juice that the battery refused to turn the old klunker over, so poor Kenny had to get out into the downpour, wade ashore and seek assistance in getting the car out of the river. . . . The other morning Sam Allmandinger was commenting on the price and quality of the present day cigars. The one he was smoking at the time had a very unpleasant aroma. He said the reason cabbage was up in price was due to the fact that a large percentage was used in the manufacture of cigars. He opined that the price would probably level off just as soon as the catalpa trees were in full leaf and the mullen plants put forth their silken leaves. . . . There is a story going the rounds about Frank Blotkamp. Stop signs, driver's permits and a wild ride south on Clinton St. As our space is limited we cannot tell the whole story here but suggest you talk to Frank about it. We feel sure that he will be glad to give you all the details. . . . A week ago or so Art Brandenberger asked George Cowan if he would be kind enough to accompany him to the lake and help him take his boat off the trailer. He told George that there would not be much to it and to wear his good clothes, so George did just that. After unloading the boat, Art brought out a lot of painted boards on which the paint was not yet dry and asked George if he would help him make some repairs on the cottage. The result was that George got paint all over his good clothes. The sum and substance of the whole affair was that Art did not want George riding in his new car with soiled clothing. . . . Willard Hull was telling us about an extra large groundhog that was captured in his back yard. Of course it had not quite gained the proportions of the Beast of 'Busco, but nevertheless it was of goodly size. On hearing a commotion he went to the door, and observed several dogs worrying the woodchuck who was holding his own and had the dogs hacked off the boards. Bill called the humane officer who succeeded in rescuing the oversized rodent and took it to the country, releasing it in the haunts more to its liking. . . . Clarence Watterson purchased a new car but he did it a day too early, for the following day a nice reduction in price was announced by the maker of this car. This burned Clarence up, and he is taking a ribbing from his co-workers. He tells us that he is going to have to put in a lot of extra hours somewhere to make up for this loss, perhaps the manufacturers will give him a consolation prize.

Cars and people that knock need working on.



Thanks to "Butch" Witte for pinch hitting for me last week. It's so nice to have someone like her around to rely upon. . . . Bill Buuck's funnel joke backfired on him one day last week. He was showing some of the boys how to drop a coin in the funnel when someone slipped up and filled the funnel with water. That explains why Bill couldn't be found in the afternoon—he was drying out. . . . George Ryan's son Jim is bome on leave from the Marines. When he arrived home, he told his dad he would like to take their Ford back to the base with him. George decided that maybe it would be a good idea and anyway he wanted a different car too, so he went out and bought a Buick. It isn't a new one, but George says it's as good as new. The thing that has the boys puzzled is, how can lil' Georgie drive such a big automobile. . . . Here's hoping that Ralph Keller will be back with us Monday. Ralph has been off for the past two weeks with a very bad cold. . . . It's good to see Neva Lutz back to work after her recent fight with that can opener. . . . Virginia Johnson's little girl had spring vacation last week, so Ginny thought she just might as well have a little vacation also. . . . We hear that Velma Reiter has gone into the wallpapering business, and we hear too that she is very reasonable. If you are interested, just contact Velma. . . . Now that spring has arrived, Lloyd Garrison will be getting another one of those "butch" hair-cuts. Best that he does, 'cause he has been having trouble lately carrying those rolls of insulation on his head. When Lloyd carries one of the rolls on his head he looks like he belongs in the far east, and we don't mean New Haven. . . . If anyone has an extra dictionary lying around the house, will you please bring it in to the boys in final test. Sometimes there are such big words flying around down there, that you can't keep up with the conversation. . . . Ted Budecki took his little girl for a ride on her tricycle last week and somehow or other her foot got caught in the front wheel. Ted went end over end, and when he finally stopped rolling, he looked up to see his daughter almost splitting her sides from laughing at him. Ted said it was no laughing matter, as it took one cane, one crutch, and three rolls of bandage to repair him. Maybe you should get a tricycle of your own, Ted, and then you wouldn't have to ride on the back of hers. . . . We hear that Ed Fiedler was very unhappy when he got the WORKS NEWS last week and saw that no one had wished him a happy birthday. Here it is this week, Ed, and it is better to be late then never — happy birthday and many, many more. . . . Birthday wishes also go to Ralph Hare and Elinor Laux who both had birthdays April 9. . . . Charlie Engle has been "expecting" for quite some time now and it finally happened over the week-end. Charlie doesn't know for sure just how many there were, but he says it is five or six beagle hound puppies. Congratulations, Charlie. . . . Congratulations are also in order for Leamon Huffman's son, Joe. He not only won the Wells County spelling bee, but he also "took" his dad for $50. Didn't think he could do it, did you, Lee? He now has the chance to win $500 by competing in the spelling bee to be held in Wabash (this five isn't from Pop though). . . . If you have been wondering about the sad look which Pat Perry has had this past week, it is due to the fact that her twin calves died. We're sorry to hear that, Pat, and better luck next time. . . . If you are in need of medical advice, just contact Ruby Stoops. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Mabel Parker and Elvin Moser in the deaths of their brothers.

Repair Of Transformer Made In Record Time



Bob Schulte, Service Engineering division; captain of the plane; and Otto Fultz, Production Supervisor, are shown above making preparations for the flight of the repaired transformer to the DuPont plant in Pompton, N.J.

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Normal delivery time would be from eight to ten weeks.

It was already late in the afternoon, so Mr. Schulte at once phoned Frank Gamec, Production Manager of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions. He reviewed the problem with Otto Fultz, Production Supervisor in Bldg. 26-4.

By 4:45 p.m., Mr. Fultz was arranging the production details over the telephone.

Little Time Given

C. E. Derbyshire, Engineering division, checked the design and Bob Henry, Requisition section, issued copies of the specifications to the floor. By this time, Mr. Uncapher's group had a truck at the airport to pick up the transformer and rushed it to the factory.

Dick Goller, second trick foreman, inspected the unit and parts were salvaged. Then Norman Voelker wound the coils, while Herman Rosenhahn did the core stacking. The partially completed unit was then sped to tbe treating room about midnight Friday and started through the process by the regular crew.

W. M. Smith, group leader, and John Kennell came in at 7 a.m. Saturday, and worked until 3 p.m. on the treatment. Then Donald Ford, group leader, and Paul Stiverson took over the final bake treatment. Dick Ormsbie and Glen Santon came in at 11 p.m. Saturday, completed the treatment, painted the unit and delivered it to the fourth floor for preliminary test by Lee Mohr.

Numerous Details Required

Other vital operations that took place concurrently included the following:

The traffic section prepared the necessary shipping papers, an operator was on duty to run the elevator, a guard was instructed to permit entry of a private car to transport the transformer, Division 91 prepared two new terminal boards, and miscellaneous materials were secured from stock.

Readied Sunday Morning

Early Sunday morning Everett Hamilton and Manford Adams assembled and connected the transformer. Gerald Moore and Doyle Johnson then gave it final tests.

The unit was placed in Mr. Fultz's car and sped to the airport at 1 p.m. Sunday afternoon. A last minute mixup, caused by a strike of the express company, prevented the unit from being shipped air express by one line. So arrangements were made on the spot to send it via air freight by another line.

Told Of Progress By Phone

In the meantime, Mr. Schulte had kept in touch with Mr. Beach at the DuPont plant and had told him of its progress.

The transformer arrived safely and in plenty of time to start operations Monday morning. Both tbe customer and his employees were pleased that an anticipated layoff was averted.

The entire procedure was an outstanding example of G-E teamwork—offering further proof that General Electric service and goodwill extend far beyond the sale of our products.



Myron Auer just loves lathe work in Bldg. 19-5 but says that these darn lathes play tricks on you once in a while. It seems Myron was boring out a bushing, but each time he checked it, the front end got larger and the back end stayed the same. When he asked another lathe man what was wrong, lo and behold, Myron had his taper attachment hooked up and was cutting a choice taper in the bushing. He knows what a taper attachment is for now. Right, Myron? . . . Even with white side wall tires, Ray Mutton still has flat tires and Russell Sage wouldn't help him change it either. Bring your nose down out of the air, Russell, you might trip over sumptin'. . . . We hear John Hensler's egg just turned out to be a normal egg with an enlarged blood clot. . . . The news has been coming in slow, so if you fellows in Bldg. 19-5 don't start producing, I'm going to contact your wives to get the low-down.

Die Plant

Wanted, one 10-gallon hat and one set of spurs for Waldo (Louis) Reed. He already has the pants. . . . April 1 brought the proverbial coin nailed to the floor. Among those who attempted to retrieve it were Elmer Auman and Max Hower. The only successful one was Gale Rinehart with the help of a screw driver. . . . I wonder if Chet Rennecker's buying that set of golf clubs has anything to do with that ditch he is digging. Maybe he is going to mix work with his golf. . . . Have you all heard that golden voice of Bob Roys? We wonder how he does it. . . . Since Bob "Bullseye" Sowards put a Dodge motor in his Plymouth, he calls it a Plodge. Be careful how you say it, for he is considered one of the best shots in the state. . . . Hayden Rice claims that the "Busco Beast" is now in Big Lake. He claims it got there through a four-inch tile from Fulk's Lake.

General Chairman Announces Program For Minstrel Show

The program for Plantation Capers, the Squares minstrel show, was announced today by Frank Gamec, general chairman. The show will be presented Wednesday, April 20, at the Civic Theatre.

Joe Zasa is the director and Frank Ondrovik is administrative chairman.

Johnnie Johnson has been named Interlocutor and his end men will include Bob Loveland, David Clugston, George Hoopingarner, Dick Thomas, Glenn Tobias and Herb Eaton.

The show will include a number of novelty acts:

"The Lease Breakers," instrumental quartet, featuring Mert Edgar, Jim Townsend, Walt Hein and Herb Edgar; Dick Thomas, soloist; George Hoopingarner and Herb Eaton, duet; Glenn Seabold, George Culp, Paul Vance and Frank Fleischer, barbershop quartet; Ann Adams, soft shoe dance; oriental dance by Charles Koomjohn; Bob Loveland, soloist; Marcotte, soloist; Jack Immel, marimba specialty; and "The Mop Sisters" and Glenn Seabold, featuring the antics of Frank Chayka, Max Barrows and Frank Fleischer.

The chorus, under the direction of Glenn Seabold, will provide a major portion of the music for the show. Members of the chorus are Ralph Welsh, Don Spaulding, Forry Carlson, Fred Suhr, Ron Robinson, Tony Schneble, Frank Chayka, Hugh Folson, Bill Dripps, Frank Fleischer, Joe Jamieson, Bob Dent, Bill Hunt, Bob Drake, George Martin, Marion Halleck, Charlie Brown, George Culp, Gail Rowley, Bob Altevogt, Paul Vance, Stan Antalis, Walter Hein, Andy Schevchuk, Chet Krasienko, Tom Greenman, Ted Hicks and Paul Shaefer.

Don Motter will direct the orchestra, composed of Ted Ross, Chet Smith, Bob Schulte, Bob Sharrow, Ernie Freegard, Martin Heller and Louis Pooler.

The committee in charge of properties, costumes and makeup includes Ray Rogers, Ken Parks and Ray O'Keefe. Tickets, publicity and programs are being handled by Bob Rowe, Bob Schulte and Bob Triplett. Tickets are available for 50 cents from club members.

The open house at the Squares club rooms following the show is being planned by Cliff Leegard.

Redmerski Dies

Paul Redmerski Sr., 58, died at 7:10 p.m. Thursday, March 31, at his home, 2109 S. Barr St., after a year's illness.

A model maker in Bldg. 17-4, Mr. Redmerski began his service with the Company in 1927 as a machinist. He also worked at Winter St. a short time as a toolmaker, returning to Broadway in 1936. He retired Oct. 13, 1948.



A rehearsal of part of the chorus for the Squares minstrel show is shown above.

New Column Is Edited By Nurse Mary Heymann



Mary Heymann

"Medical Memos" is one of the newest columns to appear in the WORKS NEWS. It is edited by Mary Heymann of the Bldg. 8-1 Dispensary.

Mary received her nurse's training at the Methodist Hospital and later did graduate work at a Chicago hospital. Before coming to General Electric in 1945, she was a supervisor at the Methodist Hospital. She has worked on the second shift almost the entire time since she joined G-E.

Her hobbies are determined by the seasons. Bowling and ice fishing take up quite a bit of her leisure time in the winter, and during the summer months she likes to swim and play golf. Mary also likes to do needlework and make her own Christmas cards.

Everyone in the medical section is considered a part of Mary's staff of reporters.



Another retired person from Div. 14 is in order for reporting. May Schnitt, who worked in 14x3B. Her group had a farewell dinner for her last Friday, and presented May with many beautiful gifts. Several guests were invited including Ethel Evans, Clara Lake, Nellie Hamlet, Nora Kern, Effie Wyatt, who retired two weeks ago; Lulu Heine and May's daughter, all former employees. We wish much happiness to May and lots of good luck. . . . "Grandpa" Fishback doesn't seem to think the pictures he and grandma have been receiving of their grandson are as good as they should be. He is sending grandma, camera and all, to visit the little fellow, so she can take a few snapshots of him. . . . Alice Rogers and Vickie Walzer owe a lot to their house pets. According to both girls they never have to worry about being to work on time. It seems both girls can always depend on their pets to arouse them each morning. . . . Rosamond Schooley certainly started the day out with a bang. First she dropped a bottle of milk on the kitchen floor, then came to work and dropped a bin of insulators. They say it happens in the best of families, Rosie. . . . Margaret Lepper says she hates to admit it but she threw a gutterball Thursday night (on a spare too). After spending last week-end in Dayton at a bowling tournament as a spectator, could it be she was a little nervous? . . . Helen Horstmeyer feels much better since she has an apartment. Now the wedding can proceed. . . . What's this we hear about Russell Frey making the 6-7-10 split in Thursday night bowling league. . . . Kathryn Erwin had a very nice birthday last Friday. We understand she bought a dress that had set her back plenty and was telling the girls that all she needed was a new hat to go with it, but that would have to wait. However, when her birthday rolled around, besides receiving very lovely gifts she was presented with a card and enclosed was the money for her new hat. What is it they say, Kathryn, "Ask and you shall receive?" . . . Johnny Anspach, has been struggling the past week to promote a mustache. Ruth Jacobs and Lucy Whitlock have offered to paint his lip for him, but Johnny insists on doing it the hard way. . . . What goes with the assembly group. Two men went home sick and about four more have such colds they can hardly talk. . . . The Inspection gang we believe are not lovers of music. When Cleo Oyer gives forth with some of his better renditions of the finer art, such howling has never been heard even at the dog kennels. . . . Meredith Trout and his wife have had the "blues" all week. After a long pursuit for their kitten, they found out he had entered kitty heaven. We feel quite sure that Mr. and Mrs. Robert Turschman can sympathize with you. However, they got another dog after they lost their pooch. Perhaps the same would help you.



Some goats may eat tin cans, but not the ones that are bothering Charlie Reed. They get over, under or through the fence to nibble on his prize apple trees, and so far he hasn't found a way to discourage them. Ralph Reinking went out and looked the situation over but he wasn't able to advise Charlie. If anyone can come up with a suggestion please contact Charlie, he'll surely appreciate it. . . . Oliver Tracey pulled the "absent minded professor act" when he bought his ice cream from the candy wagon. He passed up the spoons and instead returned to his bench with two straws. It must be spring! . . . Now that cars are more plentiful on the market and dealers are offering free rides to attract customers, Bob Klingel is really having fun. He has a car which is perfectly satisfactory to him but in spite of that he's making the rounds and trying out all makes of cars. He may feel qualified to publish a survey when he finishes but no doubt his readers will consider it just "one man's opinion." . . . That must have been hot music Carl Stadelman was playing for last Sunday's church service. At any rate a fuse blew out leaving the organ mute and the place in total darkness. He would like to make us believe there was too much load on the line, but we've been told that after repairs were made he really used the soft pedal. . . . We are glad to report that George Seibold, who has been ill in the hospital, has improved sufficiently to return home. . . . Luella Knoche, David Dulin and Park Schemehorn are all confined to their homes by illness. A speedy recovery to all.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Ruth Banter, Roy F. Blessing, Fred Barve, Guy Brickley, Bruce Brown, Melvin Beucler, Sam Beer, Walter Coolman, Dorothy Comer, Goldie DeLong, Ethel Elzey, Frank Elder, Jr., Ernest Girardot, Bruce Hapner, Mike Hosler, Roy Hill, Lillian Hall, Paule Howard, Edward Jenkins, Russell Jones, Robert Kienzle, William Kramer, Vera Killian, Luella Knoche, Patricia Lahr, Elmer Lederman, Mary McManamon, Maude Mountz, Irma Miller, Claud Matteson, Marcia Neukom, Virginia Pelz, Lavonna Ryan, Virgil Royer, Austin Reimund, Mildred Rietdorf, Hattie Springer, Park Schemehorn, Mary P. Stocks, Edward J. Sordelet, Louise Sinn, Sophia Sinn, Clarence Thomas, Roy Taylor, Harley Ward, Edith Waite, Elfrieda Wolfe and Jay Yopst, Solomon S. Andorfer, Eileen Bliss, William D. Baker, Harley Bottorfs, Howard L. Beery, Edna Crow, Alma Clark, John Craig, David Dulin, Samuel Dailey, William Decker, Ora Farrell, Harry Hartman, Elmer Haugk, Mary Hake, Ann Immel, Aaron M. Krakower, Lela Line, Glenn McNamera, Pauline More, Erna Meyer, Urah Miller, Nora Nickelson, Verna Powers, Mary M. Puckett.



Two tool room employees are proud fathers. Earl Blackburn a baby boy and Elbert Fuhrman a baby girl. . . . Herman Souder's and Harve Koo's wives are improving after recent operations. . . . The Smitley's Nora and her folks attended an implement show the other week. Nora says she hates to part with her horses. . . . Don't be surprised if some day you holler "Taxi" and find Betty Frauhiger your cab driver. . . . You ought to hear Rinaker from Berne imitate Dagwood Bumstead in his call for Blondie—just like out of the funnies. . . . We don't know how this man does it, but Bill Kohls makes it regular every day one minute before the buzzer. Do you go by Swiss movement, Bill? . . . A farewell dinner was held in the private dining room for Mary Jones and Millie Geimer. They both received a lovely scatter pin from the group. . . . Irene Holthouse celebrated a birthday. Happy birthday, Irene, and may you have many more. . . . The GeCode Club girls had their Easter party April 5 and everyone who attended said they enjoyed it very much. The day girls especially liked the hats that were modeled, especially since they were modeled by Frank Braun, Eddy Hesher, Henry Krueckeberg, Tibby Gehrig, Forest Owens, and Bill Stevens. . . . Florence Schultz was very thrilled the night she got the 5-7-10 split in bowling. . . . Did you know we had a new family to move to the G-E a few weeks ago? If you take note those two stakes in the yard is where the three little brown rabbits are residing. They probably are sticking around to help Easter Bunny.

Receives Letter From Germany



Joe Sallot (center) shows the letter he received from Germany to Maurice Vonder Haar and Bob Till.

An interesting letter of thanks for a Christmas present was received recently by Joe Sallot, Taylor St., machinist maintenance. The letter was sent by Peter Balss, a German living in Russelsheim, Waldstrasse, Germany. Mr. and Mrs. Sallot sent a coat in a German relief package mailed by a neighbor. The letter was written Feb. 15 and was received in this country on March 18.

The letter is as follows:

"Just in the week before Christmas eve when I came home from my work, my wife gave me a gift parcel from U.S. The wrapping paper was rather torn, so I could not find the sender. Inside above the containing was an overcoat and in one pocket I found your address. Therefore, I write to you and thank you with all my heart. Where from you got my name is unknown to me.

"What do you read about the Germans in your papers? I guess some papers will tell you the truth. The fact is that the so-called better classes have quite a comfortable living, especially the men from the black market and the profiteers. Only we, the workers, the men who have to do hard work all day long, have a bad living.

"The prices are so high that we have not so much money to buy the things on our ration cards. We get milk once a week, fat and butter very seldom and meat less than a pound within a month, bread not enough. But the Lord our God cares for us for we are praying, "Give us our daily bread." Last autumn we got plenty of potatoes, so we can fill our stomachs with potatoes. In 1947-1948 we were nearly starving.

"I should have written earlier, but no time. We have had all the winter the bricklayers, joiners, whitewashers and so on, for we are rebuilding our house which was very badly damaged by American bombers. The state does not pay a cent. We have all to pay ourselves and have now the back full of debts. Never mind, the Lord our God has helped me so far, and He will help further on, I am quite sure.

"Our town department gave a loan of 3,000 marks at three percent, but the money from the bank is not so cheap. There I have to pay 10 percent. I do not believe that your papers write about our high prices. They paint Germany in rosy colors.

"I am not in the best health now, but my work I can do, for I can sit in a chair because I am an invalid of the war, 1914-1918. Now I must come to an end and I wish you all luck and good health.

"I remain yours truly."



P's and Q's of 17-1

by Joe Kramer

Vacation period gets in full swing this week with our genial inspector Johnny Miles starting his vacation next week. John figures he has enough painting and lawn rolling at home to keep him busy for the first couple of days, but he doesn't know what he is going to do the rest of the week. In case you have any extra painting or spring housecleaning to be done, contact Johnny today and he will be glad to work it in his schedule next week. . . . Cliff (Tidy) Coombes was late Monday morning for the daily news round up. He didn't get in until 6:45, that is just 30 minutes late for Cliff. You should get the alarm clock fixed, Cliff. . . . Ed Brosche is celebrating National Baby Week by helping John Quinn baby the Brown & Sharpes along, changes and all. . . . Tavie Popa, Addie Masbaum and Agnes Cordes got new watering pots to go with the flower pots they received last week. If we could just get some cactus for Tavie's pet horse, Old Paint, we would have everything under control. . . . It is rumored (and we want to emphasize only a rumor) that Jack Lewis is trying to talk his way out of the "Busco" turtle bet. He is offering a $5 forfeit instead of the walk to Churubusco. Red Pettit and John Braden are thinking over Jack's proposition and will let him know at a later date. . . . Addie (Just call it spring fever) Masbaum came back from lunch, walked into the wash room and instead of putting her smock on to start to work, she put her coat on again. . . . Orval Haver was seen by quite a number of people last Sunday afternoon soaking up some of that wonderful Indiana sunshine. Orval says he believes he must have walked five miles. . . . Frank Hickman can't fool us any more with that old story about arthritis. He was caught in the act of painting the ceiling and walls of his cottage. According to an eye witness, none other than Wally McKay, Frank was really swinging a wicked paint brush. Frank (Nature Boy) Martin should have told Johnny Junk that it is necessary to put gasoline in cars to make them run. John was seen walking home Sunday evening. His only excuse was that he had run out of gas. . . . The fish stories are starting to flow rather freely. Cliff (Caught a big one) Coombes brings this one back. He caught a bass that pulled on the line so hard it nearly upset the boat. At the last reports, weight of the fish has been placed at two pounds by very reliable sources. . . . Ed Martin was treated to quite a surprise last Sunday evening. It seems Ed was sitting down to rest, one of the things he does best. When the phone rang, he received an invitation to visit the Martins on Vesey Avenue. It seems that Ed was a little leary of the cupcake given him April 1 that to make up for it, a cake all decorated up with white rabbits and eggs, was set for the occasion. The occasion was none other than the 29th birthday of Ed (Bingo Benny) Martin. Happy belated birthday greetings. . . . Now that the girls in the office have just about decided where they are going on their vacation, the problem of what to wear is the topic of the day. Helene Evanoff was afraid of getting lost, so she bought some red shorts to match the red sunsets in the west. . . Congratulations are in order for all Division 19 employees for the outstanding safety record of the past year.

Given Luggage At Retirement



Lydia May Schnitt, FHP Div. 14 at Taylor St., received luggage as a going-away present from her friends at G-E on the occasion of her retirement. Attending the luncheon in her honor are (l. to r.) William Skevington, Lowell Arnold, Nellie Hamlet, Nora Kern, Mrs. Schnitt, Lulu Heine, Clara Lake, Ethel Evans and Effie Wyatt.

Two Section Supervisors Named In Large Motor, Generator Div.



E. P. Smith



L. O. Hildner

Two new section supervisors were appointed in the Large Motor and Generator Accounting division. L. O. Hildner has been named Section Supervisor, General Accounts, and E. P. Smith, Section Supervisor, Customer Billing and Statistics.

Mr. Hildner began his General Electric career in September, 1942, as a member of the power drive cost section at Winter St. He later transferred to the central cost section in Bldg. 18-3. Mr. Hildner remained there until the decentralization of divisions, when he became associated with the Large Motor and Generator Accounting division.

Bowling and fishing are Mr. Hildner's hobbies. He is married and lives at 4710 Tacoma Ave.

Coming to General Electric in 1946, Mr. Smith has been in the accounts payable section in Bldg. 18-3 until the decentralization. He was then assigned to the accounts payable section of the Large Motor and Generator Accounting division. After two months he was transferred to the section he now heads.

Mr. Smith's favorite pastime is driving. He also enjoys good music. He is single and lives in Auburn.

Tanks To You From Plating-Two

By Marie Lantz

May all the joys of Easter-tide
And grace of God with you abide;
That you may pause, your moment lost
To loving Him upon the cross,
Who, for us suffered untold woes,
Was crucified, and then arose—
That you may now, this Easter-time
Arise with Him, His heart in thine.

Last week pensioner Frank Williams spent one noon with the gang at their euchre game. In place of Pinkerton, Frank teamed with Hemrick to defeat Walt and Andrews. In the near future the Williams' plan to leave for their lake home; now Frank has a nice memory to take along. "Skunked 'em," he beamed, "just like old times." . . . We'll have a word with the weatherman. Though signs of spring are on the way, it's winter's wind that blows all day. . . . Among other things our big Boy Scout is interested in his grandson's Scouting activities. At present, long-distance hikes seem to be an important part of their schedule. In a weigh (way), it might help if Bill would join their march. . . . Those far-away places are calling, calling, not me—but the Clyde Hemricks motored to Cleveland for an enjoyable week-end, and Indianapolis lured Longenbergers.

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Mildred Ellis

Members of the school have made the limelight. Mark Junk and Don Dimke made headlines on the sports page of the Journal by taking the lead in doubles in the G-E Tournament. Keep up the good work, fellows. . . . Also due to make headlines is Mr. Gebert with his Planetary Gear System. It's guaranteed to either help or confuse the students. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ecenbarger, who are the proud parents of a baby boy. . . . We were glad to have Jess Sircle come back to visit the old gang. . . . Rasor found out it sometimes proves very embarrassing to check on good housekeeping around the school. . . . Movies were in order in the classrooms this week for Classes C and D. Both classes saw films on hydraulics and making of Huron die steel. . . . Class F's Industrial Organization class has had the duties of salesmen and engineers explained to them by R. C. Hanna and J. H. Behm of the FHP Division. Our thanks to them. . . . It seems that Myron Auer has become quite an expert on boring tapered holes on the lathe. . . . Frequent limps were common sights Monday. The men who weren't stiff from ball practice were stiff from shoveling dirt, huh, Schmidt and Miller? One apprentice said he was a little stiff from bowling, but his boss said he didn't care where he was from, he should work just as hard as anyone else. . . . For Sale: One large size wart. See Bob Finton. Bob had a large wart removed from his head. The wart is gone but Bob's head is swollen like a football. . . . For a little Draftsman news see John Leffers, Carl Hubartt, Jack Kirlin, Harold Fremion and all the others who gather around the pin ball machines during the lunch hours. It is rumored Charlie Wilt is looking for John and Carl to help pay a plaster bill for a pillar in the club. The boys just say—"take it out of the machine;" they should own it by now. . . . Joe tells me as the draftsmen were going on a tour through Bldg. 17, Don Miller was seen with his scale getting the size of a certain machine hanging on the wall. Through the tour all he kept saying was "what a body," "what a body." Take it easy, Don.

After all, horse sense is just good old stable thinking.



OUT OF THE BLUE in 26-2 office

by Delores Patterson

People are still going and coming in Bldg. 26-2. Donna Bachofen and Dorothy Halleck have moved down from Bldg. 26-3, and Geneva DeWitt from Bldg. 18-3 is now in the Service Bureau. . . . We would like for someone to inform Ginny Winegart that Fort Wayne does have city maps which name the different buildings in the uptown area. Ginny had to hurry to the Transfer Building; but, instead of going there, she went to the Standard Building. She just got her P's and Q's a little confused. The pay-off came when she finally located the Transfer Building only to find that the particular office she wanted was closed during the noon hour! . . . Viola Brooks, you shouldn't make Ginny work so hard at sawing down that tree in your front yard. She may be good at sawing, but she has other things to concentrate on, too! . . . Bill Pape is the fellow to see nowadays if you ever need money. He keeps it (you'll never guess) in a sock in his desk drawer! If you ever need change, just call on Bill. Wonder what would happen if you would get a hole in the sock? . . . It's a happy birthday to Dick Stoner and Pete Eberhardt of the Drafting Div. Dick received an electric razor for his birthday. Why so soon, Dick? You don't have whiskers! . . . We are all very sorry to learn that Ralph Pappert is still sick. . . . Katherine Ernsberger is not the Amazon she thought she was. She went swimming at the Purdue pool, came to work the next day, but had to go home at noon with a cold and sore throat. That'll teach ya! . . . They are now calling Martha Newell, "Battleships" Newell. Why? Because she just misunderstood. . . . BUY YOUR TICKETS FOR THE PLANTATION CAPERS TODAY.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

We have a new reporter, Rosella McKinney, who supplys us with news from the Sample Shop. . . . We see that "The Rambler" (Kenny Cassleman) has a pair of cowboy boots that he has been sporting around at work. The next day he came in wearing moccasins. What's the matter, Shortie, were the heels a little too high, and they made your feet sore, so you couldn't wear your shoes? . . . A certain fellow in the Sample Shop has acquired a new name of "Missouri Mule," but maybe I hadn't better mention any names as I have already been threatened if I write anything about him in the WORKS NEWS. . . . Once again Harry Rollins is using the egg beater to comb his hair. While we're speaking of Rollins we might add that if any of you have any cloth sugar sacks, you might save them and donate them to Rollins. He makes good use of them up at work. . . . Lucille Stover is sporting the brightest yellow shoes at work today. They sure are pretty. . . . We hear that Paul Sturm can fall asleep in any old corner during his noon hour, as long as it is a corner. You know what's good for that, don't you, Paul?



The Big WIND

DIVISION 17
TAYLOR STREET
by Dorothy Heinzelmann

The little poem which we were supposed to have in our column two weeks ago last Friday was cut due to lack of space, so we will again publish this poem in the near future. . . . It seems that Donna Smith has no trouble at all in getting her hubby to do the washing, but she just can't figure out how to entice him to do the ironing. Does anyone have any good suggestions? If so, I'm sure more gals than just Donna, will be interested. . . . A belated birthday wish to Lora Scbroeder who was pleasantly surprised on her birthday last week. Dorothy Eherman held a dinner in her honor and the guests attending were Lydia Doehrman, Dorothy Pakrywaka, Mabel Parker and Evelyn Turner. . . . Millie Snyder is having trouble deciding just what shade her hair will be next week, but we think she looks very smart with black hair. Don't we, girls? . . . We are sure that Irene Drabenstot knows enough to come in out of the rain, but we can't understand how she got her feet so wet the other night. . . . It seems that some folks throw their hats in the door first to see if they are welcome, but Jessie Wass threw her pie in the doorway of a beauty shop recently to announce her arrival. . . . We hear that Joe Eifrid had everything but a round ball at the recent ABC Tournament. From what we hear the reason he did better than the rest was due to the fact that he snored all of the way down there, and the other guys couldn't get any rest. . . . We really know that it is spring now. Maxine Jones has departed company with her old shoes. . . . Hollie Mee finally got that long needed hair-cut, and he says the barber found an extra ear. . . . Ernie Raypole had a tough time eating his sandwich a week ago Friday. When he investigated, he found that his wife had put a piece of paper in it with "April Fool" written on it. . . . It is reported that Ruby Stuckey has her housecleaning almost done. Hurry up and finish, Ruby, and you can help the rest of us. . . . We hear that Cecil Leakey, who has been on our sick list for quite some time, is not making too rapid progress, here is hoping that you get on that road to recovery soon, as we all miss you. . . . On March 29 the test section had a pot-luck dinner honoring all those who had birthdays in that month. The following having those birthdays were: Pauline Ober, Vi Minnick, Esther Schladenhauffen, Olka Johnston, Charlie Penn, and Eva Creigh. We want to wish them many happy returns of the day. The other guests who attended the dinner were Iris Allen, Ruth Leverton, June Hines, Dora Smith, Bill Roberts, Don Niles, and Dave Chambers. . . . This nice spring weather is sure tough on a lot of people. Hazel Hardwick did a little spading in the garden the other night and wasn't able to make it in to work the next day. Better watch that sacro-i-liac, Hazel. . . . Did you see that beautiful new light green Chevy which Betty Boldt has? . . . A belated welcome to Ruth Leverton on days. . . . Eva Creaigh has left the sound room gong to work on stator test. Eva's parting gift was a cute little goldfish, which the girls promptly named, "Evie." . . . If you really want to hear a turtle story, just have Vi Minnick tell you the one about her turtle. She says it stands on its hind legs and walks across the road. . . . Wonder why it was that when the time came for Harold Mosshammer to go play golf with the fellows last Saturday, he couldn't go. Marion, have you got him that buffaloed? . . . George Miller is learning all about fish life, and of all the people to teach him, he is being tutored by Harold Mosshammer. The thing is though that no one knows where Harold got all his information. . . . Roy Orr has finally traded for a new car, but the boys wish he would get one with a hood that locks so he couldn't get into it. However, Roy, you didn't fool Bob Federspiel as he also traded cars so that he is again prepared to push you. . . . We wish a speedy recovery to Mildred Reitdorf who is on our sick list; we miss you, Millie. . . . We were very sorry to hear about the accident which "Butch" Figel's little girl had, but the latest reports are that she is OK now and for that we are very happy.

Honored At Party On Last Day



Clara Krudop, Bldg. 4-3, left Friday for her vacation and retirement. On her last day with the Company, she was honored with a party attended by several of her friends from the former Meter Dept. In the picture (l. to r.) are Betty Minard, Alma Merwin, Vera Fetro, Lois Miller, Marguerite Dasher, Ruth Reed, Herbert Braun, Irmgard Gehle, Anna Ruth Clements, Ruth Tutwiler, Annette Thomas, Clara Krudop, Hilda Seiler, Esther Pape, Helen Stahl, Viola Donahue and Agnes Grosjean.



A. E. Leider, Bldg. 18-4, is sojourning in the St. Joseph Hospital. He has been undergoing a series of tests and we are hoping the doctors will soon agree, so he can return to G-E. Anyway it is nice to know that you are missed! . . . Our deepest sympathy is extended to Forrest Leighty, Bldg. 18-1. Memorial funeral services were held on Saturday for his son, Ralph, who was killed on V-E Day, and returned home for burial. There are many trials that come to us each day and are only made bearable through the understanding of our friends. . . . Phyllis Tanner of Bldg. 18-1 celebrated her birthday Tuesday. . . . Looks like the weatherman might be kind to those in the Easter Parade—better be safe and have a raincoat, umbrella, fur coat, spring coat and a flowered hat ready just in case!

The industrious person seldom has a busy tongue.

Every married man's pay envelope shows the effect of the feminine touch.

New President Is Installed By G-E Engineers



Mark Tam

Mark Tam was installed as president of the Fort Wayne Association of General Electric Engineers Wednesday evening at a joint session with the Anthony Wayne Chapter of the Indiana Society of Professional Engineers. Other officers installed during the business meeting were F. J. Chayka, vice-president; C. W. Brown, secretary, and A. L. Ulmer, treasurer.

Featured speaker of the evening was Paul H. Robbins, executive director of the National Society of Professional Engineers. His subject was "National Society of Professional Engineers in Washington Politics."

The meeting was held at the Chamber of Commerce.

What the world needs is a thermometer that can read the weatherman's forecast.

Many a man owes his success to a cool, level head—the one that's on his wife's shoulders.

Medical Memos

By Mary Heymann

May the hope of good things to come, rekindled in Nature's awakening, find its fullest realization in the Easter Spirit, and continue throughout the year.

Imo Jean Schwartz, Bldg. 21, is trying her hand at interior decorating these days. She has been busy painting and sewing, and is transforming her room at her home in Ossian. . . . Mentioning "decoration" reminds me, did you happen to notice Minnie Fryback's nose this past week? No wonder some solutions remove paint, they even peel skin! . . . Our members greatly enjoyed the Easter Elex Club party, and especially the music provided by the Melody Trio. A collection was made after the evening party at the G-E Club for Easter candy eggs to be sent to the boys at Farm School at Dousman, Wis. Warren Locker, formerly of our Employment Section is employed there as assistant superintendent of the Farm School, and recently Mr. Locker and R. E. Phillips, one of the boys at Farm School visited the Medical Section here. We appreciated having them stop in to see us and hope they will come again sometime. . . . Mabel Wilson and Mrs. John Nail (formerly Maurine Snyder), who was employed in the Medical Section, visited with Anne Murtaugh at the Irene Byron Sanatorium recently. Anne was employed in our Decatur Dispensary. The nurses report Anne in good spirits. She has gained weight and hopes to be up and about soon. . . . Bldg. 8-1 Dispensary now has a heat lamp. This will be welcome news to the people troubled with aching muscles due to housecleaning, gardening, golf, etc. . . . Mabel Wilson, Berneta Welbaum and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mulvane were at Bloomington Sunday attending a musical program. . . . Thelma Harrison, until recently employed as nurse on second shift, Taylor St., visited friends at Taylor St. last Wednesday, and was an evening dinner guest of Olive Walters. . . . Jean Tuttle, nurse at our Danville plant, will leave the Company today, and move to California to take up new duties there. Good luck, Jean, we'll surely miss you. . . . Happy Easter to all!



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday, April 18, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—One key on a chain.

FOUND—Earring with three rows of grey pearl sets. Found by Bldg. 15.

FOR SALE

DOUBLE BASIN WITH SINK—With fixtures, A-1 condition, $25. A-8713I.

25-INCH BOY'S BICYCLE—$8. H-59353.

HORTON IRONER—A-1 condition, like new, $35. A-57373.

9x12 RED RUG—With pad, $5. A-4508I.

SIX PUPPIES—Six weeks old. Six miles west of Waynedale, Lower Huntington rd. to first white church, left side of road. Clarence Coulter.

BOY'S SPORT COAT—Size 14. 311 N. Main St., Columbia City, Ind.

GIRL'S BICYCLE—Like new, 26-inch Western Flyer. $25. A-45820.

DEMMING SHALLOW WELL PUMP—Reasonable. Phone Ossian 5-T.

SMALL BOAT—Suitable for car top. 3218 Raymond St.

WILCOX-GAY RECORDER—And record player (minus microphone). Plays 10-12 records. A-80642.

BOY'S GRAY SPRING COAT—Size 5-6; high chair. A-56474.

COPPER WINDOW SCREENS—Man's bowling ball. H-48347.

STRAWBERRY PLANTS—Gem Everbearing and Senator Dunlap. Reasonable. H-74113.

5-ROOM MODERN BUNGALOW—Built in 1944. Location, 829 McKinnie Ave. H-91202.

LADY'S DIAMOND RING—Clock radio, 4-months old. Reasonable. E-38231.

NEW GAS COIL HEATER—Copper coil, $5. H-50533.

DAVENPORT—H-8995.

WANTED

BOY SCOUT SHIRT—Knapsack, canteen and other Scout things. Size 16. H-56332.

FOR RENT

SLEEPING ROOM—Newly decorated. 121 E. Taber St. H-55072.

PERSONAL

SYMPATHY—To Bill Brandt, Voltmen pitcher, on the death of his mother, Mrs. Maggie Brandt. All his G-E friends.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Ralph E. Jacobs, from Bluffton, Ind. Works from 8-5:15 in Bldg. 31-1. Ext. 565.

WANTS RIDE—C. K. Tucker, from Bluffton, Ind. Works in Div. 14 at Taylor St. from 6:48-8:18. Ext. T-372 or Bluffton 1159-R.

A Kansas man made a flying machine out of an old auto. This frequently happens on rough roads.



26-3 News

By Mabel Odel

Velma Johnson, our news editor, has been transferred to Bldg. 26-4. Her going has left a large vacancy which I, in some way, will try to fill. As you all know she did an excellent job and for me to achieve her standard, I'll have to have a lot of help from all of you. Which reminds me, Velma had to have a lot of help the other day in getting a piano out of her house. She declared the piano was brought in through that door, but it made no difference which way they turned it or how they measured it the piano still remained two or three inches larger than the door. . . .Ernie Clark would really make a wonderful outfielder on anyone's team. Lorraine Von Behren pitched him a few fancy curves, using boiled eggs for a ball. He didn't miss one, not even the raw ones. . . . It's no use going to a bingo party when Ernie Clark is there. He takes home all the prizes. . . . Lonnie Lockstroh is the lucky one. It must be nice to go on a vacation this time of the year. . . . Louie Kerns would like to buy a lot of those little frilly things at the Elex rummage sale, but he wants to try them on for size first. . . . We have finally located the cause of the disagreeable odor in Bldg. 26-3. It's the low grade of euchre being played by George Brehm, Homer Huffman, John Willet and Pfeiffer. . . . Irma Farrell has a tutor from Bldg. 26-4 to teach her how to play bridge. We hear that she is doing very well in more ways than one. . . . Congratulations to Marie Trenary, who has added "Mrs." to her name. With a little coaxing we found out the lucky guy's name is Werner Hedrick. . . . Catherine Somers and Edna Lobert are leaving us for first trick. Good luck, girls. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Brandenberg on a bouncing baby boy. . . . Martha Warren declares she isn't going to use that little square piece of paper she bought. Could it be an error was made in the names? . . . Ruth Freeland should wear a rose in her hair or some other identification, as they keep getting her mixed up with someone else. . . . Dorothy Whan has been holding out on us. We all agree she should wear slacks more often. . . . Happy birthday to Lonnie Lockstroh. She wouldn't say which one but we hope she has many more. . . . Leonard Pequignot does all right when it comes to picking out a nice overcoat, but someone should explain to him that those little holes in it weren't put in there for ventilation. . . . Does anyone have a safety belt that Betty Gates may use? It seems she is having trouble staying on a chair, and we don't want any lost time accident. By the way, she is a gal who can really blush.

Office Offerings

Gaylord Morris is leaving today to get a higher education. Good luck, Gaylord, and let us hear from you once in a while. . . . Donna Bachofen and Dorothy Halleck have been transferred to Bldg. 26-2. . . . We welcome Therese Lindenberg to the Cost Section. . . . Pat Lahr is still a little girl at heart. She was confined at home last week with the measles. . . . We wish a speedy recovery to Elvira Romery, who is also confined at home due to an auto accident. We have received word that she is getting along very well, and we hope that she will be back with us soon. . . . A belated birthday wish to Al Coxon. The candy was delicious. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stuart, the proud parents of little Mary Anita . . . Has everyone heard that Helen Deloff has a new car and is about to become an expert driver? She doesn't have trouble turning corners. She steps on the gas and slides around. I'll tip you fellows off, she is having trouble in getting an authorized driver to go with her. Could it be she has them all scared out?



Have you seen Harold Steinbacher's dog house? It's quite the thing we hear, with very appropriate trimmins'. How's the atmosphere in there these days, Steinie? . . . Congratulations to the Earl Fees on the arrival of a little newcomer at their home. How come you held on to those cigars so long, Earl? . . . Ed Lipp's wife underwent an operation last Monday. We hope by today she is well on the way to recovery. Also Mrs. Don Price, who has been quite ill. . . . When Oscar Rodenbeck comes back to his desk on all fours, barking like a dog, he ain't kiddin' nobody. The gals all know where he has been and just sit tight until he gets back to normal before proceeding with the days business. . . . Bob Hatfield is still bemoaning the fact that he lost his leather bound cigarette lighter. Tough break, Bob. . . . The boys are wondering if Howard Treesh had his car fixed what needed fixin' or is that fender dragging on the ground just for show. How about it, Howard? . . . The other day at Taylor St., Walt Rosselot caught a mouse and decided to feed it to Milt, the alligator, in the Lab. With a small delegation, he started for the Lab. Just about there, wouldn't you know, the mouse got away from him. We hear that Milt made quite a fuss all day, wonder if he heard Walt was coming. . . . Charlie Hartman wishes to retract the statement printed in the column last week. He says that he not only had to pay all of the bill but had to tip the waitress too. . . . We all laughed when Whitie VanAuken put the hot pipe in his pocket and did a jig, but when he holds a cigarette 'till it burns him, that's the last straw. . . . A farewell party was held at George Delf's home for Ed Wheeler and George who retired April 1. There were lots of good things to eat and most of the Power House gang was there to wish them years of happiness. They received several gifts, including billfolds, money, a real twist of Virginia tobacco which was contributed by Grover Walker, and corn cob pipes; also a flower pot for George. You can ask Scotty about that. We were sorry Leo Hirshey from Bldg. 4-B couldn't be there, too. . . . What's this! Is toothache catching in the Power Plant. First it is Scotty and then it is "Porky" Mastro sporting a nice plump jaw. . . . We hear Sammy also has a new streamlined bicycle that he rides to work on Sundays.

One way to leave footprints on the sands of time is to get out and dig.

Let's Eat!



CAFETERIA and RESTAURANT MENUS

APRIL 18 THROUGH APRIL 22

BROADWAY	TAYLOR STREET

Serving Hours:

Cafeteria—16-1 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. 10:48 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-2 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-1 6:45 P.M. - 8:12 P.M. 6:55 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Restaurant 16-2 12:00 M. - 1:00 P.M.

MONDAY, APRIL 18

Tomato Rice Soup	Beef Noodle Soup
Baked Ham	Roast Pork and Dressing
Beef Stew	Italian Spaghetti
Hamburger Sandwiches	Ham Sandwiches
Escalloped Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Wax Beans	Buttered Green Beans
Harvard Beets	Stewed Tomatoes

TUESDAY, APRIL 19

Cream of Potato Soup	Tomato Barley Soup
Pork Chops	Fried Liver
Meat Pie	Veal Chow Mein
Braunschweiger Sandwiches	Hot Roast Pork Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whole Browned Potatoes
Stewed Beans	French Fried Onion Rings
Apple Sauce	Buttered Peas
Buttered Peas	

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

Vegetable Soup	Bean Soup
Chicken and Noodles	City Chicken
Smoked Sausage	Ham a la King
Salmon Salad Sandwiches	Barbecue Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Sauerkraut	Buttered Cauliflower
Creamed Green Beans	Harvard Beets
Dressing	Corn Bread

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

Cream of Tomato Soup	Vegetable Soup
Swiss Steak	Swiss Steak
Barbecued Wieners	Ham and Limas
Ham Salad Sandwiches	Chopped Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Glazed Carrots	Creamed Corn
Buttered Spinach	Apple Sauce

FRIDAY, APRIL 22

Bean Soup	Cream of Potato Soup
French Fried Fish	French Fried Fish
Macaroni and Cheese	Baked Ham
Roast Beef	Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches
Ham Sandwiches	Whipped Potatoes
Baked Potatoes	Buttered Spinach
Buttered Broccoli	Buttered Hominy
Buttered Corn	Sweet Potatoes

Wide selection of home-made pies and delicious salads served daily.
Breakfast served at Broadway daily from 6:20 to 7:60 A.M.

Special dinners and parties arranged upon request.

Menus Subject to Change

Inquiring Reporter

WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT SPRING?

LULU M. WITTE
Taylor St.

"After a cold and dreary winter, I like spring because everything comes to life. People seem to take a new slant on life. Everyone can shed their winter clothes and start to work outside. What is more enjoyable than being out in the fresh air and sunshine?"





SUE WAGNER
Bldg. 19-3

"In the spring I like most to see Nature bringing things back to life: the buds on the trees, the grass fresh and green, and little flowers peeping through the ground. Spring makes me feel more than ever that God's in his heaven and all is right with the world."



FRED W. ZEHENDNER
Bldg. 12-B

"Spring washes away all cares and worries that winter brings on. The garden, fresh air and God's nature makes one feel free and thankful."



JEANNE GLADIEUX
Taylor St.

"It is then I know that summer is not too far off."

SERENA SLATER
Bldg. 4-3

"It gives you a good feeling when you see the grass turn green and flowers start blooming; and you can be out in the fresh air and sunshine."



Motor and Generator Static



Thought for the Week: "A reputation is a personal possession frequently not discovered until lost."

Dear Stranger, kindly doff your hat
And close your eyes to pray.
We offer solemn tribute to
An old, old man today.

His hair is gray, his teeth are gone.
He walks so stooped and slow.
Were it not for his vitality
He'd have died quite long ago.

They use to call him Poison Pen.
A writer of reknown.
But since old age is creeping
His prestige all has flown.

He may not last the summer out
He looks so pale and wan.
So we'll wish a Happy Birthday
To our Mrs. Shultz's Don.

By JIM MITCHELL.

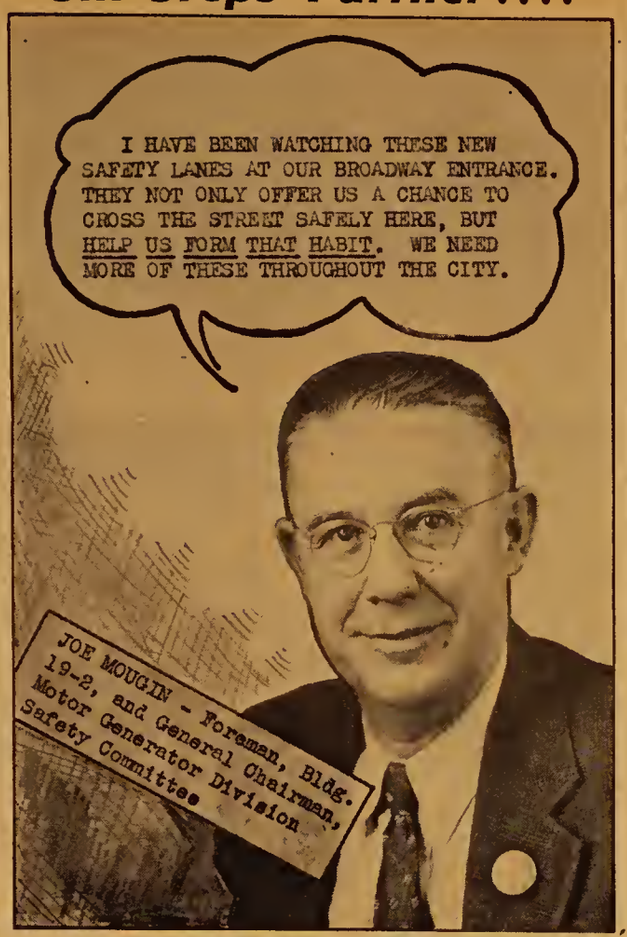
The misdeeds of youth should be a constant reminder that we should ever try to improve ourselves, in the spiritual sense. . . . However, some men never seem to realize this fact until they feel the icy fingers of age creeping upon them. . . . It is then that some make a valiant effort to atone for their pasts. "Pappy" Archbald has been attending a lot of "tabernacle" meetings lately. . . . A dinner party was given at the Berghoff Gardens Friday, April 8, in honor of Mary Banks. Those who enjoyed the party were Helen David, Mabel Stovall, Esther Dalman, Doris Olinger, Ruth Schafenacker, Imo Foley, and Mary Banks. Miss Banks is retiring from the Company April 15. Our best wishes go with you, Mary. Let us hear from you now and then. . . . The name of the new mystery melody is? ? ? We don't have any idea. . . . "Old Poison Pen" had a birthday last Friday. Yes, this writer had a birthday and Fisher, Mitchell, Hobson and Wagner had a Roman holiday. All day long cards, greetings and "gifts" arrived, some good, some bad and some downright insulting. Perhaps the most insulting was the one from Mrs. Mitchell's son Jim that compared us with a "Mephitis mephitisa" (just plain skunk). Through the grapevine this writer learns that James, not satisfied with the indignities he heaped upon us Friday, has composed a poem about our birthday, to be printed in this weeks news. Our opinion is that this fugitive from a "Busco" lake feels the weight of age resting rather heavily on his shoulders and is jealous of our vim, vigor and vitality. . . . Dick Hobson is indeed a lad of many talents. Possessor of 31's largest tie collection, a singer and crooner of note. Mr. Hobson now tells of his athletic accomplishments. "Yes, sir," he relates, "when I was in the army, I was a member of our squadron boxing team, 'Canvas Back Hobson' I was known as in them days." . . . Roscoe Markley, Bldg. 19-1, genius, has performed another miracle. It seems that Roscoe's phone needed some repairs, so Mr. Markley attempted the repairs himself. Through some error, he connected its line to the wire fence around his hog yard. Can you imagine his surprise when he lifted his receiver and was greeted by "Stop The Music" but no dial tone? Mr. Markley, who is not adverse to making an honest dollar, calculates he will help others obtain radio entertainment by building hog lot fences for them to attach their phones to. This, of course, will be for a nominal fee. . . . Monroe Brosius reports that Dick Hobson has invited him to take a ride in his Buick at 100 miles per hour. Sez Monroe, "He can't kid me, that wagon wouldn't make 100 even if he got out and pushed."



Happy Easter. I hope it doesn't rain so that the Easter parade is of umbrellas. All the girls are busy talking of spring housecleaning. From the men's department are heard the usual groans. Of course, to them polishing the brassies would be more interesting. Along with spring housecleaning comes the usual moving. Jerry Snyder and Lucille Miller have been having moving troubles. Lucille is moving to their new place, and Jerry is moving in where Lucille lived. . . . Marie and Frank Dunfee are also moving in their new home. . . . Marcille Thomas has joined the "paint up" squad. She is painting her kitchen a Chinese red. Isn't that a dull color? . . . Verna Bullerman was in Indianapolis last week-end to bowl. Did you make the pin-setters earn their money? . . . If you noticed Alice Brockmeyer dashing around, it is due to the fact her mother and father are celebrating their Golden Wedding anniversary Easter. We sincerely hope they make the diamond jubilee. . . . Speaking of Easter reminds us of eggs, and eggs remind us of Johnny Anderson. If you have a surplus stock, maybe Johnny will help you dispose of them. . . . Harold Kiel too has a way of making money on the side. He is in the fertilizer business. Anyone need about 3,000 pounds? . . . When George Soule came into work last Monday with a black eye, he wasn't such a merry soul. He says a shower fixture got in his way. Now we've heard everything. He's stuck with that story, too. . . . Overheard in the washroom: Helen Biddle says, "Since I got my new permanent, from now on call me 'Poodles' Briddle." Hi, Poodles. . . . Safety note to Charlie Rice and Walter Kryder. When sitting on a thumb tack, for safety's sake sit on the head. . . . Anyone having a birthday and desiring a special cake, Elvira Diller is the one to see. She really takes the prize for cake baking. . . . Delores Wonderly will be more than glad to explain the art of using a milking machine to anyone who has never lived on the farm. . . . Newcomers to the early bird shift are Edna Neal, Thelma Culler, Gene Lauer and Mabel Shinn. . . . Those leaving us to go on second are Hazel Lockwood, Maude Goodrich and Sarah Sowards.

Some rich men's sons shift for themselves only when driving the old man's car.

Six Steps Farther....



. . . AND YOU HAVE FOLLOWED THE PEDESTRIAN LANE AND HAVE BEEN PLACED IN A POSITION TO GIVE YOURSELF AND OTHERS THE GREEN LIGHT. "Give yourself the green light" sounds strange, doesn't it? Nevertheless, you and I have had that unusual privilege for years when crossing Broadway at our Plant entrance.

Our city Police Traffic Dept. had these lanes painted, and they are a distinct guide to tell the motorist where to stop and the pedestrian where to cross. THEY MIGHT WELL BE CALLED LIFE LINES. (At this writing, the motorists and bus operators are paying more attention to them then the pedestrians are.)

Thanks, Joe, for helping with this safety message.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer

Liby Retires After 23 Years



Grover Liby FHP Div. 13 at Taylor St., was honored last Friday on his retirement after 23 years of service. He is shown in the picture looking at one of the retirement gifts given him by his co-workers. Left to right are Paul Becker, Theodore Reed, Denver Carpenter, Arthur Sorg, Bernard Brake, Mr. Liby, Everett McKee, L. V. Stroh, Charles Sherland, Paul Brandt, Clarence Hartman, Raymond O'Neill, Walter Fruechtenicht, James Gambrell, Richard Braun, Evan Morris, Ralph Dunlap, Wilbur Hinton, and Donald Sterling.

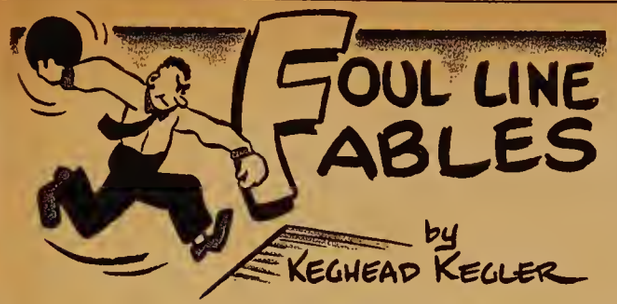
Thisa and Thata "SPECIALTY MOTOR"



by Helen Engle

Birthday greetings to Golda Duff, Martha Scherzinger, Hazel Martz and Ilene Lantz. . . . Never ask Regmore Engeman for a hamburger sandwich. She can't tell the difference between hamburger and hammer. . . . Clarice Woodruff is spending several weeks in San Diego, Calif. with her husband. We hope you have a wonderful time, Clarice. . . . We are sorry to lose Bernice Johnson and Dorothy McGowan. Bernice was transferred to Taylor St. and Dorothy to Bldg. 4-5. . . . Eleanor Whitehouse has been kinda low in spirits and we have been wondering why. We found out that her bowling team lost. Better luck next time, Eleanor. . . . Lorinda Beyerlein has teased Erma Hanny about the peanut boy downtown. Now Erma has something on Lorinda—she saw the peanut boy following Lorinda. . . . Clara Krauskopf and the girls who work with her were bothered one day last week by a mouse. They just couldn't scare him away, so Clara brought a trap and some cheese to feed him. That's right, the next morning she had her victim. . . . Alma Merwin, they tell me, makes the best peach cream pie. How about a sample? . . . Frances Rose was so excited when the guard was in our section the other day. The excitement couldn't have anything to do with running a stop light, could it, Frances? . . . Elva Foulks is taking a week's vacation this week. We know that it isn't to help Evelyn with the housecleaning as she has that all done. He says that he is planting some strawberry plants. The fellows want to know if you are going to plant them with the sugar already on? . . . We are going to miss Clara Krudop who was retired last Friday, but we know that after working as many years as you have you really deserve a good rest. She says that she is going to raise turkeys and chickens. Get your order in now for that Thanksgiving Turkey—I have. At our dinner party for Clara on Thursday our friend Warren Jackson presented her with an orchid with the usual ceremony. She spent Friday visiting her friends in various parts of the building. When Mr. Mettler presented her with her gifts on Friday morning she was very much surprised to see her two long-time friends Helen Stahl of Bldg. 31 and Annette Thomas of Bldg. 19-1 of the old Meter Dept. in which Clara worked. Clara wanted me to be sure and tell you that she thanked each and everyone of you for her lovely gifts and for the good dinner party. . . . A banquet was given by the Specialty Motor Supervisors' Club, April 7 at the Chamber of Commerce in honor of Harry Haberkorn who retired April 8. Several presents were given Mr. Haberkorn by the supervisors and all were called upon for a few remarks. Judging from the tributes and complimentary expression of his fellow supervisors, Mr. Haberkorn can certainly feel that he has many friends and will be missed from this organization. George Prince presided at this meeting and O. J. Mettler, Supt. of Div. 1, made the presentations. Mr. Haberkorn was also presented with a beautiful wrist watch and an autograph book from his co-workers in Bldgs. 4-3 and 4-4. This presentation was also made by Mr. Mettler. All of his co-workers wish Mr. Haberkorn a long and happy life.

Oh, for the good old days when houses with high rents had that vacant look.



The Dickason's Barber Shop team is still leading the Office League by a very close shave of one game. In second place are the Designers who clipped the Blueprint boys for three games and thereby eliminated them from second half championship.

Next week's battle will be a furious one, as the feature will pit the Dickason's Barber Shop team vs. Designers team. The winner of this series will be crowned the champions of the second half and will bowl the Blueprint boys the following week for the Office League championship.

Vic Rump of the Alternators paced the 600 counts with a 627 acquired on games of 210, 193 and 224. Les Shroyer leading the Office league with a 183 average and a member of the now second place Designing team followed closely with a 622 count on games of 182, 212 and 228.

Two hundred scores: H. Goheen, 216; Dick Kent, 213; Bob Hanna, 204; Bob "Sore Thumb" Blomker, 203; Franky Schlink, 202; R. Gettys, 201, and Miller, 201.

Small Motor League

Production and Tools are tied for first place. Drafting and Models are tied for second place and are two games out of first. Two weeks bowling remains, so one can expect a close race to the last game.

Don Kaiser, a member of the Cost Team, who recently returned from Atlantic City after shooting in the 1949 ABC tournament, started burning the alleys for a high single game of 268 acquired with a spare in the first and fourth frames and the remainder strikes.

Imagine a person shooting a 268 count for one game and still not a 600 count reported in the league. Two hundred games were recorded by Les Elward, 205 and 209; "Tough Luck" Lamboley, 222; Harry Brown, 218; Ife Holmes, 214; Ray Lindemuth, 212; Vance, 208; Bob Walt, 203, and Ty Cook, 200.

Masonic League

Here again a scramble exists with two weeks to go and four teams, Ionic, Patrols, Gavels, and Levels, all tied for first place with 24 wins. Second place team, Doric, with 21 victories rests safely in fifth place as result of the four-way tie for first place.

Only one 600 count was registered in this league and that was by Larson on games of 224, 205, and 181. Two hundred games were shot by Somerville, 211; Manor, 203; Martz, 202; J. Smith, 200; Gidley, 204; Crayton, 206; Braden, 200; Trevey, 200, and Bob Hickman, 201.

The high team score for the three games was taken over by the Levels team on a count of 2755.

Apparatus League

The following report from the Apparatus League is one week old. No report received last week. At that time Team No. 5 was still holding on to first place; being six games ahead of Team No. 3, which is in second place.

Bob Langer shot his first 200 score in bowling and a pair to boot. His scores were 205 and 201. We will be looking forward to a 600 and 700 count respectively. As the saying goes, "The first 200 score is always the hardest."

Other two hundred scores: Mason Smith, 202; R. Stanley, 206; Dan Oesch, 220; J. Aumiller, 201; Paul Perry, 221; W. Bocster, 211; P. Bienz, 216; H. Spath, 228; Bill Piercy, 202 and 203, and J. James, 201.

Interdivision League

Taylor St. is still leading this league. According to the number of 600 counts shot, it puts you in mind of the ABC Tournament recently held at Atlantic City.

Bill Glenn paced the 600 counts with a sizzling 677 acquired on games of 250, 239 and 188. Other 600 scores were Westrick, 638 on games of 221, 229, and 188; Frank Matthews, 624 on games of 244, 203, and 177; Murray Johnson, 620 on games of 204, 201, and 215; Erv "Bad Boy" Haugk, 207 on games of 192, 205, and 210; Paul Walker, 604 on games of 196, 163, and 245; and finally "ABC Fame" Walt Mertz, 604 on games of 236, 176, and 192.

Two hundred scores: Les Shroyer, 235; Frank Kopp, 228; Iannelly, 220; Hal "ABC Champion" Fanning, 218; Starke, 212; Koorsen, 208; Dimke, 208; Berning, Jr., 206; Junghaus, 205, and 200; D. Miller, 203; Crowell, 203; Buck, 203; Rump, 202; Habig, 202, and Ivan Parrish, 200.

Two hundred scores from the previous week: Noah Kuntz, 236; Russell Rose, 234; J. Saylor, 230; E. France, 216, and 205; Hal Fanning, 214, and 212; Zelt, 212; George Ludeman, 211; F. Burnau, 208; Schelper, 205; Spath, 203; Iannelly, 202; Paul Walker, 201; Putman, 202, and Berning, Jr., 200.

Ladies' Monday League

Ethel Koontz paced the league with a 540 series on games of 191, 193, and 156.

High scores were rolled by Esther Muzzillo, 206; Barbara Vaughn, 193; Minerva Hofer, 190; Justine Luyben, 185; Vivian Fleckenstein, 184; Dorothy Fuhs, 184; Emma Vaughn, 179; Naomi Longsworth, 173; Edna Koester, 173, and Virginia Buuck, 170.

Decatur Bowling News

Bowling in the Monday Night league ranged from the sublime to the ridiculous. On the sublime side, Jerry Gage came through with the season's high for the league with a three-game total of 673 on games of 257, 213, and 203. Paul Hancher, on the ridiculous side, rolled the season's low with a grand three-game total of 371 (96, 133, and 142). Since misery loves company, Ray Shackley came to Paul's aid by rolling the season's low single, a huge 94. Other 200 scores: Briede, (his first 200 of the year); H. Murphy, 217; Shoaf, 209; Stetler, 209; Laurent, 200, and Cook, 212.

In the Fraternal League, Laurent rolled the high series of 617. Two hundred scores were kegled by Baumgartner, 212; Ahr, 201; Longsworth, 202; A. Miller, 209, and Leonard, 210.

High scores for the men in the Mixed Doubles league were rolled by G. Schultz, 623, and H. Murphy, 600. On the women's side of the talley, L. Nelson rolled a 455. Two hundred games were made by G. Laurent, 226, and W. Hilty, 223, and 203. V. Murphy rolled 158 to top the women.

Bowling and Stuff

The Fort Wayne Bowlers' Welfare Association have launched their Charter membership campaign, which closes April 30. Signing up now permits you to become a member regardless of age. Cost is $1 per year. After May 1, bowlers over 50 years of age will not be accepted. Death benefits amount to $200 and sick benefits are also available. See your league secretary and sign up.

Andy Anderson shot 611 in his singles at the ABC tournament in Atlantic City. Nice shooting, Andy, sorry you didn't get three seores like that.

Anyone desiring to shoot on dust free and spotless alleys without traveling to Atlantic City, see "Wee Wee" Bushong for remedy.

Fellows, Beware. Our good bowler, Hal Fanning, has discovered what is wrong with his approach. The change that is contemplated is a secret and will require some room. No more scores of 422.

Speaking of a score of 422 reminds me to congratulate Hall Fanning on his "gold plated" medal with name and score inscribed. He received it at the G-E Club alleys for obtaining such a score at the ABC Tournament. The medal was presented by fellow bowlers and admirers who also attended the tournament.

Teams and Bowlers returning from Atlantic City, where they were as cool as a cucumber, returned to their home stamping grounds and burned up the alleys. Could it be that the boys want to prove that they were better than the scores indicated, or are they trying to discourage other teams and bowlers from attending a national bowling tournament.

Divisions Enter Teams In G-E Softball League

Any division wishing to enter a team in the Interdivision Softball league this season should mail the team name and telephone numbers to Ray Quinn, Bldg. 20-2.

Kraft Scores 717 Actual In G-E Bowling Tourney

Eddie Kraft's 717 actual-pin performance featured the opening of the G-E bowling tournament last Saturday in the singles division. He had a handicap totaling 756. Second place went to Murray Johnson with a score of 717.

The leaders in the team division are the Apparatus Team No. 2 with a score of 3108. A score of 3097 rolled by the Cost team took second place in the event.

In the doubles section, Don Dimke and M. Junk tallied 1390 to take over first place. A. May and F. Manor are in second place with a score of 1351.

Star bowler Eddie Kraft leads the All-Events division with a total of 1937 acquired in a series of 586 in team, 634 in doubles and 717 in singles.

Action in the tournament will be resumed tomorrow with the following schedules:

TEAM EVENT
Saturday, April 16

3:30 Squad

Furniture—Home ..... M. Cox
Worthman—Classic ..... Wm. Doehrman
Squared No. 5—Masonic ..... M. Buckmaster
Inspection No. 5—Sm. Motor ..... C. Oyer
G-E Club ..... H. B. Carter
Series Specialty ..... Russel Rose
Blue Print ..... E. Hagadorn
Maintenance ..... P. Schoenherr

6:30 Squad

Inspectors ..... E. Roby
Bells—Transformer ..... G. France
Standardizing—Offity ..... W. Piercy
Pabst Blue Ribbon—Scotts ..... D. Bucher
Corinthian—Masonic ..... S. Dietrich
K.S.R. No. 4—Spec. F.H.P. ..... R. Zelt
No. ZBA Mot.-Ser. & Spec. ..... H. Wiegman
West Acre Mot. Ct.—Merchants ..... J. Leffers
Grinders ..... W. Weihe

8:45 Squad

Mot. Gen. No. 4—Inter Div. ..... Lee Crowell
Ionic—Masonic ..... H. Braden
Brouwers—Inter Div. ..... F. Matthews
Designer's—Office ..... R. Hanson
Broadway B. & W.—Inter Div. ..... H. Fanning
Apparatus No. 11 ..... V. Rump

DOUBLES AND SINGLES
Saturday, April 16

1:30 Squad

(L. Schlaudroff—E. Bienz) (D.O.)
*W. Mertz—*F. Matthews
*G. Luedeman—*L. Elward
C. Kabisch—*E. Korte
*G. Soule—E. Roby
(D. Snyder—R. Grote) (D.O.)
(R. W. Kent—H. B. Carter) (D.O.)
Ralph Lee—H. Conrad
D. Pappert—L. Brown
R. Gningrich—Carl Miller

Saturday, April 23

3 P.M. Squad

(W. Enslen—H. Rahe) (D.O.)
*S. Green—C. Kolmerten
*C. Oyer—O. Doherty
A. Flager—H. Hoffman
D. Waldrop—R. Knepple
H. Vance—W. Pappert
M. Tobias—R. Tobias
W. Starke—*R. Rose
(D. Stoneman)—* C. Rump (D.O.)
Humharger 4 p.m. (S.O.)
G. Meyers—R. Stanger
G. Satterwaite—G. Stapleton
G. Gehl—E. Becker

5:30 Squad

H. Stephan—C. Anderberg
W. Demsey—W. Moellering
K. Highlands—H. Doehrman
(L. Logan—W. Charlston) (D.O.)
*R. Brown—M. Walker
*J. Haas—*D. Springer
*P. Perry—*V. Rump
*L. Shroyer—*C. Brandt

7:30 Squad

D. Jones—S. Schaberg
C. Lauterberg—M. Martz
G. Haggenjos—C. Miller
*L Welker—*F. Quinn
L. Allmandinger—R. Krugh
A. Middaugh—W. Pook
(R. Crabill—H. Moore) (D.O.)
*C. Hattendorf—(P. Hattendorf) (D.O.)
*W. Nitz—*W. Piercy
J. Rowan—J. Leffers
*J. Hambrock—*A. Smethers
P. Frey—(J. Hanna) (D.O.)
* Denotes all events

In the Spotlight
AT YOUR G-E CLUB
By Bill Allen

Signs of spring . . . Bill Brandt, Paul Dyke and Stan Shargcy, members of last year's National Champion Voltmen working out daily in the club gym. . . . Ray "Pop" Quinn, Interdivision Softball League Manager, surveying the mud-swept diamonds at McMillen Park. . . . Perry Esterline, looking behind motors, transformer boxes or most anywhere around the shop in search of a good pitcher for the G-E Club Major League softball team. . . . John "Red" Braden counting noses for the 1949 Voltmen. . . . Charley "Big Deal" Wilt, Voltmen business manager, booking "big name" attractions for the season. . . . G-E Club Bowling Tournament in full swing. . . . Bill Hunt, chairman, busily engaged in finishing touches for the big all Sports Show, your next G-E Club family night attraction. . . . Warm spring days present problem for Club Steward, Harry Zimmerman as ice cream sales soar. . . . Yes, it must be spring, even the "Hams" are moving out-of-doors, meaning those ball players who ean still run will soon be trying out for Manager Bill Schible's Ham Softball League team (men over 35 years of age).

Former Ft. Wayne Man Named To New Position At Schenectady Works

Byron A. Evard has been appointed Supervisor of Procedures in the Aeronautic and Ordnance Systems divisions at the Scheneetady Works.

Mr. Evard first joined G-E at the Fort Wayne Works in 1930 and was employed in the Meter division, Motor and Generator division, and FHP Motor division here. In 1942, he was appointed Supervisor of Production in the Motor and Generator division at the Kokomo plant. He remained there until 1948, when he was transferred to the Schenectady Works in the Apparatus Manufacturing division on special assignment work.

It all amounts to a total loss when you spend all your money to prove that you have it.

HAM LEAGUE APPLICATION BLANK

Bill Schible
Bldg. 20-1

I would like to apply for a position on the Ham softball team.

Name .....

Bldg. ..... Floor .....

Age .....

Home Telephone .....

Home Address .....

Ham League Schedules First Outdoor Practice

The first outdoor practice for the Ham Softball League will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, at the McMillen park. All ball players are to report promptly at 6 p.m.

There are still a number of openings for team positions. Anyone interested is requested to fill out the blank at left and mail it to Bill Schible, Bldg. 20-1.

Fred Waring Show Brings Top Entertainment To G-E Listeners



"The Fred Waring Show," heard locally every Thursday evening at 9:30 o'clock over NBC's Station WGL, brings to the airwaves the best in musical entertainment through the sponsorship of General Electric. The show has also been signed by G-E for a series of one-hour Sunday night programs on the CBS television network.

There are crowded years of experience, thousands of rehearsals and performances, hours upon hours of composing, arranging and working with his musical organization which go to make up the Fred Waring who puts on the Thursday and Sunday night shows for General Electric, as well as five daytime, half-hour broadcasts for other sponsors.

At first glance it seems an impossible task to keep the broadcasts up to the high Waring level with such a busy schedule. But a look at those years of Waring in the making, shows how it came to be done.

Gets Early Start

Waring made his first stage appearance at the age of six in a church play in his home town, Tyrone, Pa. His first musical performance was as leader of the Boy Scout Drum and Bugle Corps.

Waring started to study electrical engineering at Penn State, but he was distracted from his studies by his brother Tom and two other friends. The four started a rhythm band in which Fred played the banjo. Since all the instruments were rhythmic, the fellows sang the melodies. That was the beginning of the Waring Glee Club idea.

Music gradually assumed the dominant influence in his life when Waring's band started playing dance and theater engagements. By 1921 the band had grown to 10 men and all of them sang in addition to playing 40 instruments. An engagement to play at the University of Michigan and a subsequent Detroit theater date set Waring on the road to success, which he has traveled ever since.



Band Gains Fame

Theater dates, recordings and dance appearances filled in the next 10 years and the Fred Waring Pennsylvanians became one of the best known popular musical organizations in America.

In the early 1930's however, prospective radio employers couldn't see Fred Waring, or anyone else, blending a glee club, orchestra, and soloists into one musical ensemble. They wanted the orchestra, but not the glee club. "Choirs are fine for church, but no good for radio," they said, "Besides it would cost too much." But Fred remained adamant in a battle of "no's" that lasted through 32 separate auditions. It wasn't until the Pennsylvanians auditioned for the thirty-third time—in 1933—that they got the nod.

Since that time Waring has been regularly on the air. His first radio appearance, however, had been made as far back at 1921 on Detroit's WWJ.

Music Library Is Huge

Up to 1922 Fred Waring's orchestra played everything by ear. When you hear the Pennsylvanians now they may use eight or nine intricate arrangements of 50 or more voice and instrument parts each. Over the course of years they have accumulated a library of more than 6,000 of the arrangements that have made the Pennsylvanians one of the most famous musical organizations.

This mountain of music contains at least 400,000 separate sheets. While the library is insured for $500,000, it's real value is without price to the Pennsylvanians, since much of it could not be duplicated. The Waring library is generally acknowledged to be the most extensive and valuable collection belonging to an organization in the popular musical field.

Under the care of Librarians Bill Townsend and Earl Sisson, the arrangements occupy scores of file cabinets in Waring's New York office. There is no such thing as a "dead section" in this library. Townsend and Sisson must be able to lay their hands instantly on any arrangement the versatile Waring group calls for. When a song of the 1920's—such as "Little White Lies"—was revived, the Waring arrangers called for the old score from which to extract a chorus to play in contrast with the modern treatment.

Take Music Along On Tours

One of the music library's most important tasks is to supply arrangements for the Waring personal appearance tours. On a recent trip the Pennsylvanians carried more than 650 numbers, complete with all parts, alphabetized and indexed for quick reference. Even then Waring found he wanted some numbers that were left in New York. So the librarians twice made flying trips to supply the desired copies.

When a new arrangement is accepted by Waring it is the library's job to have it copied into parts for the various voices and instruments. With the intricate arrangements for which Waring is famous, this alone is a tremendous task. Sometimes it is a race against time, and the arrangements reach the singers and instrumentalists with the ink still damp on them.

Who's Who With Waring

Members of the Fred Waring organization includes:

Don Craig, who worked after class hours as a radio disc jockey while he was in high school, is a choral assistant. He also sings bass, and is master of ceremonies when Fred is absent.

Lara Hoggard, another choral assistant, and **Gordon Berger**, featured baritone, were both music professors at the University of Oklahoma before joining the group.

Roy Ringwald, who is famous for his "Battle Hymn of the Republic" arrangement, lives in New Mexico, and sends his work in by air mail.

Poley McClintock drums with a twinkle in his eyes, croaks choice remarks in a frog voice, and is adept at a "not me, teacher" expression. Poley played drums in the Boy Scout Fife and Drum Corps which Waring led at 12 years of age.

Hugh Brannum, famous as "Uncle Lumpy" who creates and tells the "Little Orley" stories, was a Marine in World War II.

Joe Marine, ballad singer, fought through the Battle of the Bulge and joined the Pennsylvanians after he returned from the service.

Virgil Davis does some of the Waring arrangements. He also is an instrumentalist with the orchestra—equally adept at playing the saxophone, flute, piccolo, clarinet, and trombone.

"Buss" Dillon, percussion and sound effects, was a drummer in his high school orchestra, and a professional musician at 13.

Virginia Morley and **Livingston Gearhart**, talented duo-pianist team, met and formed a partnership in France a few months before the war began.

Jane Wilson, lyric soprano, and **Dave Glisman**, bass, are both graduates of Northwestern University. Jane studied journalism in college and turned an interview with Fred Waring into a successful audition when Fred was more impressed by her singing than by her interviewing. She makes a hobby of designing her own costumes.

Gordon Goodman, former boy soprano, was auditioned by Fred and is now the Pennsylvanians' stratospheric tenor. His phenomenal singing range gives his sweet ballads a style of their own. His hobbies, acquired as a boy in his own native Rocky Mountains, are hunting and fishing.

These are but a few of the members of the Fred Waring organization, which brings you the best in musical entertainment under the sponsorship of General Electric every Thursday evening at 9:30 o'clock over Station WGL.



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The world is governed more by appearances than by realities, so that it is fully as necessary to seem to know something as to know it.

—*Daniel Webster*

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155 Share $1,555 For Suggestions

A total of 155 employees shared $1,555 in suggestion awards this week.

Harry H. Hire, Specialty Transformer Div. 93, received a $50 award for his suggestion on finishing coils. M. D. Warner and Clarence Shanebeck, FHP Div. 14, divided $50 for their suggestion on changing pump motor and shields. Also sharing $50 are Roy Braser and Clifford Smith of the DeKalb plant. Their suggestion pertained to the rotor die indicator gauge for punches.

Forty dollars went to Edwin W. Stute, FHP Div. 13, for his idea to change the die for back plates. Glen Davidson and Gerald Wilson, DeKalb plant, split a $30 award for their suggestion on needle valves for Norton grinders. Joseph A. Burton, Motor and Generator Div., received $27.50 for his suggestion on salvaging cooler plates.

Those receiving $25 awards were Warren G. Jackson, FHP Div. 1; Sylvia M. Baughman, FHP Div. 13; Edward Brockhall, FHP Div. 17; Walter Beeth, FHP Div. 33; Rex Michael, FHP Div. 33; Raymond Bleeke, Decatur plant; Madge Jones and Bernice Miller, Decatur; and Ruth Shull, Bldg. 8-2.

The following suggestors received awards ranging from $5 to $20:

FHP Motor Div. 1: Arthur M. McNamara, Delphos A. Winter,

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Number Of Stockholders Increases Over Last Year

The General Electric Company had a total of 249,886 stockholders as of March 18, 1949, the record date of the dividend payable April 25, William W. Trench, Company secretary, has just announced.

This notes an increase of 287 stockholders over the total of 249,599 reported for the corresponding period of 1948, Mr. Trench said.

More than 25 per cent of the stockholders are small holders owning from one to ten shares, the Company secretary said. Brokers, banks, bank nominees, and other business enterprises total less than two per cent of all stockholders,

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Daylight Saving Schedule

At midnight Saturday, April 30, clocks throughout the city will be set forward one hour to Eastern Standard Time. However, the Broadway and Taylor St. plants of the Fort Wayne Works will not change their clocks to Eastern Standard Time until midnight, Sunday, May 1, at which time the least number of people are working.

Any third shift operators working on Sunday night will ring in on Central Standard Time and ring out on Daylight Saving or Eastern Standard Time, so that the interval worked will be one hour less than the clock card registration. The Payroll sections will take care of this adjustment in time.

This also applies to the Decatur plant.

C. A. Matson

Works Manager

Announces Price Reductions On Definite-Purpose Motors

FHP Manager States Price Cut Is Result Of Standardization In Some Lines

Price reductions ranging from 3 to 14 per cent on certain definite-purpose models of fractional-horsepower motors were announced here recently by the General Electric Company.

M. E. Lord, Manager of the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, said that the reductions affect standard sump-pump motors, oil-burner motors, belt-drive fan motors, and certain horsepower ratings of standard jet pump motors.

According to Mr. Lord, the reductions were made possible through cost improvements resulting from standardization in these definite-purpose motor lines. He emphasized that the price reductions apply only to these definite-purpose models and that no general price chance is contemplated.

Fractional - horsepower motors affected by the price cut include:

The standard ½ horsepower, single-phase, sump-pump motor which was reduced five per cent,

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Wire Machinery To Be Moved Here From York, Penn.

The transfer here of all glass-insulation equipment from the wire division at the York, Penn., plant, was announced today by Robert Wylie, General Superintendent.

The equipment will be moved to the Wire Mill at the Taylor St. plant starting next month. Part of the machinery will be moved during the first half of May, and the remainder will be transferred early in June.

There are four insulation machines and two re-spoolers.

Second Shift Foremen To Hold Party April 29

A party for second shift foremen will he held Friday, April 29, at Sorg's barn, just off the Bluffton road. The program will begin at 12 midnight. The committee in charge of arrangements includes Joe Wyss, Taylor St., Floyd Garland, Bldg. 17-2, and Harley Springer, Taylor St.

G-E Board Of Directors Make Amendments To Liberalize Savings, Stock Bonus Plan

Employees buying U. S. Savings Bonds under the G-E Employee Savings and Stock Bonus Plan may withdraw some of the bonds purchased during a current year, and leave on deposit with the Company other bonds purchased in the same year, without forfeiting their right to the 15 per cent stock bonus when credited as of the end of the year on the bonds left on deposit.

The ruling was made by the Board of Directors of the Company at its meeting in March, John D. Lockton, Treasurer, announced. At the same time the Board liberalized the plan's provisions relating to payments in the event of the death of a participant who had not selected a beneficiary.

A participant in the plan, at the time he surrenders the appropriate receipts to withdraw bonds purchased for him during the current year, may elect to reparticipate in the plan or to continue his current participation at the time of such withdrawal.

As an example of the practical application of the new ruling, a participant who holds receipts for bonds paid for at the end of January and February this year may withdraw either the January or the February hond, but he is not required to withdraw both bonds.

That applies only to the purchases during a current year. It does not for a prior year or years. If the participant wishes to withdraw bonds purchased during 1948, he would be required to withdraw all of the bonds purchased for that year. For example he could not take his October, 1948, bond and leave his November and December, 1948, bonds on deposit. The reason for the ruling is that the 15 per cent stock bonus for a prior year or years will have already been contingently credited to the account of the participant for such year or years. A partial withdrawal would necessitate splitting the stock bonus which would not be practicable, Mr. Lockton explained.

Credit for the G-E stock bonus occurs as of Dec. 31 each year and the amount of the credit is 15 per cent of the cost price of the bonds purchased during the current calendar year. Therefore, in withdrawing any of a current year's bond purchases, there is no stock credit to adjust.

The participant loses the stock bonus when he withdraws a prior year's purchases, but not the income on the stock that has been credited to his account. He is paid the latter in any event.

Greater flexibility in paying the stock bonus and accumulated income in those instances where a participant dies without having designated a beneficiary is the intent of a second amendment to the plan. Under it the Committee seeks to simplify administration by reserving the right to pay over and deliver the stock bonus and accumulated income either to the legal representative of the participant or to any one or more of such dependents or distributees of the participant as the Committee may designate.

17 Pass Red Cross First Aid Courses

The following people successfully completed the Red Cross First Aid courses which were held recently at St. John's Lutheran church: Ann Fairbanks, Lyle Rupert, Olka Johnston, June Hines, John Wilson, William Curtis, Fredrick Bishop, Norman Jacobs, Mrs. August Eisenacher, Mrs. Arthur Meyers, Hazel Bennett, Nora Spencer, Berneta Welbaum, Mary Heymann, Alta Bishop, Mary Sitko and James Battrick.

Containers Placed At All Plant Gates For Cancer Society

Containers for contributions to the Allen County Cancer Society have been placed at all gates to the Broadway, Taylor St., and Winter St. plants.

The national goal for the drive, which ends April 30, is $14,500,000; the goal for Allen County has been set at $21,000.

One of the projects sponsored by the Allen County Society is the detection center at 714 Fairfield Ave. It is the first independent center in the state.

Under the direction of the Fort Wayne Medical Society, the center is staffed by volunteer members of the cancer society. The nominal fees charged for examinations aid in support of the center. Examinations are given Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

Funds from the current April campaign for cancer control will underwrite maintenance of the center and "Little Red Door Services" of the Allen County Cancer Society. These services include educational programs, literature, and home-care materials for cancer patients.

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Help Stop The Ruthless War Cancer Is Waging Against Us

The American Cancer Society, now conducting its annual April campaign for funds in Allen county and throughout the nation, has two fundamental aims in expenditure of the funds received.

The first is education of the public in detection and early treatment for cancer. The second aim is aiding in the care of cancer patients to bring about their recovery or to alleviate their suffering.

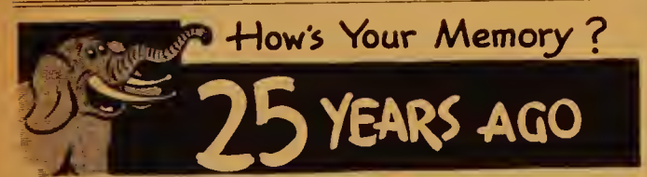
We are hampered in our efforts to control cancer because its "cause" is still unknown. But American Medical Association and American Cancer Society leaders say that one half, or at least one third, of the 200,000 annual cancer deaths could be prevented.



Cancer is now the second greatest killer of Americans. Babies are sometimes born with it. Over 2,000 persons under the age of 21 die with it every year. More than half of all cancer deaths occur before the age of 65. Cancer kills 60 per cent more men and women between the ages of 45 and 60 than are killed by all contagious and infectious diseases. It is the chief cause of death among women between 30 and 60. It is responsible for one out of four deaths among women between the ages of 45 and 60. No age group is free of cancer.

World War II cost each American $640 a year. But to fight cancer, we contribute less than 18 cents per person, although cancer killed more than twice as many Americans during the war as combat did.

Since we don't know what we're fighting, the battle against cancer is by nature a difficult one. All we can do is to keep the enemy from landing; or failing that, crush him on the beachhead. It will take great sums of money to stop this ruthless war cancer is waging against the unarmed people of this country; but conquest will make victory priceless.



The ladies of the plant entertained the gentlemen at a Leap Year dance on April Fools' day. In order to attend the dance each girl had to have a partner whom she had asked to accompany her, and no young man could get in without having been asked by a girl. In short, there were no wall flowers at this dance and no seats provided for such. Each girl, after she had obtained a young man's consent to attend the dance with her, provided herself with programs which she filled out prior to the dance.

However, there of course were obstacles to be overcome. Some girls were too bashful to ask young men to be their partners, and others did not know any young men to ask. Consequently, Miss Kinna was forced to open up a matrimonial bureau. She obtained the names of the girls who wished to go but lacked partners, and then she went about and obtained the names of the men who really felt themselves willing and eligible to go. And in order to make things run smoothly, she also found out each girl's and man's specifications for a partner. Some of these are exceedingly interesting. For instance, the following specifications were given by some of the men: Small both ways; stylish stout and without a pharmaceutical complexion; without bobbed hair; bobbed hair and with a tile-mill complexion; red hair—bobbed; good looking—Gladys Haiber's type; "the kind men don't forget;" pretty bobbed head; red head, bobbed, not too tall, blue eyes—that's all; factory girl not over 5 feet; a charming young lady of good looks, rather tall (not short), well built—someone with a "good line;" between three and eight feet, man funny enough so don't get a funny girl. While other gallants sang to the tune of "the thick and the thin, the short and the tall, I don't give a rap, I love them all." On the other hand, some of the girls turned in the following specifications: Dark, without bobbed hair, glasses, "kinda" stout; not too tall; anything just so he is a good dancer.

After Miss Kinna had finally managed to pair off these "orphans" everyone was happy, and when the day of the dance rolled around every one was standing on his toes with eager anticipation. Some had a strong suspicion that there would be no dance at all, which occurrence would carry out the April Fools' day end of the thing. But most of the people had not adulterated their enthusiasm with any such suspicion.

Finally at 12 o'clock sharp the girls hurried to various parts of the plant after their promised partners and escorted them over to the dance floor in Building 16-2. They helped the young men down the stairs and up on the way over, held the doors open for them, always allowing the young men to precede them through doorways, and in every way showed them the courtesies they themselves know so well.

Inside they found the hall gaily decorated in blue and white crepe paper and Mr. Kelley's orchestra at one end waiting for the signal to begin. The chaperones, the Misses Martha Scherzinger and Florence Case, and the Messrs. F. A. Thompson and C. A. Bireley were also there ready to receive the crowd.

About the time everyone was getting used to seeing through the haze of paper the music stopped and to the amazement of all the dance was over. There had been seven dances in all, two fox trots, two waltzes, one one-step, a circle two-step and a tag dance.

The dance led to at least two Leap Year dinners. One of these dinners, attended by the Misses Ann Ball, Isabelle Ueber, Magdalene Welch, Gladys Haiber and Mary Harlan, and the Messrs. Paul Spiegel, Jack Renner, August Weisenburger, Ray Niebel and Arthur Slane, was given just before the dance in the officials' dining room; and the other, attended by the Misses Florence Lindeman, LaVera Vail, Beulah Kinna and Dorothy Hormel, and the Messrs. Neal Hensh, Ewald Kimm, J. T. Fredendall and Clarence Roembke, was given directly after the dance in the same dining room.

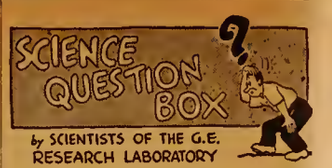




We hope you all had a very Happy Easter. Although the weather made it look more like Christmas, it was a good day to be with family and friends. . . . Some folks remark he's as strong as a mule, but not so with Clarence Coulter. He's stronger. Clarence walked the old mule around the farm so long that he finally laid down and died (the mule that is). . . . John Ruhl, tropical fish expert says, they're growing like weeds, and we may have a fish fry any day now. Is there any gold in them thar fish, John? . . . Milford Crick is in the market for a new car. His Buick is about gone. About all there is left is a front spring, radiator cap, rear fender, one windshield wiper and enough air for 2½ tires. . . . Robert McCollister is really losing weight the wrong way. Bob's gone from 200 to 236 in no time at all. . . . There's talk around that Tom Hutsel is henpecked, because he goes to the style shows with his wife. We don't think so, we think it's the other way around. It takes a lot of courage for a wife to take such a handsome husband to see those beautiful girls all decked out. . . . Happy birthday to Elizabeth Clevenger, April 19; George Green, April 21; and Clarence Ward on April 23. . . . Thanks to all you nice people of the Broadway and Taylor Street plants for your swell comments regarding our Good Friday issue. We want you to know that we appreciate it. Such nice things make us feel that our efforts are not in vain, but rather add a spark to life which encourages us to try and do a better job as we go along. Thanks again, folks.

Insulation News

A little thing like the weather didn't keep Dorothy Baumgartner from parading her Easter outfit. Dorothy says she spent three months shopping for it and neither rain, nor sleet, nor snow could stop her from wearing it. In fact, she said the rain worked just like Vigoro on her corsage, and made it sprout with new blooms. Don't carry this too far now, Dorothy. . . . Bill Hattendorf was really disgusted with Easter weather. He splurged this year and had his good suit cleaned, but he claims the cleaners shrunk it. That's what you get for wearing your finery in the rain, Bill. Why not take it up with the weather man, instead of the cleaners; that is, if the weather man is still among the living. If wishes could kill, the weather man would have dropped dead. . . . Have you always wondered why the Easter Bunny has a shiny nose? If you're stymied on this riddle, Russell Flaugh will gladly supply the answer.



Q: What is the Moon made of and how big is it?

A. The surface of the Moon seems to consist of a pulverized material such as powdered pumice. This may be partly meteoric dust which has settled on the surface over the ages and partly powder from the Moon's own rocky crust as a result of great and sudden temperature changes. The general composition of the Moon is doubtless the same as that of the Earth, since it was probably formed from the same raw materials. In fact, according to one theory, the Moon consists of matter torn from the Earth in the remote past, the Pacific Ocean basin being the cavity which it left behind. The Moon's diameter is 2160 miles and its mean distance from the Earth is 238,857 miles, though its actual distance varies from 221,463 to 252,710 miles.

Meet the President



155 Share $1,555 For Suggestions

Receives $25 For New Method



Gaylord Morris, Bldg. 26-3, is shown receiving a $25 suggestion award from Chester Lichtenberg, Assistant to the Works Manager, and W. E. Holmes. Mr. Morris recommended a new method of determining the time required to wind transformer coils.

Elex Club Announces Plans For Mother, Daughter Party

The Elex Club is planning to hold its annual Mother and Daughter parties Thursday, May 5. The day girls' affair will begin at 8 p.m. and will be held at the G-E Club gym. The party for the night girls will be at the YWCA with a luncheon being served at 12 noon.

Dorothy Koomjohn, concert pianist, and Ogden's saxophone quartet will be featured on the first shift girls' program. The night girls will have for their program Vernon Carr, magician, and Delores Patterson, vocalist.

Each mother of Elex members attending the parties will receive a gift from the club. There also will be prizes for the oldest and youngest mother, the one coming the greatest distance, and the oldest grandmother attending the party. This year there will also be four attendance prizes for the mothers.

Tickets for the day girls' party are 75 cents, and for the night girls' session are $1 each. Reservations can be made with contact girls and must be in on or before Friday, April 29.

G-E Films To Be Shown At Fort Wayne Drive-In

"Excursions in Science," a series of General Electric films, will be shown at the Fort Wayne Drive-In Theater, 5800 Bluffton Rd., starting next week.

The first film will be shown Sunday and Monday, April 24-25, as a short subject with the feature, "Song in My Heart." The second in the series will be shown June 16-17, with "Fuller Brush Man;" and the third G-E film will be presented July 16, along with the double-feature program of "Adventures of Don Coyote" and "Magnificent Brute."

Stockholders

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while trustees, guardians and other fiduciaries number about 10 per cent. Various educational and charitable institutions owning G-E stock total approximately one-half of one per cent.

Price Reductions

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effective Jan. 17, resulting in a new list price of $27.11.

Standard models of oil burner motors rated ⅛ and ⅙ horsepower which were reduced, as of Feb. 23, 14 per cent and 12.1 per cent, respectively. New list prices are $20.28 for the ⅛ horsepower motor and $20.72 for the ⅙ horsepower motor.

The ¾ horsepower, National Electrical Manufacturers' Association Standard, single-phase, jet pump motor which was reduced nine per cent, making the new list price $45.35.

The one horsepower, NEMA-Standard, single-phase, jet pump motor which was reduced 9.2 per cent to a new list price of $58.59. Prices on off-standard jet pump ratings were not reduced.

Mr. Lord said a revised line of split-phase, belt-drive, blower motors, solid or resilient base, is being announced for shipment, starting in May, at prices approximately three per cent lower on the ⅙ horsepower rating and six per cent lower on the ¼ and ⅓ horsepower ratings. The list prices of the new standard solid-base motor models are $15.59, $17.21, and $21.81 for ratings ⅙ through ⅓ horsepower.

Price reductions also have been announced on the small 6.292 inch diameter, ½, ¾ and 1 horsepower single-phase motor parts of welded-core design for commercial hermetic refrigeration compressors.

Since OPA went into effect in 1941, the price level of General Electric FHP motors has risen only 47.4 per cent; compared to a composite rise of 94 per cent in the price level of copper, steel and castings, which are the component materials used in manufacturing electric motors.

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Hilda M. Seiler, Warren W. Jackson, Elmer Koehlinger and Herbert C. Braun (two awards).

FHP Motor Div. 13: Edward Smith, James C. Gambrell, Ardell W. Hambrock, Wilbur C. Hinton, John F. Driver, Zella M. Wittmer (two awards), Walter Schelper, H. G. Cowan, Thomas Cowan, Kenneth O. Ross, Walter Chaney, Arthur Hyser, Clarence Hartman (two awards), Robert Snyder, P. A. Schoppman (two awards), Charles Hayden (three awards), Arthur F. Sorg, Q. E. Romey, Louis A. Gocke (two awards) and Don Eichhorn.

FHP Motor Div. 14: Robert Sealover, Charles C. Rupel and Martha J. Lee.

FHP Motor Div. 15. Herman C. Macke, Frank R. George, Herbert E. Cook, Lynn L. Crawford, Donald L. Comer, Dale B. Peden, Carl R. Riedel, Gilbert P. Auth, Roy F. Bracht, Edwin C. Rodenbeck and Kathryn A. Gilbert.

FHP Motor Div. 16: Nina C. Clifton, Joseph A. Haas and Dorothy Johnson (two awards.)

FHP Motor Div. 17: John E. Donaghy, Ralph T. Martz, Raymond E. Shreeve, Esther Schladenhauffen, Joseph Eifrid, Roger Beber, Nellie M. Blitz (two awards), Harold Miller, Raymond C. Fulghum, Leon Rademaker, Raymond A. Pickett (two awards), Violet P. Minnick, Olnie R. Kincaid, Melvin Recht (three awards) and Clyde Boyce.

FHP Motor Div. 19: William J. Reffe, J. S. Sappington, Edna Mowery, Lester V. Durbin and Perry C. Walters (two awards).

FHP Motor Div. 33: Blanche M. Allen.

FHP Motor Div. 10: Margaret E. Snyder and Lorain C. Green (two awards).

Decatur Plant: Clarence Drake (two awards), K. Beard, Charles Cloud, Ambrose Gase, Robert L. Mills, Chester McIntosh and Robert Braden.

Tiffin Plant: Hugh Hinsman, George B. Baumgardner, Robert Pennycuff (two awards), Marion M. Shultz, James W. Shobe, Robert F. Reed (two awards), John A. Burkhardt, Lewis Shutt and Donald Welty.

DeKalb Plant: Therese O'Donnell and Hugh Wells (two awards).

Specialty Transformer Div 91: John A. Kennell, Roger W. Collar, Thomas M. Runyon, Robert A. Bunyan, Glen C. Dunlap, Gerald Crum, Owen R. Allen and Paul Noffze.

Specialty Transformer Div. 93: Lester B. Redding and Nicholas J. Jett.

Specialty Transformer Div. 95: Max W. Lydy, John E. Conn, Alma M. Darnall and Zella M. Cults.

Danville Plant: Norma J. Grimes, Harriet V. Wood, Julia A. Pitlik, Donald Jean Russell, Wanda Burch, Herman A. Drew, Dale Smalley, Elbert E. Gardner, Floyd William Smith, Ressa Ewbank, John D. Fritsch, Dan Parker, Conrad T. Russian, Mildred Evans, Thelma Frye, Dorothy A. Lowry, Owen E. Bedard (two awards) and Charles Wagner.

Motor and Generator Div.: William C. Stute, Paul Walker and Ralph E. Jacobs.

Wire and Insulation: Richard D. Kite, Herman Bertsch, A. F. Woodward, Carl F. Hankel and Garnall D. Parkison.

General Service: John N. Madden, William F. Rodoeker, Otto E. Brandt, Philip Vorholzer (two awards), Harold Worley and Harry L. Gardner.

Distribution: J. E. Mills, Harry S. Price and Byron Simmons.

Miscellaneous: Kenneth J. Petgen, Minta Cole and E. A. Miller.

Suggests Idea For MBA Checks



Ruth O. Shull, Bldg. 8-2, has received a $25 suggestion award for her idea to change the method of issuing MBA checks.

Two Join Q-C Club



Kenneth F. McCague
Bldg. 19-4



Otto Miller
Bldg. 4-2

Ye Old Meter Girls Plan Spring Party

Ye Old Meter Girls' spring party will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, at the Dehler-Hughes hall. Tickets for the party are 50 cents and anyone desiring to attend should make reservations immediately.

Co-chairmen for the evening are Mrs. Wilbur Lee and Mrs. Willard Stephen, assisted by Catherine Wise, president of the group.

Quarter Century Club Sends Membership Cards

Membership cards have been mailed to all members of the Quarter Century Club. Any member not receiving a card should contact A. C. Hartman, secretary, Bldg. 8-2.

26-3 News

By Mabel Odel

Morris Felger can take all the curves on the city streets without a mishap. A bend in the river plus the super speed of his boat can turn all the world upside down for him in the middle of the stream. . . . Here are a few fish stories of the past week: Wade Bowman caught a cat fish that was too large to go in a 50 lb. lard can. We're told he had to tote it home under his arm. . . . Bill Slater is getting all set to go after the ones that Wade missed. He has been painting his boat and tuning up the motor with that far away look in his eye. . . . Hap King has the river all churned up fishing for channel cat; without luck so far. . . . Floren Leiberenz must have told his story last. He went fishing and brought home a big pan of mushrooms. Wonder what kind of bait he used? . . . Our good friend Wendell Harshman from South Whitley limps in with some tall tales that tops them all. They're just like the jackpot on the "Stop the Music," they grow, and grow and grow. . . . Frenchie Chilcote is right up there with the brass hats now. His new secretary, we hear, is Helen Wagner. We wonder what it is that makes Martha Warren hesitate? . . . Gertrude Kummerant doesn't want anybody (not even the sweeper) messing around in her repair shop, so she keeps the door locked. You should hear her sing the blues when she has to do her own sweeping. . . . Cora Bucher is running close competition with Daisy Mae, only she is trying a new technique. She bought a new Chevy for her drawing card. . . . We wish a happy birthday to Francis Leach. . . . We are sorry to hear that Agnes Allomong is ill. She would like to hear from some of her coworkers. Her address is Hamilton, Ind., R.R. 1. A card or a letter would go a long way in cheering her up. How about it, gals? Let's keep her posted on some of the local news. . . . We have heard some funny nicknames for Bob Wiehe and Virgil Buchanan. Bob's is the "old goat." What is it they call you, Virgil? . . . Lena Forker is the proud owner of seven little babies, beagle puppies that is, all for sale. . . . Morris Felger drives a hard bargain. He isn't satisfied when the girl says "yes" to an invitation to an evening's entertainment. He sits home on that particular evening just to see if she will call and ask him over. . . . Florence Schlosser says she doesn't want a man, not even if he was worth $20,000. Look out, fellows, hold on to your heart strings and also your purse it may be a trap. . . . LaDonna Durbin missed out on March 17 by the wearing of the green, but she has a pair of shoes now that would put all of you Irishmen to shame. . . . Some one should teach Gertrude Kummerant the fundamentals of an air gun. They will work if they have a bit, Gertie. . . . We all have our curiosity aroused over all the telephone calls that Blanche Botteron has been receiving. Come on, Blanche, give. . . . Annabelle Blair has a new Nash. One that you push a button, presto a bed. The housing situation doesn't worry her a bit. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Mildred Brower in the death of her sister.

Office Offerings

Jim Voirol has sent out an SOS. He wants someone to help him convince his wife that a trip to Wisconsin would be just the thing. . . . Wayne Jones and Arthur Stuart are leaving us today. We are sorry to see you go, fellows, and we join to wish you both the best of luck. . . . We all feel rather slighted by the conduct of Pat Lahr. Now any number of us would appreciate a week off, but what does Pat do? She takes the extra measle she had and gave it to one of the girls in Bldg. 26-2 office.

Moser Honored For Long Service



Jesse Moser, Bldg. 6-4, recently completed 35 years service with General Electric. At that time he received a long-service certificate. In the picture are (l. to r.) Jack Heiniger, Henry Reidenbach, Mr. Moser, Clair Lieurance, and G. F. Bond.

Chamber of Commerce Plans Annual Safety Conference, Exhibit

The sixth annual Safety Conference and Exhibit will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, April 26-27, at the Chamber of Commerce.

The first day of the conference, which is sponsored by the Industrial Safety committee of the Chamber, will feature a luncheon and evening dinner meeting. "Purchasing for Safety" will be the theme of the luncheon meeting, and the evening meeting will have as its theme, "Helping the Employee Become a Safe Worker."

Herschel Smith, G-E Safety Engineer for the Fort Wayne Works, will preside at the second day's luncheon, which will feature a "Report to Fort Wayne." Mr. Smith is chairman of the Safety Council.

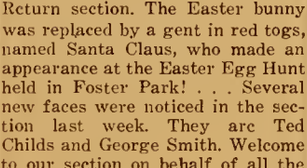
"Management's Responsibility in Safety" will be discussed at the final evening session.

Industrial safety exhibits will be on display in the Chamber auditorium by 14 firms making safety equipment. A series of public safety exhibits also will be set up in the second floor lounge. Both displays will be open for public inspection from 1 to 10 p.m. during the two-day conference.

Loyd Bodenhamer, of the G-E Safety section, is chairman of the Exhibits committee.



Gus, Mitzie and Vik gathered a flock of hens together recently into the Burry hatchery to discuss ways and means of cleaning up the littered "chicken coupe." The hens called were Lois Burry, Anna Lee, Vera Keefer, Charlotte Brunner, Anita Fitch, Daisy Tannas and "Braunie." . . . We welcome all of the new girls into our section and as there are quite a few of them, we won't mention any names and that way we will be sure not to miss any of them, but to all WELCOME. . . . Those "specks" that Harley Springer sees when he gazes through his telescope can't be stars. Could it be that he discovered a new planet? . . . Walt Netz, Standardizing, likes to come out to Taylor St. to work, but such strange things keep happening to his hat. . . . Welcome to our new nurse Alta Bishop. Hope you like it here with us, Alta. . . . Harold Mosshammer sure is getting absent-minded lately. He was getting ready to wash up the other day, so he began to take his glasses off, but he forgot what he was doing and removed his upper plate instead. . . . The gang around the Die Cast welcome Selma Voigt. . . . Girls, don't mend your hubby's socks, says Willa Bryant, as she has a much easier method. You just wait until the holes get large enough and then throw them away. We agree that it is a time saver, Willa, and a lot easier for us working gals. . . . Wonder how Irma Beard and Anita Fitch came out in their safari to 'Busco to catch Oscar the other day. We haven't heard any reports on it lately? . . . Mary Foote Rose declares that she can't be a hypochondriac, since she never took a hypo in her life. . . . We had several out-of-towners over that grand and beautiful (?) Easter week-end. Among them were Tommy Williams, who went to St. Louis, Mo. and Hollis Mee, who went to Garrett, Ind. . . . Ray Hills has a new horn on his car and everywhere he goes, he blows it just to revel in the sound it makes. . . . Anyone interested in buying a back half of a '39 Packard, please contact Roy Orr at once. . . . Ed Birely is in quarantine again now that the other little boy has the chicken-pox. You had better be careful, Ed or you will be the next one.



The twist in the weather around Fort Wayne Easter Sunday was by far more unusual than any of the occurrences in the Repair and Return section. The Easter bunny was replaced by a gent in red togs, named Santa Claus, who made an appearance at the Easter Egg Hunt held in Foster Park! . . . Several new faces were noticed in the section last week. They are Ted Childs and George Smith. Welcome to our section on behalf of all the group, fellows. . . . We were also given an opportunity to learn how conditions are in Cairo, Egypt, in the person of Mohmoud Shamah. Mohmoud is learning the practical application of manufacturing conditions in this country of the General Electric Co. It was quite an unusual experience for the Repair and Return members to talk to this talented young fellow. . . . Nena Foster, we learn, is thinking of heading East to the John Powers model agency in New York City in the desire to become a popular photographic model. Our comment is merely a silent one, Nena! . . . We are happy to learn that Herb Jehl's father has returned home following a major operation. We all wish him the best of luck, Herb. . . . Mildred (Mickey) Hoover has a new wire trellis, courtesy of Elmer Hemsoth, for her sweet potato vine. It really adds something to your bench, Mildred. . . . With the bowling season over for this year, Ed Bowser is thinking of taking golf lessons for the summer season. Any comment, Ed? . . . We understand the Easter Bunny was very good to your reporter, Bob Mobberly. On Easter morning he found a large box all fixed up with fancy ribbon and all. Upon opening it he found two small white rabbits. . . . Our parting thought: Nature, to be commanded, must be obeyed.

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Mildred Ellis

Bill Owen has spent weeks visiting all the junk yards, and now the big day is near when he will have his car (?) in running order. One consolation, Bill shouldn't be having the same trouble Berkheiser had last week. He was caught speeding in the big city of New Haven. Warren was able to talk fast enough to get out of a fine. When Roby was stopped under the same conditions he wasn't quite so lucky, he had to contribute to some officer's pay envelope. . . . A sure sign of spring: (who can be sure after Sunday) When the fellows start bragging about how big their tomatoes will be this year. Homer Carson is anxious to produce a sandwich tomato—one that is all meat without seeds or air holes. . . . Cigarettes are being rationed again! To Jack Kirklin in Bldg. 4-6. . . . Misfortune dealt the Butcher family a double blow last week. Hillard's brother was hospitalized with a back injury, and the next day his grandfather was injured in an auto accident. . . . We were sorry to hear of the death of Mark McNulty's mother-in-law. . . . Ralph Obringer doesn't know his own strength. He wanted to raise a beam in his house one-fourth inch but he moved it enough to crack the whole wall. . . . While Lew Davis was on tour of Bldg. 17 last week he found the very thing for a tiller on his sailboat, but they wouldn't let him take it home. . . . Work on Hubartt and Kirlin's sailboat had to be halted because Carl's little boy has scarlet fever. They still promise to have it finished by Decoration Day, so all ye brave souls will have a chance for a nice boat ride soon. . . . Notice, girls: Bob Barnes claims walking in the rain is what made his hair so curly last Friday—(could be, but it sure doesn't effect my hair in the same manner.) Bob came to work Monday sporting the new low plunging neckline to be the first in the school to wear the latest style. . . . The establishment of a consulting firm is being considered by Wagner, Jones and Stoup. Object: To help those who don't get 100's on their examination in Trig. Naturally there will have to be a small fee charged. . . . Movies at the apprentice school are just like downtown—popcorn and all. . . . Speaking of movies, since the drive-in theaters have opened Paul and Joyce are their most steady customers. . . . Frank Woenker has his headaches with his ball team. The rumors sound as if Frank is about to lose a couple of boys if he can't find transportation for them to get home after practice. It seems the boys got shortstopped by a guy by the name of Stine or Stine's. . . . Harold Fremion sure is on the ball these days with the N. G., the boys think you are bucking for something, Harold.

A bear in a Coast zoo died—possibly because the weather was unbearable.



To put it bluntly, Paul Gause was tickled pink to see his name in the WORKS NEWS. Here is is again, Paul. . . . We wonder what has become of Wayman Patrick's Pyramid Club. We're waiting to help him spend his winnings. . . . We have "Glamour Girl" material in Norma Bower. . . . If you notice that sad expression on Eddie Noonan's face, it's because he had the misfortune of breaking the brace on his front tooth. Lay off that hard tack, Eddie. . . . Jerry Light has imbibed so freely on those 10 cent raisin pies—resulting in insomnia. Jerry has taken to counting sheep so much that they have become a reality. He can tell by the wool in his eyes. . . . Though he was sorry to leave Bldg. 2, Guy Secaur, was very enthusiastic about his transfer to Bldg. 1. . . . We haven't had much to tell about Dale Cowan, but we do know that he is still interested in these big political arguments and will challenge anyone to a good debate. . . . We thank the gang for the fine response in the Red Cross drive. We know you would not let such a worthy cause down. . . . When it comes to crocheting, Mable Eyanson is a whizz. She recently completed a darling dress for her granddaughter. Very lovely work, Mable, maybe you will make one for us someday. . . . Some people sure are lucky when it comes to thinking up these good suggestions to better their working conditions. Like Marcile Jones and Bernice Miller, Inc., they sure hit the jackpot on their idea. Keep up the good work, girls, you might find a solution to the double nut block buster. Congratulations, lucky gals. . . . Sorry to see Bob Shoup leave us again. We'll miss your cheery words and smiling face and also all the news you so energetically obtained for us, thanks, Bob, for the items. . . . Would it be asking too much of all employees to keep the street clear at midnight so other cars can get through. Some of these people have the nasty habit of blocking traffic and cause a great deal of confusion. So please, fellow employees, please cooperate. . . . Being married 39 years is a long time, but for Amos Byrd those years were happy ones—congratulations on your anniversary. . . . Chop-chop, those new molars Vilas Bolinger is sporting are deluxe. . . . Only a wild cat could scratch such slashes, Eddie, better go easy on that razor. . . . When your dogs get tired you're done. Iola Hamerick complains her feet hurt on the bottom so bad they keep her awake at night. Nothing serious, Iola, they're only barking, and a barking dog is never dangerous. . . . Leona Fruechte is taking time off for several weeks. It's no vacation but just a recuperation. . . . Alice Lake has been reported on the sick list. We are anxious for your return. . . . Leona "Red" Tinner has an interest in Kansas. No it isn't an oil well or coal mine; anyway she's heading west next week. We will be looking for a nice report on your return. . . . Junior Lake has a hankerin' to go on the night shift. Why the sudden notion? . . . Speedball Steele was really busy while George was sick. He sure was glad when his partner returned to work. . . . Another Bldg. 1 employee transferred to Bldg. 2 was none other than Mike Clauser. . . . Jerry Light is in the market for hip boots—fishing will be good this year according to the fisherman's almanac. What size do you wear, Junior? . . . Paul Gause is going to raise turkeys. . . . Chet Nelson looks handsome with his dentures. . . . We welcome the new test engineer, Dave Kirby. . . . Barbara Roop's boyfriend was rather embarrassed the night he was waiting for her at the gate at 5 p.m. and discovered she had gone home a little after four. . . . Did anyone see the eclipse? It was really something to see. . . . Here is another one of Christine Andrews' poems:

Chemistry

Chemistry is a study,
Of all there is about,
Somehow my mind seems muddy.
When I seek to search it out.

Nature has really moved in on us. A robin has built her nest in the tree outside the office door, and we musn't forget to mention the nest of four little baby bunnies out in the lawn. Note: Increase of one since last week's report, due to a miscount.

Receives Gifts At Retirement



When Mary Banks left the Company recently for retirement, she received numerous gifts from her friends in Bldg. 31-1. She is shown opening her presents at her desk. Looking on are (l. to r.) Althea Tarr, Agnes Harber, Goldie Lutz, Leona Varner, Bonna Lou Broyles, Donnabelle Dawson, Bea Collar and Betty Schoenherr.



Even though Easter turned out more like Christmas the spirit of the holiday prevailed, and Monday morning its memory was still lingering on in the form of flowers and bunnies. Louella Welbaum and Mary O'Brien were wearing the flowers and Dottie Fletter had a very cute little pink bunny. . . . If you've noticed that Betty Millhouse seems to be walking on air, it's because she's been riding in their new Plymouth. . . . Poor Buck Buchanan, says he's aged 15 years all due entirely to rolling the lawn last Thursday. Buck discovered that he had about 102 muscles that hadn't been used recently. Oh! his aching back. . . . 'Tis nice to see our little Eva Westrick back and also a happy birthday (April 3) to you, Eva. . . . Two of our former colleagues, Virginia Miller Goeglin and Charlotte Grooves Kircofe paid us a pleasant visit recently. It was certainly nice to see the gals again.

White Is Appointed Assistant Manager, Production Service



G. D. White

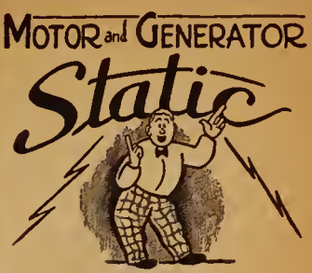
G. Doyal White has been named Assistant Manager of Production Service, Fort Wayne Works Contributing and Service Division. He will also continue as Purchasing Agent.

An employee of General Electric since 1912, Mr. White first worked in the special machine section as a time clerk. He then transferred to the General Tool division. He has done various work in the division, including tool design, cost work, and production work. From there he was assigned to the Central Planning section, and later became associated with the General Service division. During most of this time he has worked in the nondurable tools and supplies section, and in 1948 became the Purchasing Agent for the Works Contributing and Service division.

He is married and lives at 825 Pasadena dr.



One of our outdoor men, Glen "Bird Boy" Hoon thought we had a very warm week-end. According to reports he should have been sweating with those two wool shirts, a sweater and a jacket on. We wonder if he will wear his flannel underwear on the Fourth of July. . . . Glen Ramsey's stirring up our Republican ranks when he insists the NRA was started under Hoover's administration. . . . Carey Baker was having trouble getting his apron on the other day. Elusive things, aren't they, Carey? You proved to us that you're still pretty fair on your feet. . . . Our gentleman of the week is Ralph Steward. If you happen to be in the Employee's Store when Ralph is there, he will always trade numbers with you if you are in a hurry. . . . Clyde Spangler really had a pale look when that big grinder wheel flew apart in front of him. He says that the farm was never like this. . . . Mrs. Jackemeyer has a foolproof way of reminding her husband of what he is to remember on the way home from work in the evening. She wraps the note in his sandwiches or cookies in his lunch box and then ties a string around Norman's finger so that he remembers to eat his lunch. . . . Our apprentice, Delbert Meyers, intends to help his mother with spring house cleaning on his Monday off. . . . We understand that Glen Kline is planning to bring his own camera for the next group picture to be taken. He can guarantee results since his outfit is "tried and proven." . . . "Swing her pa, swing her ma, swing that gal from Arkansas." Agnes Ditlinger and Johnny Marks can tell you that square dancing is getting more popular than round dancing out at the Hoagland Barn. . . . Our congratulations to Arleen Reinke of the Tool Division office and to Dorwin Stanley who are being married tomorrow evening at Zion Lutheran Church. The reception is to be held at the Log Cabin beginning at 8:30 p.m. At a dinner recently given in her honor at the Indiana Room of Hotel Indiana, the girls of our office presented Arelen with a pair of figurines. Our best to both of you.



Thought for the Week: Make no show of taking great delight in your victuals; feed not with greediness; cut your bread with a knife; lean not on the table; neither find fault with what you eat.

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Alas, they say I'm growing old,
And it hurts me to the core;
But I strive to keep a pleasant smile
And never to act sore.

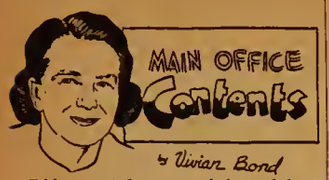
I'll admit that youth has left me,
But I don't think they are fair;
For the fellows that accuse me
Have false teeth and real gray hair.

By Jim Mitchell.

Here is a tip on the "Mystery Melody" Walt Disney's "March of the Seven Dwarfs." . . . Jim Mitchell enjoyed a week's vacation last week. He spent the entire week hunting for the Busco Turtle. . . . Ran into Dick Hobson the other day. "Say," he sez, giving a dirty look, "You will have to quit printing things about me that are not true." "What do you mean," we answered with a smile, "you do have the largest collection of neckties in Bldg. 31 don't you?" "Yes," he replied, "And you are a singer of note and do drive a Buick, don't you?" we asked. "Well, yes," came the answer. "Then what are you kicking about?" we continued. "But that title 'Canvas Back Hobson' 'taint right. None of the WAC boxing teams ever floored me, besides the only nickname I ever had was "Corn Cob," and that was when I was a mere lad." Feeling properly ashamed, we are writing this so you, dear reader, will understand. . . . James Mitchell has suffered one of life's greatest disappointments. He just took a week's vacation and most of the folks claimed they didn't know he was gone. But we knew, James, everything was so quiet and serene without you around. Pappy Archbold sat and chewed his finger nails, clear up to the elbow.

Ramblings 31-2

Recently we had an epidemic in the Drafting and Engineering Sections. Elgie Ginder and Dean Shaffer, draftsmen, and Myrt Baird, engineer, had pink eye. The epidemic had a tragic affect on Venus Fan. During one of her nightmares, she dreamed she was at Mr. Shaffer's home and his children had pink eye. Then it was discovered that Venus too had pink eye, but Venus had her pink eye on the bottom of her feet. All this time we thought people got athlete's foot on their feet. . . . Curly Mannan has been painting the inside of his house. He somehow managed to get finished in spite of two small children, who are apt to get their fingers on the walls. Curly said, "who will help me keep the walls clean?" John and Mary agreed to help. Curly wasn't satisfied to let well enough alone; he had to tease little John and Mary about fingers on the wall. Mr. Mannan pointed to a place on the wall and said, "I put my mark over here, where are you going to put yours?" The children, a little puzzled, just looked at him, but the next day the children looked again where they thought Dad put his mark. Then they put their marks on the wall, too.



by Vivian Bond

Did you take my advice of last week and keep your fur coat ready for the emergency? Judging from the beautiful corsages the girls were wearing Monday—they must have saved them for a better day. . . . I was confused and the weatherman must have been really confused to give his Christmas weather Easter, or could it be that we are not living up to God's standard? . . . A. E. Leider went to his home for the Easter holiday from the St. Joseph Hospital, returning Monday to prepare for an operation Wednesday. We trust that you are feeling better at this time and will soon be on the road to recuperation. . . . In the April issue of the magazine "Tool Engineer" the Milton Klines, Bldg. 18-1, were given a nice mention in the Andy-grams column. The occasion was the Pittsburgh meeting of the American Tool Engineer's Society. . . . Herbert Kammeyer was literally showered (with cards that is) on his birthday last Tuesday. . . . The many friends of Paul Burt who died in Cincinnati were grieved to learn of his death. Paul was a member of the first graduating class of our Apprentice School in 1917. He has been associated with the E. A. Kinsey Company both in Indianapolis and Cincinnati, and has spent many hours in General Electric Company assisting in the selection of machine tools. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family. . . . Is Raymond J. Hoffman, Bldg. 16-3, planning to change from a Buick to a Chevrolet? We saw him at Swanson's the other day looking at a nice green one. You are not that Irish, Ray! . . . Welcome to Gloria Koeble who came to Mr. Kellermier's office from Winter Street. . . . Can you feature this? Marie Mueller, Bldg. 18-4, came back to G-E from downtown and said, "Where do you girls spend your money? I have lots of it but no place to spend it!" Marie, my telephone number is 2212 and I will gladly give you some pointers. . . . Doris Snyder, Bldg. 18-5, received some beautiful birthday gifts last week. She is 16 this year and it seems she was 16 last year. Will somebody please clue her that 17 comes after 16. . . . Looking the news situation over in Bldg. 18-2 I find to wit: P. F. Peternell of Bldg. 18-2 has purchased a cottage at ——— Lake. He would not tell us the location, but being a good snooper I find that it is Lake Gage. We won't come up until you invite is, Pete, so don't be so modest about it. . . . Mary Cooper is trying to keep out of the news. . . . Lucile Currie entertained guests from Indianapolis for Easter. . . . Our friend Mart Einsiedel looked and looked for his glasses. That's all right I won't tell. . . . Mary Brouwer enjoyed a birthday Easter. . . . V. J. Tuttle, who recently retired, visited Bldg. 18 last week. . . . Franklin Bercot, Bldg. 16-3, has a brand new baby girl. Our congratulations. . . . We understand that Bill Spahr, Bldg. 18-1, waited until Easter Sunday to buy his new Easter outfit and in Decatur too. Oh well, it snowed anyway. . . . Opal Cook and Ray Lindemuth, Bldg. 18-5, are so fond of animals they hate to part with them. But after Junior Rat was dead one week and rigor mortis had set in, the funeral finally was held by mortician Dick Kent. Flowers were omitted. . . . When did Ruth Givens start smoking cigars? We saw her buying a whole box of 'em. She must be well along in the habit. . . . Dorothy Long is trying a hand at dog raising. Her first experience was a slight disappointment—Anyone interested in toy pekinese should see her and extend some advice. . . . Ginny Bradtmiller, please explain to the people in Bldg. 18-5, that your "top caving in with water" was your convertible—nothing else. . . . Wednesday of last week Annabell Redding tried to put her time card in the box. "Isn't today Friday?" she said when someone tried to stop her. . . . Patricia Beebe did not have too much chance to say goodby to the boys in the drafting training course and asks us to say goodby to them for her. . . . Spring must be here, or is it just Bob Meyer's curly hair that causes him to come to work without a hat. . . . Did anyone note the lovely apricot blooms before the freeze, on the west side of the street. Nothing is more beautiful and celestial than the first blossoms that appear in the spring. . . . Jean Edwards and Dorothy Crist, Bldg. 18-1, entertained with a surprise personal shower for Vickie Bickis last evening.

The essence of knowledge is, having it, to apply it; not having it, to confess your ignorance.

FHP Divisions Develop New Business Machine Motor



Ingrid Swanson, Taylor St., is shown using an electric typewriter powered by a G-E business machine motor similar to the one in the inset.

"The new electric typewriter is a big help to me," according to Ingrid Swanson, secretary to A. W. Bartling, "because it helps me get more work done, and it is easier to use than a hand-powered machine."

Miss Swanson's electric typewriter is powered by a type KH-10 frame motor, similar to the new, definite-purpose typewriter motor manufactured in Div. 17, which was announced to the trade last week by the FHP Motor divisions. The new motor is for use on typewriters, accounting machines, and other business machines.

Of open, ventilated, sleeve-bearing construction, the new Type KH motors are available in these ratings: 1/40 hp, 1725/1425 rpm, 115 volts, 60/50 cycles; 1/40 hp, 1425 rpm, 115 voles, 25 cycles; 1/20 hp, 3450/2875 rpm, 115 volts, 60/50 cycles. All are equipped with double-bonded resilient mounting rings, including latches, and three 12-incb leads.

A new, specially-designed, externally mounted, starting switch, which replaces the conventional centrifugal starting switch mounted inside the housing, permits the new motor to be of minimum over-all size and weight. Measuring 2½ x 1½ x ⅝ inches, the switch includes a thermal cut-out feature which will open the line circuit in time to prevent damage to the motor in the event the machine jams and the motor is stalled. It also may be used as the line switch for the business machines in which the motor unit is installed.

When the start button is pressed, the main and start windings are connected in parallel across the line. The start winding is cut out of the circuit when the start button is released, leaving only the main winding across the line. The stop button takes the motor off the line.

Fans cast integral with each end of the rotor provide good ventilation and permit the use of a minimum amount of copper and iron; this results in a motor of reduced weight—about 4 lbs.



"Another good thing about telling the truth is you don't have to remember what you say."

Our congratulations to our good bowlers, George Soule, Dick Madden, Eldon Roby, Joe Haas and Dale Springer, for taking first place in the G-E tournament last Saturday night. The score with handicap was 3315. Not bad, eh? Keep up the good work. . . . We in Bldg. 17-2 extend our sincere sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Ray DeBolt in the death of their son, Bob. Bob was killed in an automobile accident last week. . . . Bonnie and Carol Bender wore their new Easter outfits in spite of the snow, but had to cover their straw hats. They are the daughters of the Paul Benders. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Harold Prough announce the arrival of a baby boy. Congratulations. . . . George Miller is going by the name of "Tough Boy" now. He loves it—they say. . . . Ham sandwiches and colored eggs were very much in evidence last Monday. . . . Ralph Walda is back on rotor inspection after an absence of six years. Welcome back, Ralph.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

Many people were disappointed over the week-end because they did not get to display their new Easter bonnets. I imagine even Fred Banks was a little unhappy because he has been sporting a crew cut the latter part of the week. After Sunday maybe Fred wishes he had a little of that hair back. . . . It looks like Bill Gepfert is going to farming. Bill got a tractor. Now all he has to do is learn how to drive it. . . . Lavern Shultz is growing a mustache. Going to be a real lady's man. . . . It finally happened, after waiting 20 years, Luther McConnehey got King Tuttle's job. It is probably a good thing King Tut retired when he did. I don't believe Mac could have waited another year. . . . It has been a rumor that the reason Zell comes in late and with mud on his shoes, is because he has a muddy lane back to his house. I understand he also bought a 1½ ton truck to pull his car out of the lane in the morning. . . . Ruben Dewart has gone in the ash hauling business. How much do you charge, Rube? . . . We finally found out why Melvin Leykauf has been coming into work with that tired, worn-out look. His wife has been giving him too many scares lately. . . . Lawrence Hosack finally traded his old brokendown LaSalle for a brokendown Buick. At first he thought it was a six and when he looked under the hood he found out it was an eight. So far he has only needed a new fuel pump and a new timing gear. Not bad for only having it a week. . . . Al Campton, the big show producer is hoping the show business will pick up again soon. . . . We are glad to see Bob Bunyan back again after a couple of week's illness. Looks like Bob got sort of a cold reception for his first day back to work, as he had to work with Stauffer's crew most of the day. . . . Harold "Whitey" Franz spent Good Friday working with the packing section in Bldg. 26-B. Whitey needed a rest though, after running so many bell cases all week. We might also add that George Christman spent the day doing a job that isn't exactly considered in his line of work—pounding out some iron down at the annealing ovens. They always say that a change once in a while does not hurt anyone. . . . Waldo Grider one of our friends from up around "Fulk's Lake" got nervous the other day and bit the stem off his pipe—Perhaps he was day-dreaming about that big turtle. . . . Robert "Minnie" Mennewisch failed to show up for work Good Friday. His excuse—you guessed it—CHURCH! . . . Russell Kryder, the chief down in the steel shed, is looking for a good trade on one article only. That happens to be on a good pair of false teeth. . . . A couple of weeks ago Ralph Milligan spent a week-end in Toledo showing some of his antique collection. Is that all you did in the big city, Ralph? . . . . Has anyone seen Floyd Null's little white envelope recently? He surely must have lost it because he is on the side lines again. . . . If you have noticed an unusual amount of noise coming from the punch press section the last couple of weeks, you can put the blame on our "bath tub" jobs. Looks like everyone except your reporter has had a turn at running this job. . . . You would naturally think that the people who live nearest the shop would arrive at work first in the mornings, but such is not the case. Some morning just notice what time our office girl Mary arrives for work, and you will see what we mean. . . . Roe Ormiston has been out of town for a couple of weeks again, and the only way we know how to explain this is that he is taking up the slack down at Danville again. . . . Last Friday we wished Eddie Dauscher a happy birthday and at the same time were treated to some of the Dauscher's home made peanut brittle. We might add that two more of our office girls, Dorothy and Evelyn, forgot about their diets long enough to sample some of the candy. . . . We were glad to hear that Ed Prince pulled a big bass out of Wolf Lake last week. From all those hard luck stories that Ed has been telling us about the fishing up at his place, he very nearly had us convinced that there weren't any fish there to be caught. . . . Our machinist, Howard, brags about having some big tackle busters up at his lake. Fish stories on this floor don't mean a thing, Howard, so looks like you are going to have to bring in some proof sometime. . . . Anyone interested in buying some corn see George Schaffer our truck driver. We understand that George is still husking last year's corn. That is, we mean his wife and children are wading the water barefooted and doing all the husking while papa George sits up on the tractor smoking cigarettes and yelling for more corn. . . . If there is anyone who is handy in sheet steel work, would you please make Joe Collis a new gas cap cover for his Kaiser? It seems as though his fell off on the road somewhere.

A New York man holds 1000 patents—but we'll bet some of his faucets leak.



by Katie Steinman

We extend our deepest sympathy to Merle Morkoetter in the death of his wife. Also to Lt. Barney in the death of his mother and to Bill Grush, whose brother was killed in an automobile accident last Saturday. . . . We sure hope Bill Huber is recovering nicely from his accident which occurred while working at his home several weeks ago. Bill is nursing a fractured ankle. . . . This week we've saved a spot to mention a few of our proud fathers. Like Rog Pierson, whose little daughter Linda, aged 7, won first place in accordion solos at the Hotel Van Orman where the Fort Wayne Music Center held their annual festival. Erv Huth's son, Gail, playing his guitar with the Sunshine Islanders, with their group took the honors in that section. . . . Pop Luebke's son, Winfred Jr., was chosen to serve as page in the State Legislature at Indianapolis, which proved to be a very interesting experience for him. . . . Fred Altekruse's son graduates from the Coast Guard Academy, June 3, at New London, Conn. Fred and his wife are expecting to be there at that time. . . . And must we make mention at this time that Ernie Hanauer was particularly proud (?) of his two boys sometime ago, too. Ernie is a little reluctant at giving out with the details. However, we do know that he can be mighty stern with the younger generation if needs be. . . . To Charlie Niblick: Chattanooga Choo-Choo, here I come. (What's up, Charlie, goin' some place? In a new car maybe? Or just the old one with a new overhaul?) . . . Birthday greetings to Elmer Mesing, Roger Pierson and Arnold Landis.



Ed Glusenkamp bought a new car to avoid the embarrassment of another breakdown such as he experienced recently. We've been told that now when he backs out of his garage with the new one he doesn't look to the rear but depends entirely on signals from Mrs. G. to guide him safely down the drive. So far the plan has worked but just supposing his wife wants to take a little vacation, what's he gonna do then? . . . Speaking of cars, Roy Bracht tore the innards out of his automobile. When he reassembled it, to his surprise, no parts were left over and the thing really runs, OK too. . . . Evelyn Daugherty does a pretty good job in creating hat styles. They might win a prize for Breakfast in Hollywood, but they certainly would never be confused with a Lily Dache original. . . . Bill Doell has finally acquired the new look since he's wearing one of those king size white aprons.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

It has been reported that Ted Schlup can be found on week-ends lounging leisurely at Fred Schlaudroff's soft drink emporium on Broadway. . . . Someone has suggested to us that Charley Dixon, our local hog fancier, buy that elephant that was a prize on a radio program, and rent him out to stamp out mole hills on lawns. Good for gopher holes, too. . . . Frank Elder, Jr., is convalescing at home after surgery, at the St. Joe hospital. Doing nicely, too, we hear. . . . Wilbur Ayres had an accident recently, while chopping some kindling, hewed too close to the line, or something, and almost detached a thumb and forefinger from his hand. . . . Frankie Enderle, our favorite financial genius and ladies' man, assures us that he is spending the pleasantest days of his service at the G-E. Now that Frank Elder is off on sick leave, enjoy these halcyon days to the utmost, Enderle, they'll soon be over. . . . What's the matter with Mart Heider, on pension? Hasn't he come out of hibernation yet? Mart hasn't paid us a visit for several months.



Nora Coburn hoarded a pair of shoes. When she took them out of the closet to wear for Easter, she found out they were too small for her. . . . Ask Bill Rectanus why he doesn't shave his whole face instead of just part of it. . . . Anyone wishing a recipe for a good meat loaf? We think Eddie Murchland has it. . . . Dick Moore was helping his wife dry the dishes, when all of a sudden he dropped a dish. He tried to break the fall by kicking his foot out to catch it and kicked his other foot from under him. Dick landed on the floor. . . . It is rumored that Fletcher Cumbey is in the market for a nice gentle pony. . . . Ask Wayne Weimer what this tally-ho business means. . . . We hear Russell James won a rabbit the other day, and now he is going in the rabbit business. . . . Congratulations to Opal Runnion who has a beautiful sparkler. When is the lucky day? . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Gunkel on the birth of a baby girl. . . . We think Bob Enz should be a papa more often. That sure was swell cake, Bob. . . . Anyone having a chris craft for sale, contact Bill Fowler. . . . We express our sympathy to Nora Doud in the recent death of her mother. Also sympathy to the George Helsel family.

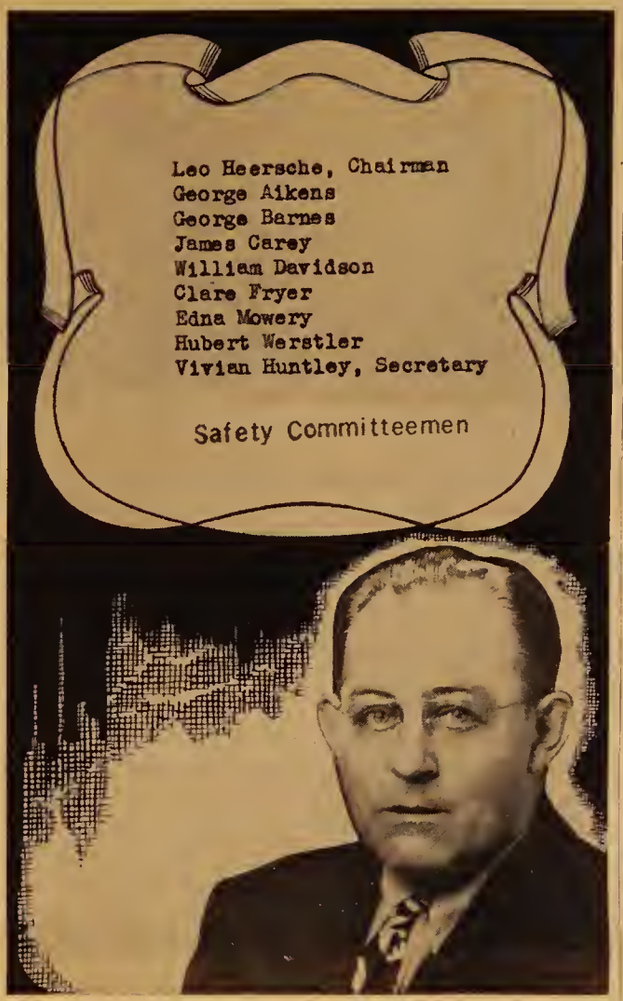
Top Floor Topics

DIVISION 95

By Walter E. Pohler

One morning last week Bill Mills discovered that someone had prepared his daily time slip for him. Bill started a little G-2 activity to find out who could be so thoughtful and helpful. He believes he has discovered the culprit, but the thing still to be cleared up is how Dick Canfield, who works second trick, can know what Bill does on first trick. . . . Friday evening Ray Feller and his passenger, Fred Day, proceeded to Ray's car in the parking lot as usual to go home. Ray stepped on the starter and the shrillest whistle started and smoke began to roll out from under the hood. In fact the whistle could be heard at an open window in Bldg. 26-5. Ray jumped out and raised the hood to see what was wrong. Some kind friend had attached a whistle bomb to the spark plugs. As Ray raised the hood at least six cars began to pull out of the parking lot. It seems you have a lot of friends, Ray. . . . Several fellows have raised the question why a certain individual in the Transformer Bowling League always puts a cigar in his mouth while bowling but never lights it? Guess it must be superstition. . . . Famous statements: Jack Lee, "Have you heard the one about the guy." . . . Here is an announcement we have all been waiting for. Our co-worker, Ruby Musselman, was all smiles the other morning. She was wearing a beautiful diamond ring. The lucky fellow is Herb Rapp of Churubusco. We understand the wedding will be soon although we don't have the exact date. We all extend to the bride-elect our very best wishes and our congratulations to the groom-elect. . . . Someone asked the other day if we could include thank-you notes in our column? We would like to say that we would be very happy to include such items in our column. . . . We were hoping to publish the names of assistant editors for each section several weeks ago, but, due to our unsettled status, this hasn't been accomplished. Your Division editor gets around over the floor numerous times each day. Please feel free to hand him any items of interest you might have for the column, they will be appreciated. Just note on a slip of paper the name of the individual together with the facts you want included in the item. If you don't see your Division editor, give the items to your foreman and we feel sure they will see that they get to the proper individual. . . . To insure the proper Easter atmosphere last Friday, one of the second trick operators brought in a live rabbit. However, we don't believe the rabbit laid any Easter eggs, since he appeared to be very frightened in his new surroundings. . . . We would like to express our sympathy to the Merle Markoetter family in the death of Mrs. Markoetter. Quite a number of us in Bldg. 26-5 knew Merle and his family when he was a fellow employee of the Transformer Division.

Trying To Help . . . .



. . . THE OTHER FELLOW WITH THE SAME KIND OF PROBLEMS WE HAVE, USUALLY RESULTS IN OUR HELPING EACH OTHER. I am sure all present and past members of our Safety Committee will agree to this.

Being good Safety Committeemen is not an easy task. We work on a safety problem letting the "chips fly where they will." Our very best friends, or even we, may have to change our work habits, and/or supervision may have to install a guard, change a method, etc., in order to eliminate or reduce the hazard.

We thank Leo Heersche, Safety Leader, FHP Motor Div. 20, in the above picture, and committeemen in this division for helping us bring this thought to your attention.

LET US HELP SOLVE THE PROBLEM OF CROSSING BROADWAY SAFELY BY FOLLOWING THE SAFETY LANES. REMEMBER HOW MANY TIMES YOU HAVE SAID, "SOMEBODY OUGHTA' DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS!"

HERSCHEL L. SMITH
Safety Engineer



We learn that Ray Heck owns so much land around Payne, Ohio, that his holdings almost encircle the town with the exception of one narrow strip of land upon which a lane is in a deplorable condition most of the year. This is the only free entrance and exit to the town as he charges a toll fee on all other roads crossing his land. Ray is trying to buy up this remaining land then he will have control over all roads. The citizens are up in arms and plan to establish an air lift to serve the city. . . . Ray DeBolt has purchased a new car (it was new around 1933) but nevertheless it is new to him. He paid $50 for it and is very much elated over his purchase. He tells us that it has demountable rims also all the desirable features incorporated in a car of that era. The top leaks pretty bad so he is looking around for an old California top to put on it. There is also a decided sag in the wheel base but he feels sure that this can be remedied. . . . Spring is surely here as Chet Price appeared upon the scene attired in a bright green shirt. It is of a shade that reminds one of the early green of spring. This evidently is his favorite color, but we are sincerely hoping that he will not wear this shirt often. It reminds us of that famous green sweater he wore for such a long time. This sweater did not make an appearance this past winter. We are wondering if the moths might have eaten it. . . . Harold Richmond is now busily engaged in taking instructions and studying preparatory to entering the Grand Lodge of the Mystic Order of Ancient Arabian Hack Drivers. He is very interested in the activities of this order and plans to reach the highest chair of the order, that being the office of the Grand Premier of the Indiana diocese. More power to you, Harold, for we will be pulling for you. . . . We happened to notice a picture in the daily press of Preston Hille attired in a cow puncher's outfit, packing a vicious looking six shooter on his hip. We do not know whether he is trying to ape Roy Rogers or Skipalong Hotspurs. He told us that next week he is going to get a ten gallon hat, a set of spurs and a western pony. Then he will be able to put on his own act as a lone ranger. . . . As you all know by this time Ed Smith has his new Buick. It is a beautiful car with a light green satin finish and those new round chromium hood vents. To witness him driving into the parking lot in the morning one would think that the King of Siam and his entourage were paying us a visit.



Just what happened to a certain radio station last Sunday? Chauncey Tucker would like to know. He was to be on the air with his religious program and after a few minutes of air time they realized they were not on the air. When he tuned in the station, to his amazement they were playing records. . . . Churubusco has nothing on Div. 14. We also have a turtle, or a facsimile thereof. . . . We are all very curious as to what Walter Doctor is going to do with the two buckets he bought. . . . Just why did Forrest Grimm stand up in a car all the way home the other night. . . . We understand Herb (Clark Gable) Seslar is taking beauty treatments. . . . Kathryn Erwin really thinks June, Bob Kissinger's wife, will get a golden crown when she reaches the pearly gates. . . . As a "speech maker" we would say Mr. Arnold could rate top place in any oration. . . . Walter Doctor developed a blister from cutting his grass. Who said women were the weaker sex? . . . Earl Greenlee only wishes he had some grass to cut. Don't give up, Earl, it takes time. . . . The fellows are wondering why Fritz Voltz is passing out cigars. We understand the "boss" brought him in a banana. . . . Bill Lavine really goes for everything in a big way. Now, he has planted enough raspberry bushes to supply all the kids in Huntington. . . . Dessie Jackson has been having a bad time. She lost her voice and doesn't know a bit of "sign" language. . . . Some folks are waiting for flowers to bloom and grass to grow, but not Irene Anderson. She can hardly wait for the rhubarb to get big enough to eat. . . . Best wishes to Glenna Hyatt, who is leaving us, to take up full time duties as a housewife. . . . Our sympathy to Louise Roberts in the death of her brother. . . . Was Lucky Gus Weisenburger's face red last week while bowling. The boys claim he rolled a perfect gutter ball. . . . "Willie" Skevington hopes his team comes out on top in the bowling league. The extra money will sure help out this year on his vacation trip to California. . . . We are wondering if Walter Holloway is really going fishing or looking for turtles up around Adams Lake? . . . If anyone has noticed Eldon Bell is not quite as smart as usual, it is due to the fact he has had a wisdom tooth pulled, Heaven help us if he loses the other two.

Courage is fear that has said its prayers.

Medical Memos

By Mary Heymann

Now that the Easter season has passed, we are all getting back in the old routine. Everyone seems to be busy planting gardens or chasing the winter's accumulation of dirt and grime. Sometimes it is most difficult to keep your mind on wallpaper cleaning, when you prefer to be thinking of sinking approach shots on the golf course! . . . Mrs. H. L. Murdock had the misfortune of fracturing her left wrist when she fell recently at her home. What! After all the spring cleaning was done? . . . Several Elex members were seen browsing around at the rummage sale. There was a wide variety of articles, even Dewey buttons! . . . Maurine Nail and daughter Marilyn and Mary Heymann were dinner guests of Berneta Welbaum Friday. Here's wishing you many more happy birthdays, Maurine. . . . George Faulkner, formerly with the Medical section, recently visited old friends in Bldg. 21, while in Fort Wayne on Easter vacation. He is in his junior year at Indiana University Medical Center at Indianapolis and will spend the coming summer at the ROTC at Grand Rapids, Mich. Glad to have you with us again, George, and don't forget to drop in whenever you get back to Fort Wayne. . . . The bright smile on Mae Mulvane's face this week could be due to the fact that her son Forrest is home for spring vacation. . . . Dr. Leslie Wilson, until January, 1948 employed as Assistant Works Physician at G-E, has been transferred from Marion, Ill. to the Veterans' Hospital at Fort Benjamin Harrison at Indianapolis, Ind. We are glad to hear from him again, and to know that he has moved closer to us. . . . Mary Shernock is the new nurse at the Danville Dispensary, replacing Jean Tuttle who left April 15. . . . While looking through some poems the other day, I happened to run across this one by Agnes James, RN.

Nurse's Lament

To serve the sick is noble quite
And would be lots of fun,
If one could change one's feet like tires
Before the day is done!



John Clark was sweeping the floor the other day. Everything was going very nicely, when suddenly, John let out a yell. Everybody looked at him to see what had happened, and saw John removing Art Hubler's teeth from his pants leg. No, Art wasn't behind the teeth, but the story goes that Art had lost his teeth and never even missed them until, John took them over and asked him if he had lost anything. You had better put a string on them, Art, as some day they are liable to "bite" the wrong person. . . . Wayne Worman has been walking around with his chest sticking out since they took his picture for the WORKS NEWS. If you would like to have your picture taken, here's a little tip, just learn to "whistle". . . . It sure is good to have Ralph Keller back with us after his recent illness. Now he really has a good reason for wearing those suspenders as he lost quite a bit of weight. . . . Ralph came back last Monday, and then his girl "Friday" (Jackie Elder) didn't show up for work. Let's hope that she hasn't gone and gotten herself sick now that the boss is back and she can relax again. . . . Someone mentioned the fact that they never saw so many new hair cuts floating around as there were last Monday morning. . . . Bill Buuck's bowling team took second place and Andy Anderson's took third place in the recent G-E Bowling Tournament. Congratulations, fellows. . . . Oral Emrick's picture was in the NEWS last week and he says he thinks he looked like a midget. Maybe it wasn't you that was so small, Oral, as it could have been that broomstick which they gave you for a gun was just so-o-o big. By the way is that why you get those big scores, you use a broomstick? If so, best you bring it when you bowl too. . . . Sarah Moore wants to know where you can go when something happens, so that there isn't always someone around to see it happen. . . . By the way, Sarah was in Indianapolis Easter. We hear that she had to pick her new Easter bonnet out of the gutter. Was the wind that strong, Sarah, or ? . . . Pat Perry was quite excited last Friday when she caught two live bunnies at her place. The eggs they left were enjoyed by the whole section. . . . Elinor Laux has sure been a busy little bee preparing for the wedding of her daughter, which will take place tomorrow. . . . We want to welcome Ed Donaghy back to the first shift. . . . Mel Riley looked like he weighed many pounds more last Monday after helping his children eat their Easter eggs.



"A word to the wise should be sufficient," or so the saying goes. But in Byron Simmons' case, we're not so sure. If he could only remember to put a little red lantern on his car when starting out for an evening of fun, it would be so much easier to find. Hence, no need for those weary strolls around the block in search of the car. . . . We wish a speedy recovery to Tom Dent, who recently underwent surgery at the Lutheran Hospital. We sincerely hope that Tom is well on the road to recovery and that we will see him back with us in the very near future. . . . "Reverend" Chandler invited the boys in the Tool Cribs at Taylor Street to attend his church Good Friday. Most of them backed down because of the weather. Ward Staley and Fred Bishop braved the gale and attended church. . . . A secret can only be a secret just so long. What Karl Soest really does on those so-called Wednesday night lodge meetings has finally come to light. Harry Golden, Marion Sienkiewicz and Al McCullough attended the wrestling matches the other night and now they are positive Karl is "The Demon," expert wrestler. Come on, Junior, 'fess up. . . . We are glad to hear that Ray Girvin's wife is home from the hospital and doing nicely. Give her our best wishes, Ray. . . . Could it be the fuss the girls have been making about the fellows smoking cigars in the office that prompted Lloyd Platt to start giving his supply of cigars away or was he just feeling sorry for Al McCullough. Either way, we have Lloyd trained to do his cigar smoking at home. Others, please note. . . . A thought for the week—"Finish each day and be done with it. You have done what you could. Some blunders and absurdities no doubt crept in; forget them as soon as you can. Tomorrow is a new day; begin it with too high a spirit to be cumbered with old nonsense. This day is all that is good and fair. It is too dear, with its hopes and invitations to waste a moment on yesterdays." (Ralph Waldo Emerson)

G-E Salesmen Intensify Campaign To Sell SM Ignition Transformers



Frank Ondrovik, Supervisor of the Promotional Service section, Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, and J. P. Coughlin, Assistant Manager of the Specialty Transformer Sales division, are shown examining the new SM ignition transformer sales kit.

Scenes such as the one shown above are being re-enacted in dozens of customers' offices across the nation as G-E Salesmen intensify their efforts to sell General Electric's SM ignition transformers to the oil burner industry.

SM means "Standardized Manufacture." It is expected that the four units in this new line will replace scattered production of many of the 1,500 designs now furnished to the industry by the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions here.

General Electric's standardization program was started about a year ago but has recently received great impetus by announcement of a 10% price differential on these units under others of comparable rating. This reduction was made possible by manufacturing economies resulting from volume production.

To help our salesmen, a full-fledged advertising and sales promotion campaign is being carried on. Giant telegrams were sent to each customer announcing the new line, followed by sales letters and a catalog containing complete buying information.

The customer reads about them regularly in advertising in trade magazines. He saw them displayed at the Heating and Ventilating Show held recently in Chicago and will see them again in May at the Oil Heat Institute Show in Boston.

To make the personal calls of our salesmen more effective, they have been supplied with kits identical to the one shown above.



All of us in Bldg. 26-2 want to extend our sympathy to Gertrude Wagner whose mother died last week. . . . Dorothy Andrews was the guest of honor at a dinner party given recently by the girls in Payroll. She is being transferred to Bldg. 26-3. Dorothy received two lovely boudoir lamps. Those attending the dinner were Iona Gray, Mary Brinker, Wilma Dowden, Ruby Beard, Jocile Stohlman, Betty Spittler, Evelyn Bradbury, Margaret Tennison and Gloria Miller. . . . We welcome Hal Hoffman to the Planning Section. He is single, girls, until tomorrow to be exact—a married man then. He was formerly a test engineer and is now a planner. . . . Happy birthday, Thelma Schmidt. She received a white batiste blouse from her fellow workers in the Service Bureau. . . . It's farewell to Dick Stoner who is leaving the drafting division. He says he is going into his own business (couldn't be monkey business, could it?) Dick received a ticket last week at 2 a.m. welcoming him to the Police Station. He got the ticket for running a stop sign. . . . The Service Bureau had a potluck Monday. Those attending were Mickey Huth, Roedean Dowell, Virginia Harris, Audrey Waltz, Solona Huter, Louise Klinker, Thelma Schmidt, Francis Miller, Bob Thomas and Dick Walters. . . . The Radio Section is very happy to welcome Robert Berghoff. . . . A. M. Krakower has been ill for the past several weeks. Here's hoping you are back with us soon. . . . Henry Lehman is a newcomer. He is working for E. C. Hill in the Engineering Development Section. . . . Our congratulations to F. T. Gamec and his gang for that swell performance PLANTATION CAPERS!



We in the office are thinking of having a towel shower for Bill Crane. He sure needs them since he sits next to the drinking fountain and gets a sprinkling every so often. . . . Paul Clendenen actually sat on an egg but nothing happened. Guess he just isn't a good mother hen. . . . Speaking of eggs, Eileen Hennen had some of the fellows in the office in a dither about an Easter egg, a soft boiled messy one. . . . Vern Castle came in while in low gear the other morning looking about 10 years older. It all boiled down to the fact that his baby had her 17th birthday and was no longer a child but a full-grown young lady. . . . Luella Bixler is again on the sick list. We hope you will be better soon, Luella. . . . The employees of Bldgs. 17-2 and 17-3 extend their sympathies to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond DeBolt whose son died in an auto accident last week.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday, April 25, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—One silver earring with a white set.

FOR SALE

TWO STOVES — Kitchen cabinet, dog house. H-50513.

NEW DEEP WELL JET PUMP—Never used. Bargain. A-2745.

IRONER — Simplex, floor model, like new. H-75412.

USED PIPE AND FITTINGS — Gas heater and 30 gal. tank. A-25973.

1945 FORD DELUXE TUDOR—Radio, heater, good tires, A-1 condition, $1100. Arcola 37F40.

HORTON AUTOMATIC IRONER—And table. H-78753.

1933 PLYMOUTH COUPE—H-83872.

"SKILLSAW"—Large size, only used on one house, very reasonable. H-37777.

MOTOR SCOOTER—American. A-57127.

BOAT—12 ft. steel, in good condition. H-65332.

LEADER GAS STOVE—$20; Toilet, $3; single compartment kitchen sink with fittings. H-65522.

HOLLYWOOD BED—Full size, mattress, bed skirt $25; ice box, $5. 1205 E. Pontiac, lower apartment, evenings.

ROTOREX HAND SWEEPER—Reasonable. H-54523.

LADIES' BROWN CHESTERFIELD COAT—Size 20, like new. H-57912 after 5 p.m.

G-E WASHER—$35. H-44642.

TRICYCLE — Small; beginners roller skates; dresses, size 5-7. H-3436.

G-E 5.5 FT. REFRIGERATOR — New unit; also 28" bicycle, good condition, balloon tires. Leo 2357.

MANURE SPREADER—Corn King International, good, can be converted to tractor type, Zanesville 48Y.

STEEL BATHINETTE — Val-pak luggage, like new. Columbia City 260J.

G-E ROASTER—Broiler stand; lot in North Highland; Deep freezer. A-55935.

WHITE PORCELAIN ICE REFRICERATOR — Insulated, 100 lb. capacity. A-77972.

FOR RENT

SLEEPING ROOM — A-68721 between 5-9 p.m.

TWO SLEEPING ROOMS—Just cleaned, redecorated; near C-E. A-65331.

COTTAGE—By week or season; located at Snow Lake, Fremont, Ind., 4108.

PARKING LOT—1434 Broadway, $1.50 per month. E-40203.

TO TRADE

JOHNSON OR ELECTRIC OUTBOARD MOTOR — For radio-phonograph (prefer table model or portable). H-57474.

WANTED

COLLAPSIBLE BABY BUCCY—H-03513.

BABY BED—H-3510.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Enno Richter, from Rd. 3 and Wallen Road. Works in Div. 17 at Taylor St. from 5:48 to 3:18. Ext. 417 or A-99150.

WANTS 4 RIDERS—Vernon Baker, from Churubusco, Ind. Works in Bldg. 17-3, from 7 to 3:30. Churubusco 4773.

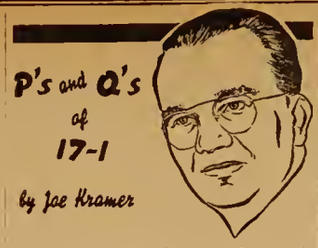
WANTS RIDER—Dale Grigsby, from Columbia City. Works in Bldg. 25-2, from 8 to 5:15. Ext. 753.



HE DID NOT FAIL, HIS FIRST ATTEMPT WAS JUST UNSUCCESSFUL: Bob Sharrow's attempt to prove that after three days homogenized milk will not spoil—regardless of temperature—was unsuccessful. . . . JUST ABOUT, BUT NOT QUITE: Last Monday Joe Gardt joined the "Just About Floor Sitter's Club." If he had gone all the way, he would have been the first one to do so from a standing position. Better luck next time, Joe! . . . AWARD OF THE WEEK: The shirt of the week was one multicolored tee shirt worn by Joe Hiles. His girl friend bought it for him, so the story goes. . . . WHAT SIZE BOWL: Some people are wondering who the new barber is who gave N. C. Oetting a "butch" haircut. It was evident that he (the barber) must have been an apprentice. . . . SEAT OF THE WEEK: Denton Manecke, it seems, caught his trousers on a file cabinet last week. You can guess the rest. As a result, he remained seated the rest of the afternoon in a far away corner. . . . CAR: Charlie Thomas is the proud owner of a new Plymouth. Hope everything goes all right this time. . . . LOST? If you wish to find your way around town, ask Frank Moody for directions. In case he isn't in, ask Marian Leiter. . . . WELCOME BACK: To Bob Dobbin who was hospitalized three days last week. Hope you're feeling fine, Bob. Also to Harry Balz who is back after a triumphant week's battle with the flu bug. . . . ABSENT-MINDEDNESS? Everyone thought that Gwen Stienbarger was going to serve tea and crumpets one afternoon last week. She was quite startled when Georgia Garret called her attention to the apron she was wearing. . . . BELATED WELCOME: To Margaret Taylor who is working for Bill Pringle and Harry Balz in the DC Division. She came to Bldg. 4-6 from the Transformer Div. . . . FOND FAREWELL: To Jim Burton who left the Developmental Div. to continue test at Winter Street. Also a hearty welcome to Bob Winchester who is taking Jim's place. . . . BONNET LOST: Judy Clark was the victim of a practical joke last week. Someone removed her new Easter hat from its box and put an ash tray disguised as a hat in its place. Judy really had a pained expression on her face when she reached into the box to show it to someone. . . . HAPPY BIRTHDAY: To Al Volz who was surprised, to say the least, by a birthday party in his honor. What kind of presents did you receive, Al? . . . QUESTION OF THE WEEK: Why is it that Wally Clayton didn't have time enough to tuck his shirt tail in before coming to work? . . . EXPANSION: The drafting section of the Developmental Division found it necessary to give Cecil Harrod a little more space around his desk. What with a new wife and home cooking, there is much speculation as to which will take the most space, Cecil or his desk? . . . SYMPATHY: We extend our sympathy to Fred Suhr whose mother died last week. . . . BREAK IT UP: Ruth English nonchalantly tripped over Bob Langdon's telephone wires last week. In so doing, she passed a death sentence upon his "indestructible one." She did a very thorough job — no pain — instant death—a million and one pieces to prove it. . . . WEDDING BELLS: A luncheon was held Wednesday for Lydia Swift and Phyllis Buell, who will walk down that primrose path tomorrow afternoon. Best wishes and may you both live happily ever after. . . . UNINTERESTING: Because of Ray Nupp's repeated request that I print something about my co-editor, I might add the following: Teddy Neds thinks that she is the most uninteresting person in Bldg. 4-6, but who will believe it?



How did you like our Christmas weather last Sunday? . . . Rumor has it that a lot of people saw the eclipse, but none saw the cow jumping over the moon. . . . Hickory dickory dock, the mouse didn't run up the clock. It ran up Nina's leg. We don't know which was more frightened, Nina or the mouse. . . . Joe Jensen got a new motor. He thought he would try it. It vibrated so it jumped all over the garage floor, so he has decided to put a saddle on it, before trying it again. . . . See the big smile Walter Kryder wore last Thursday? He had his picture taken. He is a Quarter Century man. Congratulations. . . . By the way, Walter is going to wear bow-ties. We will admit the other kind seem to get shorter and shorter. . . . Ocie Jackson was uptown and was going to buy bananas. She got so confused, she forgot them. The theme song around her house was, "Yes, we have no bananas." . . . Have you noticed Herb Bender giving his shoes a high class shine every afternoon? . . . Minnie Barr was going to church last Thursday during all the rain and storm. The wind came along and whisked her umbrella down the street so fast, she never did catch up with it. . . . Guess Bertha Bertsch must be a carpenter these days. She went home and found her steps weren't finished, so she got a hammer and went to work. Ready to hang out your shingle? . . . Sorry to hear Evelyn King had the misfortune of falling and had to go to the hospital. Also that Urah Miller and Elsie Klemm are on the sick list. . . . We have come to the conclusion that Ann Robinson doesn't trust people. She wore her red hat all day for fear of losing its ornaments. . . . Fay Kittredge was seen mopping the floor at lunch time. New sideline? . . . It's a happy birthday to Ethel Keller. . . . Ann Kensil needs a spring tonic. She is so tired. . . . We express our sympathy to Jerry Snyder. After being so kind to her bird, it decided to go to bird heaven. However, Jerry likes bargain days. Two for five especially. . . . Have you noticed Lowella Koogle's short hair cut? . . . Also Leona Hollis's new "specks?" Quite a classy plastic and gold job. . . . Ethel Carr is getting patriotic. She knows the leads are red, white and blue. What! No black? . . . Congratulations on the pink bootied addition at the Donald Coverdale home. The mamma (Betty Barger) is a former co-worker. . . . Have you heard about Lorena Buuck being chased by a bear? At least it looked like a bear crawling on all fours. However, she thinks it was the Beast of Busco. . . . Newcomers to the early bird shift are Margaret Hayden, Lois Gordan and Ralph Lindeman. . . . Jack Dennis was seen hanging his coat in the ladies' coat rack. Don't make a mistake, Jack, and take the wrong coat.



We just about didn't make a column this week due to an abundant supply of hard boiled colored eggs. . . . There were a number of new suits on the streets Easter Sunday, but the majority of them were covered up either by top coats or rain coats. We are told that a few of them were even still in the boxes in which they came from the store. . . . Of course, some people wear Easter clothes to church and then return home with a top coat that is better than the one they went to church with. Was Argent Denney's face red when he received a phone call last Sunday morning. . . . The assurance that spring has arrived was given by the sight of Clarence Doetor coming to work without the flaps on his hat down. Doc says it is the new spring style to wear them up now . . . Ted Brockmeyer and his wife helped her mother and father celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Easter day by entertaining them at Sunday dinner. . . . We wish Harry Kessler a speedy recovery and a quick return to work. . . . Douglas (Casey Jones) Bragg was an engineer on "Old 99." Anyone wanting to know complete particulars involved in running a steam engine are asked to contact Doug. . . . A very belated birthday wish to Ermond Tickel who celebrated his birthday last Friday. He received many cards and well wishes from his co-workers in Bldg. 17-1. . . . You have heard of buying a pig in a poke. Here is one about buying a squeak in a rabbit. Our genial philosopher, Argent Denney, purchased a fluffy little rabbit with a squeak, but when Denney got it home he couldn't get the rabbit to squeak. . . . Ed Arthur is looking for a pulley large enough to take care of a one-inch rope. Ed wants to use it on his boat for lowering the anchor because he says that the ordinary three-eighths of an inch anchor rope isn't strong enough to hold the boat when you start pulling in those big fish. . . . The new face at the welding machine in Group 19x22 is Louis Hesse from the second trick. . . . Anyone wanting to learn the new mop dance with orange peel teeth is asked to contact George (Goldie Locks) Mosshammer. . . . George Kaade has been transferred to Bldg. 4-1 paint oven. Don't forget your old friends in Bldg. 17-1, George. Drop back and see us occasionally. . . . We not only have assurances from Art Brockmeyer that the Moose Easter egg hunt was a success, but we know from two former employees of Bldg. 17-1, James Johnson and Henry Gollmer, who were seen leaving Foster Park with some swell prizes. Henry's boys won a wagon, a three-wheeled scooter, and a swell wool sweater. . . . Victor Hall was looking for a Christmas tree to put up Easter morning. He said it looked more like Christmas than a sunny Easter. . . . Regardless of how the punch press team or the planning team comes out in their league bowling, Bldg. 17-1 is still going to have members on a champion bowling team. Addie Masbaum and Tavie Popa are bowling tonight in the roll off for the Ladies' Monday night league. The reason we are so sure Bldg. 17-1 will have a member on the champion team is that Tavie and Addie bowl on different teams.

Inquiring Reporter

DO YOU THINK COMIC BOOKS ARE HARMFUL FOR CHILDREN?



W. K. GREGG
Bldg. 20-2

"Comic books generally are a stimulant to the child's imagination and are entertaining. They can be classed along with moving pictures and radio programs: Like them, they can be harmful if indulged in to the point of interference with school work and other more profitable activities. Comic book selection should be supervised by parents and should be permitted in limited quantities. Then they can certainly do no harm. I think we all like the Dagwood type."



WAYNE M. WORMAN
Taylor St.

"Young and impressionable minds naturally react strongly to either good or bad comics, but the background or home influence is the source of the result. Sometimes this is very bad, causing dire results later. Therefore, they should be kept as free from crime as possible."



MARJORIE KRAMER
Bldg. 17-4

"No, not anymore than what we read every day is harmful to grown-ups. In comic books the villain is always brought to justice by the hero; Superman becomes the ideal of most children—not Three-Fingered Louie. Some people believe a child might put to use an 'idea' which springs from his reading a comic book. This is possible, but I believe the incentive was planted earlier in the child by the wrong kind of environment."

JUANITA BRINKMAN
Taylor St.

"Yes, I think most comic books are harmful nowadays. So many have shooting and crime stories in them. If they would have more animal comic books like Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck they would be much better for children to read."



VERONICA COOK
Bldg. 26-3

"No, I think comic books are all right for children if they are really comics. There are some books on the market that are called comics which are not fit for children, but I would not call any comics 'good' for children."





Our happy Easter greetings certainly sounded like merry Christmas—or at least they should have. . . . Our deep sympathy to Jim Smith in the death of his mother. . . . Thanks to all you folks who inquired about the column. We didn't know there were so many readers. . . . Ed Klomp was seen smoking a cigar with a band nearly as long as the cigar. Now the question is: Was the band on there to keep the tobacco from unrolling, or did he have two ends joined for economy purposes? You take your pick. . . . Don Gerardot wasn't awake the day he tried to light his cigarette with a steel rule instead of a lighter. Mondays are sure rough.

Cy has a Ford as we all know
But 25 is all she'll go
His Ford won't start when wet and dark
Like his Bosox has no spark.
And as we pass him on our way
We hope that he will choose someday
A better car, a better team
And live in happiness supreme.
Norb Lose

(Cy, you should buy a DeSoto!) . . . The awful crash heard in Bldg. 17-4 t'other day was not an atom bomb explosion but Elnor Laymon falling flat on her face. She saved the jello she was carrying. After all it was all Esther, Jean and she had to eat. . . . Talk about new Easter togs, seems as if Bill Turner was rushing the season with his new apron. That goes for Elnor's purple sweater too. Did you see it? Couldn't miss it, she wore it all day. . . . Yes, Clara Gehring has birthdays too. Thanks for the treat, Clara, and many more happy years. Your age?—oh, you didn't say! . . . Approximately seven minutes after 12 Wednesday we heard Ruby Lydy say, "Well, I'm ready to go home; I've got my check and had my lunch." It's a good deal, Ruby, if you can swing it! . . . The welcome mat is out for Edith Harchelrode, Frieda Flaugh, Mary Hake and Vera Dickey. Hope you like your new work. . . . Welcome back to Edna Ward. We're glad you are well and back with the gang again. . . . Marge Kramer, if your picture turns out to be in technicolor don't blame the phonographer. He can't help it your face lighted up like a Christmas tree when he snapped you. . . . Ruth Baker claims she's cured of her spring fever. We wonder what the remedy is? . . . Rumor has it that Dick Seidel spent a lot of time Friday at Hatcher's. He heard they had a Ford, but when he got there, it wasn't, wonder where it went! . . . Ray Solga, after much deliberation finally decided to purchase a brand new hair cut for Easter. Some of his friends saw him in the Easter Parade and hardly knew him without all his usual cranial foliage. Since buying a used Pontiac, Ray says he must get better mileage on both the haircut and Pontiac. . . . Most of the testers won't venture into Adams County now since Norb Lose bought a car. No wonder insurance premiums have gone up. If you ever want any of your friends to come close to Decatur again, Norb, you had better hurry and take driving lessons so you can get your driver's license and display same to your friends. . . . Homer "Thomas A. Edison" Murphy knows what equipment is in the Test Section now. He helped to take inventory. Not a bad way to get acquainted. . . . "Neptune" Miller says he finally has his outboard motor in first class shape and ready to run again. Don Kruse is planning on going with him this week-end and has doubled his ration of vitamins preparatory to rowing the boat all over the lake.

Bowlers come and bowlers go
Of that we are quite sure
Some bowl good and some bowl bad
That much we will endure.
When we send a bowler
With champion expectations
We don't intend that he'll return
With nothing but frustrations.
Your poor dear wife will have to sell
Her home and jewels too
To try and pay the total cost
Of the bowling trip for you.
You'd better not tell us again
Of the bowling games you've won
Or we'll bring up the subject
Of that lowly 501!

This poem and the flowers on his bench were "Champ" Crabill's hello from the gang. Better luck next time. . . . Cy Seymour is going to Florida soon, and is getting in shape by eating hog meat and corn pone at the cafeteria. Every day he looks at the menu at lunch time and relates his experience with good ole Southern cooking, possum oozing with gravy, corn pone, lassus and grits. He is crazy (his own admission) about black eyed peas, such as only can be had below the Mason-Dixon line. . . . The progress of the electrical age has been greatly retarded since the team of Les Stauch and Herb Tilbury have been working here. It is difficult at times to determine which is the tester and which is the reader, since neither one can decide on how to connect a motor or what frequency to be used. It is not unusual to see Les wheeling transformers around the floor for the test, only to have Herb tell him that the job has another frequency. . . . Recalling the days when some of the fellows were enjoying world travel under the sponsorship of their friends and neighbors, we discovered that the course of a couple of our veterans stopped at China. The rickshaw boys are Joe Prezbindowski and Ray Matthews.

Warner Has 30 Years Service



W. W. Warner, Taylor St., recently celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric. Shown at the presentation of a congratulatory letter from the management are (l. to r.) M. E. Lord, Manager of the FHP Motor divisions; Mr. Warner, and A. W. Bartling, Manager of FHP Sales.

Firemen To Tryout For Softball Team

All firemen who desire to tryout for the Interdivision softball team are requested to report for practice at 6 p.m. Thursday, May 5, at Diamond 4, McMillen Park.



Our most sincere sympathy to Merle Morkoetter and son in the death of their wife and mother and to Ray DeBolt in the death of his son. . . . Henry Bradfield is at the Lutheran Hospital recovering from an appendectomy. He is in Room 220. . . . Our welder Ernie Brown, now Governor of Moose Lodge 200, and his efficient committee combined a bit of Christmas spirit which was aided by proper weather settings to make their annual Easter egg hunt a great success. Our former co-worker Claude Gill gave a helping hand to add to the success. . . . Get your man Chief A. R. (Butch) Vegalues was out last week and assisted in locating several oil cans missing from the oiler's wagon. . . . The secret of Marcellus Junk's success in the bowling tournament is now out. He says he was throwing a straight hook; now if you can throw a straight hook you can be a top notch bowler too. . . . A couple of the tool crib boys, Traverse Chandler and Fred Bishop staged a foot race the other day with Traverse winning in a close heat. . . . Mac McMaken, our St. Joe fireman, always comes up a casualty after they have a fire. Last week he had a bandaged hand and a slight limp. Could it be you fell off the truck again, Mac? . . . Joe Mattis finally left his friend Bill Johnson out in the cold last week when he addressed the boys at lunch with his usual cheery "Hello, Gentlemen," and you too, Bill. . . . Cris Delagrange has a new supply of the most aromatic herring you ever smelled. If you don't think so, just ask Art Kraft or Ozzie Nahrwold. . . . Birthday greetings this week go to Ardell Hambrock, John Driver and Hubert Sherlock. Congratulations and many happy returns. . . . It seems that Jess Batchelder started something last week as several of us have been taking turns at keeping the new skunk cage that Gene Werling fixed up. I know it's not my fault because no matter who I play with I get skunked. . . . Paul Boedeker has begun to get a bit chesty since his bowling team has gone into first place. Maybe he has started throwing that straight hook too.

Fractional Fiction 4-5

By Leola Carrier

The Bldg. 4-5 office is looking on the bright side nowadays. The paint has been removed from the windows, and old war memories have been washed away. . . . We all are wondering how many more hidden traits we have among our people. Ilo Motter brought in a cake shaped like a lamb with a big red ribbon around its neck. Gene Berg said he was going to bake his wife a birthday cake. How about displaying your talent, Gene? . . . Red Lee said he wasn't bragging when he was showing pictures of his grandchildren. I am just proud of them. They take after the grandfather. They are small. . . . Helen Papenbrock needs someone to keep her posted on what day it is. She puts her clock card in the box Thursday, and Friday comes around, she wonders who took her card. . . . Dohr Kreig is going to have his own originality by wearing purple hair. He said he wasn't the boy with the green hair. . . . We all enjoyed the beautiful church picture window in last week's issue. Congratulations to the WORKS NEWS staff. . . . Div. 15 is doing all right. Helen Papenbrock came along, said they have a new Pontiac. Frenchy LeGras is expecting a new Buick this week and "Lightening" Auth has a new DeSoto. . . . Leola Carrier and husband spent last week in Hot Springs, Ark. They were visiting her husband's folks. . . . Paul Stemmler had the luck of a fisherman, no fish but two flat tires. . . . We all wish Forrest Bunner a speedy recovery. Forrest has been ill for a couple of weeks. . . . Birthday greetings for the week go to Henry Vance and Rose Moody. Many more happy returns. . . . We express our sympathy to Pearl Ross in the death of her husband.

Young couples seem to get along best when near relatives are far away.

Tanks To You From Plating-Two

By Marie Lantz

Although the weatherman didn't prepare us for nor predict a "white Easter," Pink and Dewey almost did. Since it was turning colder Good Friday, we thought their remark that it was snowing down south referred to the weather. After we fell, we found it was just a slip falling down. . . . No kidding the Bunny almost brought us the Beast of Busco—in the form of an Easter egg—almost, we say. The beautiful blue egg which had his name inscribed upon it fell to the floor before the turtle was transferred. . . . Pressing is Helene Evanoff's present ambition—men's shirts, that is. Our advice is old and worn—if you don't succeed, Helene, try again. For it all comes out in the wash. . . . Clyde couldn't exactly be crafty—not with his apparent distaste for toasted cheese sandwiches. . . . Fred Zimmerman gave us quite a scare last week. Taken ill at work, he was sent home—but is back on the job now, feeling better.



Carl Metker doesn't seem to be the type that gets excited very easy, but he did the other night when the car stalled and Ardola Johnson yelled for assistance to get the car going again. Carl was so excited that he snuck the lighted end of a cigarette in his mouth. Now he is very careful of what he eats. . . . We were very surprised when we heard that Bill Wickliffe was afflicted with dizzy spells. He went to the dentist and he gave him some pills to help deaden the pain. When he left and was walking down the street he became very dizzy and couldn't imagine any doctor giving anyone that much dope to make a person feel like he did. Imagine his surprise when he discovered that he had left his glasses in the office. . . . Janice Hyser and Carole Ragen saw to it that the Easter bunny didn't forget Mary Nute and her husband. . . . Congratulations to Pauline (Smith) and Paul Irey whose daughter was born a week ago. . . . Hazel Stauffer is all in tune for another wedding. Last Saturday she played the organ at her first wedding and from all reports she did OK. All you June brides remember that. . . . Our friend Warren Jackson has gone to Taylor Street, and, boy, will we miss him. . . . That was a pretty good picture of Serena Slater in last week's WORKS NEWS but if we didn't know who sat back of her we wouldn't have recognized Millie Coleman. . . . Happy birthday to Faye Folk. . . . The last I heard there was going to be a law-suit—one was going to sue the other. Ted Bain's name was under Hamilton McCoys picture. I don't know who would win out, but "Skin-head" Bain said that the next time Mac had his picture taken he should paste a fly on his head so they would know who was who.

Voltmen Sign New Pitcher, Scott Cary



The Tools jumped into a two-game lead in the Small Motor League this week with just one night to go.

Paul Walker had the only 600 series of the week. A 601 on games of 195-202-204.

Two hundred scores were as follows: Flager, 222, 201; Walt Mertz, 205, 211; Lowell Welker, 202, 200; Jim Daley, 221; Stephen, 210; Leo Elward, 202; Bill Miller, 201, and Erv "Ghost Writer" Aumann, 200.

Office League

The Dickason Barber Shop team gave the Designers a haircut and shave. In return they got clipped, but managed to win the second half. Next Monday night they will engage the Blueprint boys to determine the league championship.

The high-low doubles tournament will also be held next Monday evening.

Orv Doherty finished the season in high gear, shooting a 606 on games of 158, 232 and 216.

Two hundred scores: Don Waldrop, 235; Walt Gerke, 222; Dick Gettys, 221; Erv Aumann, 213; Frank Schlink, 213; Vic Rump, 212, and Les Shroyer, 211.

Bowling and Stuff

Hurry and sign up as a charter member of the Fort Wayne Bowlers Welfare Association. Membership closes April 30.

The Hahn Way Cleaners won the team championship of the employees' tournament. They shot games of 1074, 1216 and 1025 for a 3315 total. They had a handicap of 135 pins per game. Members of the team and their totals are George Soule, 519; E. Roby, 526; R. Madden, 595; J. Haas 585, and Dale Springer, 613.

Second place went to the Worthman team, which had a 3252 total and the highest actual pin fall of the tournament, 3036. They were led by Joe Hambrock's 662 series.

Third place went to the Taylor St. team with a 3221 total. They were paced by Oscar Shelper's 696 total and 277 high single game.

Fourth place went to the Motor and Generator team, which always gets all the wood (providing they get enough handicaps) a 3170 total. They were paced by Lee Crowell's 672 total and Paul Walker's 265 second game. They beat Brouwers.

Fifth place went to the Brouwers' Tire and Battery team. Their total was 3143. George Luedeman showed the way with a 641 series and a high single game of 267.

Sixth place—Apparatus 2	3108
Seventh place—Cost	3097
Eighth place—Apparatus 5	3095
Ninth place—Pabst Blue Ribbon	3088
Tenth place—Inspectors	3086
Eleventh place—Apparatus 7	3075
Twelfth place—Series & Spec.	3072
Thirteenth place—Levels	3062
Fourteenth place—Doric	3054

The next team, the boys who were just out of the money, was the Broadway Beer and Wine boys with a score of 3047.

In the doubles last Saturday, Walt Mertz and Frank Matthews shot into second place with a 1379 total. Frank ran into the baby split in the last frame and failed to convert to miss out on first place. They shot an actual pin total of 1271, which isn't bad in any man's league.

Don Dimke and M. Junk continue to lead the doubles with a 1390 total.

Ed Kraft continues to lead both the singles and all events with scores of 756 and 1937.

Walt Mertz took over second place in the all events with a 1787 total. Other unofficial standings are as follows: George Luedeman, 1769; L. May, 1761; P. Walker, 1749; A. Crayton, 1744; W. Buuck, 1725; G. Soule, 1724, and F. Matthews, 1722.

The tournament will conclude Saturday with three squads of doubles and singles. Squad times will be 3 p.m., 5:30 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

League secretaries are urged to turn in their final league standings to Les Shroyer, Bldg. 31-2. These standings will be edited and turned over to the city secretary for the annual year book.

Plans are underway to hold the second annual tournament of league champions. This tournament will be held to determine the club champion. The winners receive G-E Club sweater awards. So keep in there pitching.

Last week's ghost writer was none other than Erv Aumann. Thanks a million, Erv, we'll see that you get another crack at it.

Decatur Bowling Leagues

In the Fraternal League, Bob Lord stole the show on the final night of bowling. He rolled his highest series of the season with a neat 683 on games of 194-278-211. Bob's efforts led Moose I to three wins over G-E Club. Moose II league winner won only one from K. of C.

The two hundred scores were: Zelt, 204; Babcock, 200, 214; Werling, 202, and J. Murphy, 212.

The final standings were: Moose II, 30-15 (also first half winner); Moose I, 28-17; K. of C., 23-22, and G-E Club, 9-36.

The high series in the Monday night league were rolled by G. Schultz, 610, and H. Murphy, 627.

Scores of 200 were rolled by Cook, 257; Laurent, 201; Longsworth, 208, and Bieberich, 214.

Ham League Schedules First Outdoor Practice

The first outdoor practice for the Ham Softball League will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, at the McMillen park. All ball players are to report promptly at 6 p.m.

There are still a number of openings for team positions. Anyone interested is requested to fill out the blank below and mail it to Bill Schible, Bldg. 20-1.

Voltmen Invite Youngsters To Attend All Games Free

Ask For Volunteers To Assist In Looking After Special Section

The G-E Voltmen will throw the Dwenger Park gates open this season to all boys and girls up to 15 years of age.

A new policy adopted this year by the G-E Club, the plan has been established to help underprivileged children of Fort Wayne. In addition to this special arrangement for youngsters, boys and girls from 15 to 18 will be charged a nominal fee of 30 cents for the games.

To Have Special Section

A special section will be established for these young fans, though those who come with their parents will be permitted to sit with them. Charles Wilt, G-E Club President, has issued an appeal for G-E employees to assist in looking after the special section.

"These foster fathers will be admitted free along with the children," Mr. Wilt stated.

Policy Wins Praise

His announcement concerning the youth open-door policy won praise from Lt. Emma Lepper, head of the Juvenile Aid Division of the Fort Wayne Police Department. She stated, "The G-E Voltmen deserve considerable commendation in this move. They certainly are giving the youth of our community a fine way to spend their leisure time."

The announcement was also made that the sale of Booster tickets will start Friday, April 29. The regular adult tickets are: grandstand, 74 cents, and box seats, $1.25. Booster tickets are $1. With a Booster ticket, employees can see the regularly scheduled games for 50 cents.

Booster tickets will be available at the G-E Club bowling alleys and at the personnel offices at the Taylor St. and Winter St. plants.

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Aubrey

It seems as though one of our old friends from Div. 1, O. D. Coleman, had a little difficulty getting the elevator to run the other day. After trying for several minutes to get it to go up, Clyde Cowan opened the door and there was Orv still waiting. Next time you want to go up Orv call for help and we'll find an operator for you. . . . Last Friday all the girls in the office received their pretty Easter hankies from their secret pals. All the hankies were beautiful and they really looked like spring. . . . Several of the fellows have learned not to put anything on Alma Witte's desk they don't want mailed. Any stray letters found lying around on the desk she puts in an envelope and out they go. . . . Happy birthday to Thelma Stapleton on April 26, hope you have a very nice day. . . . Thursday all the girls in the division had a potluck lunch. After such a layout of wonderful food, we were not worth much the rest of the day. . . . Girls, when Gene Foster whistles when he talks to you, he is not flirting. He just has his new front teeth, and is having a little difficulty with them.

One of the country's best alarm clocks is ham and eggs cooking on the kitchen stove.

OWL GOLF LEAGUE PLANS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

The Owl Golf League will have an organizational meeting at 2 p.m. Friday, April 29, in the G-E Club. League play is tentatively scheduled to start Wednesday, May 11.

All team captains and players who are not members of a team are requested to attend this meeting. Floyd Garland, league manager, and Earl Stauffer, secretary of last year, will be in charge of the meeting.

Scott Cary, talented lefthander who pitched for the G-E Club baseball team during the 1945 season, has been added to the 1949 roster of Voltmen, it was announced today by Manager John (Red) Braden.

Cary pitched the whole season of 1947 for the Washington Senators of the American League.

In the summer of 1946 he entered Organized Baseball with a record of 30 victories against only three defeats.

Scotty hung up his enviable record for Orlando, Fla., of the Class D, Florida State League, a farm club for the Senators. Then Manager Ossie Bluege snatched him up for the Washington team.

A relief pitcher for the Senators, Scotty was credited with three wins and two losses.

The American League banished him the next year, when he developed a sore arm during spring training.

He joined the St. Louis Browns, in the Tri-State League, and was farmed out to Chattanooga, members of the Southern Asociation. He chalked up 15 wins against eight losses last season.

When his father died last summer, Scotty decided to leave organized ball to help his mother on their farm near Burr Oak, Mich.

The fifth newcomer signed this season, Cary brings the Voltmen's pitching staff to six men. Other pitchers are John Orphal, Hugh Orphan, Charles Shipman, Al Hazel, and Bill Brandt; other newcomers thus far include Don Runge, Stanley Miasek, Shipman and Orphal.

Owl Industrial Team Schedules First Practice

The Owl Industrial League softball team will hold its first practice at 9:30 a.m. Monday, April 25, at McMillen Park. All men on second or third shift wanting to play softball this season are invited to this practice.

In case of rain, there will be a meeting in the G-E Club gym. All positions are open, and players should send the application blank below to Cecil Tarney, team manager, Bldg. 4-5.

All players are requested to bring their gloves to the practice. In case of an indoor practice, gym shoes are also required.

HAM LEAGUE APPLICATION BLANK

Bill Schible
Bldg. 20-1

I would like to apply for a position on the Ham softball team.

Name .....

Bldg. ..... Floor .....

Age .....

Home Telephone .....

Home Address .....

OWL LEAGUE APPLICATION BLANK

Cecil Tarney
Bldg. 4-5

I would like to apply for a position on the Owl Industrial League softball team.

Name .....

Bldg. ..... Floor .....

Home Telephone .....

Home Address .....



Where The Money Goes

MATERIALS, etc., took $201 million—or 48.4c out of each $1 received

$201 million had to be used in the first 3 months of 1949 to provide for materials, light, heat, power, supplies, services of outsiders, reserves, wearing out of equipment, and taxes other than Federal Income Taxes shown below.

EMPLOYEES took $163 million—or 39.5c out of each $1 received

$163 million went for our employees' pay checks of $151 million, and for extras of $12 million to provide pensions, insurance and other employees' benefits.

UNCLE SAM took $23 million—or 5.7c out of each $1 received

$23 million was required by Uncle Sam for Federal Income Taxes on the Company's total income for the quarter.

BUSINESS NEEDS took $13 million—or 3c out of each $1 received

After these expenses, $27 million was left as net income, or 6.4¢ on each $1 received. But $13 million, or 3¢ on each $1 received, couldn't be paid to stockholders. It had to be kept in the business to finance larger inventories, to provide for meeting competition, and to make as many jobs as possible as safe as possible.

OWNERS took $14 million—or 3.4c out of each $1 received

$14 million was paid to stockholders. They, in general, had to pay a second tax of from 17¢ to 82¢ out of each $1 of this amount in personal Federal Income Taxes. These taxes were in addition to the $23 million of their original total income already taken for Federal Income Taxes as indicated above.

Both receipts and earnings were somewhat below the previous quarter, but a little above the first quarter of last year.

In the middle of March our prices were reduced on refrigerators, radios and freezers. New, low-priced television sets and automatic clothes washers were brought out. These developments came so late in the quarter as not to indicate their full effect on volume and earnings. They are expected to save customers $50 million this year. Further price reductions have been made in April.

April business is fair to date and jobs for the Company as a whole are only about 3% below our all-time peak. We have no predictions to make for the balance of the year, but all concerned can be assured that every effort will be made to get the sales that make the jobs.

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The real test in golf and in life is not in keeping out of the rough, but in getting out after we are in.

—*Rev. John H. Moore*

G-E Club To Sponsor Old Fashioned Dance

An Old Fashioned Dance for G-E employees will be held Friday night, May 6, in the G-E Club gymnasium, the Family Night committee announced

Admission will be free of charge to all employees and their families. Tickets are available at the G-E Club and Bldg. 18-B candy stands and at the personnel offices at the Taylor St. and Winter St. plants.

The dance, second to be held this year in the G-E Club's Family Night series, will begin at 8 p.m. Joe Taylor, Bldg. 27, and his Red Bird recording band will furnish the music.

Special dance sets will be arranged for the inexperienced or less ardent dancers. Ed Parker, Bldg. 24, will pipe the sets to the gay music of some real hoosier fiddle-busters.

Summer Help Opportunities Are Restricted

During the past few years the General Electric Company at Fort Wayne has employed a number of students during the summer months.

This year the opportunities for summer employment will be greatly restricted because conditions have changed, involving some reduction of the working force.

While applications for summer employment are being received, the indications at present are that such employment will not be available this year.

For obvious reasons, any work becoming available will be given to those employees off for lack of work at the time.

Veterans To Hold Annual Meeting, Elect New Officers

Plans are being completed for the annual meeting of the G-E World War Veterans' Association at 8 p.m. Friday, May 6, in Kreis Stolzenau hall.

Highlight of the meeting will be the annual election of officers.

Nominees for office are:

President:

Howard Householder, Taylor St.

Ken Michael, Broadway

Vice-President:

Jimmie James, Broadway

Frank Till, Winter St.

Secretary:

Walter Whonsetler, Broadway

James Bohn, Winter St.

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Today Is Deadline For Reservations To Elex Mother, Daughter Parties

Today is the last day to make reservations for the Elex Mother and Daughter parties to be held Thursday, May 5.

There are two parties planned, one at the YWCA for the night girls with luncheon being served at 12 noon. The second affair will be held at 8 p.m. in the G.E Club gym for the day girls.



Dorothy Koomjohn

Dorothy Koomjohn, concert pianist, will be featured at the day girls' section of the Elex Mother-Daughter party Thursday, May 5.

Miss Koomjohn is the daughter of Charles Koomjohn, Bldg. 4-6. She is a member of the faculty for the St. Louis Institute of Music. A graduate of the Ruth Castle Studios in Fort Wayne and the St. Louis Institute, she recently completed her first concert tour, through Pennsylvania and Ohio.

Featured at the noon party are Vernon Carr, magician, and Delores Patterson, vocalist. The day girls will hear Dorothy Koomjohn, concert pianist, and Ogden's saxophone quartet.

There will be gifts for each mother of Elex members. There will also be prizes for the oldest and youngest mothers, the one coming the greatest distance, and the oldest grandmother attending the parties. In addition, there will be four attendance prizes for motbers.

Tickets for the day girls' party are 75 cents each, while the night girls' tickets are $1 each.

Elex To Co-Sponsor Rummage Sale May 13

The Elex Club will hold a rummage sale Friday, May 13, with the Anthony Blvd. Presbyterian Church. The sale will be held in a building at the corner of Baker and Calhoun streets.

Merrihue To Speak At Dinner For G-E Foremen, Supervisors

W. V. Merrihue, Manager of Employee and Community Relations for the Apparatus Department, will be the speaker when the Fort Wayne Management plays host to the G-E Foremen's Association and the Supervisors' Club at their semi-annual dinner Wednesday, May 11, in the G-E Club auditorium.



W. V. Merrihue

Mr. Merrihue graduated from the University of Pennsylvania with a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering in the class of 1925. While an undergraduate, he edited several magazines which attracted the attention of the General Electric Company. This resulted in an offer of a position in the centralized Publicity Department of the Company as a copywriter.

In periodic steps, he was promoted to Assistant Manager of the Industrial Advertising division, Manager of the Central Station Advertising division, Assistant Manager of all Apparatus Advertising divisions, and in 1944 was made Manager of the Advertising and Sales Promotion divisions of the Company's leading unit, the Apparatus Department. After three years in this capacity, he was promoted to Manager of Employee, Labor, and Community Relations for the Apparatus Department.

In 1932 Mr. Merrihue received the Company's highest honor, the Charles A. Coffin Award for "initiative, ingenuity and perseverance in devising a new and unusual sales plan."

In his present position he sets policies and appraises, stimulates, and coordinates the industrial relations of a far-flung operation embracing twenty-three manufacturing plants throughout the country with a combined employment of 97,000 people.

To Serve Dinner In Shifts

Every member is asked to report for the dinner at the time indicated on the invitation. The dinner will be served in two shifts, one at 5:30 p.m. and the second at 6 p.m.

Record Number of Stockholders Attend Annual Meeting at Schenectady Works



A bird's-eye view of the largest crowd ever to attend a General Electric stockholders meeting, which was held in the Company's new $30,000,000 turbine building in Scehnectady. Chairman of the Board of Directors, Philip D. Reed, presided at the meeting. An estimated 1,500 stockholders heard G-E President Charles E. Wilson speak on the annual report for 1948 and on operations for the first quarter of 1949.

An estimated 1,500 stockholders attended the annual meeting of the General Electric Company Tuesday, April 19, which was held in the heart of the Company's largest manufacturing operation, its new $30,000,000 turbine building. It was believed to be the largest crowd ever to attend any stockholders meeting.

Guests were also given an opportunity to view the partially-completed new quarters of the G-E Research Laboratory at the Knolls, near Schenectady.

The meeting was presided over by Philip D. Reed, chairman of the G-E Board of Directors. Secretary

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Value Of Better Ideas Seen In New Method Of Resuscitation

An example of what it means to think out a better way of doing things, an improved method of accomplishing an objective, is found in the revised manner of applying the prone pressure method of artificial resuscitation. For years and years there was only one acknowledged way of reviving a person presumably dead through electric shock, gas suffocation or drowning. For years and years first aid crews followed the accepted way, assuming there could be no other.

Then, apparently all of a sudden, someone came forward with a different way . . . not only different but infinitely better. It ended the danger of injury to the person being revived. By the old method, occasionally ribs were broken or internal organs were misplaced by the pressure employed to restore natural breathing. Everyone accepted this as a natural course of events. Everyone thought nothing much could be done about it.

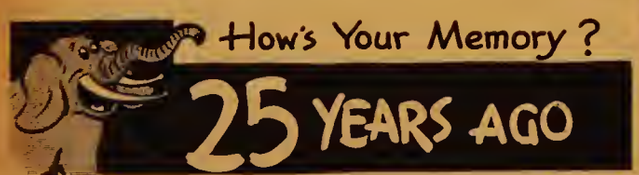
But something was done and through the new method now being used throughout the Company, danger of cracked ribs of other internal injuries is almost entirely eliminated. The patient has more of a chance to recover. The natural function of breathing is given more opportunity to return . . . the better way has prevailed all because someone had the brains to think further than the job as it was laid out.

There Are All Kinds Of Accidents To Befall Us

An accident is the product of luck. It may be good luck. It may be bad luck. If you won a lottery for $100,000 that would be an accident, happy to be sure. If you dropped a piece of steel on your big toe and laid up in the hospital while the toe mended, that would be an accident, dismally unhappy of course.

All day long everywhere we have accidents. Luckily most of them do not cause personal injury or property damage. Records compiled by a large insurance company show that in a unit group of 330 similar accidents, 300 produce no injuries, 29 are accompanied by minor injuries and only one causes a major injury or perhaps death.

If we are to keep accidents, these things which happen without design, to a minimum number, each one of us has a part to do. What that part is, each one of us knows best and if we continually apply that knowledge, we'll escape a lot of trouble.



The plans for the memorial which will be erected here at our plant in honor of the men who left our organization for military service during the World War, are nearing completion.

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Making moonlight for the movies. Romance—manufactured in General Electric shops.

Although the company was a pioneer in the manufacture of moving picture apparatus, it is only during the last four years that it has had broad interest in helping Hollywood. Yet in this short time much apparatus of great importance to the motion picture business, infant prodigy of industries, has been developed.

Today G-E workers make motion picture projection lamps of both arc and Mazda type, studio lights, studio spotlights and motor-generator compensarcs. Thus the antics of Chaplin and the artistry of Arliss, together with the work of hundreds of other stars shining in filmdom, is brought into contact with the daily tasks of workers in G-E plants.

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You want to be sure to attend the Federation County Fair planned for Saturday night, April 26, The Y.W.C.A. gymnasium will be so transformed for this occasion that you will not be able to recognize it.

We might tell you a few secrets if you don't tell too many people. Polly Botts has offered her services as an expert horsewoman for our benefit, and listen—Sh-h-h! Irene Meyers is going to be a mon—No, we guess we'd better not tell that. Anyway, you he sure to come, for there will be many surprises waiting for you.

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At the annual meeting of the debenture bondholders of the G-E Employees Securities Corporation held at the fire station, Building 45, of the Schenectady Works at 11 a.m., April 14, Fred Duryee, of this Works, re-elected a bond director.

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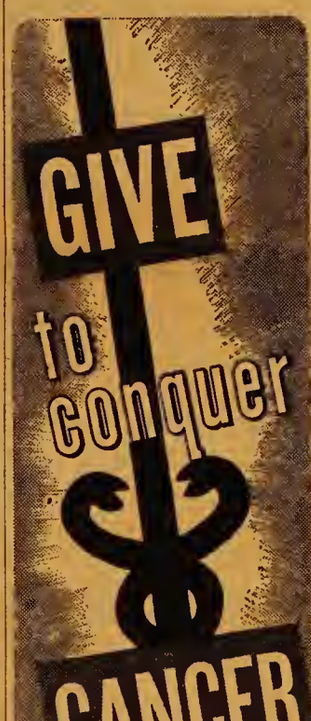
Two new members, Samuel Richards, of Building 2-3, and Peter M. Braun, of Building 12-2, have lately received Quarter Century Club membership buttons.

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Thirty-seven members of the Apprentice Alumni Association made a visit to the Auburn Automobile Company's plant at Auburn, Indiana on Saturday morning, April 5th. Eddie Kammeyer was the first to be welcomed at Auburn. He was escorted down the main street to the court house and back again to the office of a justice of the peace, where he was relieved of some money because he failed to turn a street corner in the proper manner.

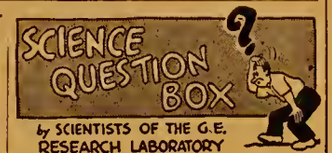
'Where Do You Think You're Going?'





Cancer Can Strike Anyone

Give and keep giving to conquer cancer. Every dime helps teach new thousands how to recognize cancer and what to do about it. Every quarter helps support research scientists seeking the cause and cure. Every dollar helps provide facilities for treatment and care.



Q. Is a level line a straight line?

A. No, not if it is very long. A line or surface is level when it is at right angles to the vertical, i.e. the direction of the center of the Earth. The vertical at New York is not the same as the vertical at Chicago, and a level line between the two cities would curve, following the curvature of the Earth.

WHAT'S NEW IN G-E PLANTS & LABS

CLEVELAND—Using the new "coiled-coil" filament construction announced recently, the Lamp Department here announces reduction in the size of the 75-watt general lighting lamp as well as an increase in its light output and efficiency. It now has the same physical size and shape as the present 60-watt lamp, making it suitable for use in portable lamps and fixtures where only lamps of lower wattage could be used previously. Other lamps to which the technique had already been applied are the 50, 60, and 100 watt. Greater efficiency of new method is attributed to the coiling method which reduces the filament from an original 21½ inches to a length in the finished filament of only ⅛ of an inch.

Radio tubes of ceramic materials, recently developed in the Research Laboratory at Schenectady, offer many advantages in producing tiny radio waves a few inches in length. The development solved the chief problem in making such tubes, that is, obtaining a tight seal between the ceramic and metal parts.

YORK, PA.—The Boundary Ave. Works here has completed 1,521 days without a lost-time accident, the last such accident being Oct. 12, 1944, an unequalled record within the Company.

Meet the President



Record Number

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W. W. Trench read the notice of the meeting and G-E President Charles E. Wilson spoke on the annual report for 1948 and included a report on the first quarter of 1949. A report was also given by J. W. Belanger, Manager of the Turbine divisions, who spoke on "New Turbine Facilities and the Future of the Power Industry."

1,155 Tour Research Lab

Of the visitors who arrived between 9 and 11 a.m. for the meeting, 1,155 were taken on the tours through the new Research Laboratory facilities. Following a luncheon for all guests, bus tours were conducted around the Schenectady Works, as well as tours of the new turbine building in which the meeting was held. A staff of 380 was present to direct the tours, luncheon and other meeting facilities. Of this number 110 were members of the G-E Woman's Club who served as waitresses at the luncheon.

After presenting the five summary statements of G-E's 1948 performance enumerated in the 57th Annual Report, Mr. Wilson added:

"These and similar accomplishments, which have benefited so many people year after year, were made possible only because General Electric's operations have been profitable. It seems to me that this sums up fairly well the performance of our corporate job during 1948, with full awareness of our social responsibilities. It is a performance in which we take considerable pride."

Elect 16 Directors

Members of the Board of Directors which were elected at the meeting are: Charles F. Adams, S. Sloan Colt, Donald K. David, Charles D. Dickey, G. Peabody Gardner, Francis L. Higginson, John Holmes, George G. Montgomery, Henry S. Morgan, Philip D. Reed, Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., Robert T. Stevens, Sidney J. Weinberg, Lewis B. Williams, Charles E. Wilson and Robert D. Woodruff.

Operations of the General Electric Company and its consolidated affiliates for the first three months of 1949 resulted in a profit available for dividends of $26,702,978, or 93 cents a share of common stock. This represented an increase of 5 per cent over the $25,389,149, or 88 cents a share, earned in the corresponding period of 1948. These earnings were equivalent to 6.5 cents on each dollar of sales in the 1949 period compared with 6.9 cents a year earlier.

Net Sales Boost 12%

Consolidated net sales billed in the first quarter of this year totaled $411,615,528, or 12 per cent more than the $365,957,990 billed in the same period a year ago.

The Company will pay a dividend of 50 cents a share on April 25 for the first quarter of 1949, compared with 40 cents a share paid for the corresponding quarter last year. This will he the 207th dividend on the Company's common stock and will involve the distribution of approximately $14,200,000 to about 250,000 stockholders.

Consolidated statements of operations for the three months ended March 31 this year and last year, partly estimated and subject to audit at the year end, are shown below:

	3 months ended March 31 1949	1948
Net sales billed	$411,615,528	$365,957,990
Costs, expenses, and other charges	363,053,853	319,705,167
Income from sales	48,561,675	46,252,823
Income from other sources:		
Interest, dividends, and other sundry revenue	2,835,859	2,024,030
Less interest and other financial charges	1,194,556	1,298,450
	1.641,303	725,580
Total income before provision for Federal taxes on income	50,202,978	46,978,403
Federal taxes on income	23,500,000	21,500,000
	26,702,978	25,478,403
Minority and nonconsolidated interest in net income	—	89,254
Net income applicable to General Electric Company common stock	$ 26,702,978	$ 25,389,149
Earnings per share on 28,845,927 shares Issued	$0.93	$0.88



Zercie Sinish received word of another new grandson last week. That makes three lively little grandsons for Zercie. . . . Norene Devlin celebrated a birthday on Wednesday of last week. Slightly belated we wish to say happy birthday, Norene. . . . Rae Smith seems to have quite a time getting things together, especially earrings. Seems last Wednesday she appeared for work very cheerfully only to find that she was wearing a very novel pair of earrings. One earring being red and the other green. Red and green stockings aren't to unusual, but red and green earrings are quite unusual. . . . The Pi Omi Cron sorority spring dance being held this Saturday has been keeping its members very busy with all the details. Emma Meyers is one of the busy gals, but I'm sure the results will be well worth the effort. . . . Thought for the week: If Helen Eggeman can keep track of Viola Haiber's keys, can Viola keep track of Helen's car. . . . Hilda Krause reported that the "Sunflower State" Kansas greeted her with very pretty weather for her Easter visit. That just goes to show you, Hilda, that even the weather man was glad to see you back. . . . Could it be that Hazel Smith's Mom doesn't trust her driving? . . . Shipping section has been puzzled lately with a very deep problem. Who likes spaghetti best, Bob Jellison or Katie Minehart? . . . 'Tis agreed by all the M/S typist that Dorothy Fletter would make an excellent silent actress. Her pantomime is perfect.

Cordiner Is Elected Executive Vice Pres., Director Of Company



R. J. Cordiner

Ralph J. Cordiner has been elected executive vice president and a director of the General Electric Company by the board of directors, it was announced this week. The directors also re-elected Charles E. Wilson and Philip D. Reed, as president and chairman of the board, respectively.

Mr. Cordiner has been vice-president and assistant to the president since February, 1945. He became assistant to the president in July, 1943, after serving during the war as director general of war production scheduling and vice chairman of the War Production Board.

Before the war he served for many years with the Company's Appliance and Merchandise Department. In 1938 he succeeded Mr. Wilson as manager of that department. Before joining the Appliance and Merchandise Department, he had served with Hotpoint, Inc., a G-E affiliate, which he joined in 1923.

A native of Walla Walla, Wash., Mr. Cordiner was graduated from Whitman College in 1922 with honors.

Veterans to Hold

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Treasurer:
Harold Rahe, Winter St.
Don McAleece, Taylor St.
Sergeant-At-Arms:
Edmund Holocher, Broadway
Andrew Brown, Taylor St.

In addition, nominations will be accepted from the floor prior to the balloting.

Vice-President Robert Bangert and his committee have prepared a full program of entertainment.

Tickets for the meeting are $1 and are being sold by all contact men.

Mrs. Olive Adams Dies

Mrs. Olive E. Adams, 47, 1623 E. Creighton Ave., died at 9:25 p.m. Friday, April 22.

She was a member of American Legion Post 47 Auxiliary, and an employee of General Electric since 1941. Mrs. Adams was first employed as a matron in Bldg. 26-2 and later in Bldg. 19-5. At the time of her death she was an assembler in Bldg. 4-3.

Services were held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Forest Park Methodist Church, the Rev. Dale Stackhouse officiating. Burial was in Huntington.



Last report — Elizabeth Carnel, Bldg. 18-1, is bemoaning the fate of her new (?) car. She tangled with a government representative, consequence the side of her poor little car was caved in to say nothing of her nerves. It seems that it is necessary to get an act of Congress to get her car repaired. Mayhe you are not of the right politics! . . . Happy birthday to Dorothy Janel of Bldg. 18-1 and Karl Reid, Bldg. 18-4. . . . The air was a little hazy in Bldg. 18-B recently when Hazel O'Brien locked her keys inside the canteen. . . . We have a report that Paul Lenz, Bldg. 18-4, is able to be "out" again. It seems his shirt sleeves departed from his shirt Tuesday a.m., or, could it be he is starting a new style. . . . We are certainly pleased to report that A. E. Leider is recuperating satisfactorily from his recent operation at the St. Joseph Hospital. This time "Hap" stay put in your room so they will not have to send out a four bell alarm looking for you. . . . The second floor of the hospital looks a bit like G-E row. Harold Mettler of Bldg. 4-4 is unhappy over an injured right hand—I am sure he feels that a power mower is as dangerous as a half dozen wild cats, and Leo Nyboer of Bldg. 4-5 is counting the hours until his month's sojourn is ended. . . . Did you notice the happy smile and new eye sparkle displayed by Marion Champion our Bldg. 18 messenger girl? The sparkle was a reflection from a very beautiful diamond denoting her engagement to John Waggoner of Elkhart, Ind. June is the month set for the wedding. Won't she be a cute little pocket edition of a bride? Sunday was the day of joint celebration, her birthday and engagement. Our very best wishes to you. . . . Ray White's Cubs had a kite flying contest last Saturday. Ray gave prizes for the biggest kite, best built, etc. But it took Ray to find the hole, trip, lose his balance, his change and his KEYS. Monday—he said, no keys no work in Bldg. 18-4! . . . There has been a first aid station established in Bldg. 18-4 with Olive Smith as the attendant. Herman Kappel the first noticed patron, gives a good recommendation for the service. Will Estel Monroe of Bldg. 18-1, please note, maybe they will supply a sling for your arm the next time you hurt your finger on the file. . . . What has happened to Mae Lacey? We understand that Lloyds of London refused to insure her. . . . We would like to know if there is anyone that can go in or out of a door more quietly than Carl Brandt, Bldg. 18-4. . . . Chet Kowalski, of Bldg. 18-1 must have an attraction in Pittsfield—last week two days and again this week. . . . Jean Meyer, Accounting section, is still bemoaning the fact that she had to send back a hamburger recently, or should we say the results have caused her to be a little unhappy. Don't let it get you down we like you anyway! . . . The Fort Wayne Management should be more "Safety Minded" than usual, if possible, after attending the two day session of the Sixth Annual Northeastern Indiana Safety Conference at the Chamber of Commerce. Our Herschel L. Smith, is General Chairman of the Safety Council, and Loyd Bodenhamer was chairman of the exhibits committee and a member of the program committee. . . . We were sorry to learn of the death of our friend John Gruber, who retired from G-E a number of years ago. Until the past two years he visited Bldg. 18 often and we shall miss his friendly visits.

The less people speak of their greatness, the more we think of it.

Elex Club To Hold Officers' Conference

The Elex Club's Spring Conference for Officers will he held tomorrow and Sunday, April 30 and May 1, at the Keys Hotel on Route 30 west.

The opening session will begin at 1 p.m., with Charlotte Stanford, Elex president, presiding. Following the first meeting, dinner will be served in the Key's grill, with the Decatur delegates acting as hostesses. The theme will be "Loo-Ah-OO, GeCode Style." Elex will have charge of the May Day Breakfast at 10 a.m. the next day, and the meetings will close at 2 p.m. Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Matson, Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Freeman, and S. S. Monroe, of DeKalb plant, will be guests at the conference.

There are seven delegates representing Decatur, five from Danville, two from DeKalb and eight from the local Partizan Chapter.

Chemistry Class Tours Lab



Last week the chemistry class of Liberty Center high school toured the Taylor St. laboratory. W. K. Bugher, the instructor, (in the background, above, at the far right) is a former G-E employee. He worked at both the Broadway and Taylor St. labs from 1943 to 1945.

UE Suit Against G-E, AEC Dismissed By Federal Court

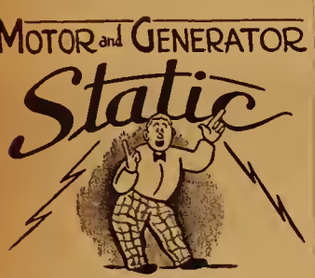
The million-dollar damage suit to enjoin the General Electric Company from following an Atomic Energy Commission order, brought by the CIO-United Electrical Workers against the Commission and G-E, was dismissed this week in Washington by Federal Judge F. Dickinson Letts. The UE announced the decision would be appealed.

The suit challenges orders issued by the AEC to General Electric last fall directing the Company not to recognize the UE as bargaining representative of employees engaged in classified atomic energy work in the Schenectady, N. Y., area.

Judge Letts, in his memorandum opinion, held that "the action of the Atomic Energy Commission of which the plaintiff — UE — complained was authorized by the Atomic Energy Act."

The Commission gave as reasons for their action failure of the UE officials to sign the non-Communist affidavits required under the Labor-Management Relations Act. And the fact that—"information is available, much of it a matter of open public record, of alleged Communist affiliation or association of various officers of UE." The Commission also pointed out that the UE officers had declined to submit data for loyalty investigation and had failed to take advantage of two invitations from the Commission to refute charges made as to their "alleged Communist affiliation or association."

Following this action the UE instituted suit against the Company and the AEC on Oct. 28, 1948, for $1,000,000 damages as a result of the Company's compliance with the Commission's order not to recognize the union at the two atomic power laboratories.



THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"The biggest problem in the world could have been solved when it was small."

FOOD: It's rather an interesting pastime watching people's reactions in restaurants. Joe Neal, bachelor gourmet of Bldg. 31-1, assures himself of both food and service in a neighborhood restaurant by taking a waitress home and presenting flowers to the cook, while Fred Eisenbiegler, who is on a diet, under high pressure salesmanship by same waitress, ordered a large meal and pie on the side. . . . BEWARE: All gamblers are warned to beware of Jim Mitchell, who was observed buying a book on "How to Play Poker in Six Easy Lessons." According to reports he is on lesson five and should graduate next week. . . . "BUTTON—BUTTON": Who's got the button? The answer is Herm Zuber of Bldg. 19-B. Yes, Herm still wears his old wartime identification button. Relates Mr. Zuber, "Sometimes I have to look at it to identify myself, I was mighty purty in those days." . . . EXPANSION: George Grote is expanding his activities, and is now known as the Louis Bromfield of Bldg. 19-1. His latest project is a potato patch in Ohio. . . . Twins? Imo Foley and Althea Tarr, our cost division twins, celebrated their birthdays April 25. . . . RIGHT WAY: Little did the boys in Bldg. 27 realize as they watched Frank Rathert go about his duties, that hidden beneath a rugged exterior was the soul of a true artist. To Mr. Rathert, anything that violates his conception of harmony, produces the same discordant effect as a jazz musician in a symphony orchestra. Coming to work the other morning Frank observed ladies wearing head scarfs in a manner that violated his conception of the beautiful, so taking a scarf he demonstrated the proper way of arranging that head covering. This demonstration brought applause from his audience on the bus who realized that here was a genius at work. To Mr. Rathert there can be only one right way and that way he will be glad to demonstrate by appointment. . . . ACCIDENT: The other evening Roscoe Markley was feeling tired when he crawled into bed. As he settled down for a good night's rest there came a cracking sound and the bed collapsed, depositing slats, spring, and mattress and Mr. Markley on the floor. Was Roscoe nonplused by this accident? Did the fact that the large toe on his left foot was sprained in the collapse and a slat hit him on the head prevent our hero from enjoying a good night's sleep? The answer is, no. He rolled over and slept soundly till morning. The real accident occured when he awakened and forgetting what happened attempted to crawl out of bed. His head struck a side rail of the bed with slight injury to Roscoe and none to that piece of furniture. . . . SLIPPING: We have noted with alarm that Capt. S. S. Marquardt has lately been publicized in the "gossip column" of the evening paper. Too, we note that he is not adverse to this publicity since he brings copies of the items in for us to see, in the event we missed it the night before. Despite his recently developed "Man about town" air, we sincerely hope that he will not go so far as to effect a cane, spats and monocle. For an intimate glimpse behind the scenes of "Night Life with the Elite" may we humbly suggest the attention of Cliff Milnor.

Ramblings 31-2

At the end of the archery demonstration of the G-E Sports Show, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson called for a volunteer to have an apple shot off of his head. Tony of Main Auto was urged to try his luck, but he said, most emphatically, "Nothing doing." Then our K. R. McDougal walked nonchalantly up to the stage and volunteered. Earl Anderson gave him a farewell handshake, seated him in a chair, took his glasses, and placed an apple on his head. Meanwhile, Mrs. Anderson was standing ready with bow and arrow to shoot at the apple. "Oh, yes," said Earl, "I'll have to blindfold you, so you won't flinch and get hurt!" Mac said O. K. and in a few seconds twang went the bow, plop went the arrow and apple. The blindfold was removed. Mac heaved a sight of relief as he turned and saw the arrow and apple against the target. Mac took the apple, bit into it, and rejoined the audience. Just call Mac Bill Tell, Junior.



At a time like this words fail me—in fact words are inadequate to express my feelings. Olive Adams, our good friend and co-worker, suffered a stroke last Friday night, after working all day, and departed from this earthly life to one in a higher realm. She was kind and considerate, never one to anger, always pleasant with everyone. She was an Elex contact girl. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her. To her bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy to each and every one of you. . . . Emily Nierman, Alice Claymiller and Elfrieda Wolfe have returned to work after a short illness. . . . Happy birthday to Merle Kcesler and to Melba Flanders, and many more. Thanks for the lovely cake, Melba. . . . We welcome Herb Stack back to the group. Hope your stay will be for a long time. . . . What was this we heard of Lec Raver coming to work wearing two shades of hose. Was it too early in the morning, or was it a hurried job? . . . Say, Boedeker just when are you going to get that house painted? Could it be that you want the test and inspections boys to help? . . . Why doesn't Carl Harmon have a garden? This is a nice time to get out and play in the dirt, Carl, why don't you try it. . . . Fred Clark has a new car. Just watch him strut his stuff down the street. It is a honey of a car. We can say the same for Paul Ginder—he got a new green tudor Mercury. . . . I sure wish Waldemar Schmidt would give me a little news. Why the hold out, Schmidt, more money? Very sorry, no help. . . . Thelma Purdue had a lot of mud on her umbrella the other day. The only way that I can figure out that it got so muddy is that she must use it for a landing net when she goes fishing. She is still looking for that fishing partner. . . . Donna Lindley didn't know that selling a house could be such a headache and says never again. . . . That was a very good picture of Everett Lindeman in last week's WORKS NEWS, but, Everett, you never should have done it—now we know how old you are. . . . Our friend, Lillie Benz, is being pensioned this week. She hasn't been feeling too well and is going to California for a little while to see if the climate out there will help. We sure hope that it does and we are going to miss you very much.

R. P. Loveland Writes Article On Spur Gears

R. P. Loveland, Bldg. 4-6, has written an article about "Spur Gears" for the latest issue of Machine Design.

The story, a technical discussion of spur gears for use with universal and aircraft motors, is illustrated with sketches, diagrams and tables.

Mr. Loveland started with General Electric in May, 1930, in the FHP Motor Drafting division. Later he did layout work in the Engineering division and in 1937 he worked for L. F. Hemphill in Mechanical Engineering for Series and Specialty Motors. During the war, Mr. Loveland was assigned to work on the mechanical design of aircraft motors and later did coordination and design work of gear equipment which was driven by aircraft motors. Then in 1946 he was placed in charge of mechanical design for the DC and Specialty Motors division.

Mr. Loveland is the Company's representative from Fort Wayne in the American Gear Manufacturers' Association and on the G-E Interworks Gear Committee. He is also a member of the Fine Pitch Gear Committee of the AGMA and chairman of the subcommittee on flanges and drives for the SAE Aircraft Standardizing Committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Loveland have a son and daughter and live at 911 W. Creighton Ave.



Our deepest sympathy to Bill Grush in the death of his brother, Clarence, and to Robert Cuncy in the death of his mother. Also to Carl Moore whose father died and and to Estella Mitchell in the death of her mother. . . . If anyone notices the pleased look on Bill Crozier's face, it is only because he is now the proud papa of an 8 lb. 3 oz. baby boy. Congratulations to you and your wife, Bill. That goes for Ray Smith at Taylor St., too, the proud father of a new baby girl. . . . The John Root's have moved into their new home, and from all reports they are well pleased with John's masterpiece. Forest Carr and his family are settled in their new home too, with plenty of room for all, we hear. The boys are sorry to see you leave, Frosty, so come back and see us once in a while. . . . Wanted for Paul Dull: One small-sized tug boat with car-top carrier. . . . Bill Wetzel now owns a glorified Chevy, so anyone wishing to buy his old '37 DeSoto should contact him at once. Buying said car will entitle said purchaser to a shove into the center of the street. . . . John Birchmeyer is about to lose his happy home if he doesn't get that new Johnson motor off the dining room table, but quick. He's just so proud of the darn thing. . . . Not too much excitement on the third trick, but when something does happen it leaves poor Abe Koch at a loss—of his teeth that is. We understand the Lieutenant left his "plate" on the table at the wrong time and his wife unknowingly tossed them in the furnace. Folks, that accounts for Abe hanging around the undertaker parlors so much lately. He's waiting for a "good as new" set that fits just right. . . . Our curiosity is aroused no end as to who Bob Hatfield is going to take fishing with him when he uses that 800 feet of fish line and two cans of bait. . . . No, they didn't install any new lighting between columns P-15 and Q-15 at Taylor St. Mary Saxton says the windows in the General Service office have just been washed. . . . Happy birthday to Bill Gregg, Cecil Dougherty and Pop Luebke. . . . Lee Miller is doing all right for himself lately. A new pair of safety glasses, a pair of safety shoes; and, of course, he hasn't said anything but we have an idea Herschel Smith will donate at least six pairs of socks to go with those shoes.

Two Join Q-C Club



Ora V. Martin
Bldg. 19-1



Raymond H. Trumbower
Bldg. 19-5

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Lena Bauer, Kenneth Bainbridge, Agnes Brubaker, Forest Bunner, Clarence Crist, R. G. Dobbin, Andrew G. Einseidel, Carl Einseidel, Lydia Eckrote, Albert Flory, Esther Fox, Thelma Fenstermaker, Warren Garman, Eugene Garwood, Russell Hinsch, Raymond Hakes, Dewey Heaston, Everett King, A. E. Leider, Viola LeMaster, Glen Lewis, Lucille Miller, Leo Nyboer, Alice Nichens, Ralph Pappert, Elvira Romary, Everett Scherrer, Robert Snyder, Olive Strong, Iley Souders, Cletus Schmenk, Floyd Shellenberger, Gladys Shafer, O. O. Vaught, Ralph J. Wilkenson, Robert Mosshammer, Fred Erb, Joe Kuehner, Goldie Kelly, William Huber, Martin Kiefer, Mabel Fann, Ernest Bultemeyer, Tom Dent, Henry Bradfield, Marie Griffin, Margaret Harrison, Otis Holsworth, Mary Ann Jones.

Walk Safely

To Avoid That Run-Down Feeling



IS THE ARROW POINTING AT YOU?

Don't be a violator like those shown above. Form a habit of walking in the safety lanes, not only in front of the plant but at every crossing in the city. A few extra steps may save your life.

During the first three months of this year, there was a ratio of four Fort Wayne Works employees who lost time due to off-the-job injuries in relation to one because of injuries while on-the-job.

26-3 News

By Mabel Odel

Bertha Thimlar held the limelight last Friday. It was her last day with the G-E. She has her future backed with a beautiful diamond about the size of an acorn. She treated the girls with cake, a sample of her own culinary art. In turn the girls presented her with a dozen red roses. Best wishes for your future happiness, Bertha. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Ruth Freeland in the death of her mother. . . . Notice! I, your editor, received the following card: Dear Mabel, I saw in the G-E News that you were our editor again. I think you remember me, and was wondering if you would put in the column that: "Jay and Aylene Spiece wishes to thank their many friends for the lovely cards and well-wishes during their illness. We are some better and hope that it won't be too long before we can be back to work again." Jay and Aylene, 1012½ E. Washington Blvd. . . . Whitey Leiberenz would be a perfect playmate—no worry. He keeps everything under control. . . . George Brehm has a group known as the "sweater section." LaDonna Durbin is the outstanding member in pastel pink. . . . Tomorrow is the big moment in Martha Warren's life. She has finally said, "yes," and Monday we will see a blushing bride. . . . The packing section had a potluck and to give it the picnic atmosphere, they all wore slacks. . . . Annabelle Blair was having trouble all day. . . . If you see someone opening doors and yelling, "Yoo Hoo," don't get alarmed. That's just Wade Bowman in what is known as "the old round-up." . . . Hap King, "the mean little kid," ties knots in girls' apron strings. Vera Hoover, as a result, was tied pretty close to her bench most of the day. . . . Garnet Curie, Lorraine VonBehran, Wanda Grimm and Dorothy Whan showed the gang what the Easter parade should have been like. . . . A few things that are hard to believe: A group of girls huddled together with Les Parrish in the center down on his knees. Lawrence Schuster raving about what class she has, what beautiful lines, she really is a honey. And says it's an outboard motor he's talking about. Lorraine VonBehran working in a corner all by herself and claiming that she isn't being punished. Irma Wilkens shutting a window on her hand with the result that it was badly bruised.

Office Offerings

The welcome mat is out for Jim Wellman, Dorothy Andrews and Chris Starke. . . . We don't know how Wendell Harshman rates, but he was the only one that received a gift from Helen Reynolds while she was in Mexico. He is very proud of it and wishes to thank Helen very much. Oh, we forgot to tell you, it was a package of good old Mexican soil. . . . Most people make hay while the sun shines, but Jim Voirol bought a flood light so he could mow his in the cool of the night. . . . Pat Lahr is the envy of all her friends. She has a beautiful leather purse that was also brought back from Mexico. . . . We wonder if Cliff Bowman could furnish everyone with paper weights. When Al Coxson lets loose with one of those man-sized sneezes, they would come in rather handy.

Here and There

IN BUILDING 17-4

By Beth Jacobs

Get well wishes to Maxine Baker. We hope you'll be in the pink when this is read. . . . Anyone having any old magazines or even any new ones that they don't want, please bring them in and give to Walter Lorenz. It seems as though he likes to read magazines belonging to other people while he eats his lunch, and at the present time no one has brought in any recent issues and he had read all available copies at least twice. Maybe we could take up a collection and buy him a year's subscription for some well known magazine! . . . With all the ice fishermen on the floor, someone surely could bring some of their ice fishing clothes for Cy Seymour to wear. With all the balmy spring weather Cy still wears his brown overcoat to work. Maybe the slipping Boston Red Sox is causing his sudden chill? . . . We wonder how many after-dinner cigars Ed Klomp collected after the banquet Thursday night as he was seen contacting all the non-smokers and inquiring whether they planned to attend? . . . Congratulations to Carl Hattendorf who walked off with second place with a 735 in the singles bowling tournament Saturday night. As Mr. Hanson says "It's better than a 500." Know what he means, Roger? . . . Belated birthday greetings to Mary Burkholder. We know some nice things happened to her and we hope nice things will continue happening to her for years to come. . . . Jean Forst went to a motorcycle dance! Well we had never heard of motorcycles dancing, sounds interesting though. . . . Did ja hear about Esther Hakes watching a dancing class through a window instead of where she was walking, stumbled and fell flat on her nose. Well, she did! . . . Ruth Theurer passed candy Friday. Seems she has birthdays too. Hope you have many more happy years, and there weren't any twins involved, were there?

John Gruber Dies

John V. Gruber, 84, died at 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, at the Allen County Infirmary. He began working for General Electric in 1912 as a helper and when he retired in 1932 he was a crane operator.

Funeral services were held 2 p.m. Thursday, April 21, at the Chalfant-Perry Funeral Home, Dr. E. R. Garrison officiating. Burial was in Prairie Grove Cemetery.



Ralph Keller thanks all of his co-workers for the beautiful plant which he received from them during his recent illness. It was greatly appreciated and he brought one of the blooms in to work to show everyone just how beautiful it really was. Thanks a million, everyone. . . . Wonder what that noise was? Don't get excited it was just Walt Colchin. The strangest noises have a way of coming out of Walt whenever he gets excited or laughs. . . . Lloyd Garrison was going around last Monday giving away money. When someone asked him what the reason was, he replied that he was giving dividends on the money that was taken up on the weight of the "Busco Beast" about two months ago. Lloyd says now that he has given the money back, they will no doubt catch the thing this week. . . . Jessie Cleveland took her "spring vacation" last Thursday and Friday and helped her mother with the housecleaning. . . . Kenny Brown wouldn't take the hint when someone told him about those '36 Chevies. He just went ahead and bought one and now it is in the garage having some work done on it. After this, Kenny, maybe you will listen to the "voice of experience." . . . Congratulations to Gladys (Mosshammer) Pantazin who celebrated her birthday last Monday. They say she passed out cake for her treat, but we wouldn't know about that. . . . Ruth Cavender was seen passing out candy last Monday. So far we haven't been able to find out just what the occasion was, whether she got married or whether she too was celebrating her birthday. . . . Glenn Miller thinks he has a secret, seems as though he went and bought himself a new Chrysler last week, but has been very quiet about it. We don't know why he doesn't want anyone to know, so we'll just forget that we ever mentioned anything about it and help him keep his secret. . . . We also hear that "Moe" and his '36 Chevie parted company last week. He is now sporting a 1940 Packard. He says this one is much better, but still that lil' old '36 had its good points. or should we say features. Hm-m-m wonder how many he can name. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Rose Cuney in her recent bereavement. . . . Marguerite Stahl says she sure is sorry that she missed your picture in the NEWS last week, Oral, but wants to know if you were really trying to make everyone believe that was a real gun. . . . Pictures have the queerest way of disappearing in groups 17x41-70-80 and then all of a sudden reappearing, but upside down.



We are sorry we missed Lois Springer, Wava Augensbaugh and Florence Lea on their birthdays. We wish them many more happy ones. . . . We wish Neva Scott a speedy recovery. She was operated on recently. . . . Charles Trey is leaving us for retirement in about three weeks. . . . We understand Frank Fann hasn't patented his ice cream cocktail yet, but in the future it will be the hit of the week.

The most expensive thing about a home is carelessness.

New Clock-Radio



Claire O'Keefe of the Transmitter Division, Syracuse, is shown here holding a Model 65 white clock-radio receiver which will turn the radio on and off at the owner's will. One of the advantages of this new member of the G-E radio family is that it permits the user to go-to-sleep-with-music without having to worry about turning the set off. The Model 65 is in white plastic and the Model 64 in rose-wood plastic.



Remember to turn your clock up an hour tomorrow night. . . . This last week Div. 16 was awarded a safety performance certificate for 50 per cent improvement over last year's record. Let's even better that and keep that zero at the top of our lost time accident board. "Safety first makes safety last." That was the slogan that won first place in a nationwide contest. . . . Have you done your good neighbor deed today? If you haven't don't wait because you will be rewarded. Virgie Mayer and Mildred Huntine were going to shop for a hat after work. But their trouble was lugging an empty thermos bottle all over town. Good neighbor Mary Wright came forward. She would take the bottles home and return them well filled (one black, one with cream) provided they bring her a new hat. The next morning the bottles were returned full, and Mary was seen wearing a new hat. It will last all summer too. Not only as headgear but doubling as a suit pin. . . . Last Friday we put our "We wish you happiness" mat out for Helen Weigle. She is saying "I do" tomorrow. Friday when she came in, she found a brand new milk pail and milking stool, for her life down on the farm. Farmer Harold Bowker was seen giving her lessons on how you should sit on the stool. Delores Wonderly was also giving hints on the art of milking. Let's all visit her this summer and see if she took her lessons seriously. We will all miss you. We have lost a smiling co-worker and Elex has lost a fine contact girl. . . . Delores Wonderly is replacing Helen as our contact girl. . . . Joan Kemery has troubles. She decided to bake a cake and couldn't find her flour sifter. Her husband was using it to sift feed for the calves. Joan is buying a new sifter and hiding it, but good! . . . Marcille Thomas, Louella Koogle and Jerry Snyder helped Leona Hollis celebrate her 16th (?) birthday last Wednesday. No wonder they were all 20 minutes late to work. Anyway, happy birthday, Leona. . . . Is Al Johnson from "Busco"? He's been selling turtles. . . . When Rose Dowling laughs, she just laughs all over. She even loses her voice. The reason, egg mash. . . . Hedy Harrison just loves Al Jolson (far away). . . . Betty Pressler was really having a time eating an ice cream cone. . . . We hope that by the time this goes to press Iley Souder, Esther Fox and Rachel Jackson are off the sick list. Emma Bennett Snyder has taken a sick leave. . . . If you hear Jess Hahn uttering the words, "a little bird told me," you will know where it came from. Two little birds made their appearance on a new perch Jess had made. However, Jess prefers martins. These birds are more valuable. They sleep days, and only see what goes on at night. Jess, you've got the bird. . . . Edith Paxson can be seen strolling down the street with her new shopping cart. Bright red wheels and even rubber tires. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Ross Domer in the death of his mother.

Once they've tied the marriage knot a lot of fellows find they don't have much rope left.



We would like to compliment all members of our division who participated in the minstrel show last Wednesday. We enjoyed it thoroughly. Ray O'Keefe had all the men swooning when they saw those legs and ankles. Frank Fleischer, Frank Chayka and Max Barrows have been receiving telephone calls all week. And many people are still wondering how Bob Loveland could possibly smoke that oversized cigar in one evening. We would also like to mention the "one man act", in the second row, right hand side of the chorus, sort of added a "three ring circus effect." . . . Now Harry, we don't want you to get all puffed up about that article in last week's WORKS NEWS, stating that Margaret Taylor started working for Bill Pringle and Harry Balz. It was only a typographical error, it should have read "Margaret is working for Bill Pringle and Ted Ross." Besides we thought we had better clarify this for your wife's sake. She might think you were holding out on her all this time. . . . We wish a happy belated birthday to Don Spalding (last Monday) and a happy birthday to Phyl Hines (Wednesday), Mabel Waggoner (Thursday) and Shorty Poyser (Saturday). . . . We missed Tom Doell all last week, and we were glad to have him back with us Monday. The "flu bug" has also bit Owen Vaught, and we hope that he will be back soon. . . . C. F. Voss has a new wooden nameplate on his desk, thanks to Earl Stauffer. Take a look at Claude's desk the next time you go into the DC Div. The Development Div. welcomes two new "A" course test engineers, John Oldenkamp and Bob Winchester. Both were formerly in Motor Generator, and John is the present editor of the "News Letter." . . . Glenn Willits, AC Div. passed candy and cigars one day last week. He is the proud father of a new baby girl, Jo Anne. . . . We are glad to see Arlene Dellinger back after a six week's absence due to an appendectomy. Take it easy, Arlene. . . . We also wish a speedy recovery to Jo Biddle of the Renewal Parts Div. She is at present in the Methodist Hospital, recuperating from an illness. . . . The girls of the FHP Motor Sales Division at Taylor Street and of Bldg. 4-6 honored Beth Young, now at Taylor Street and Dorothy Broucek, Renewal Parts Sales Div., with a dinner last Thursday, April 21, at Johnnie's Steak House on the Decatur Road. Beth was married April 10, to Russell Young, and Dorothy is leaving to become a full time housewife. Both of the girls were presented with lovely gifts. . . . It seems and looks as if Betty French has a bad case of spring fever, you look for her and as the song goes, "Oops, nobody there." Confidentially, we think it's "lake fever."

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Aubrey

Have you ever seen anyone walking on air? If not you should have seen Gene Foster the last few days since four weeks old Michael Anthony has come to live at the Foster house. If there was ever a proud father, Gene is really it. . . . Gene is not the only one with a baby. Peg Turschman has a family of five kittens at her house. What with Peg's dog and a family of kittens, she really has her hands full. . . . We understand Perry O'Neill has been getting up at 3 a.m. the last few mornings to get in condition for his floor walking job coming up in the near future. That's a good idea, Perry, nothing like keeping in shape. . . . Just as soon as Charlie Gable gets his house painting done he is going to get back in production with his ceramics, and then I am sure we will get those sample ash trays for our desks. (Won't we, Charlie?) . . . If Joan Liebig goes horseback riding again next Sunday (which I heard she might) I wonder if she will be able to make it in Monday morning? If Jack Angel gives her that fast ride through the park that he has promised, I don't think we need look for her.

Borrow a boy for a ballgame.

Volunteer at the G-E Club to assist in the special section for youngsters at the Voltmen games.

Manners are described as "a difficult symphony in B natural."

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



Medical Memos

By Mary Heymann

I Wonder Why: We had a green Christmas and a white Easter . . . People are so listless and draggy coming to work and at quitting time are so full of energy . . . Someone doesn't clean the dirty floor in the partnership entrance used by the Employees' Store and the Dispensary . . . It never fails to rain when a car is washed and shiny or you have a clean cap. . . . Did you ever happen to notice the proud auntie expression on Veda Orff's face the other day? Her little niece and nephew, Ann and David Ehinger, had their pictures in the evening paper. They had been participating in the Easter egg hunt. . . . Mamie Allen entertained Olive Walters recently with a dinner party in honor of her birthday. Miss Walters received many cards and gifts and also a beautiful cake. The cake was baked and decorated by Mabel Wilson. . . . At the close of bowling season, a luncheon party was held at the Golden Sun Guest House. Those attending were Eileen Foor, Bea Lantz, Mary Jane Redding, Barbara Wilson, Benneta Welhaum and Mary Heymann. Plans are under way to dig up a few divots this summer. . . . We think Bertha Schrader may be heading the list in already having had spring mushrooms gathered from her own back yard.

First Aid

We envy gals whose poise suffices
To make them shine in every crisis.
Those who, confronted by a wound
Have never beat the air and swooned,
But calmly bound up legs and throats
With strips torn from their petticoats.
Alas, we have no fortitude,
Disaster makes us come unglued.
And though we dearly love our chums
In times of stress we are largely thumbs,
Besides—and this would sorely try us
Our petticoats are on the bias.



We are glad to welcome John Craig back to work following an operation. He's looking fine and up to normal, able to fill the Santa Claus suit again. . . . Earl Johnson is ill at his home near Corunna, and Nona White has returned to her home following an operation. . . . Our sympathy to Willis Mertens whose mother died last week. . . . Notice to Floyd Loraine and Ivan Jones: It's still the policy of the G-E for men employees to work until 3:30. After ringing out at 3:25, imagine their surprise to see the rest of the boys still busy on the job. . . . The boys have a new name for Paul Kennerk, it's Newsy-Nosey Kennerk. Don't you care, Paul, your reporter is always glad for news. . . . Charlie Reed spent a couple of days at home last week; could be he was keeping the goats away from his apple trees. Anyway he says he and the neighbor have come to an agreement and he's going to get rid of the goats. . . . Mardell Mannix is leaving us today to become a full time housewife. Along with a gift from her coworkers go our best wishes. . . . Mary Stewart spent the week-end visiting in Chicago, and Erna Mann participated in the women's bowling meet in Columbus. . . . Farmer Wilmer Lavine says the busy season is here now. The spray is ready and waiting in his barnyard so that as soon as the blossoms fall he can get busy on the fruit trees. Hope the job will be a success, we'd enjoy some nice juicy apples next fall.

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Candid Camera

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A Double Take . . . is not surprising with two such lovelies for the camera (and cameraman). At left, preparing for dress rehearsal of the G.E.E.A. Variety Show at Pittsfield Chemical Department April 21-22, are Mary Lou Sisson and Bess Galt. Above is an all-star line-up left to right: Kurt Frisch, Mary Lou Sisson, Jack Galt, Bess Galt, Nat Valenti, Mary DiMashe, Ed Butler, Dorothy Shephard, Al Raney, Dolores Dondi, Jim Hogan, Olga Varono.



"Let 'Er Go"... say Waverly A. "Pappy" Reeves, left, and A. J. Philpott to Captain Scott Fowler as they prepare to take off in the Pan Air clipper "America," which is using a G-E turbo-supercharger for the first time commercially. Mr. Reeves, who retired from the Gas Turbine Division, Lynn, in 1947, has been a pioneer in the turbo-superchorger development. Mr. Philpott is the world's oldest aviotion editor.



100th Birthday . . . will be celebrated next January by Benjamin A. Foss, former River Works employee, and now the oldest living G.E. pensioner. Mr. Foss started with the old Thomson-Houston Company in 1888, and retired from G.E. in 1927. He keeps up-to-date on the News.



$1300 For An Idea . . . is a suggestion award that makes C. F. Lenhart the holder of the largest single suggestion payment ever earned at the Switchgeor Divisions, Philadelphio. Here he is being congratuloted on the excellence of the idea which brought the award by the manager of the Switchgear Division, R. F. Tinnerholm. Looking on at left are: A. C. Boisseau, Managing Engineer; E. V. McKernan, supervisor, and G. F. Tucker, superintendent.

Chemical Department Employees Make New Product



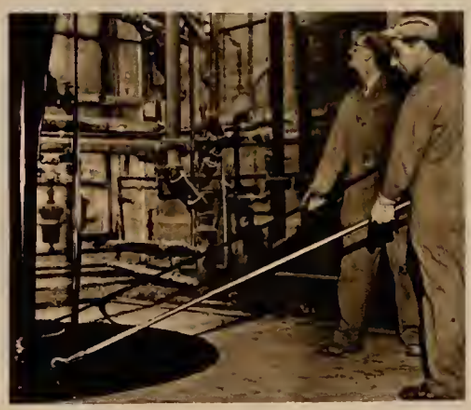
At Taunton, Frank Ferreira molds a transparent drinking cup dispenser. This is one of the many attractive and practical items made for home and business use by the Chemical Department.



Highly skilled moldmaker, Robert F. Martin, in the tool-room at Pittsfield finishes the mold cavity in this block of solid steel. Phenolic compound subjected to heat and pressure in this mold becomes a plastics case for a table-model radio.



Veteran varnish-maker John Creszynski joined the Company in 1902. Progressing through various jobs at Schenectady, he has watched the rise of General Electric to prominence in the chemical industry during nearly half-a-century.



At the Pittsfield phenolic resin plant Bart Hanafin and Jerry Ryan spread a fresh batch of the molten resin as it pours from a mixing kettle. When cooled this black material will be ground into powder for molding into plastics articles.



Donald Uhll, in the Decatur plant, adjusts an extrusion machine which, running 24 hours a day, emits a continuous ribbon of white plastics strip used in finishing refrigerator cabinets.



The newest case for kitchen clocks, with the numerals molded around the rim, is finished by Agnes Miller in the molding section at Taunton.



The Chemical Department's newest wonder-materials, the silicones, are produced in an ultra-modern factory at Waterford. Here, in a dramatic camera shot, Joseph Burroughs reads the gauge on a chlorosilane distillation column.



G-E Glyptal alkyd resin, the basic ingredient for many appliance paints is manufactured at Anaheim, Calif., and Schenectady. Operators E. W. Maher and J. W. Balch keep in touch with other men in the chemical plant at Anaheim through the use of this intercommunication set.

for Modern Living

THE men and wamen af the Chemicol Deportment produce not anly basic chemicals for industry but olsa a variety af beautiful and practicol articles for madern living. Plastics radia cabinets and taoster bases; decorative plastics kitchen table taps and durable enamels; magnesium oxide far heating elements in electric ranges and the taugh insulotian hidden within motars in major hausehald appliances ore anly a few af their products.

General Electric began ta make its awn plastics over a half century aga. Naw as one af the warld's largest praducers af finished plastics, the Chemical Department not anly supplies laminated plastics and molded plastics components far products of the variaus divisions af aur campany, but also supplies lorge quantities of these materials ta ather manufacturers.

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Miniature appliances molded to scale in white plastics at Taunton enable Betty Bowen of the Bridgeport Home Bureau to plan any kitchen arrangement in exact detail as she desires it.



A large freezer tray is produced every few minutes in this molding machine tended by Mary Beckham at the Decatur plastics plant in Illinois.



Lloyd Kutcher and Raymond Weaver check a die in the tool-room at Coschocton. They are the two longest-service employees on the hourly payroll here, having been hired on the same day, when this Ohio plant was first started.



Carefully, Frank Kordana lifts a gleaming white radio cabinet from his press in the large Pittsfield plastics plant. Work areas and machines are kept clean to avoid marring the beauty of this light colored plastics while it is processed.

Candid Camera



Ready for Shipment . . . by truck is this group of Switchgear Division's employees. During the recent Philadelphia transit emergency, G.E. provided truck tronsportation for hundreds of employees, both to and from the plant, and this scene was duplicated on many street corners.



"The Village Smithy" . . . was a modern artist compared with Thomas Doig, Schenectady, shown above with the beautiful and intricate coffee table which he made in his home blacksmith shop. Mr. Doig uses the same kind of equipment that was used centuries ago by old-world blacksmiths . . . a tiny forge, tongs, onvil and hammer. He makes many different items.



The Champ . . . in its field is this 388,000-pound stator, the heaviest single piece of electric equipment ever shipped from the Schenectady Works. Two 100-ton cranes were required to hoist the device and set it on the flat car. This stator was built as part of a steam turbine-generator.



Modern Trends . . . at Electronics Park, Syracuse, include the three secretaries and three television receivers pictured above. From left to right the secretaries are: Marjorie Engel, Urchil Wales and Jean Gartland, all of the G.E. Receiver Division. In the same order the television receivers are: Model 807 with 10-inch "daylight" picture tube, Model 805 with 10-inch conventional tube, and Model 806 with 10-inch "daylight" tube, all in the lowest price range.



Waltzing Range . . . was a traffic stopper at the Furniture Mart in Chicago. Don Youngson, left, and Foster Burch, Bridgeport, are shown here with their "baby." The G-E Range dances to waltz music, opens its doors and turns its lights on and off — all without aid from human hands.

Atlantic City Bound . . . Bowlers about ready to board one of three buses chartered to take 12 Philadelphia Switchgear teams to the A.B.C. Tournament. The happy looking fellow with hat in hand at extreme left is Frank Rathgeb, President of the Bowling Association and at extreme right is Bill Moore, Secretary.





Karl Soest was very unhappy about the mistake I made in last week's column. His lodge meeting nights are Tuesday and Thursday, not Wednesday. He says his wife won't let him out on Wednesday nights after reading last week's column. My apologies, Karl. . . . We welcome back to the Bldg. 8-1 grinding room Chester Gillam and bid a sad adieu to Harry Golden. Harry is now over in Bldg. 27 tool crib. . . Amos Trowbridge is leaving Bldg 6-1 today, much to our regret. We understand, though, that he and Mrs. Trowbridge are leaving for a vacation to the Southland in a few days. Happy traveling, folks. . . . Tom Dent is convalescing at his home on Webster St. and we hope it won't be long before he's back with us. . . . A familiar face belonging to Mary Lou Somers made its appearance in Bldg. 8-1 last week. Mary Lou, as you all remember, formerly worked with some of our gang over in Bldg. 20-2. . . . If anyone is wondering why the buttons were popping off Charles Florent's shirt last week—well, here's why. He became the father of a nice big baby girl. Mrs. Florent will be remembered as the former Ellie Dietze who used to work in the Tool Supply section. Congratulations to both of you from all the gang. . . . Birthday greetings this month go to Ralph Fry, Kenneth Redding, Cecil Strong, Fred Bishop, Vaughn Tomlinson and, last but not least, Orval Koble. . . . Frank Parker sure shows signs of spring fever these nice days. He dreams of those shady nooks along Cedar Creek and those "beauties" on the end of his line. . . . From all reports from the fellows in the grinding room, Cecil Strong hasn't mastered the art of cigar smoking. Charley Florent gave Cece a cigar last Monday morning. After he had finished smoking it Fred Divelbiss and Al McCullough stood by with the stretcher expecting Cecil to pass out any minute, but at the end of the day he was still on his feet. We wonder what would have happened had he been smoking one of those two for a nickel cigars instead of one of those three for 50 cents ones Charley passed out. . . . Charley Strong (receiving section's genial truck driver) is on vacation this week and things just aren't the same. Ah, what a ladies man he is—on the delivery route he always aims to please the girls. That's OK, Charley, we should have more men like you and the G-E would be a more pleasant place to work.

Borrow a boy for a ballgame.

Volunteer at the G-E Club to assist in the special section for youngsters at the Voltmen games.

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Top Floor Topics

DIVISION 95

By Walter E. Pohler

We extend our sincere sympathy to Clarence Dick, whose brother's body was returned from Europe for burial. . . . Our farmer friend from Dunfee, Noel (big wheel) Smith, occasionally brings eggs to his co-workers. The other day Noel brought a dozen eggs to one of the winders. On the way in the eggs fell off the car seat, breaking one and smearing the remaining eggs. Noel proceeded to clean the eggs and in the process broke another. However, the purchaser was charged for a full dozen. In explanation of this charge Noel stated that he was only acting as a carrier in bringing in eggs and as such was not responsible for accidents to the eggs while they were in transit. Confidentially, we believe he didn't dare go home without the full amount of money that a dozen eggs would bring. . . . Our congratulations to Walt Mertz on the fine bowling he did in the G-E Tournament. Walt and his partner, Frank Matthews, captured second place in the doubles and Walt placed fifth in All-Events. . . . Anyone desiring a recipe for coffee which is guaranteed to be free of caffeine should see Devona Clayton. We have been told that one must put coffee in the pot in making coffee. . . . Attention, all fishermen who desire information about the one best way to get a worm on a hook. Velma Meads has a new method for performing this operation which she will be glad to demonstrate. This method involves putting your foot on one end of the worm and then hoping that the worm will wiggle in the direction of the hook. . . . The attention of all our readers is invited to an article by Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker in the May issue of Coronet Magazine entitled "I believe in Prayer." We believe that the suggestions contained in this article would go a long way toward solving the problems of our day if they were followed by each and everyone of us.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

It is said that Russ Neireiter has evolved a novel way of keeping himself in new shoes. It's a kind of rotating method, and occasionally an honest dollar can be picked up in the exchange. For details, see Russell. . . . Whenever Bill Irmscher horns in on an engineer's post-mortem over a commutator. He is at a considerable disadvantage because of his shortness. We suggest that he always have a box handy to stand on, thus putting himself on equality with the rest. . . . Frank Elder visited the boys last Tuesday, the first since he was off for a surgical operation several weeks ago. He looks fine. . . . The old arguments about the best lakes and ways to fish are coming up again. . . . Clarence Nichter, as usual, is speaking with the voice of authority. . . . We are sorry to report that Frankie Enderle does not seem to be in the best of health. Being solicitous of his well being, we advise getting to bed early occasionally; also, less dates and strawberry pop.

Advice usually can be had for nothing—just about what it's worth.

Mildred Ellis Is Editor Of 'Apprentice Broadcast'



Mildred Ellis

Mildred Ellis, Bldg. 12-2, has been named editor of "The Apprentice Broadcast" column for the WORKS NEWS. A member of the G-E family since 1946, Mildred first worked in the Plastics division as a stenographer. When the division was transferred to the Decatur, Ill., plant, she became Walter Wolf's secretary in the Apprentice School.

For outside interests, Mildred likes bowling and reading. She has two reporters, Joe Rowan and Donald Miller, who let her know the happenings of apprentice draftsmen in the various sections throughout the works.

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Mildred Ellis

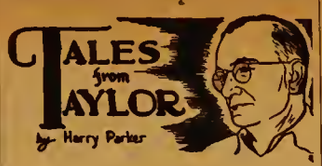
The apprentices with families had to work overtime Saturday by coloring Easter eggs. Butcher had double overtime; first by making the kids some eggs, and second by keeping them from eating too many. . . . Now that spring is here and the windows are open, working in the bench section proves most interesting. . . . The boys in M and G are really raising a cloud. They broke out in an epidemic of pipes of all kinds—moochers special, first grade size, guest size and box of matches size. About next week those exhaust ventilators will need a thorough de-sludging. . . . Scenes at the Joslyn Steel Mill Tour: Wilbur Jones pushing a wheelbarrow, "Just helping out," he says. The pipe smokers trying to out smoke the steel furnaces. Birkenbeul warming his back against a furnace. Miller looking for scrap. Davis and Kirlin looking for sail boat parts (as always). Mr. Wolf watching the boys enjoy themselves and Dick Gebert displaying his new shiny body (meaning his "chevy.") . . . Anyone who wants to know about the new drafting classes see Whitie Fremion. He seems to be able to get official news before it becomes official. . . . Dick Wagner has caught some of Paul Misbo's enthusiasm for drive-in theaters. . . . The draftsmen bowling team gave a good account of themselves with all five men bowling over their average but not quite lucky enough to get in the money. Warren Berkheiser had the high single game of the team with a 197 count. Maybe next year, men. . . . At long last, our old fashioned phone died, and we are the proud possessor of a new French-type phone. . . . We are sorry that Dick Gotschall is on the sick list again, this time with an infection in his foot. We hope Dick will be back with us soon. . . . Harry Meads didn't have the difficulties of some of the married men (who rated new shoe strings for Easter) he came to work Thursday all decked out in a suit and tie. . . . Myron Auer's friend (?) in Bldg. 19-5 gave him a sandwich to tide him over 'till lunch time. It's the first and last time Auer will ever eat a sauerkraut sandwich for it sure had lasting (sound) effects. . . . Dick Reinking had better start looking where he is going or go where he looks. It seems someone got in his way while he was skating backwards and caused him to come to an abrupt and painful halt. Dick was absent Friday! . . . Frank Woenker reports that his ball team is to be called the Apprentice Majors. Birkenbeul is strengthening the outfield this year and Dick Wagner will be holding down the first sack and Kenny Zurbuck, pitcher, looked his old form in an inner squad game. The team hopes to get five practice games in before the opening of the season. . . . The reason it takes Don Miller so long to get to the phone—he always has his shoes off. I guess he doesn't have any sympathy for his fellow workers.

Nothing can be done in a day if the day is always tomorrow.

Sports Featured At Family Night



Hunting and fishing were featured at the Family Night Thursday, April 21, in the G-E Club auditorium. The event was sponsored by the G-E Rod and Gun Club and G-E Squares. Sports equipment was displayed by the Main Auto Supply Company, Sears-Roebuck and Sappenfield, and photographic equipment by Howard's and Sunny Schick. There were also fishing and hunting movies; bait casting and archery demonstrations.



Lawrence Myers finally got rid of his old car and has purchased another one. It is a used car, but nevertheless it is new to him. The other morning he was so anxious to drive it to work, he left the house attired in his bathrobe. He presented quite a sight walking across the lawn attired as he was and carrying his lunch kit. His wife had to call and remind him of the fact that he was not properly dressed for work. . . . Mable Miller has finally moved into her new wigwam on Baker St. The last load left her former residence at 1:45 p.m. Saturday, with the exception of a lot of plants that were in the house. When asked how she intended moving them, she told us that she was going to move them in her chariot now that the horses had arrived. The last we saw of her, she was headed north on Fairfield Ave. at a high rate of speed, with her tresses flying and trailing greenery. Actually it looked like something out of the dim and forgotten past. . . . All season Carl Schoenherr has been unable to beat Popeye Patterson at bowling. He gave us the excuse that his arm had been in poor condition all winter, but the truth of the matter is that he has been using a ball that his grandfather used in the days following the close of the Civil War. This ball, made of wood, is so flat on one side that instead of rolling down the alley it just slides along. . . . Mildred Bladsoe and her husband have acquired a puppy. The first night at home it raised such a fuss that she didn't know what to do about it. So she put the pup in bed with them. Even this didn't have a soothing effect. It still continued to raise a rumpus. Thinking that it might have colic; she searched the house for some paregoric, but wasn't able to find any. As a last resort she got the hot water bottle and placed it on the puppy's tummy, put a baby's pacifier in its mouth and pinned a blanket around it. This did the trick, for the pup went sound asleep. . . . Marion Oman, in discussing the high cost of haircuts, tells us that in Scotland a haircut costs only one shilling. We wish to remind him that this is not Scotland, and who would want to go there just for a haircut? He tells us that from now on, instead of getting a crew-cut, he is going to have his dome shaved. . . . One afternoon this past week, Edwin Moodie prepared himself for a trip downtown. He had proceeded more than half way when he discovered much to his displeasure that his trousers were reversed. He then found it necessary to return home and put them on properly.



We understand Vern Dassler was so disturbed a week ago Friday, to think he had forgotten a meeting he was to attend. When he finally arrived he didn't throw in his hat, but a chair. Leave it to Vern to make an "entrance." . . . "Tootsie" Irwin received a present the other day. We hear it was a pair of binoculars. "Better to see you with, my dears." . . . Dorothy White has been reading a book on psychology and when Lowell Arnold saw it he was really bewildered. . . . Hank Epple is about to reform Vern Amstutz. If there is any doubt about it just ask Hank. . . . Our "Tyro" of Whitley County, Mike O'Grady, is in dire need of advice. It seems Mike has a cow that is being very difficult. She has not only slapped him in the face with her tail but put her foot in the bucket of milk, skinned his leg, and practically knocked Mike through the barn. . . . Mr. "Popeye" Campbell was again in rare form last Thursday night. We hear he broke a bowling pin and realized later he was using the wrong bowling ball. . . . "Putt" Putman gave the boys something to talk about. A right-handed bowler, he made the 5-6-10 split by hitting the six pin on its right side causing it to fall over on the five pin. The amazing factor is he shot left-handed to make the split. . . . We wonder by now just how much Cleon Oyer owes the fellows on his bowling bets. . . . We finally found out why Noel Young is so happy again. Rachel presented him with a fine pair of kids. Who's Rachel? Why the pet goats? . . . Walt Niemeyer has a new way of testing fields. . . . Was Maxine Daniel's face red when a certain person asked her just what she was doing out on a country road. Won't these back seat drivers ever learn? . . . Willy Rathert was so proud of her record this last week that it was a shame a flat tire had to spoil it. . . . Tomorrow Helen Horstmeyer will say "I do." We hope you'll be very happy, Helen.



Most of us have that so-called "spring fever," but this is not so with Art Luessenhop who admitted that he is still in the same old rut. Could be that you need a tonic, Art. . . . We understand that Elsie Miller and her husband, Melvin, really cut a mean rug when they attend those Saturday nigbt square dances. . . . LOST. A chair about so-o-o high. Tracey Bartle has looked everywhere for it—but no results. . . . Joye Boyd thought that she would enjoy horseback riding, but after the first attempt has decided that it is a much too strenuous sport. . . . Those gals, Joan Tudor, Arlene Helberg, and Ginny Free and their husbands, are burning the midnight oil lately playing cards. From what we hear the gals really are doing all right as they beat the fellows most of the time. . . . Dave Chambers, our test engineer in the test and inspection office, really greeted Spring in fine fashion this past week. Your yellow jacket and green tie really brightened the surroundings, Dave. . . . Welcome to Virginia Emrick who has joined the gang around die cast. . . . Emma Vaughn and Ethel Koontz bowled in New Haven last Saturday in the tournament, but the gals just won't tell us how they made out. Were the scores that bad, girls? . . . We hear that Roy Orr was really lamenting the blues last Monday about the nice spring shower we all enjoyed on Saturday. It seems that he had just gotten bis car all nicely washed, and the rains came. After they had gone, he had the whole thing to do over. We sympathize with you, Roy, as we had the same trouble. . . . Al Bobay is really getting up in the world. It seems that he went to Peru over the week-end and had a police escort on the way back home. . . . Ruby Stucky is again leaving us. We hate to see you go, Ruby, but hope that you enjoy yourself while you are off. . . . We also hated very much to lose Arveda Neal again, we'll really miss you too, Arveda. . . . We had several out-of-towners again this past week-end and among them were Maggie Moore, who went to Lavina Lake; Tommy Williams, who went to Lima, O., and says that despite all of her troubles, she really had a swell time; Evelyn Lietzke who went to Columbus and Springfield, O., Arwood DeLuery, who went to Indianapolis, and Rose Liby who says she just went fishing, but the same old story—No fish. . . . We also welcome Warren Jackson to our division, and to tell you that we hope you will like it here with us, Warren.

A lot of self-made men keep quiet about it on account of the bad job they did.

Borrow a boy for a ballgame. Volunteer at the G-E Club to assist in the special section for youngsters at the Voltmen games.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSINC DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday, May 2, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—One silver earring.

LOST—Lindsley gold wrist watch with gold chain strap. Lost between Bldg. 26-3 and College St. gate.

FOUND—Pair shell rimmed glasses in black leather case. Found in Bldg. 4-B about two months ago.

FOUND—Tan coat belt.

FOUND — Earring gold colored, with white cameo on red background. Found on Wall St. between Bldgs. 26 and 27.

FOUND—Fountain pen, grey with red and white flecks.

FOR SALE

CHILD'S SIDEWALK BIKE—$7, or will trade for small tricycle. H-81107.

OAK SECRETARY — Library table; straight chair. All excellent condition. H-69644.

1937 CHRYSLER—Royal coupe, radio, heater. $135. H-66704.

1935 PLYMOUTH — Deluxe two-door, $135. A-55921.

1935 CHEVROLET—Master, four door, fair condition. $125. A-69575 or A-40602.

ARCHLOCK SHOES—Sizes 6½B and 5½C; Record Player; radio; books. A-60045.

SPRINGERS—Dressed or alive. A-98109.

TWO GIRLS' BICYCLES—20" sidewalk size, reasonable, need some repair. H-28824.

HOOVER SWEEPER—And attachments, used. 1014 W. Packard Ave.

TWO MEN'S SPRING SUITS—In good condition, size 36, $5 each. H-91202.

STORKLINE BUGGY — Teeter Babe, Taylor Tot, Baby Scale. A-49103.

8x10 BROODER HOUSE—Covered with heavy brick siding; brooder hood for 125 chicks, electric. H-77165 after 4 p.m.

FOUR TWO-PANEL DOORS — 29x78, hardware; lavatory. H-9783.

SHOES—Dr. Locke, 7½AAA; strap slippers, 7½AAAA, H-58323.

WANTED

CHINA CABINET — A-56663 Monday evening.

HIGH CHAIR—Maple stain finish—A-97696.

GIRL SCOUT UNIFORM—Size 14 or 16. H-64921.

FOR RENT

NEWLY FURNISHED LARGE BEDROOM—Near bus; innerspring; privileges; 1 or 2 girls. 116 E. Lexington Ct. after 6 p.m.



One last reminder to tell you not to forget to set your clocks ahead tomorrow night as the community goes on daylight saving time. . . . We're more than glad to welcome that Smith, named Ray, back, after a week's absence. Welcome back, "Mr. President." . . . Warning:—Anyone who happens to be on the steps at the south end of Bldg. 4 between 6:55 and 7 a.m. is in great danger. When Alvine Doehrman starts up the steps she really goes like a jet propelled rocket! In fact, sometimes she goes so fast it takes her four more flights to get stopped. Last Monday was such a day, when she finally got stopped she was in Bldg. 4-5. Just what type vitamin pills do you take, Alvine? Or is it that New Haven air? . . . We understand Perry Jeffries, as much as he loves fishing, proved to Nena Foster that he hasn't spent all his time fishing! . . . Edith Venrick's boy friend was dumbfounded when she started to "melt." They were having a fast game of pinochle! . . . The entire section joins in wishing God's speed for the recovery of Bill Putt who has been ill these past two weeks. Hurry and recover, Bill, we all miss you. . . . We were glad to see Helene Evanoff of Bldg. 17-1 office and "P's and Q's from 17-1," fame acquiring some important data on our floor last week. Come back again and visit us, Helene. . . . We were all sorry to learn of the serious injury that befell Harold Mettler over the week-end when he got his hand caught in his power lawn mower. We all wish you the best of luck, Harold. . . . We all extend our best wishes to Walt Sollberger on the marriage of his daughter, Rosalind, last Saturday. The very best of wishes to the newlyweds, Walt. . . . We extend happy birthday wishes to Margaret McCaffery and Gladys Stahly. Many more happy returns of the day. . . . Our parting thought: One man with courage is a majority.



"Dollars go farther when accompanied by sense."

The "Hotshots," the Bldg. 17-2 bowling champions, would like to offer the large trophy to Vern Castle for an additional dime on the hour. . . . Gene Dahman has given up the idea of raising chickens. It is just too much work, says Gene. . . . Don Shroyer drove his brother-in-law to Chicago where he will re-enter the Veterans Hospital for treatment. . . . Mary Beaman spent Tuesday and Wednesday of this week in Indianapolis attending the Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star. . . . Charlie Thomson has purchased a house in Huntington and hopes to be moved this week. . . . Al Knight was struck by an automobile on Broadway last Monday. He received several cuts and bruises but hopes to return to work this week. . . . Charlie "Admiral" Laymon has been using some of his knowledge of art around the tool room. He made a very good poster for Joe Haas. . . . John Johnson lost his temper the other day. This is very unusual for Johnny. After putting in 39 hours and 50 minutes of a week without a mishap he had to cut his thumb. . . . Ed Bienz wasn't quite as lucky in betting on the bowling tournament held at the G-E Club as he was last year. He lost all side bets made. . . . In case you have more coffee for lunch than you want ask Oberholtzer what to do about it. . . . Ruben "Rabbit" Riker can pull a carrot out of any of his pockets any day of the week. . . . What is black and white and "red" all over? A newspaper; all but George Miller's. Someone located his and tore it in shreds before he had a chance to read it. . . . Paul Koldewey has made his contribution to better streets. . . . He parked three hours in an hour zone. He was shopping with the wife, the usual alibi. . . . Jim Kavanaugh is happy. His car is running again.



Once upon a time three fellows went fishing, Louie Watt, Buck Adams, and Bob Repine. They fished until Bob caught a bass and then decided to rest, so to shore they rowed, and picked a nice sunny place to rest; except Bob who decided he would cast from shore. The warm sun soon lulled Louie and Buck to slumberland while Bob continued to cast from shore. When the sleepers awoke Bob was ready to go, having had a bit of luck from shore, so they rowed to the car. As Bob took the stringer of fish out of the water there was quite a bit of surprise registered by the sleepers. We have the usual threat from Louie that he is going to break up his rod, throw away the rest of his tackle and never go fishing again. All of which would probably please Mrs. W. no end since he never catches any fish. . . . Now that Paul Boedeker's team won first place again this half in the G-E League, he is pointing his teammates toward the roll offs, and how he is going to take Marc Junk's team even if Junk does throw that straight hook. . . . What kind of an Indian Dance was Gene Werling doing one morning last week when he was caught "spread eagled" with dinner bucket waving in one hand and apron in the other, coming down Lavina St. has been solved. The explanation is that he just saw his ride pass the corner and was trying to attract attention. . . . Birthday greetings this week go to Fred Boehm, who said he was just 24. Keep that up, Fred, and you will soon be as old as Jack Benny. . . . Bob Repine was somewhat surprised one day last week when he looked up from his work and everyone was gone or eating lunch, Bob was just so interested in his work he didn't notice the time. . . . Ward Staley finally had to wash his car after getting caught in that dust storm last Saturday while visiting in Markle. . . . Jess Batchelder had a bit of trouble getting the right bottom plates and sleeves matched up in the die cast mold last week but is now on the beam again.

Let's Eat! CAFETERIA and RESTAURANT MENUS

MAY 2 THROUGH MAY 6

BROADWAY TAYLOR STREET

Serving Hours:

Cafeteria—16-1 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. 10:48 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-2 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-1 6:45 P.M. - 8:12 P.M. 6:55 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Restaurant 16-2 12:00 M. - 1:00 P.M.

MONDAY, MAY 2

Bean Soup	Beef Noodle Soup
Meat Loaf	Roast Beef and Dressing
Beef Stew	Ham and Limas
Ham Sandwiches	Barbecue Sandwiches
Whole Browned Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Creamed Peas	Creamed Tomatoes
Harvard Beets	Buttered Spinach

TUESDAY, MAY 3

Vegetable Soup	Cream of Tomato Soup
City Chicken	Baked Ham
Baked Ham	Chicken and Noodles
Hamburger Sandwiches	Chopped Beef Sandwiches
Escalloped Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Buttered Cabbage	Green Beans
Buttered Green Beans	Buttered Cauliflower
	Sweet Potatoes

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

Chicken Rice Soup	Bean Soup
Fried Liver	Roast Pork
Chicken and Noodles	Corned Beef and Cabbage
Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches	Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whole Browned Potatoes
Escalloped Corn	Escalloped Corn
Buttered Spinach	Buttered Peas
French Fried Onions	Corn Bread

THURSDAY, MAY 5

Cream of Tomato Soup	Vegetable Soup
Swiss Steak	Swiss Steak
Ham and Limas	Smoked Sausage
Ham Salad Sandwiches	Ham Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Buttered Celery and Carrots	Buttered Broccoli
Glazed Sweet Potatoes	Harvard Beets

FRIDAY, MAY 6

Old English Beef Broth	Cream of Potato Soup
French Fried Fish	Salmon Patties
Salisbury Steak	Veal Chop Suey
Hot Roast Pork Sandwiches	Hot Roast Pork Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Steamed Potatoes
Buttered Broccoli	Buttered Squash
Buttered Hominy	Buttered Hominy

Wide selection of home-made pies and delicious salads served daily.
Breakfast served at Broadway daily from 6:20 to 7:50 A.M.

Special dinners and parties arranged upon request.

Menus Subject to Change

Inquiring Reporter

IN WHAT CIVIC AND CHURCH ACTIVITIES DO YOU TAKE PART?

KATHRYN ERWIN
Taylor St.



"I am a member of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, the Rosary Sodality, the CCHS Mothers Club and the Catholic Business Women's Club. Each group is individually interesting, charitable and educational. As we read of religious persecution in foreign lands, we in America should zealously guard our religious freedom. Not only should we be members of church and civic groups, but active members."



L. M. O'SHAUGHNESSEY
Taylor St.

"I am an active member of the American Legion Post 420, Knights of Columbus, G-E Vets, and I am also an usher at the St. Rose Church of Monroeville."



CLARA A. COHAGAN
Bldg. 26-4

"I am a teacher of spiritual philosophy, and it is my opinion many material problems would be solved much easier if people could be more spiritual minded and observed the Golden Rule."

HENRY LOWE
Bldg. 17-3

"We should all take some active part in church work and encourage others to do so. Go to church regularly, it will help you. It will also help to make this a better world to live in; for it will help the people to make it a better world, because the world is what the people make it."



ROSCOE D. MARKLEY
Bldg. 19-B

"I am a member of the Roanoke Lions Club, serving on the boy and girl committee; president of the local PTA; chairman of the troop committee, troop 131, Boy Scouts of America; Deacon at Beech Groove Christian Church and a member of the church board."





OUT OF THE BLUE in 26-2 Office

by Delores Patterson

Unmistakable Signs of Spring: To celebrate the advent of spring, Gordon Harvey, Ballast Engineering, had the telephone company replace his conventional, black, drab-looking telephone with a new, glamorous-looking PINK one! In addition to the gay color, Gordon's pride and joy (the telephone) is unique in that the mouthpiece has the fragrant scent of an exotic cologne. Needless to say, Gordon has started a fad which may spread all over the plant. Already the secretaries and engineers of Specialty Trasformer and Ballast Enginecring Divisions are clamoring for a new model. . . . John Oldenkamp is leaving Ballast Engineering and going to Bldg. 4-6. Curtis Cockburm is taking his place. Curtis came from the Works Lab., Bldg. 28-2. . . . We are very happy to welcome back to Bldg. 26-2 T. Wayne Jones, formerly of Bldg. 26-3. He is in charge of the Service Bureau. C. E. Starke has been transferred to Bldg. 26-3. Good luck, Chris. . . . Dick Stoner had his big day Friday. For one thing, it was his last day and also he won $200 on the bowling tournament. Dick is going to have a magic novelty shop at 712 S. Harrison St. Best of luck, Dick, we'll miss you. . . . We welcome R. R. Berghoff to Specialty Transformer and Ballast Engineering Divisions. He came from Pittsfield where he has been for the past six months. . . . A. M. Krakower is back with us after being off ill for quite sometime. . . . Have you heard that you could have had the measles along with your paycheck in Payroll last week? Jocile Stohlmann just recovered from the measles! . . . Bill David and Bob Loecher, production course trainees, will be spending the next few weeks with us. Welcome, fellas! . . . "Where to spend that two weeks vacation with pay?" That's the question confronting Helen Brindle and Delores Patterson. If you have any ideas, please let them know.

Rifle Team Ends Indoor Season



The rifle team of the G-E Rod and Gun Club ended a successful indoor season Tuesday evening by defeating Huntington, 1088-1054. Next Tuesday, May 3, the team will open its outdoor season on the club's range on the Smith Road. Team members are (l. to r., kneeling), Herb Scherer, Lester May, Forrest Reed, Kenneth Hart and Austin Harrison. Standing (l. to r.), Emery McDaniel, Lester Bland, Ernest Allmandinger, Doug Heckman, Amel Beck, Oral Emrick and Dick Pinkham.

G-E REVIEW HAS ARTICLE BY A. H. LEE

"Fractional-Horsepower Gearmotors . . . Their Classification and Application" is the topic of an article in the April issue of the General Electric Review written by A. H. Lee, FHP Motor Sales division.

A gearmotor is the combination of an electric motor and a gear reducer built and assembled to form an integral part, the article explains. For economy, space-saving, reduction of maintenance, and simplified mechanical design, these units are being used advantageously today and new uses are still being found.

The article covers four pages and contains photographs, tables and graphs.

Mr. Lee started with the Company on test July 30, 1928, at Schenectady; two months later he was transferred to the Pittsfield Works. He came to Fort Wayne March 17, 1930, as an engineer in the FHP Motor divisions. He joined the sales division Dec. 28, 1935, and has been specializing in gear motor problems and applications since 1938.

A graduate of the University of Minnesota, Mr. Lee has a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering. He is single and lives at 1734 Third St.



Congratulations to Leo Elward on his marriage to Helen Wolfe. The ceremony took place last Saturday morning in St. Paul's Catholic Church. It took you a long time, Leo, but you finally made it (the hard way, that is). A few minutes after the ceremony began, lo and behold Leo fainted and passed out completely. He was given smelling salts and a chair to sit on. It was necessary to open all the windows in order to revive poor Leo. We knew you were shy of the ladies, Leo, but not that shy. Not only that but at this writing which is Monday a.m. all your friends who attended the ceremony are complaining of colds. They say that if you had any intentions of getting married outside you should have told them, so that they could have dressed accordingly. Well now since we know you are going to live, we wish you, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Elward, the best of everything. Always take and be satisfied with what He above sends you and you will never have a disappointment. Happy married life, kids. . . . Steve Bobay's back again with that nag. He bought her a new pair of shoes for Easter, and she is so proud that at times she really gets up enough ambition to chase the flies off of herself. Steve says if she shows that much life with new shoes what will she do with a new pair of choppers, so choppers it is. Maybe that's not a bad investment, Steve, 'cause after all if she does lay down and die you can always have the choppers recast for yourself. . . . Happy Birthday, Earl Rickey, Sr., April 25, and Austin Garman, April 26. . . . Bill Deitz says I'll teach those hogs not to crawl under the fence, so Bill turns on the fence juicer just a wee bit more. Results: one dead sow. That's cutting off your nose to spite your face, Bill, think of all those roast ribs gone to waste. Serves you right, that will teach you to take it easy from now on (we hope).

Insulation News

Agnes Bensman, Bldg. 12-3, sent out an SOS to her co-workers last week. It seems Agnes got an impromptu bath in shellac from the spray gun container. She was shellac from her head down to her toes. We girls want to know if shellac works better than Lux for nylons, Agnes. You ought to know. . . . Anything pertaining to the lost and found department, please report it to Alta Lec. We guarantee she'll find it for you. We sure are grateful that Alta doesn't follow the old rule of "Finders-Keepers." She even returns her found items all wrapped up real pretty like. . . . Did Jim Norris buy a station wagon or a stationary wagon? It was reported in the South Side Times that his new car had to be pushed around the block to get started. . . . Ray Fisher sure must have hated to see that half-century mark roll around. His wife called up to let his co-workers know that it was his birthday. She wanted us to remind him of it. Rest assured, Mrs. Fisher, he sure was reminded. . . . Happy Birthday to Hans Muller on April 24. Hans celebrated by painting his house. . . . Folks we want you to know that Elaine Allen has been responsible for writing the articles which have appeared in the WORKS NEWS for the past several weeks. Elaine has done a swell job and we appreciate it. . . . Josephine Balsama made a one point landing from sitting on the edge of the office chair. Safety committee man, Hans Muller, found in G-E Q-60-A that "no work shall be done underneath a suspended load." So Jo got up from underneath her desk. . . . Elaine Allen must have been traveling. She lost a cigarette case somewhere in Fort Wayne.

Red Peppers Are League Champs

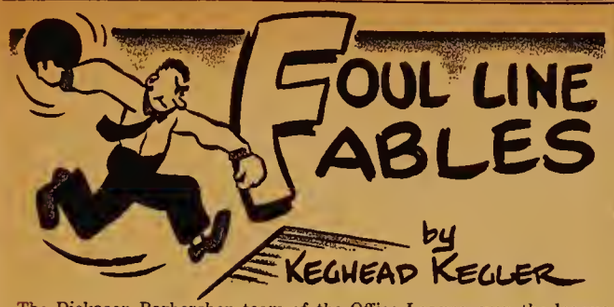


The Red Peppers of the Monday Night Ladies' Bowling League lived up to their name and copped the league's championship. Their season's record was 35 wins and 13 losses for the first half, and 23 victories and 19 defeats for the last half. To insure their claim to the crown, the girls defeated the Pin-Ups Friday, April 22. The girls on the winning team are (l. to r.), Emma Vaughn, captain, Pauline Hartman, Virginia Buesching, Adeline Massbaum and Barbara Vaughn.



"Why don't you look into things before you throw them out!"

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The Dickason Barbershop team of the Office League, won the league championship by whipping the Blueprint boys, 3003-2822. Erv Aumann led the way with a 635 on games of 186, 214 and 235. Erv received plenty of help from Carl Hattendorf's 206, Walt Nitz's 214, and Bill Piercy's 223. Dick Gettys shot a 608 in a losing battle on scores of 190, 190, and 228.

In the high-low doubles competition Dick Gettys and Forry Carlson won first place with a 1073. Frankie Schlink and Don Stoneman came in second, 1061; and Hal Fanning and Walt Nitz, third, 1050.

Two hundred scores: Schlink, 230; Don Stoneman, 201; Paul Perry, 212; Clarence Rump, 215 and 205; Vic Rump 244, and Bob Blomker, 229.

Apparatus League

Team No. 5 leads the league by six games. In other words, they have the first half all wrapped up.

Paul Perry led the ten pin assault Thursday evening with a 618 on scores of 199, 194 and 225. Right behind him was Walt Nitz with 199, 201 and 213 for a 613 total.

Other 200 scores: A. Thompson, 200; W. Wright, 213; Oscar Huge, 209; Vic Rump, 201; Paul Billman, 225, and R. Bresler, 219.

Small Motor League

The Tools walked off with the league championship by winning both the first and second half.

Two hundred scores: Lowell Welker, 200; Ty Cook, 226; Ray Lindemnth, 203; Runyon, 204; Stephen, 215; Don "Shorty" Kaiser, 206; Hinton, 243; Walt Mertz, 214; Orv Doherty, 201, and Koehrman, 209.

Interdivision League

Taylor St. won the last half and will meet the Brouwer Tire and Battery team in the league rolloff.

The big news of the week was the high single game of the year by Giese—a big 290 count. He spared the first frame and then proceeded to strike out.

Other 200 scores: Russ Rose, 234; Leo Elward, 224; Bainbridge, 214; Harold Spath, 209 and 201; Andy Anderson, 207; Les Shroyer, 202; Walt Seidel, 201; Frank Iannelly, 200, and Harold Fanning, 200.

Two hundred scores for the previous week were: Lee Crowell, 253; Doyle Miller, 233; Gale Meeks, 231; Paul Walker, 224; Andy Anderson, 216; Frank Iannelly, 215; Noah Kuntz, 215; Frank Kopp, 214; Paul Billman, 214; Art Seidel, 213; Walt Seidel, 212; Erv Haugk, 212; Murray Johnson, 212; Clarence Rump, 210; Milt Marks, 204; Erv France, 202 and 202; Bob Buck, 202, and Russ Rose, 201.

Masonic League

The Ionic team won the second half and will roll the Patrol for the league championship.

Two hundred scores this week were: Ed Crabill, 230; Somerville, 203; Manor, 202; Archer, 223 and 202; Gilchrist, 200; Trevey, 202; Harold "84" Garrett, 226, and Meyer, 212.

Bowling and Stuff

The following are the standings of the various divisions of the bowling tournament:

SINGLES STANDINGS

Pos.	Name	Total
1	Kraft	756
2	C. Hattendorf	735
3	M. Johnson	717
4	Crayton	710
5	L. Welker	698
6	D. Springer	686
7	Haggenjos	681
8	J. Hambrock	680
9 & 10	F. Garland	679
9 & 10	F. Kopp	679
11 & 12	Green	678
11 & 12	H. Hoffman	678
13 & 14	L. Parrish	675
13 & 14	R. Matthews	675
15	D. Pappert	672
16 & 17	G. Stapleton	671
16 & 17	L. Elward	671
18	R. Guingrich	669
19	W. Miller	668
20	J. Haas	663
21	E. Korte	662
22	W. Ort	658
23-24-25	W. Buuck	654
23-24-25	Schaberg	654
23-24-25	M. Cook	654
26 & 27	W. Pook	652
26 & 27	R. Rowe	652
28	F. Burnao	650
29 & 30	Dimke	649
29 & 30	D. Bucher	649
31 & 32	Koorsen	648
31 & 32	W. Adams	648
33	V. Rump	647
34	A. Smethers	646
35	R. Tobias	645
35	R. Brown	645

Owl League Team To Hold Practice

The Owl Industrial League Softball team will hold a practice at 9:30 a.m. Monday, May 2, in McMillen Park. All men on second or third shift wanting to play softball this season are invited to this practice.

All positions are open, and players should send the application blank below to Cecil Tarney, team manager, Bldg. 4-5. Players are requested to bring their gloves.

The league opens with a practice game Wednesday, May 11, and the season starts officially the next week.

OWL LEAGUE APPLICATION BLANK

Cecil Tarney
Bldg. 4-5

I would like to apply for a position on the Owl Industrial League softball team.

Name .....

Bldg. ..... Floor.....

Home Telephone.....

Home Address .....

Voltmen Sign Serg Schuster

Eddie Kraft Takes Top Bowling Honors In G-E Tournament

Eddie Kraft won top place in the annual G-E Bowling Tournament that ended Saturday evening, April 23. He won the singles with a 756 and the all-events with a 1937 total.

The Junk-Dimke combination won the doubles event with a total of 1390 pins, while the Hahn Way Cleaners five won the team event with 3315.

Second placers were C. Hattendorf with a 735 in the singles; Mertz-Matthews, in the doubles with a 1379; Worthman Home Builders, 3252 for team standings and V. Rump in the all-events with a 1851.



Audrey Hickernell can tell you all about spring housecleaning. In fact it is so drastic at her house that she has had to move out while her floors have their faces lifted. Ah, sweet spring. . . . Walt Lamboley was really sitting on the hot seat when he sat on a wastepaper basket the other day. Needless to say that he soon stopped sitting and started stamping instead. . . . Calling All Patrol Cars, Calling All Traffic Cops, Clear the Streets, there is a new driver loose on the streets and it's a woman. The above alludes to Dorothy Mills who is starting her driver's lessons. We're only kidding, Dorothy, you will be a swell driver. . . . The Birthday Club held its regular meeting at the Colony House in New Haven. It was a grand party with Marveline Butts as hostess and Eileen Hennen the guest. Election of officers was held and Laurel Weaver is the new president with Ann Lapidot as vice-president, and Florence Knight as secretary-treasurer. Those present were Dorothy Askren, Audrey Hickernell, Florence Knight, Joan Seery, Ann Lapidot, Marilyn Roehm, Laurel Weaver, Evelyeen Bennett, Eileen Hennen, Marvelene Butts and Belle Buchan.

DOUBLES STANDINGS

Pos.	Name	Total
1	Junk-Dimke	1390
2	W. Mertz-F. Matthews	1379
3	G. Haggenjos-C. Miller	1369
4	L. May-F. Manor	1351
5	D. Stoneman-C. Rump	1343
6	F. Iannelly-P. Billman	1340
7	R. Rogers-H. Proxmire	1328
8	D. Bucher-R. Bucher	1324
9	D. Pappert-H. Fanning	1312
10	P. Perry-V. Rump	1299
11	A. Middaugh-W. Pook	1297
12	W. Nitz-W. Piercy	1294
13	G. Soule-E. Roby	1290
14	C. Archer-H. Smith	1289
15	W. Buuck-E. Kraft	1285
16	F. Kopp-I. Parrish	1281
17	E. Haugh-P. Walker	1279
18	R. Madden-E. Aumann	1277
19	R. Junghaus-R. Junghaus	1272
20	G. Ludeman-L. Elward	1269
21	D. Waldrop-R. Knepple	1263
22	M. Tobias-R. Tobias	1259
22	G. Hoopingarner-R. Rowe	1259

ALL EVENTS STANDINGS

Pos.	Name	Total
1	E. Kraft	1937
2	V. Rump	1851
3	J. Hambrock	1812
4	A. Smethers	1801
5	D. Springer	1789
6	W. Mertz	1787
7	L. Welker	1785
8	G. Luedeman	1769
9	L. May	1761
10	C. Rump	1761
11	P. Walker	1749
12	A. Crayton	1744
13	F. Matthew	1732

Former Catcher For Generals Joins G-E's Semi-pro Champs

Signing of Serg Schuster, pepper pot catcher, was announced today by John (Red) Braden, manager of the Voltmen.

Schuster will be remembered by local fans for his play with the Fort Wayne Generals last season. He is a good receiver and, at the plate, can hit a long ball. Serg hit seven home runs for the Generals at Dwenger Park last year.

Schuster has played with Uniontown and York in the Inter-state League, Scranton in the Eastern League, and last year with the Generals in the Central League.

Quits Cleveland Indians

With the breakup of the Generals, Schuster was sold to the Cleveland Indians and assigned to Dayton. After spring training, he asked for his release to play with the G-E semipro champs.

In addition to catching, Schuster appeared in several games at second base last year.

Tomorrow the Voltmen open spring training at Dwenger Park, with another warm-up period scheduled for Sunday. They will open the season here Sunday afternoon, May 15, against Michigan City.

Ticket Sales Open

Today is the opening of all ticket sales. Booster tickets are $1 and enable employees to see the regularly scheduled games for 50 cents. The regular adult tickets are: grandstand, 74 cents; box seats, $1.25 per game.

Booster tickets are available at the G-E Club bowling alleys and at the Taylor St. and Winter St. personnel offices.

The Voltmen roster at present includes:

Pitchers — Al Hazel, Charley Shipman, John Orphal, Hugh Orphan and Scott Cary; infielders—Olin Smith, Bill Hardy, Stan Shargey, Stan Miasek, John Dudick and Serg Schuster; outfielders—Don Runge and Paul Dyke.

G-E Ham League Calls New Practice Sessions

Because the Ham League has been rained out for their first two practice sessions, there will be another Tuesday, May 3, and Friday, May 6. Both sessions will be held at McMillen Park at 6 p.m. In case of rain the team will meet at the G-E Club gym.

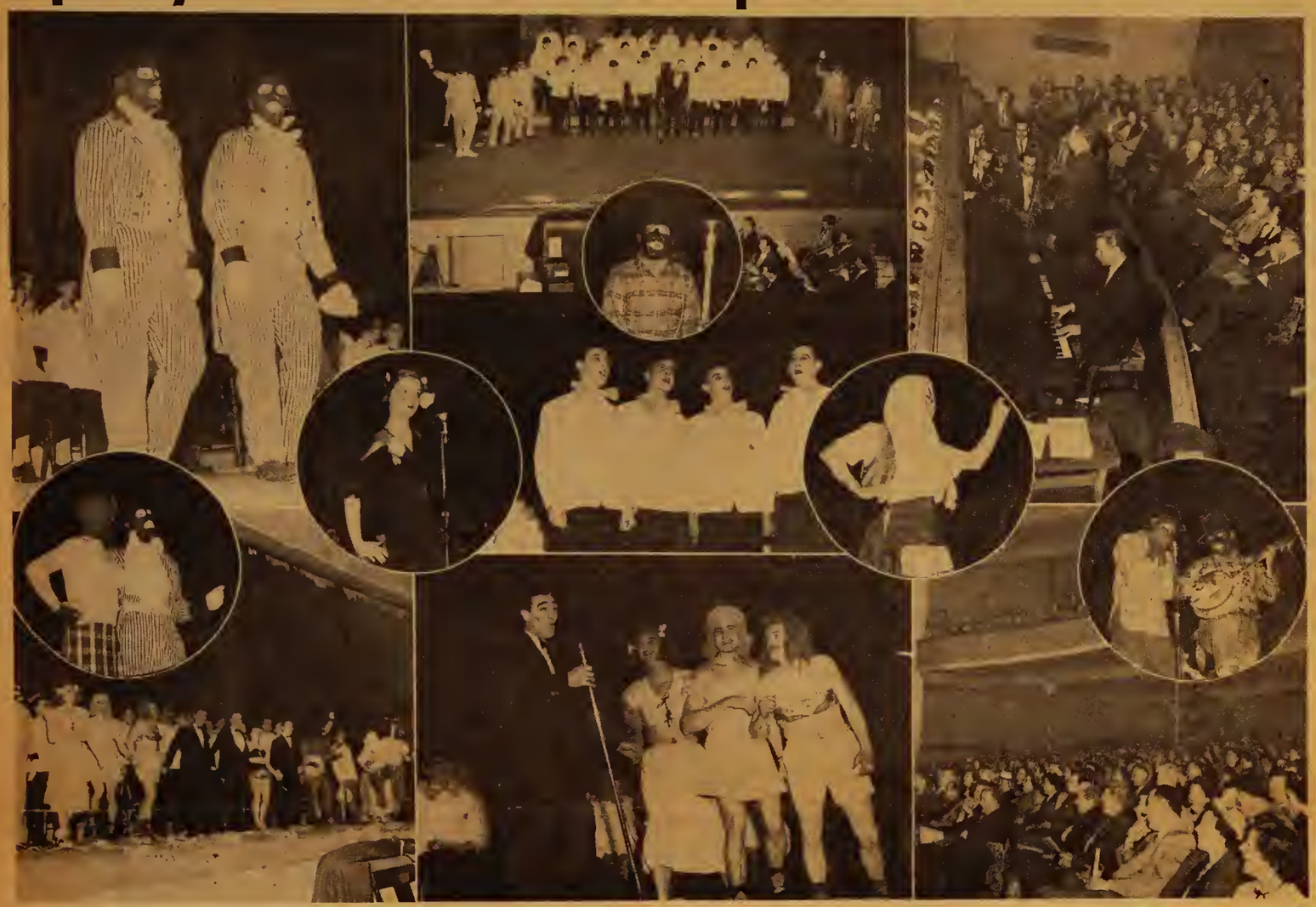
Any ball player 35 or over is urged to attend, as there are several positions open. Send applications to Bill Schible, Bldg. 20-1.

Interdivision Softball Managers Are Invited To Attend Meeting

All managers of the Interdivision Softball League are requested to attend a meeting in the G-E Club lounge Monday, May 2, at 5:15 p.m. Anyone unable to attend is requested to send a team representative.



Capacity Crowd Attends Squares' Minstrel Show



A capacity crowd of 900 persons packed the Civic Theatre Wednesday night, April 20, to witness the Squares Club minstrel show, Plantation Capers. The two-hour madcap of minstrel melodies and mischievous merry-making kept the audience rolling in the aisles.

The WORKS NEWS photographer caught the scenes, above, during the hilarious and melodic extravaganza:

At the top, left, Rufus (Herb Eaton) and Rastus (George Hoopingarner), the Chocolate Songbirds, give their rendition of "Rufus Rastus Johnson Brown." In the center, top photo, the show opens with a rousing song of welcome by the chorus. "Johnnie" Johnson is the very distinguished and capable interlocutor. The endmen in the picture (l. to r.) are Dave Clugston, Bob Loveland, Herb Eaton, Dick Thomas and Glen Tobias. The chorus, under the direction of Glenn Seabold, includes Ralph Welsh, Don Spaulding, Forry Carlson, Fred Suhr, Ron Robinson, Tony Schneble, Frank Chayka, Hugh Folson, Bill Dripps, Frank Fleischer, Joe Jamieson, Bob Dent, Bill Hunt, Bob Drake, George Martin, Marion Halleck, Charles Brown, George Culp, Gail Rowley, Bob Altevogt, Paul Vance, Stan Antalis, Walt Hein, Andy Schevchuk, Chet Krasienko, Tom Greenman, Ted Hicks, Paul Shaefer and Joe Formanek. A musical shave is presented in the center photo, by the barbershop quartet featuring (l. to r.) George Culp, Paul Vance, Frank Fleischer and Glenn Seabold. In the upper right corner, starting at the top (l. to r.) are Lou Pooler, drums; Martin Heller, trombone; Bob Sharrow and Ernie Freegard, trumpet; Don Motter, Bob Schulte and Chet Smith, saxophone; Glenn Seabold, director, and Ted Ross, piano.

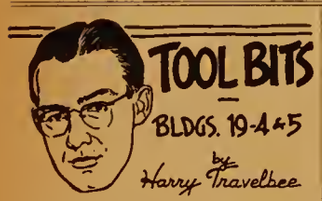
In the lower right corner, the entire company comes on stage for the last curtain call and well-deserved applause. In the center photo at the bottom, Joe Zasa and the Mop Sisters. (Frank Fleischer, Frank Chayka and Max Barrows) offer Buckets o'Jive. In the lower left corner, the crowd goes into hysterics as the endmen start their line of patter.

In the spotlight inserts (l. to r.): as his girl friend (Ray O'Keefe) watches lovingly, the Black Crow Crooner (Dick Thomas) sings "I Ain't Got Nobody;" Mickie Marcotte provides some scorching torch songs to bring the house down; Mert Edgar poses with his devils fiddle; Charlie Koomjohn dances to some exotic rhythms, and two "Lease-Breakers" (Walter Hein and Jim Townsend) go into some musical antics.

Frank Gamec was chairman of the show; Joe Zasa, director, and Frank Ondrovik, administrative chairman.

Ray Rogers, Ken Parks and Ray O'Keefe provided the properties, costumes and makeup; tickets, publicity and programs were handled by Bob Rowe, Bob Schulte and Bob Triplett.

An open house was held in the Squares Club rooms after the show. Cliff Leegard was in charge of arrangements. The cast also held a stag party last Wednesday night in the club rooms.



Have you noticed that the trains are running on schedule now since Carl Einsiedel is back on the job from his siege of the flu? . . . All the generous friends of Doc Kleemeyer are requested to hereafter boil all colored Easter eggs. Doc says he isn't too crazy about raw eggs, and besides it gets all over his vest. We wonder who could do a trick like that. . . . Hey, all you single girls, we have great news for you. That old famous Bachelor Club of tne Tool Room has been reduced to one surviving member, Leo Schlaudraff, since Dorwin Stanley and Arleen Reinke got hitched. . . . "Somebody moved it" was all Frank Hoffman could say after he kicked over a full bucket of Kemtone. . . . That loud noise at the west end of Bldg. 19-4 was Mart Walsh dropping his watch. . . . A week ago, Joe Mettler was the only one of our many Izaak Waltons to venture out in the cold. Our hats off to you, Joe, maybe we can send you to Alaska or somewhere. . . . Why is Lowell Welker always going home at noon to change clothes? Is he showing off his large wardrobe? . . . One of the lathe men received a free bath (almost, that is) at the Tool Crib drinking fountain last week. Those things are plenty tricky, aren't they, Carl? . . . Might as well get yourselves braced, fellows, cause the fishing season is here, and we might as well get ready for some tall tales. We hear John Roemer went fishing last Saturday, and, believe it or not, he admitted he didn't catch a thing; however, his trip was not in vain. He saw a 26-lb. pike that some other fellow caught on Otter Lake. At least there are some big ones around, eh, John? . . . Caviar is what Frank Druhot calls it, but we call it plain old St. Mary's river carp eggs. Frank claims it weighed over 16 lbs. 10 ozs. . . . We're trying to figure out for sure if the fellas' wives are getting stronger or if those bumps on the heads of Bob Truelove and Walter Greiner are really caused by domestic accidents such as falling trees, slipping stepladders or a cake of soap on the bathroom floor. . . . Anyone wishing to see a super lawn roller in operation, drive out to Waynedale and look up Ross Cohagan any afternoon after work or week-ends. . . . After an extended illness, William Jeffries is back on the job feeling fit as a fiddle. Best of luck, Bill. . . . No, not a safe cracker, just Earl Plummer. He forgot his keys to get in his tool box. Don't forget to bring all the tools back you borrowed from the boys, Earl. . . . Henry Wittber will probably be raising those large tomatoes again this year. Do you want a special basket or will a wheelbarrel be all right, Hank? If you want any information regarding cheese sandwiches see Al Nebur. . . . "Thar she flows," yelled Joe Hartman, Swede Moser, and George Hartman as they hit a rich vein of H2O. Swede says he doesn't mind drilling wells if George would feed him something besides bass and bluegills. . . . We are all looking forward to seeing that famous two wheel bike of Scott Click's that has been handed down through his family for generations. Must be a beauty with all that new chrome and paint to doll it up. We would like to see you ride it to work some day and really give us a show, but looks like we will have to wait till W&D's have their antique show, as Scotty is going to have it on display there.

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When a nation gives birth to a man who is able to produce a great thought, another is born who is able to understand and admire it.

—*Joubert*

Employment, Production Situation Reviewed

Oswalt Is Appointed To Succeed Gargett



W. F. Oswalt



J. H. Gargett

W. F. Oswalt has been appointed Manager of Manufacturing, Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions. He succeeds J. H. Gargett, who retired this week after 42 years of service.

Mr. Oswalt was first employed by the Company in 1929, when he entered the Apprentice school. Upon his graduation as a toolmaker, he was assigned to Bldg. 26-3. He later transferred to Bldg. 19-2 to do time study engineering. In 1942 he became a methods planner in the Supercharger division. He was then appointed Supervisor of Planning at the Taylor St. plant.

In 1945 Mr. Oswalt was appointed Plant Superintendent of the Danville, Ill., plant, and the next year was named Plant Manager. He returned to Fort Wayne last year as Assistant Manager of Manufacturing in the Transformer and Ballast divisions.

Mr. Gargett began working for General Electric in 1906. He spent

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Pensioners May Replace Certificates For Cards

Any pensioner who desires to replace his certificate with a new, billfold-size card may do so by bringing or sending the old cer-

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355 G-E Toasters Go On Sale Today

A shipment of 175 Class A and 180 Class E toasters has been received by the Fort Wayne Employees' stores for immediate sale. These do not include the number held for employees who have made reservations. All reservations will have been filled by closing time today.

Class A toasters sell for $14.85 and Class E toasters are $13.45, employees' prices.

G-E Is County's Largest Taxpayer

The General Electric Co. is Allen County's largest taxpayer by a wide margin, the County Treasurer's office has revealed.

The Company's 1949 tax bill on its local industrial plants and equipment in Allen County totaled $714,133.

The first half-year installment of this, the largest tax bill ever paid here by G-E, was presented last week when the Company remitted a check for $357,066.50 to Treasurer Sam Cook.

"Some conception of how heavily the General Electric Company contributes to operation of governmental functions here is gained when one observes that this one industry pays three-fourths of money for all the salaries included in the Fort Wayne Board of Public Safety budget, which includes salaries of all police officers, all firemen and all employees of the Police Signal Department," Mr. Cook stated.

"It pays almost twice as much as all the salaries in the Fort Wayne Board of Public Works and Fort Wayne Board of Public Health budgets," he added.

Works Manager Discusses Layoffs And Shutdowns

Product Managers Relate Present Trends To General Business Activity

Editor's Note: Though most of the following production and employment information is not encouraging, it is published in the interest of giving accurate and complete details on the current situation to substantiate or correct rumors which in too many cases are more disturbing than the actual facts.

"For the past several months, employment in all divisions of the Fort Wayne Works and branch plants has been very unstable and at present is at the lowest level since pre-war," according to C. H. Matson, Works Manager.

"Though there have been a few isolated and temporary instances of an upward trend, in general every activity has been unfavorably affected by a sloping off of the post-war demand for our products, resulting in numerous and in some cases heavy layoffs for lack of work," stated Mr. Matson. "The largest layoff took place this week when more than 700 persons were affected. In addition, arrangements have been made to close the Benton, Ill., Ballast Plant permanently, effective May 21. The Tiffin, O., Fractional Horsepower Motor Plant and the Danville, Ill., Ballast Plant will be closed for one week, effective May 9 and the DeKalb, Ill., Motor Plant will be closed for two weeks effective the same date."

Continuing his review of the current situation, the Works Manager revealed that the general layoffs and temporary interruption of production in the branch plants are directly due to cuts in production resulting from a continuing reduction in orders received for the Fort Wayne and branch plant products and the existence of large finished product inventories.

Referring to surveys recently made, he stated that "Preference for our products has kept our factories operating at a higher level than those of our competitors,"

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Management Invites Foremen, Supervisors To Hear W. V. Merrihue

The Fort Wayne Management will be host to members of the G-E Foremen's Association and the Supervisors' Club for their semi-annual dinner, Wednesday, May 11, in the G-E Club auditorium.

W. V. Merrihue, Manager of Employee and Community Relations for the Apparatus Department, will be the speaker.

Invitations have been issued and members are urged to return the perforated stub today. The dinner will be served in two shifts, one at 5:30 p.m. and the second at 6 p.m.

Williams Tops List Of 116 Suggestors

Robert A. Williams, FHP Motor Division 15, led the list of 116 suggestors with a $115 award for his idea on low voltage winding. The awards amounted to a total of $1,487.50.

A $100 award went to W. H. Wiegmann, FHP Motor Div. 17, for his suggestion involving die casts. Roy F. Bracht, FHP Motor Div. 15, was next on the list with two awards, $50 and $25 for suggestions on coil assembly and winding. For his idea on salvaging castings, Raymond A. Pickett, FHP Motor Div. 17, received $35.

Awards amounting to $25 were made to the following: Walter Amacher, FHP Motor Div. 15; Charles H. Francies, FHP Motor Div. 16; Kenneth Gaunt, Decatur; Gertrude Kummerant and Gaylord P. Morris, Jr., Specialty Transformer Div. 93.

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Robert A. Williams, Bldg. 4-5, is pictured above looking over the application of his $115 suggestion on changes in the method of winding. Looking at the suggestion are (l. to r.) Mr. Williams, Kathryn Gilbert, Ed Sonday, General Foreman; and Paul Hapner.

Quarter Century Club To Hold Annual Outing At Limberlost, Sept. 10

The Quarter Century Club will hold its annual outing Saturday, Sept. 10, at Camp Limberlost on Oliver Lake, it was announced today by Fred L. Schafenacker, president. The outing has been held at Camp Limberlost since 1946, when the group met there for the first time since before the war.

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"All That I Am Or Hope To Be . . .

. . . I owe to my angel mother." So said Abraham Lincoln in one of the most memorable tributes ever paid any woman. And it is Mother, indeed, who deserves the praise, the thanks, the kindly tribute for all the tenderness, companionship and loving care she has showered on every son and daughter.

Just remember the times Mother has "come through" for you . . . when you were small enough to hide behind the bulwark of her skirts . . . when you first went to her for advice that showed the wisdom of her years . . . when she deprived herself of something to give you your heart's desire!

So remember Mother this year on her day, May 8, in some special way that says she's the best Mom in the world —that you're glad she's your Mother.

Remember her . . . it takes so little time—yet means so much.

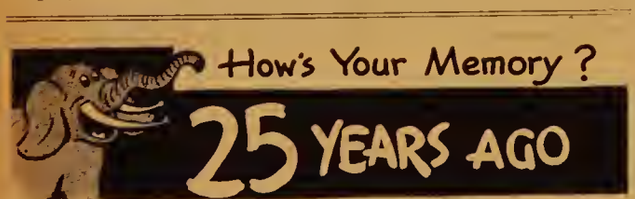
YMCA Gears Its Program To Meet Needs Of Temporarily Unemployed

Gearing its program to meet the needs of the times, the Fort Wayne YMCA was busy this week reminding the citizens of the community that its recreational and social facilities are available to all young men who may be temporarily unemployed, regardless of their ability to purchase a membership.

David Cunningham, President of the organization, has stated: "Naturally, the YMCA has many services to render during boom times when business and industry are at their best, but these services become especially important when, as at the present, because of unfavorable business conditions or the making of adjustments in production schedules, young men are unemployed and subject to a natural physical and mental depression. The unemployed who take advantage of our recreational, leadership, social and guidance services during these times are better able to keep themselves fit to take advantage of re-employment opportunity and to face the problem of living."

Mr. Cunningham issued an invitation to all unemployed adults to visit the "Y" and take advantage of its facilities which are supported and maintained by local citizens, business and industry to meet just such emergencies.

The organization is currently conducting its annual drive to raise funds to meet operating expenses for the coming year. The total operating budget of the YMCA is $440,000 and 83% of its activities are self supporting. The goal of the present campaign is $75,000 which constitutes the cost of services rendered boys and young adults who because of circumstances cannot pay the full cost of those services. According to Mr. Cunningham, it is among the less fortunate young people that "Y" services are most needed. The Fort Wayne General Electric facilities annually contribute $1,750 to this work, in addition to contributions made by individual employees.



On Monday evening, May 19, a crowd of about a hundred young folks gathered for a supper in Building 16-2 immediately after work and organized what will be known in the future as the Alpha Phi Club. Through the efforts of Miss Kinna, a temporary committee was appointed to get the crowd together. The supper was served at 6 o'clock, followed by a short business session at which the following officers were named to lead the club until November, when new executives will be elected: Ray Kierspe, president; Hulda Burg, vice-president; Carrol Blincoe, secretary-treasurer, and Alma Olson, assistant secretary-treasurer. The entertainment committee of which Edna Sarazen is chairman, has the following personnel: Edna Welch, Ed Kammeyer and Karl Geller. The purpose of this organization is to promote social good times and wholesome recreation among the young folks in the Works. It is the only club of its kind for a young mixed crowd.



WHAT'S NEW IN GE PLANTS & LABS

A vibration meter, developed by the General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory, designed for use in laboratory, production line, and flight testing of gas turbines, is announced by the Special Products Division at Schenectady. The meter measures vibration displacement, velocity, and acceleration, and has a vibration frequency range, without filters, from 30 to 300 cycles a second. The equipment consists of from one to five vibration detectors, an amplifier with indicating instrument, and, when desired, a remote indicating instrument for panel mounting on the aircraft when flight testing.

New theories on how and why metals break, which have a bearing on a longer life for cut flowers and the height of giant California redwoods, were revealed at Schenectady by the Research Laboratory. Fracture of metals begins with extremely small crack—nuclei which grow into a large split when enough tension is applied. Bubbles, which break a water column, have a lot in common with cracks in metal. A column of fluid or a bar of metal will hold together if the tension of a pull is not great enough to make the nuclei (bubbles or cracks) grow into a break. An example of how much tension a fluid can stand without breaking is a California redwood which pulls a column of water in its trunk as high as 300 feet under a tension of about 130 pounds per square inch. When a flower is cut in the garden, a super-critical nucleus is introduced into the bottom of the stem, growing quickly into bubbles that block the stem's water columns. It becomes impossible for the flower to suck up water from a vase and the flower soon wilts. By cutting off the bubble-blocked portion of the stem under water in the vase, the column is restored and the flowers will live considerably longer.

SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q: The other day I heard a recording of my voice, as I took part in a conversation. It seemed very unnatural, even though others sounded as usual. Why is this?

A: It is a common experience that a person hearing for the first time a faithful reproduction of his own voice is unable to recognize it. Partly this is because one hears a great deal of the sound of his own voice by conduction through the bones of the head. Also, since his ears are behind and at right angles to his mouth, the quality of his voice, even as he hears it through the air, is different from the way it sounds to someone standing in front. One usually thinks his own voice is much more resonant and mellow than it actually is.

Q: What is meant by "squaring the circle" and why is it impossible?

A: This was a famous problem of the ancient Greeks. It was to draw a square having the same area as a given circle, using nothing beside the pencil but a compass and an unmarked straightedge. Though never solved, it was not until 1882 that it was proved impossible. The proof involves very advanced mathematical analysis, and the fact that "pi", the ratio between the diameter of a circle and its circumference, is what mathematicians call a "transcendental" number.

Meet the President



Employment

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and observed that this would indicate that we continue to hold our fair share of the various markets which is important to future production and employment.

Sales Efforts Being Made

Mr. Matson reported that a determined effort is being made by all Fort Wayne G-E product lines to develop new customers.

Commercial divisions are daily canvassing all sources of business and the research and developmental sections are endeavoring to produce new lines to replace those for which the post-war demand has been filled.

The Managers of the Fort Wayne business divisions were interviewed in regard to current and future production and had the following comments to make:

M. E. LORD

Manager, Fractional Horsepower Motor Division

"Fractional Horsepower Motors are sold primarily to machinery and appliance manufacturers who install the motors on their equipment for sale to the ultimate user. Because of this, the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions are affected business-wise by most of the industrial activity in the country, since these motors are used to some degree in every phase of our economic life.

"Post-war expansion over pre-war levels of all industries using Fractional Horsepower Motors to meet the abnormally high post-war demand necessitated abnormally high production and employment in our business which reached its peak in 1948. As sales of the equipment manufactured by these industries on whom we depend for our business fell off, accumulated inventories of completed equipment plus parts in process, including motors as a major item had to be reduced. As a consequence, instead of dropping down to a lower adjusted level consistent with general business activity, requirements for Fractional Horsepower Motors have dropped below that level and will not return until our customers have reduced their inventories of equipment and motors.

"Activity has improved in the oil burner industry and some of the other industries which were cut earlier. Customers who have been out of the market for nine months to a year are again purchasing our motors, but in making their purchases in a buyers market are looking for price, short delivery service, good workmanship and high degree of quality in the product they buy. We expect to supply all of these and if general business conditions do not become worse, our business should improve month by month."

W. C. WICHMAN

Manager, Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions

"Specialty Transformers and Ballasts are essentially components of end-product equipment such as oil and gas fired heating equipment, fluorescent lighting, control units for machine tools and printing presses, etc. Our business depends on the requirements and sales of many diversified and in some cases specialized end-products.

"Due to the starving of many of the end-product equipment markets during the war, the post-war demand was abnormally high and in excess of any previous in history. It was only with difficulty that through our expanded facilities we were able to satisfy the demands of our customers and hold our share of the very competitive markets.

"Except for an adjustment a year ago, a high level of demand has continued almost without interruption until very recently. During the first quarter of this year, orders were approximately at the same level as for the last quarter of last year. In April, however, business fell off badly. At present, orders appear to be at lower levels than customer sales of end-products. This indicates that customers are reducing inventories of components and finished products held in stock. Although our business continues at levels well in excess of pre-war, it has been necessary to curtail output to more nearly the pattern of incoming orders.

"At best, the future business outlook is uncertain, though there are some optimistic factors which suggest a better future if general business conditions remain good."

J. M. CRAWFORD

Manager, Large Motor and Generator Divisions

"Orders received have remained reasonably consistent, but at a level lower than current output. The orders are above pre-war levels and previous forecasts for the year to date.

"In addition to our own business, this division has been helping another division at a time when they could not manufacture their total requirements. That program will be completed by June and will result in a corresponding reduction of our personnel."

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In regard to the Works Service and Contributing Divisions, Mr. Matson stated, "These divisions in addition to maintaining the various Fort Wayne and branch plant facilities used by the business divisions also provide various services and component parts and materials essential to the product lines. These include wire manufacture and insulations; tool manufacture and maintenance; all general plant services; personnel services, including employment; all production services, such as receiving, shipping, transportation and general stores, and technical services, including Works Laboratory. Of necessity, the work in these divisions fluctuates with the demands of the product lines. Any reduction in orders received by those businesses necessitating cuts in production and employment is directly reflected in the employment of the service divisions.

"Demands for magnet wire used by the product lines are at an extremely low point which has forced a virtual shutdown of the wire mill. Some new outside business has been secured, but this only permits operation of the mill at a small percentage of capacity. Curtailed use of works and branch plant facilities by the business divisions has resulted in a lower demand for maintenance personnel and employment cuts have been made necessary. Current level of employment in all divisions remains above pre-war levels, but considerably below post-war peaks. Increased activity in the product lines would immediately favorably influence employment in the Works Service Divisions.

"It is to be hoped in the interest of those now currently employed and those employees off for lack of work, but awaiting recall, that activity in those businesses and industries which all of the Fort Wayne Works Service and business divisions serve will increase sufficiently in the coming months to make jobs now available more secure and warrant re-employment of our temporarily released employees."

Zimmerman Is Honored On 45th Anniversary



Harry Zimmerman, G-E Club Steward, ended 45 years of service wtih General Electric Friday, April 29. At that time he received a certificate denoting his long time service. At the presentation were (l. to r.) I. H. Freeman, Supervisor of Personnel; Dick Kent, G-E Club secretary; Charles Wilt, Club president and manager; C. H. Matson, Works Manager; Mr. Zimmerman; Eva Tucker, director; George Waldschmidt, G-E Club treasurer; Carl Reynolds, first vice president, and Claude Holmes, director.

Harry Zimmerman, G-E Club Steward, celebrated his 45th anniversary with General Electric, Friday, April 29. He began working here in 1902 when he was 15 years old. His first job was in the fan motor division, but he left two years later to fulfill an ambition to be a railroader.

His railroading career was shortlived, however. After one trip, he reported back to G-E for his old job. He was then assigned to the meter assembly line, and later transferred to the relay division. From 1920 until 1934 he was in charge of relay assembly. He achieved the Company's highest honor, the Coffin Award, in 1929. The award was made "in recognition of his unusual initiative, originality and skill in designing relays."

The division moved to the Philadelphia Works in 1934, and Harry accompanied the group there. When asked to remain there, he refused because he was "too good a Hoosier" to leave Indiana. Mr. Zimmerman returned to the local plant to work in the meter division and later for Plant Protection. Between 1937 and 1943, he was manager of the Works Cafeteria, and since the latter date has been the G-E Club Steward.

Harry has been active in the Volunteer Fire Department, and at one time was Assistant Chief. He is still treasurer of this organization. He also has been aetive in G-E Club aetivities. He was elected its first vice-president, when the club was organized in 1927. In addition he was a G-E Securities Corp. bond direetor for Fort Wayne in 1929 and 1930, and has just finished a trusteeship with the Quarter Century Club.

Fred J. Hey Dies

Fred J. Hey, 55, died about noon Sunday, May 1, at a local hospital where he had been a patient for the past eight years.

He was employed by the General Electric in 1916 as an insulator. At the time he left the Company in 1931 due to illness, he worked in the Wire and Insulation Div.

Retires After 42 Years' Service



J. H. Gargett, Manager of Manufacturing, Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, left Friday for retirement May 1 after 42 years of service with the Company. At that time he received a sickle-bar for his garden tractor from his friends in the divisions. Left to right are N. J. Sordelet, Willard Lenz, Glenn Hobbs, P. M. Staehle, D. B. Poland, C. K. Bowman, L. M. Garman, L. N. Sordelet, C. P. Mentzer, Mr. Gargett, E. A. Bangert, W. W. Dreyer, F. N. Banks, F. T. Gamec, E. J. Schurenberg, W. F. Oswalt, T. H. Gugler, and L. H. Driftmeyer.



Birthday greetings of the week go to Alice Dahman and Thomas Blackwell. . . . We understand that Thomas Blackwell will soon be a member of the Fire Department. His rating will be that of a "Starter, first class." . . . Audrey Tierney was disappointed that nobody noticed her hair cut. . . . Wedding bells rang for Doris Berg to Edwin Brager last Saturday. Best wishes, Doris. . . . If anybody wants any plastering done, see Francis Gerardot. He has the new kind of "quick setting" plaster. . . . All of you had better prepare yourselves for the fish stories. We hear several of the fellows from the office went fishing last Saturday. . . . We are trying to figure out if Harold Struver is actually Scotch. He returned three cups of ice cream until he found a full one. . . . We welcome Fred Moody to Bldg. 4-5. Fred is a test engineer. . . . Willard Ropa was back to pay us a visit. Welcome back anytime, Willard, we were glad to see you. . . . We wish to express our sympathy to Helen Bell in the death of her grandfather.

Williams Tops

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Those receiving awards ranging in various amounts from $5 to $20 are listed below:

FHP Motor Div. 1: Henry D. Grepke.

FHP Motor Div. 13: Gwendolyn J. Buzby.

FHP Motor Div. 14: Lottie McFarland, Stella M. Strong, John D. Anspach (two awards), and Willie E. Roby.

FHP Motor Div. 15: Walter Amacher (four awards), Paul R. Castle, Gilbert P. Auth, Neil W. Anderson, Milton E. Roller (two awards), Fred F. Bailey, Forrest R. Allman, William W. Ort, Wilbur E. Tibbitts, John H. Holloway, Lynn L. Crawford, Earl W. Souers, Thyral L. Neu, M. S. Pettit, William B. Widdifield, and Kathryn Gilbert.

FHP Motor Div. 16: Herbert Bender, Walter H. Buesking, Junior L. Wappes, Edward Bienz, George Ross, Clifford Dowden, Charles H. Francies, William J. Miller, and Gerald R. Wert.

FHP Motor Div. 17: Russell L. Poorman (two awards), Enno H. Richter, Harry L. Babcock, Joseph S. Eifrid, John T. Repine, Arthur E. Smethers, Edward P. Saxton, Herb D. Fuhrman, Maurice Roe, Walter J. Koehlinger, Gustave H. Berghoff, Ruth J. Leverton, Ralph J. Begue (three awards), and John Terry.

FHP Motor Div. 33: George H. Miller.

Decatur: Harold Keller, Charles Cloud, F. Tumbleson, Harold Rhynard, and Lloyd A. Myers.

Tiffin: Paul Raitz, Richard Runion, H. E. Coffman, Hillis H. Askam, William G. Clark, and Walter R. Lonsway.

DeKalb: W. A. Gibson, Robert Ferris, Wayne Rewerts, Clifford V. Smith, and Francis Sibley.

Specialty Transformer Div. 91: Arnold Creed, George W. Jones, C. R. Hoover, Rosella M. McKinney, Charles F. Holtsclaw, Donald Ford, Charles Druce, Thomas S. Salmon, Harry C. Ribel, Charles R. Mercer, and Lorin E. Prince.

Specialty Transformer Div. 93: Donald R. Shepherd, Floyd D. Chilcote, Eugene A. Scherer, Frank F. Schultz, Margaret Pelkey, Virgil B. Buchanan, L. W. Schuster, Robert Hower, Frank F. Schultz, Jr., Peter J. Eberhardt, and Russell L. Armstrong.

Danville: Robert Taylor, Dan Parker, Ambrose A. Frazier, Simeon Edwards, Robert Bush, and Owen E. Bedard.

Motor and Generator: Ralph V. Rockhill, William F. Behm, Harold R. Blust, Delphus Morrical, Calvin W. Marhenke, and Clifton J. Mugg.

Wire and Insulation: Lynn A. Wilson, Carl M. Junk, Clarence E. Coulter, and Russell L. Flaugh.

Tool Div.: Guy E. Wagoner, E. T. Ueber, Erwin F. Wiebke, Nolan Lowden, and James P. McFeely.

Miscellaneous: Frederick Bishop and Doyle C. Huffman.

Two Men From Bldg. 27 Retire



Frank Fordham and Louis Koop, both of Bldg. 27, left Friday for retirement. Mr. Fordham was presented some fishing equipment and Mr. Koop was given a ring by their co-workers in Motor and Generator. Mr. Fordham is shown receiving his tackle from H. L. Stevenson, with Mr. Koop at the right.

Appointed

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most of his service in the Transformer division. He has held the positions: head of Cost, Superintendent of the Transformer divisions, Assistant to the Works Manager, and Manager of Manufacturing, Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions.

Pensioners

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tificate to George Waldschmidt, Bldg. 8-2.

Under the present plan, persons now going on pension receive a small card in place of a certificate. These cards are particularly useful for identification purposes when pensioners visit a G-E plant.



Here we are all back on that good old daylight saving time—that is all of us except some of the clocks out here in the factory. It seems as though there was quite a bit of confusion last Monday as some of the people were still working when the whistle blew as they thought they still had another hour to go. Best they get those clocks fixed quick because many days like that and we'll all be nervous wrecks. . . . Ed Brockhall must feel pretty bad since the fishing season on bass ended last week, because now Ed can't have his picture in the newspaper for catching those big fellows. Just to try and keep him from being too unhappy, we'll let his name appear in our NEWS. Then he won't get out of the habit of reading about himself. . . . Anyone wanting to order some fresh vegetables should contact Oral Emrick, as we hear that he really has a fine garden. Hm-m-m wonder if he planted the seeds with his rifle? . . . Dale Ross says this may be a little early, but she wants all her customers to know that she won't forget to bring their "poppies" in this year on Poppy Day. It seems that she sold out last year and her old customers had to buy them elsewhere. . . . Ed Donaghy says it seemed good to see Clyde Helms work up a sweat for a change. The story goes that Clyde was out and did a little garden work for Ed with Ed's roto-tiller. Better watch that stuff, Clyde. . . . Hillard Moore had a little trouble getting his boat in the lake last Saturday. First he got his car stuck and was tied up for three hours trying to get that unstuck, and then it was too late to do much fishing. Better luck next time, Buck. . . . Eddie Bandt attended the wedding of his niece, Helen Horstmeyer, last Saturday.

Larimore Dies

Walter G. Larimore, 48, 438 Maxine Dr., died at 3:25 p.m. Saturday, April 30, at the Methodist hospital.

He began working for General Electric in 1920 as an inspector, and has held various production jobs since that time. When he left for illness in 1948, Mr. Larimore was a production order clerk at Taylor St.

He was a member of the Quarter Century Club, and St. Paul's Lutheran Church.



"Doggie" Murray hit the jack pot last Friday night when he was presented with his farewell gift of just ever so many silver dollars. Good luck, Doggie, and don't forget your old friends here at the plant. . . . We were sorry to learn of Arnold Wuebbenhorst's automobile accident and hope by this time he is much improved. . . . Lee Miller starts his three weeks' vacation Monday, lucky guy, and from there on it will be a life of ease for him. Lee is retiring this month and we do wish him the very best of everything. . . . Can you imagine Bob Hatfield having the audacity to ask "Old Man" Helmer to walk over the ramp instead of just crossing the street, so Bob wouldn't have to buy a posie last Friday? However, he does have his moments though, like asking Schible to bend a couple of stainless steel bars for him to use as a hamburger grill. He is giving this to his wife as a gift on their silver wedding anniversary, which they are celebrating today, Congratulations, Bob. . . . Has anyone heard the new horn in Bldg. 20-1 office? Howard Moore wasn't too keen about it at first but has decided it isn't quite as bad as it sounds, after you get used to it, that is. . . . Harry Nickels is now on the second trick, folks, in case you hadn't noticed. . . . Happy birthday to John Lare and Dick Gallmeier.

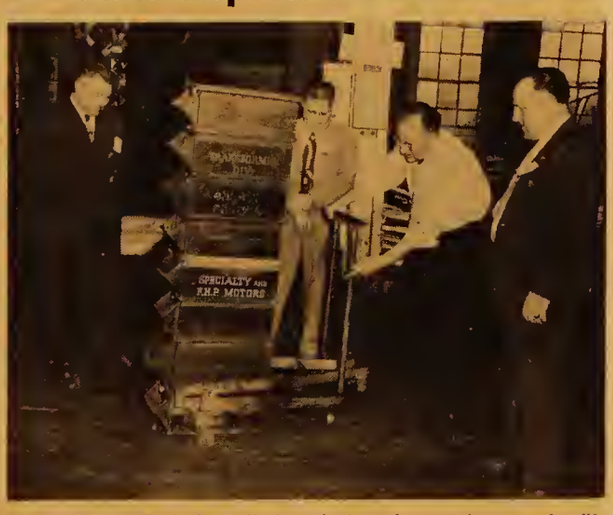
Elex Partizan Chapter Plans Meeting May 17

The Partizan chapter of Elex will hold a meeting Tuesday, May 17, at 1:30 p.m. in St. Paul's hall, corner of Barr and Madison.

Faye Voss will be chairman of the meeting, assisted by Mildred VanHorn and Martha Wedler. There will be a social hour following the business session.

You hear a good many echoes in the world, but mighty few real voices.

State Inspectors Tour Plants



Hersehel Smith, Works Safety Engineer, is shown demonstrating a tote box lifter to the state inspectors. Above (l. to r.) are Floyd Futrell, George Bubel, Mr. Smith and George W. Curtis.

A group of factory and building inspection personnel of the Indiana Division of Labor toured the Broadway and Taylor St. plants this week. Two other groups will come here later as a part of a plant visitation-orientation program being conducted in seven Indiana industries for new inspectors.

Meritorious Safety Certificates Are Presented To FHP Divisions



Lisle D. Hodell, Manager of FHP Manufacturing, is shown in the pictures above at the presentations of Meritorious Safety Awards. In the upper left corner, he is addressing the safety committees from Divisions 13, 14 and 17. In the photograph at the right (l. to r.) are R. C. Dennison, Supt. of Div. 17; H. E. Koehlinger, Supt. of Div. 13; Fred Campbell, Supt. of Div. 14, and Mr. Hodell.

In the center photograph, E. W. Lankenau, Manager of the Decatur plant, is shown receiving a certificate from Mr. Hodell.

Mr. Hodell is shown in the bottom pictures during his talk to the FHP safety committees at the Broadway plant. With Mr. Hodell, in the picture at the left, are D. H. Hanson, Supt. of Div. 33; H. G. Siebold, Supt. of Div. 15;H. E. Boles, Supt. of Div. 16, and W. H. Franke, Supt. of Divisions 19 and 20.

Meritorious Safety Performance certificates were presented to the FHP Motor divisions at their regular Safety Committee meetings recently. Divisions 15, 16, 19, 20 and 33 received their certificates, Monday, April 11, in the conference room of Bldg. 8-2; the safety committees for Divisions 13, 14 and 17 were given their certificates, Tuesday, April 19, at a meeting in the Taylor St. cafeteria, and the award was made at the Decatur plant, Monday, April 18.

Lisle D. Hodell, Manager of Manufacturing for the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, made the presentations to the superintendents of each division.

More Hurt at Home

In his talk to the safety committeemen, Mr. Hodell pointed out that there are over twice as many people hurt in the home as there are at work; he stressed the need for calling people's attention to off-the-job hazards.

He then congratulated the safety committees on their work and stated:

"I am very happy that of the 19 divisions in this Works that are receiving safety awards, Fractional has over half of them. Of our 12 divisions, 11 received awards, and five of them have most outstanding records. One division has passed the two and one-half million, accident-free-hours mark; two have passed the two million mark, and two others have passed the one million mark."

Stresses Housekeeping

Mr. Hodell then cited the need for good housekeeping and added:

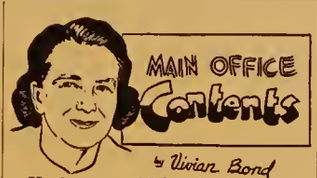
"The division that has the best safety record, as shown in our report for 1948, is also the best in housekeeping in the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions. This is Division 14 at Taylor St., with a record of 2,536,280 man hours without a lost-time accident."

Following Mr. Hodell's talk, each superintendent accepted a certificate on behalf of his division.

Apprentice BROADCAST

By Mildred Ellis

Wanted: By every married apprentice is someone to do housecleaning at a reasonable fee. The fellows feel that housecleaning should never have been made to come during the softball, fishing or golfing season. But from their wives' viewpoint, they may feel that they are doing the boys a good deed by getting them in condition so early in the season. . . . Inventors of the Week: Harry Meads and Mark McNulty. Harry has invented a "round-the-corner hammer." This deluxe item is ideal for getting dents out of fenders. Not to mention any names but a couple of members of Class F should be especially interested in this item. Marks' invention is still a big secret, so we don't know if he's trying for a patent or pulling a fast one on his fellow workers. Your guess is as good as mine as to what something resembling a snake catcher could be used for. . . . Recent speakers to our industrial organization class have been I. H. Freeman, Herschel Smith and teacher Perry Zahn. We are grateful to the above three as well as to L. P. Persing for his talk on time and motion study to Class C. . . . Fellows, if you hate to shave, see Ward Staley for his once a week special. Of course, Ward should warn you that it is very painful and it may remove your eyebrows and eyelashes; and also will give your complexion a very rosy hue. His experience was that he didn't shave for over a week. . . . "Butterfingers Birkenbeul" they call him now. That's an awful name to get at the start of the softball season, because it's sure to stick for a long time. . . . For speedy delivery on paper clips, see Howard Morton. He also hauls ashes (in very small quantities.) . . . Some of the fellows in the school are quite proud of their new cars and even Dick Wagner is proud of his not quite so new "29" Ford. He rattles right down Calhoun Street honking at everyone he knows. At least he still has a good horn. . . . Joe Rowan went out over the week-end to have a look at the Apprentice Major team. He reports that the boys did pretty well for their first game of the season, but were not able to win the ball game, losing it to St. Andrew's 3-2. With a few more games before the league opens, the boys are going to be hard to beat.



by Vivian Bond

Ho hum, could be the lost hour, the rainy Sunday, the sudden interest in cotton dresses, as evidenced by the general parade in Bldg. 18, or the reflection of E. G. Waldschmidt's new Mercury, that is the cause of this sudden slump, in news that is! . . . Oh well, if we don't write it our editor won't have to cut out so much, it is an ill wind you know. . . . To J. H. Gargett, who retired on the Company Pension Plan, last Friday, we extend our best wishes and a hope that the fish will be biting at Lake James. . . . We are happy to report that A. E. Leider is now recuperating from his recent operation at his home near Roanoke. Take it easy and enjoy some of the fine literature that has been sent to you! . . . Flash! Thelma Stone went to Chili—Indiana, that is, to attend her high school Alumni banquet. . . . The clocks have been set ahead one hour, except in the Data Bureau where they started the week at the old time. Is this a technical operation? . . . The Glen Forests (Gladys works in Bldg. 18-1) spent the week-end at the Dunes State Park. . . . We are sorry that Mary Brouwer, Bldg. 18-2, is ill. . . . To Edward Hagadorn in Bldg. 18-4, please accept our sincere sympathy in the death of your mother. . . . Our congratulations to Fred Andrews, Bldg. 18-4, whose daughter, Roberta was married to Dick Geip. . . . The storied mouse of Bldg. 18 has found another resting place. Jeanette Burkhardt, Bldg. 18-4, put on her work shoes and loudly exclaimed, "What is it?" Out jumped our furry friend and now she hesitates to change her shoes. . . . Guess everyone in Bldg. 18 is in the midst of the spring epidemic of painting, cleaning. I much prefer to just admire the beauties of nature. Have you taken time out to really appreciate the beautiful array of flowers, trees and velvet grass. You know they didn't just happen—why not take time to be thankful for them. . . . The Fort Wayne management has issued invitations to the members of the Foremen's Assn. and Supervisors' Club to attend a dinner May 11. They will hear W. V. Merrihue, manager of Employee and Community Relations, Apparatus Department.

Few women fail to sight a sale when they go down to see.

Campbell Dies

William Campbell, 51, died after a heart attack at his home, 358 W. Baker St., Monday, May 2.

Mr. Campbell was employed as a punch press operator in Bldg. 22, and later became an inspector. He left the Company in 1929 and returned in 1942 as a patrolman. In 1945 he transferred to the Wire division where he was a wire drawer. At the time of his death he was a stator insulator at Taylor St.

He was a member of American Legion Post 47, where he was a charter member. He was also a member of the Summit City Lodge No. 170 of the Masons, and was a 32nd Degree and Scottish Rite Mason.

Services were held yesterday at the Mungovan and Sons Mortuary, the Rev. K. A. Hawkins officiating. Burial was in the Lindenwood Cemetery.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

It is said that Elmer Minnick, well known agriculturist and key seating machine operator in Bldg. 19-3, has acquired a complicated new machine on his farm, namely: an all purpose milking machine, with a haircutting attachment. It is possible, however, from the appeance of Elmer's latest haircut, that some of the bugs may have to be taken out of the haircutting attachment. It leaves the head looking like it might have gotten mixed up with a flock of sheep at a shearing. . . . We received a letter from Mart Heider, postmarked Tall Timbers, Ind., announcing that he is now out of hibernation and may visit us soon. . . . Bill Irmscher was seen at the minstrel show at the Waynedale school recently. We hope he enjoyed himself. . . . Howard Musselman is still looking for that farm. So far, no luck. Maybe some reader can help him out. . . . Johnny Campbell learned recently not to trust his fellowmen, especially a certain person whose initials are Joe Burton. Joe is definitely on Johnny's you-know-what-kind-of list. For details ask Campbell. . . . William Stute, Bldg. 27, and wife, also Linwood V. Kelley, Bldg. 19-3, wife and granddaughter, were among the thousands who trekked to the nation's capital, recently, to see the cherry blossoms. They were indeed a beautiful sight. . . . Storm windows removed day or night by Ollie Fox. In view of the lake season about to open, Ollie has been doing his redecorating at home a little early. He finished enameling his bathroom. The inconvenience of taking the storm window off, he decided it wouldn't be necessary to open the window anyway. But in the wee hours of the morning, Mrs. Fox became very ill due to the paint fumes, so poor papa Ollie rolled out of bed at three in the morning, got out the ladder and removed the storm window. Let that be a lesson, fellows. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ward Hall on that new daughter, Janet Sue.

Tech Students Tour Lab



Three seniors from Indiana Technical College toured the Taylor St. Laboratory Friday, April 29. They are shown looking at apparatus in the mechanical section. Left to right are Oscar Rodewald and L. G. Reith of the Works Lab, and the Tech students, Bob Murray, Bob Cleary and Frank Eiben.



With the month of May here, everyone in the section is making his or her plans on what to do over the Memorial holiday that comes at the end of the month. . . . Harold Mettler, complete with a large awkward bandage plus a sling to carry his injured hand in, found that a head piece telephone was necessary to conduct his phone calls. After the necessary installations were made, Harold awaited his first call — only to fumble around adjusting the new gadget in vain, because the voice at the other end asked for Dal Smith! . . . . . Question of the week: Is there any food better enjoyed by Ed Bowser than hamburgers? . . . That Smith named Ray acquired another nickname the past week. Henceforth Ray is known as "Duz"! For further explanation contact him. . . . Speaking of house cleaning and wallpaper hanging, Jack Payton has taken top honors with a purchase of some paper at $32 per roll. Jack, we know of some far less expensive paper that can be purchased at any A & P store!

Lichtenberg Addresses Indiana Tech Graduates

Chester Lichtenberg, Assistant to the Works Manager, was the third speaker in a current series of lectures for graduating seniors at Indiana Technical College. "Responsibilities of Engineers" was his topic.



TALL TALE: Last Saturday Norm Oetting and Walt Gerke spent the day fishing (and not together) so the story goes. Norm caught two and Walt caught none. It seems that every story has two sides and a common grade school error tells the tale—two times 0 equals 0 and not 2, Norm. . . . CORN OF THE WEEK: Things are looking brighter in the AC Drafting Section since some of the desk tops and boards were painted white. Quote one man to another while observing a very attractive middle aged lady—an old barn always looks like new with a new coat of paint, doesn't it? Unquote. . . . "O SOLE MIO": It is rumored that G. P. Baker was requested not to sing quite so loud, as his voluminous voice caused the very walls to tremble. The suspense seems to have irritated some people. . . . SO SORRY: Tom Dole had to return home after one day at work having battled with a "strep" throat for several previous days. Hope you have it licked this time, Tom. . . . SO HAPPY: To see Helen Conrad and Owen Vaught back after several days illness. . . . WELCOME: To Jay Strong, a new test engineer in the DC Section. . . . JOKE? Pauline Meehan, Payroll Section, intended to play a joke on Glenn Seabold by holding up his pay check. It so happened that in the rush of things, she kept C. B. Smith's instead. . . . HAPPY ENDING: After 30 years Abbie Hartman has found her father, who is now 75 years old and in excellent health. It seems that he saw a picture of her nephew's fiancee and read about the approaching marriage in the paper. He resides in South Bend. . . . DAY DREAMS: Jack Jennings is busy in his spare moments making strategic plans for the "Divot Diggers," who will again be swinging in the Office League at Brookwood . . . SUCKER: Bill Caruso and Don Spaulding looked slightly chagrined after having bitten into a rubber hot dog passed to them the other night. Bill, who must be complimented upon his excellent "bite" and determined nature, emerged with bits of rubber in his teeth. Don's only comment was, "and I was just trying to be sociable too." . . . WHAT WILL THE INSURANCE MAN THINK? Hugh Stephenson pulled a good one last week-end. It seems that he is the owner of not one but two Chryslers. He backed one into the other, smashing a fender on both. Even Steven, huh, Hugh! . . . ANOTHER FATALITY: George Klein wishes to report another telephone accident this week, not quite, but almost fatal.

Gossip is something that goes in one ear and comes out.

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Aubrey

We were all very sorry to hear of the death of Walter Larimore last week-end. All the sports fans in the office will miss his friendly baseball arguments and his talk about his favorite team the Brooklyn Dodgers. Our deepest sympathy to the family and to Mrs. Larimore. . . . We also wish to express our sympathy to Fred Hagadorn upon the death of his mother. . . . Today is the last day for our smiling Eleanor Lambroff. She is getting married in three weeks and then moving to Gary, Ind. Our very best wishes, Eleanor, and we will miss you around the office. . . . Happy birthday to Ed Schlotter, May 9, and to Gordon Smith on May 11. . . . Now that the bowling season is over and golf has started we will start hearing some new stories. Hugh Neely was out Sunday to try his luck, but he didn't have much to say about it on Monday morning. . . . When Gene Foster has dark circles under his eyes these mornings, he has a good excuse. It seems as though Mike likes to get up early and when he wakes up he wants company, consequently Gene gets up early too.

Five Employees Go On Retirement



G. C. Liby

Grover C. Liby left the Company for retirement after working for G-E 29 years.

His first job was doing armature work in Bldg. 4-1, and later he did small drilling. Mr. Liby then became a drill press operator. From 1942 until his retirement he was a multiple spindle operator in Bldg. 4-3 and later at Taylor St.



Lydia Schnitt

Lydia Mae Schnitt left the Company for retirement May 1 after 24 years of service.

She began her G-E career in 1925 doing armature work in Bldg. 4-5. In the latter part of that year she transferred to Bldg. 4-1 to hand wind stators. Mrs. Schnitt was doing winding work at the Taylor St. plant at the time of her retirement.



H. R. Haberkorn

Harrison R. Haberkorn, Supervisor of Inspection and Test in Bldg. 4-3, retired after 43 years' service with the General Electric Company.

Starting work in 1906 as a working-foreman in assembly, Mr. Haberkorn has been a sub-foreman and foreman. He has held his present position since 1943.



Clara Schnieder

Clara Krudop Schneider retired May 1 after 25 years service with the Company.

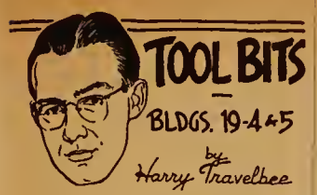
She started work at G-E in 1924 as an inspector in Bldg. 19-4. In 1936 she became an electrical inspector and later was a finisher. In 1938 she worked at placing leads on commutators. At the time of her retirement, she was a coil insulator.



F. A. Murray

Floyd A. Murray, General Service Div., retired May 1 after 32 years' service with General Electric.

Mr. Murray began working for the Company in 1917 as a helper. He later became a winder in the Transformer Division. From 1919 until 1922 he was a wireman in Bldg. 20-1, and since that time he was an electrician.



The big day for Mr. and Mrs. James Ehresman was April 28. The twins, Jean and Jim, were exactly one year old. The question in my mind, Jim, is whether you had two cakes with a candle on each or just one cake with two candles? . . . I was driving down the Reckeweg Road last week and noticed a house being torn down. With further investigation, I found out that it was only the residence of Mart Walsh getting a few minor changes. In other words, when Mart remodels, he just raises the roof and builds a new house underneath it. . . . Art Dicke, the famous authority on bass casting and pike fishing, advises one and all to sell his tackle and buy a cane pole and a can of night crawlers. He is now an excellent authority on this method after spending three days and nights with great success. Oh yes, he hooked a mighty six-inch catfish. . . . If you have any doors that need to be slammed or closed, make sure Hank Gerdom isn't near because that cut on his head didn't come from riding a bicycle. . . . Pearl Schoaff tells us that he and his wife caught five bass weighing almost two and a half pounds. His wife caught three of the bass—which proves that she is a good fisherwoman and Pearl is an honest man. You fellers will have to lay up the bass tackle now for a while and be satisfied with bluegills and perch. . . . Myron Auer was at Chicago Saturday to see the Cards win from the Cubs. . . . John Roemer thinks that it is a good idea to stand at a distance when pouring gasoline on an open fire—good idea, John. Did you need a shave after that experience? . . . What a big broad smile our boy Del Meyers displayed when he saw his one and only Millie's picture in the WORKS NEWS. . . . Our councilman, Jule Franke, is taking quite a ribbing these days. First, the News-Sentinel printed a cartoon of him sitting on the fence and second some of the die-hard Republicans always ask Jule "Why wait? Let's elevate." . . . Bill Trumbower says the only thing that hasn't gone wrong with his tractor is that the wheels haven't fallen off. Also, he claims his fence charger knocks him down at 10 feet from the source, but 20 feet away, he or Daisy (his pet cow) neither one can hardly feel a shock. . . . We thought B. B. Byanski told them all, but Walter Greiner made me take all that back. He claims he was at Rome City last week and he saw a carp three feet long jump clear out of the water practically in the boat. Let's send this one to the Wisconsin Liar's Club. . . . Ed Steward fishes out of the "Journal-Gazette." He's been planning a trip all spring to a certain lake, only to see a picture in the paper where someone caught them all last week. Better luck next time, Ed. . . . Chet Stoner is thinking of wearing safety shoes all the time, especially at home. Chet was using a motor drill and as the drill went through the piece he was drilling, it proceeded through his shoes, just missing his toes. Aren't you glad you had your big shoes on, Chet? . . . Ed Kayser gave a good demonstration of how to keep away from cigarettes last week as he produced a holder about three feet long which really puts the cigarettes a long way away from him.

Apparatus Department Organizes Safety Committee



Members of the newly-formed Apparatus Department Safety Committee are shown above, (l. to r.) J. J. Scott, Philadelphia Works; H. J. Jennings, West Lynn; T. I. Patterson, Elmira; J. P. Keane, River Works; H. A. Weber, Erie Works; S. L. Marsh, Fitchburg; J. E. Mercure, Pittsfield; C. B. Boshart, Service Shops; W. H. Evans, Schenectady Works; H. L. Smith, Fort Wayne; and Chairmon, F. T. Clarke, Supervisor of Safety for the Department.

Safety representatives from the various Apparatus Department Works met in Schenectady recently to organize a Department Safety Committee under the direction of Fred T. Clarke, Safety Supervisor for the Department.

"For many years," said Mr. Clarke, "safety activities in General Electric were coordinated by a general safety committee. This committee was made up of representatives from all plants and departments in the Company. However, because of the wide range of problems which confronted this committee, it was decided to reorganize safety on a departmental basis."

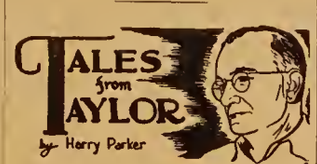
"At the present time," said Mr. Clarke, "there is still a General Company Safety Committee made up of representatives from each of the G-E operating departments. As the Apparatus Department representative on that committee, I hope to tell them of our latest plans and policies, and to learn the safety practices followed by the other departments."

General Electric has always had a good safety record probably because of the close cooperation between the Company and the men and women who work in the many plants and offices. Actually, statistics indicate that because of our well planned and directed safety program, employees are safer at work than at home or on the streets.

With the General Company Safety Committee formulating board policy for all departments, and our own Apparatus Department Committee coordinating the best in safety practices and information to all our individual works, General Electric should improve its excellent safety record.



Last week was National Fishing Week. However, we didn't hear many fish stories around our place. Take, for instance, the punch press section. Bob Walt was always looking for the White Sox scores. Charlie Francies was talking about the new garden tractor he plans to buy. Pete Heckler was just hunting lead boards. . . . Last week Walter Kryder really gave his thumb a whack with a hammer. He was a regular Van Boring. Never said a word(?) . . . A little bird told me that we had an elopement on the floor. Isn't that romantic and it isn't even June. The couple was Florence Lehrman and Jack Shady. Our "we wish you happiness" mat is out for them. . . . Also for Guianna Longardner for whom the wedding bells rang out last weekend. . . . Little blue bootied Kenneth William came to the William Hanke's home and will issue his calling cards from there. The mama Celeste Coppoline was a former co-worker. . . . It's a happy birthday to Louella Koogle, Louise O'Connell and Joe Jensen. . . . We are glad to report that Blanche Mountz is slowly recovering. She is at her son's home at 3207 E. Pontiac St. She would appreciate having her friends and co-workers visit her. . . . One of these times Erma Landes is going to be a roast chicken. She has a habit of falling asleep under the heat lamp, cooking herself to a turn. . . . Jack Dennis is sure that Lorena Buuck is going to be very interested in a new Buick now. After starting out in the old jalopy, it decided to quit breezing along. Leona was towed home by a tractor. . . . Someone reminded me that it was just 238 days until Christmas. I'll pass the information along to Juanita Likens. Last year she had to dash uptown Christmas eve and finish her shopping. . . . The Delbert Thomas's are still in the painting business. Their car is getting a new face of grey and the wheels a nice red. . . . Leona Hollis had a big increase in the family—eight baby pigs. Imagine all those little pork chops running around. . . . We have been wondering what that was Johnny Anderson had under his nose. The truth is out. It is a faint sprinkling of fuzz. He hopes it is a mustache some day. Handle bar type? . . . The girls had a farewell potluck for Emma Snyder last Friday. . . . On our sick list are Albert Knight, Lawrence Huffman and Katie Salmon. . . . What makes Mary O'Shaughnessy like to go to Avilla so much? Maybe, because it's spring. . . . Bernadine McCume has left to work in Bldg. 4-3. Louise Melvin and Margaret Hayden have gone to Taylor St. We will miss you. . . . We pause to pay respect to a former co-worker, Olive Adams. All who knew Olive had a kind word for her. To her family we offer our sincerest sympathy.



Edna Hille prepared a sumptous repast last Sunday evening for company but the birds got most of it. This delicious concoction was composed of escalloped potatoes with mushrooms topped off with pork chops. Taking this from the oven she placed it on the window to cool, going about making other preparations. She returned in a few minutes only to discover that her prize dish had slipped from the window, slid down the porch roof thence to the ground. This broke her heart as the only part that was salvageable were the pork chops. Preston retrieved these, washed them, gave them a recook, thereby saving the day. . . . A week ago we told you about the nice 1933 model car Ray DeBolt purchased for $50.00. We learn that he never drove this car as some unsuspecting person came along and offered him $50.25 for it, so Ray unloaded the burden, then turned around and bought a 1935 Ford. He tells us that it is a nice clean job and that it belonged to some old man that only drove it twice a year. That was once in the spring and likewise in the fall when he went to the courthouse to pay his taxes. How many times have we had to swallow stories like the above? He probably obtained this clunker from some junk dealer. . . . Clarence "Big Chaw" Schooley has a new pair of shoes which by the way are very nice looking. When asked what kind they were he told us they were "Gopher" shoes. Never hearing of this brand we are wondering if the spelling is correct. Perhaps it is "Go-For," for a complete explanation of this you will have to consult Ernie Close or Joe Turley as they seem to have the key to the whole story. . . . Elva McMaken was very much perturbed the other evening upon her arrival at home there was a notice from the post office that a piece of mail was there for her and to call for same. Thinking that it was important she called a taxi and proceeded to the post office where they handed her a patent medicine advertisement upon which the manufacturer had failed to place enough postage. She blew her top as she had paid out a 60 cent taxi fare plus 10 cents bus fare and the postage due on a useless piece of mail. . . . Archie Boren purchased a new car of the used variety. He had great plans for showing it off to the natives around Huntertown on Easter Sunday. As this day was the day of the big snow he nevertheless was determined to go through with his program so he mounted a snow plow on the front end and drove the old tub around showing it off to his friends. . . . R. Wesley "Buck" Adams being very much displeased with the type of handkerchiefs he has to carry to work consulted his wife on the matter. She promptly purchased him some red bandanas and embroidered large yellow butterflies in each corner. We will say that they are real classy looking and pack a terrific wallop but not for the pig iron division.



"When one lives above his income there is no doubt about the outcome."

While George Skinnell was making out his weekly contact he had difficulty in finding the exact words he wanted to use. He said he wanted to state it like Shakespeare. Does anyone know how Shakespeare would have written a foreman's contact? . . . Clara Fulmer is a patient at the Methodist hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery and hope that she will soon be back to work. . . . Phil Miller brought some pictures of his little grandson to work last week. He certainly is a cute little babe with his two front teeth. . . . We're glad to welcome Kenny Johnston, Paul Koldewey and Ralph Walda to the first shift. . . . Bettie Foreman's daughter, Betty Lou, went to Washington, D. C., with a group from South Side high school last week. Among the many trips planned for them they were to attend a session of Congress. What an interesting way to learn history! . . . Ah, Spring is here—Noble Dinger made sure that no one else's "fancy" would turn to Theresa Miller. He placed a beautiful diamond ring on the all important finger. . . . Paul Bender's little girl, Bonnie, has the mumps. . . . Only 13 weeks until vacation. Happy thought.

Medical Memos

By Mary Heymann

The second Sunday in May, according to tradition, is observed as "Mother's Day." This day has been set aside to honor all mothers. Rather than have one special day, let us all try to be thoughtful and considerate every day. The following paragraph appeared last year in one of the columns of the WORKS NEWS: "Most of all the other beautiful things in life come by twos and threes, by dozens and hundreds. Plenty of roses, stars, sunsets, rainbows, brothers and sisters, aunts and cousins, but only One Mother in the whole world." . . . Ethel Carriger, R. N., formerly employed at Winter Street, is doing private duty. At present she is on a case at the Methodist Hospital. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fryback were among a number of Fort Wayne people attending the National Preliminary Contest of Barber Shop Quartets competing at Elkhart on Saturday night. . . . Changes are in the air! Berneta Welbaum is being transferred to days at Winter Street, and Mabel Wilson returns to second shift in Bldg. 21. Tradin' again—eh! girls? . . . The latest fad to hit the Dispensary gang is a little gimmick called a View Master. It all started when Mae Mulvane brought one back from her trip last fall. Since then three or four other members of the clan have purchased one of these gadgets, which involves a piece of equipment resembling a pair of binoculars and assorted reels of beautiful scenery and flowers. Minnie Fryback undoubtedly heads the list though, with around 106 reels. She also has a very nice plan of taking her View Master to ill or aged people who are confined indoors. . . . Olive Walters visited friends and relatives at Ohio City and Decatur over last week-end. . . . Several members of the Medical Section were invited guests of the General Electric, attending the Tuesday night session of the Safety Conference held at Chamber of Commerce. . . . Correction: It was Alta Bishop who baked the birthday cake for Olive Walters, instead of Mabel Wilson as per last week's news. Mabel corrected the error by saying she can't even bake pancakes.



Friends Bid Farewell To Murray



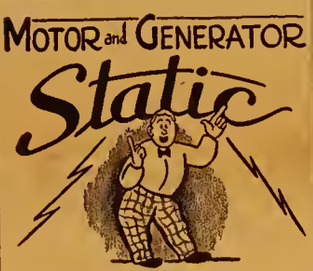
A number of Floyd Murray's friends in General Service gathered to say goodbye and present him with a gift when he left Friday for retirement, May 1. Left to right in the above picture are J. B. Greer, Supt. of General Service; William Altekruse, General Foreman; Harry Underwood, Eugene Poitet, Robert Hatfield, Richard Gallmeier, Ernest Lawyer, Franklin Willison, Mr. Murray, Walter Hein, Howard Boren, Charles Niblick, and Verl Patterson, Mr. Murray's foreman.



Olive Adams' family wants me to thank everyone for their kindness during their bereavement. . . . Glad to see Henry Shirley back, but Louie Sauers is wondering about Hank's pig and calves now since he won't have time to take care of them. . . . We checked up on Ray Snyder's gas mileage and found out that he was telling the truth about getting 24 miles to the gallon. One of the fellows who rides with him has a bicycle and he pulls Rays' car back to Decatur every evening. . . . Three of the fellows are taking their vacation this week. Glen Carney is going to see the Smoky Mountains; Henry Grepke is spending the week with his bees, and anyone complaining of sore arms or legs here is a new remedy. Henry (Red) Grepke has his famous bees sting you in the affected parts and zingo the soreness is gone. His first patient was Ralph Weikart. We haven't heard the charge but Ralph will let us know when Red sends him the bill. . . . Rudy Zelt has donned a dust cap, mop and broom to help his wife with housecleaning out on a farm south of town. And by the way if you find time you could go out and grease Harold Dalman's tractor. . . . Harold Prough is back on the balancing machine after being absent sometime. Good luck to you on the new home you are building at Hamilton Lake. . . . Have you heard we have a radio personality among us in the name of Herb Staak. He is a member of the Multo-cord Trio heard on WFTW at 5:15 p.m. on Saturdays. I heard you and it's quite all right. The boys in the Test and Inspection section have been pretty quiet here lately. What is the matter, boys, spring fever? . . . We don't hear Harry Berry sing "Beautiful Harry" any more. . . . Harmon never mentions his dog. . . . Elmer Koehlinger is as silent as ever. . . . Waldamar Schmidt hardly ever talks politics. . . . P. K. Valasheff quit eating garlic. . . . Lorenz Korte is as noisy as ever, and Alva Foulks talks to himself mostly about fan belts and rods. . . . This change of time really has Mildred Carpenter all mixed up. This morning on the way to work she discovered that she had two right-handed gloves and she thought to herself that she at least had shoes on that were mates. Imagine her surprise when she looked down and saw two different shoes—one with open toes and the other square, closed toe. . . . Congratulations to Ervin Zollinger and his wife who are the proud parents of a new son. At the last report all three were doing OK. . . . More congratulations to Clara Krudop who changed her name to Schneider when she married Fred Schneider last Saturday afternoon at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church. Clara wore a Toast colored dress with pink accessories and a California brown and yellow orchid. They had a family dinner at the Keenan Hotel and a reception for 50 at the Schneider home at 1344 Hugh St. . . . Everett Lindeman likes fishing so much that he takes his Saturday bath in a gravel-pit at a little town just south of Fort Wayne. . . . We've been instructed to call "Butch" Claymiller, "Whitey" from now on. He's an expert at honey-dipping anyway you look at it. . . . Ivan Ortner tells us he prefers to be called "Brownie" instead of Ivan, so please take note. . . . A birthday party was held for Irma Huhn and Louella Hockemeyer at the Colonial Restaurant and each was presented with a gift. Birthday greetings to Edna Rohrbach. . . . A lot of familiar faces are back again such as Patricia Stabler, Betty Kummer, Elsie Patterson, Bernadine McCune, Wilma Linker, Zelda Garrison, Edna Bauer and Cecil Foor. Hope you all stay a long time.

Too much familiarity breeds contempt.

Every office has somebody who is sorry that the boss is so ignorant.



Thought for the week: "That which we acquire with most difficulty we retain the longest; as those who have earned a fortune are commonly more careful of it than those by whom it may have been inherited."

ODE TO PAPPY

Attention, law enforcement men
For here a swindler hides.
He works right here among us
And on the street car rides.
He's small and thin and yet his grin
Would make you think he's happy.
His scant toupee is getting grey
And the boys all call him "Pappy."
He's very quick, and really slick,
He slings it by the yard.
He tries to hide, he moocbes rides
On his "Summit City" Card.

Harry Price, Bldg. 6-1, says that additional research on the Mystery Melody has brought to light the tune, "Put Me Off At Buffalo." Try this on your piano for size. . . . Reminiscing: When two old codgers get together and start discussing happenings of the past it usually provides an interesting hour or so of good listening. The other day Perry Shober, retired, met Ed Foley (just tired) and an enlightening conversation ensued. Among the gems originating from this meeting is the following: Ed, "Remember back in 1923 while you were in commutator production, I wrote you concerning a certain job and ended by saying, 'May I have your commens?'" Perry, "Yep, remember what I wrote back. 'I send you herewith a handful of comments, Shober.'" Those were the days. Yak, yak. . . . Walter Mitsinuis, famous golfer of Bldg. 31-1, has developed a brand new stroke. He calls it his "vertical drive." This new drive was perfected last week during a high wind. When the club came in contact with the ball it took off right straight up, and landed about 20 feet out on the fairway. Congratulations, Walter, we hope you win national recognition. . . . Speaking of golf, we think perhaps our genial manager R. M. Hartigan established an all time record with a trick shot executed while playing the Crooked Lake course a few years ago. Mr. Hartigan had lashed out a screaming drive and taken his stance preparatory to making a second shot. A hush fell over the audience; he swung. The ball leaped straight up and he hit a second time the follow through. For this feat he was given three loud "hurrahs" and a mounted deer head by his fellow players. . . . Elsie Miyata received some nice wedding gifts from friends in Bldg. 31-1. She was married Saturday evening. Her new name now is Elsie Kahienbeck. . . . Mr. Clyde Foley, Ed to the common folks, has been complaining bitterly lately about not being mentioned in the WORKS NEWS. OK, Ed, here goes. "Dear readers, Mr. Foley is a very, very prominent member of the American Greek Society." You're welcome, Ed. . . . "Maggie" Beck, Bldg. 31-2, celebrated a birthday May 2. Her 25th year, she sez. . . . Big John, president of Ed Foley's American Greek Society, visited in Toledo last week-end. The occasion of this visit was the Greek "Good Friday." For John it didn't turn out so good as in the course of the week, he lost his shirt (we mean literally) and it wasn't in a poker game, either.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday, May 9, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Green purse with zipper on top, containing Wolf and Dessauer charga-plate, $30 in cash, and personal papers with name Mrs. Louella Moor on them. Lost on Broadway near G-E.

FOR SALE

BABY BED — Chest; Simmons maple studio couch, green; combination storm door—36x80; pair black plain arch support shoes, size 9½; all A-1 condition. H-91164.

1948 CROSLEY CONVERTIBLE—Heater, like new. Make me an offer. E-1454.

WALNUT DINING ROOM SUITE—8 pieces, good condition, reasonable. A-77695.

APARTMENT SIZE KEROSENE STOVE—Two-burner; electric hot plate; portable oven; almost new; half price. A-95634, Monday.

OLYMPIC ICE REFRICERATOR — A-1 condition. E-38395.

ELECTRIC TRAINS — Accessories. E-5204.

G-E RANGE—Good condition, stainless steel top. H-76073.

SIDE ARM HEATER—And 30 gal. tank. Name your own price. 1605 Tecumseh.

6 HP OUTBOARD TWIN MOTOR—Starter; run 10 hrs.; sacrifice. A-36255.

6x9 MOHAWK RUG—Excellent condition. $20. 911 Nuttman Ave. after 4 p.m.

TUXEDO—Size 36; like new; also white dinner jacket. A-97024 after 4 p.m.

GAS RANGE—Oven control, left-hand oven, semi-table top. A-36382.

TWO 9x12 RUGS—And pads. A-57442.

ROYAL PORTABLE TYPEWRITER—Like new, $50. H-65522.

MISCELLANEOUS

REPAIR WORK ON ELECTRIC TRAINS—1132 Wabash Ave.

26-3 News

By Mabel Odel

Happy birthday to Martha Doehrman and Zelma Kuyoth. Martha was given a potluck dinner by her co-workers. Zelma said this was her 18th birthday, but George Brehn (Doubting Thomas) wants to know how many times. . . . We have heard that running into doors causes most of the black eyes. Edna Waterson sprung a new one on us this week. She had two shiners and a large bruise on her forehead. This is her story: She was taking the lead at the skating rink and someone tripped her, causing quite a pile-up with her on the bottom. It sounds like a whopper, but on the level, Edna, we do believe you. . . . Le Vona (Ma) Porter cuts quite a figure on skates too. Better watch your eyes, Ma. . . . If you find it impossible to get Ruth Freeland off her chair just call for Charlie. . . . Dave Mannix is getting rather chummy with the guy on the motorcycle. We hear that he received a free pass to a traffic court session. . . . Wanda Grimm's will-power to stay on her diet is paying off. She is "waisting" away to a mere shadow. . . . Dorothy McMullen is having trouble getting someone to haul the barnyard waste. Some people get money for it, but she can't give it away. Anyone interested? . . . Following Hap King around the floor has taken the stoop out of Stucky's shoulders. . . . Marge Dearmond found out that she isn't windy enough to put out an alcohol fire. Blow as hard as she might it had to burn itself out. . . . La-Donna Durbin must remember that she is a big girl now. It's not very lady-like to open a car door and fall out. . . . Edna Boland is the lucky gal that walked off with the $100 prize from the WIBC Bowling Association. Nice going, Edna.

Office Offerings

What is this we hear about all the furniture that Gene Mettler has in his house is davenports? . . . Can you imagine how you would feel if you hurried all the way to the parking lot and then discovered that you had left your car keys in the office? Maybe not all of us, but to know how foolish one looks was written all over Don Poland's face when he came back. . . . It looked like Bob Hunt might have led with his chin but he said it all happened because he got home in time for dinner once. Now, I'm asking you, folks, should we accept that? . . . We were told that Ed Bangert and Warren Wyckoff were seen making a mad dash down the aisle at the minstrel show in order to get in front of the camera. Ed made it with a full view of his handsome profile, but Warren just made it by his nose. . . . Need any shoes fixed? See Helen Deloff. We don't know whether she does half soles or not, but we do know she can staple them together.

A brute is a man who leaves his wife home all day long—without a cigaret.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

We are starting off a new month with many changes. Nearly everyone is wondering where he will be tomorrow. . . . Paul Conrad and Al Bearman have got their gloves and aprons on again. . . . Bob Quinn is baek on days, as Jacob Fulmer has started back to work again after a sick leave. . . . It looks like Paul Noffze is running a morgue. . . . Milligan got a break on the first day of his transfer. . . . Now that Tom Woodward is not on the shears, Bob Bunyan is trying to buy his rule for half price. . . . It looks like Tom Woodward is about as high as he will go now, he is on the fourth floor. Only one more to go, Tom. . . . Milligan has a genuine antiquc sword for sale, only $799. . . . The women in Bldg. 26 will cause quite a howl when they find out that our famous lover Virgil Howell is back with us. . . . George Horner has taken in more territory so it seems.

Sample Shop News Bldg. 26-2

Bob Keck tells us that his cats climb up in the pens and sleep with the rabbits. We wonder if these rabbits Bob has been selling have short or long tails. In case any of you buy any rabbits from Bob, you better order them with the tails on. Come to think of it, I had a long tail cat come up missing a couple weeks ago. Would you know anything about it, Mr. Keck? . . . We better not mention any names, but we wonder why W. L. W. had to change his trousers before he could come to work the other day. . . . There is no use saving those bugs anymore, fellows, to scare Jean Fry with as she no longer is afraid of them. . . . We all make slips once in a while but Louie Miller made a big one the other day as he wrote some orders up and then dated them 1947. Gee, Miller, where have you been the last couple years? . . . By the way it sounded around here yesterday, it must have been Elmer Hazelett's birthday as we heard Bob Smith (above all the rest) singing Elmer a happy birthday song. . . . We would like to quote the famous words of Carl Fletcher. "I just sat down to read Lines and Angles in the morning paper, you know I always like to read Lines and Angles." . . . Mr. Hartman was coming down the aisle with a broom in his hand and asking people if they wanted a ride on his broom. What were you trying to do, Hartman, pretend you were the old witch, or has the spring weather got you down? . . . What's this that we hear about Bob Glenn? It seems Bob was helping somebody at the lake build a pier, and he was in the boat working and the boat let loose and he fell in the lake. Next time maybe you better make sure you fasten the boat first before starting to work or else don't trust your luck too far. . . . We wonder who the fellow in the tool room was that smelled so pretty the other day. He swore revenge, so we will sit tight and see what happens.

Estabrook To Address State Teachers Group

John E. Estabrook, Assistant to the Works Manager, will speak on "The Need for Understanding" at a luncheon meeting Saturday of the Indiana Council of Teachers Unions at South Side high school.

Plan to get your Voltmen ticket early.

Inquiring Reporter

WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU HAD BUT A MONTH TO LIVE



MARY ANN LAURENT

Decatur

"I would quit my job and tour the United States, then take what's left of my money and give it to my Dad and Mom. I also would be kind to friends. In general, I would just have a good time and a lot of fun."



ELMORE R. HURT

Bldg. 4-4

"A pronouncement of inevitable death invariably causes a person to set their worldly and spiritual houses in order, and seek peace with their God."



THELMA STONE

Bldg. 18-1

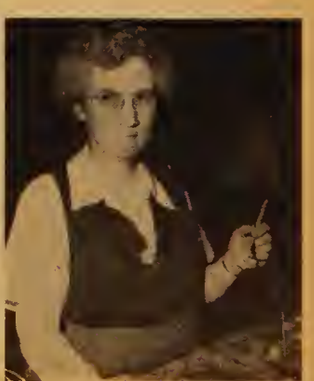
"I think I would make only one noticeable change and that would be to spend more time with my family and friends."



JOE KITSON

Decatur

"If I only had a month to live I'd hope to get my new 'china clippers' at least two weeks before the time was up, so I could enjoy a good meal."



MARY RAUB

Bldg. 26-5

"That's a very difficult problem to answer. I suppose it would depend greatly on conditions at the time. I should be happy, but probably I would be so grouchy and expect everyone to humor me they would be glad to see the month roll by."

Let's Eat!



CAFETERIA and RESTAURANT MENUS

MAY 9 THROUGH MAY 13

BROADWAY TAYLOR STREET

Serving Hours:

Cafeteria—16-1 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. 10:48 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-2 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-1 6:45 P.M. - 8:12 P.M. 6:55 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.
Restaurant 16-2 12:00 M. - 1:00 P.M.

MONDAY, MAY 9

Bean Soup	Cream of Tomato Soup
Roast Beef	Baked Ham
Meat Pie	Beef and Noodles
Ham Sandwiches	Barbecue Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Corn O'Brien	Harvard Beets
Buttered Spinach	Buttered Green Beans
	Sweet Potatoes

TUESDAY, MAY 10

Vegetable Soup	Bean Soup
Roast Pork	Roast Pork and Dressing
Wieners and Hot Potato Salad	Wieners
Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches	Chopped Beef Sandwiches
Creamed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Buttered Peas	Apple Sauce
French Fried Egg Plant	Sauerkraut
	Corn Bread

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

Cream of Tomato Soup	Vegetable Soup
Baked Ham	Meat Loaf
Beef and Noodles	Chicken a la King on Biscuit
Hamburger Sandwiches	Hot Roast Pork Sandwiches
Whole Browned Potatoes	Whole Browned Potatoes
Buttered Green Beans	Buttered Spinach
Harvard Beets	Buttered Lima Beans

THURSDAY, MAY 12

Beef Noodle Soup	Chicken Noodle Soup
Swiss Steak	Swiss Steak
Veal Chop Suey	Beef Stew
Ham Salad Sandwiches	Hot Dogs
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Glazed Carrots	Creamed Corn
Wax Beans	Buttered Cauliflower

FRIDAY, MAY 13

Cream of Potato Soup	Beef Barley Soup
French Fried Fish	French Fried Fish
Baked Hash	City Chicken
Macaroni and Cheese	Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches
Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches	Steamed Potatoes
Parsleyed Potatoes	Baked Beans
Buttered Broccoli	Succotash
Buttered Hominy	

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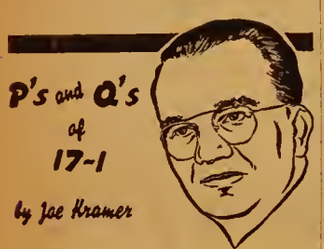
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OUT OF THE BLUE in 26-2 office

by Delores Patterson

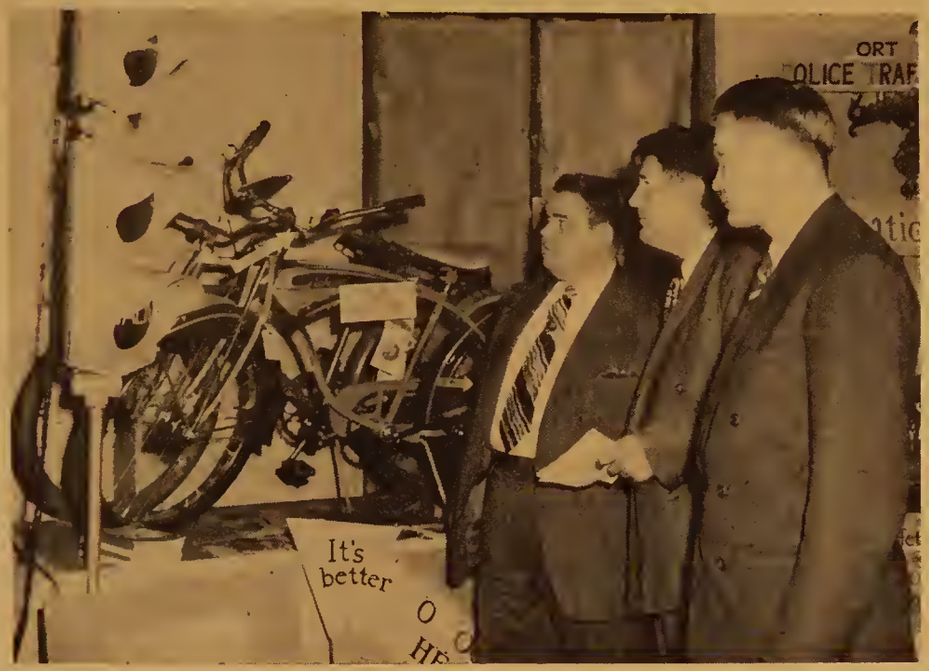
Mike Nasser, Ballast Engineering, has been nominated "Jolly Boy" of the week. Mike, even though an A-Course man, seems to get such a kick out of life and has the most infectious laughter of anyone in the office. Hearing him laugh (this usually occurs when he is reading those jokes in the TE paper) makes all within hearing feel that it's good to be alive! . . . "Joker" of the Week: The shoe repairman always gives a claim check to a customer who has shoes being repaired. Finding this check when it comes time to pick up one's shoes is another story, as Phyllis Fisher can tell you! Since the aforementioned gentleman cooperated so favorably by letting her point to her own shoes like any good bird dog, it would naturally seem like a good idea to pick out your own—which she didn't do. She had to take them back the next day. Not being accustomed to shoes, it's understandable! . . . A Shopping Bag: Kathryn Ernsberger takes off for "operation vittles" every Friday night. After carefully reading all labels to determine what can contains the most ounces for her money, she is no less than flabbergasted at the size of those little onions over there which would sure peel down to nothing. Will someone take her aside and tell her that big onions come from little onions. . . . Ginny Winegart was inquiring about a chain saw at one of the hardware stores. She was quoted a price of $6.65. She rushed home full of excitement, told her husband and then hurried back with the $6.65. She then found it was $665. Woe is me! . . . More Signs of Spring: We are very glad to see some of the girls getting out their summer dresses. Some of the girls now wearing them are Ilene Meyers, Ann Wade, Louise Klinker, Martha Newell, Mickey Huth. . . . The Drafting Division is very happy to welcome Ed Ellenburg. He has just been transferred from Drafting School. He is 21, and he moved to Fort Wayne from Indianapolis last fall.



We want to apologize for not having a column last week but there just was not enough news to warrant a column. We just about didn't get a column this week, but we could not disappoint the two readers that we do have. . . . We have noticed that the fame of Helene Evanoff has spread to other columns. Helene made the column from Bldg. 2-1 and also "Floor Lore from 4-4." . . . Another sign of spring is the annual housecleaning expedition. This year Ray Rodenbeck has been helping his wife with spring housecleaning. Ray holds the ladder to keep it from slipping while his wife cleans wallpaper and washes windows. . . . I mentioned that the column has two readers, one of them is Andy Lee from Bldg. 4-5 who said it was a great improvement in the WORKS NEWS last week when "P's and Q's" was missing. . . . Johnny Miles took his vacation a couple of weeks ago and spent the time designing a new stippling process for kitchen floors. It isn't patented yet, so you have to see John for further details. . . . Things I would like to be able to do: Bowl like Frank Quinn;. eat hot dogs covered with onions like Virgil Hartman; sing like Bob (Gravel voice) Dent. . . . George (Goldie Locks) Mosshammer is opposed to daylight saving time. George says he has a hard time getting used to it. He will have to get up an hour earlier now. Maybe Frank Martin should explain to George that he could go to bed an hour earlier, that way he would be able to get his ten hours sleep at night. . . . John Braden had a noticeable stiff back the other week. His only explanation was that he had to get in spring training and had started wearing his girdle. It just hasn't got limbered up yet and the two-way stretch hasn't started stretching. . . . Members of the office enjoyed a very delicious chocolate cake baked by Joe Kramer's wife. He brought the cake in last Friday. Later it was learned that Joe's wife had told him that there was no getting out of his washing down the kitchen walls the coming Saturday. Did that chocolate cake get you any help or was there no connection between bringing the cake and washing the walls. Anyway, that was a wonderful cake and everyone really enjoyed it. . . . Don't forget your booster ticket for the Voltmen baseball games. We have a championship team, let's go out to the park and give the boys our support. The team really looked good in their first practice session last Sunday.

A woman thinks it takes two to keep a seeret.

G-E Men Attend Industrial Safety Conference At Chamber Of Commerce



The sixth annual Safety Conference and Exhibit was held April 26-27 at the Chamber of Commerce under the sponsorship of the Industrial Safety Committee of the Chamber's Safety Council. Herschel Smith, G-E Safety Engineer for the Fort Wayne Works, is the general chairman of the Safety Council. More than 2,000 persons attended the conference and viewed the exhibits during the two-day session. Shown above (l. to r.), inspecting a new walk-wait signal, are Bill Guelzo, safety leader and member of the Personnel Services division at the Winter St. plant; Loyd Bodenhamer, of the Fort Wayne Works safety section and chairman of the Safety Council's exhibits committee, and Warren Sheets, safety leader and member of the Personnel Services division at the Tiffin plant.



"Mother" a most beautiful word in any language. Mother Dear, we want you to know we truly love you. Not only on this special Mother's Day but every day of our lives. We love you first because you were so good and kind to risk your own life just so that we might have life. Then we love you for nursing, guiding and teaching us from infancy to man and womanhood, yes even until the end of time to be good and God loving human beings and thus become a good, kind and understanding neighbor and eitizen. All the words we can write cannot describe the real meaning of a good Mother. We can only say may God bless you Mothers and make your life be very long and very, very happy.

Insulation News

Perry Como would be surprised to hear Elaine Allen's new version of the "Alphabet" song. "H" is for Harold "F" for Fremion, oh, oh. . . . If you think you have spring fever, you should talk to Franeis Isenbarger. Francis was eommenting on nature and its beauties the other day and this is what he said and we quote "This is really a late spring, the leaves have hardly any trees on them." And that's not all, Francis. Have you noticed that the feathers haven't nearly as many birds on them this year? . . . Last Thursday, Bill Lipp was feeling low and feeling tense, so he thought he'd smoke a cigarette. Red Noyes and Dorothy Lebrecht graciously offered Bill a cigarette and then calmly stood back while Bill turned slowly green. When Red and Dorothy stopped laughing, they admitted they had loaded the cigarette with glue. What happened to poor Bill? He came back feeling his level worst. I guess that will teach you to stick to one brand, Bill.



Monday, George Seibold left the Company on retirement after 28 years of service, most of them being spent in the commutator division. He has not been working for the last several weeks, following a series of oprcations, but is almost completely recovered now and able to spend a great share of time in his rose garden. He was presented with a gift check by his co-workers, and we all wish him the best of health to be able to do some of the things he's been planning when time would permit. . . . A few weeks ago Al Kissinger was busy selling tickets for a church fish supper. He found a couple of prospects in Howard Hoffman in Bldg. 4-1 and Cleon Oyer, formerly of Bldg. 4-1, but now at Taylor Street. After making the deal he said, "See you Friday." So on Friday night the boys and their wives drove up to the chureh early to be sure to get plenty of fish. When they arrived the building was dark, so they thought they really must be early. About that time they decided to look at the date on the tickets and found they really were early, just a week ahead of time. By that time the little women weren't going to be cheated out of a free meal so the boys had to treat them to a steak dinner. The following Friday night found them back at the church with the fish dinner in progress as scheduled. Bet they'll check the date on the next tickets they buy. . . . Justin Heaston bought a little calf from Virg Allmandinger and transported it by trailer to his dad's farm last Friday night. Much to his relief but boy's disappointment the trip was made without any misfortune or embarrassment. Now that the calf has been safely delivered the boys are wondering if it's the start of a big herd. Heaston wants to be a big cattle man, or if he intends practicing to become a eowboy. No comments from Heaston, only time will tell. . . . Ed Glusenkamp had so much fun puncturing inflated balloons at a downtown drug store one morning last week that he decided to carry the fun just a little farther. He took one home with him and that evening, filled it with air, laid it down on the floor, and waited to see just what Mrs. G's cats would do. One of them soon discovered it and after a few careful pats finally hit it with an open claw. The balloon let go with a loud report; the cat leaped straight in the air three times (so Ed says) then ran for cover and wasn't seen again that night. Looks like Ed is still trying to get even with the cats for his recent trip to the doghouse.

Metals Society Group To Sponsor Golf Party

The Fort Wayne Chapter of the American Society for Metals will sponsor a spring social meeting at the Garrett Country Club, Saturday, May 14.

Highlighting the day will be a Screwball Golf Tournament. The rules of play will be as follows: Foursomes will use only one ball and each player will carry one club (either No. 2 wood, No. 5 or 7 iron, or putter), to be assigned at the starting tee. Beginning with the wood, each club must be used in rotation throughout the game, regardless of hits or near misses.

Members of the local society and their guests may play some serious golf prior to the Screwball Tournament. The day's outing will be climaxed with a buffet supper, prize presentations and an evening of entertainment.

Arrangements for the outing and novel golf tournament are being made by D. W. Thompson, chairman, assisted by L. G. Reith, C. V. Bobay and G. A. Warwick, all of General Electric.

Ham Softball Team To Practice May 11-12

The Ham League softball team will practice at Packard Park Wednesday and Thursday, May 11-12, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m.

Manager Bill Schible announced that there are still plenty of positions open, and urged all players over 35 years old to report for practice.

G-E GOLF

By Hugh Dubdit

The G-E golf leagues will start competition the week of May 16.

Fletcher Cubey, phone 307, is manager of the Monday afternoon group; Art Rowe, 640, Monday evening; Jack Jennings, 2390, Tuesday evening, and Winfred Kirke, 28-232, at Winter St.



The boys of the Small Motor League let their hair down in the Hi-Lo doubles tournament. It seems they do better after the season is over. The winners were Paul Walker and Kissinger with 1104. Second place went to Walt Whonsetler and Margarum; third, Highland and Runyon; fourth Frank Gitter and Adams.

Six hundred counts: Erv Haugk, 224, 220, 199—643; Paul Walker, 205, 269, 187—661; Frank Gitter, 192, 175, 245—612, and Lowell Welker, 200, 191, 209—600.

Two hundred scores: Highland, 201; Runyon, 205; Bill Miller, 207; Madden, 211; Ty Cook, 234; Billue, 208; Kammeyer, 202; Walt Whonsetler, 212; Margarum, 212, and Orv Doherty, 202.

Apparatus League

Arnold White waited until the second last night to shoot his first 200. H. Lauger is practicing to be a left-handed howler. His 256 was put together with seven Brooklyn hits.

Two hundred games: H. Langer, 256; R. Knepple, 226; V. Rump, 231; H. Spath, 201; D. Oesch, 202; R. Alcott, 218; R. Dunton, 210; A. White, 200; R. Hickman, 200, and Paul Perry, 202.

Masonic League

In the singles tournament of the league last week, Max Buckmaster walked off with first place. Other winners were Jones, Crayton, R. Crahill, H. Smith, Moore, Bickhard, Chevelier, Cox and Archer.

Max had a 612 count on games of 202, 211 and 199.

Two hundred scores: Somerville, 209; Dale, 206; Jones, 223; R. Crabill, 232; Art Crayton, 221; Bailey, 204; Archer, 205; H. Smith, 203, and 213; Bill, 207; R. Hickman, 217; Briant, 204; A. Hickman, 221; Shultz, Altegogt, 213, and Cass, 206.

Frank Quinn and Willies Lautzenheiser walked off with first place in this week's Hi-Lo doubles competition with a 1191 total. Other winners were R. Crabill, and Cass; Jones and Kohlenberg; Braden and A. Hickman; and Bledenweg and Moore.

Two hundred scores: Boerger, 211; Lauterberg, 200; Frank Quinn, 266; Harris, 212; Jones, 215; Miller, 202; Cass, 211; B. Sommers, 201, and Moore, 224.

Interdivisions League

Frank Matthews waxed hot to carry the Brouwer Tire and Battery team to the league championship. Frank had games of 232, 233 and 255 for a 720 series. Walt Mertz helped out also with a 600 series on games of 184, 211 and 205.

P.S. It is great to be carried along just for the ride.

Bowling and Stuff

This evening at 6:30 o'clock the tournament of champions will get underway to determine the winners of those pretty blue G-E Club sweaters.

Last year's champs, the Mikes of the Apprentice League are right back in there again this year, so come on down and root your favorite team to victory.

All league secretaries are reminded to send their final league standing to Les Shroyer, Bldg. 31-2.

Voltmen Sign Southpaw

Manager Charles (Red) Braden announced that the Voltmen have signed Ray Janikowski, a top Southpaw, to round out a powerful six man pitching staff.

The Voltmen got on Janikowski's trail at the National Semi-Pro Tournament at Witchita, where he pitched for the New Holstein, Wis., team. He had a hand in the Voltmen's championship then, as he worked the Golden Colo., Coors for 15 innings before finally losing 2-1 while allowing only five hits. That fete probably influenced his being voted the most valuable pitcher in the tournament.

His five years in organized ball include the first part of the 1948 season with The Milwaukee Brewers in the American Association. He left organized ball then and played the rest of the season with the New Holstein semi-pro team.

This season he had spring training with Oakland in the Pacific Coast League, but could not make a suitable deal on a contract so took a voluntary retirement to pitch for the Voltmen. He is 25 years old, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 175 pounds, is married and lives in New Holstein, Wis.

The addition of Janikowski gives the Voltmen three right handers in High Orphan, Johnny Orphal and Charley Shipman; and three left handers in Al Hazel, Scott Cary and Ray Janikowski.

Voltmen To Play Chicago White Sox

Negotiations have been completed for the G-E Voltmen to play the Chicago White Sox in a game at Dwenger Park, Tuesday night, July 12.

Owl Golf League Re-elects Officers

The Owl Golf League had its organizational meeting at the Club last Friday and re-elected last year's officers for the coming season. Six captains were present, and two other teams are expected to be added for an eight-team league.

The opening date has been set for Thursday, May 12. The Thursday date was agreed upon to enable some players to compete in both golf and softball.

As usual the Hot Shots from Bldg. 19-1 will be there enmasse. They are two-time champs.

Anyone not yet assigned to a team is requested to be at Brookwood by 8:45 a.m. Thursday.

Owl Softball Team To Report May 11

All players on the Owl softball team are requested to be at Mcmillen Park Wednesday, May 11, at 9 a.m. to begin league play.

Voltmen Hold First Practice Session



The G-E Voltmen held their first practice last Saturday and Sunday at Dwenger Park. More than 300 fans were on hand to see 24 prospective stars play an intra-squad game Sunday, after the first session of warm-up practice on Saturday.

Among those who were trying out for places on the team were Morris Fisher and Bill Bower. Fisher is a high school student from Cincinnati and Bower graduates from South Side high school in June. Fisher is a pitcher and Bower, a catcher.

John Dudick looked good in the infield practice and was actively slamming homers over the left field fence. Stan Miasek, another newcomer this season, alternated at first base with Olin Smith from last year's squad. Roy Kilby, Columbia City high school coach, showed as a good prospect in his handling second base. Stan Shargey was on the hot corner and Dudick was at shortstop.

Another newcomer, Don Runge, shared outfield duties with Paul Dyke and Bob Doering, a senior at Valparaiso University who was trying out. Dan Votaw of Huntington, was trying out for a hurler's berth.

Mel Kestner, an ex-Voltman, gave assistance in the batting and fielding practice. Doing the catching were Serge Shuster, Bob Lyle, Stan Cox and Bill Bower. Of the four, Shuster is the only one who has been signed. Lyle hails from Milwaukee, Wis., and has been playing organized ball for two years. New Yorker Stan Cox played with the Yankee farm system for two seasons.

Scenes during the two-day practice session are shown above. At the top, from left to right: (1) Paul Dyke slams a homer, while Bill Bower (catcher) and Don Runge watch; (2) Roy Kilby is on the pivot play which Stan Shargey started; (3) Hugh Orphan is pitching, while Roy Kilby is in the background at shortstop, and (4) Charley Shipman, pitching.

The bottom row, from left to right: (5) John Johnson (umpire) and Bill Bower (catcher) watch the ball soaring into the outfield, as Bob Doering runs to second; (6) A player is safe at home after going from second base on a single. Bill Bower is catching; (7) Scott Cary, pitching, and (8) Manager Charles (Red) Braden has his father at his side to give him some good pointers in selecting the Voltmen roster.

The Voltmen will play the Anderson All-Stars at Anderson, Saturday and Sunday in two exhibition tilts. Another will be staged at Dayton, O., Tuesday, May 10, against the Homestead Grays of Washington, D. C. The Grays will then come here for a tilt with the Voltmen Saturday night, May 14.

The official opening of the season will be staged Sunday afternoon, May 15, at 2:30 p.m., when the Voltmen entertain the Michigan City Cubs.



May Day has come and gone without too much excitement throughout the world, just the usual unrest, the continuation of the cold war; but we in America can usually find peaceful things to do. I strolled out among the growing fields—the woods and its wild flowers, the budding trees, how calm and peaceful—how wonderful, this country of ours. . . . Next Sunday we pay tribute to the MOTHERS of America, some of us with a white carnation. Some more fortunate than others. . . . Gurney Lindley was out cruising in that new car last Sunday. Just like a boy with a new toy. . . . Why Ozzie (Me-Too) Nahrwold looked at the bulletin board Monday a.m. before he took off his coat wasn't too much of a mystery. If he was surprised not to see the cartoon he expected, his surprise wasn't long lasting because the echoes of the whistle had scarcely died away when one made its appearance. . . . What some fellows won't do to get their name in the column. Last Friday Gene Werling, who has been keeping me busy writing about his antics, took the busy time in the cafeteria to mess up the floor by pushing his tray off the end of the line. It is rumored that Herb Kenworthy is planning on erecting slow and stop signs for Gene's benefit. . . . Jim Stetler left Monday returning to Bldg. 19-5. Good luck, Jim, I'll miss that balanced chair. . . . We all miss Jim Zuber who left last week and our place shows that Jim is gone too.

Old Fashioned Dance To Be Held Tonight



Joe Taylor, director of the Red Bird recording band, is shown in the foreground (above) instructing various steps in square dancing to the Family Night committee for tonight's Old Fashioned Dance in the G-E Club auditorium. Four of the committee members are demonstrating how to "duck the oyster." Left to right are William Weber, Ed Parker, Bill Allen, Hubert Myers, Erven Huth, Jerry Duryee, George Hoopingarner, Al Tharp, Carl Reynolds and Bill Hunt.

Tickets are free of charge to all employees and their families and may be obtained today at the G-E Club and Bldg. 18-B candystands and at the personnel offices at the Taylor St. and Winter St. plants.

Top Floor Topics

DIVISION 95

By Walter E. Pohler

A new service to employees has been established in our division. This new service has been setup to give advice to all gardeners. Al Miller will head the new activity. Mr. Miller, as most of you know, has had wide experience in gardening. Several days ago a small group of people were discussing the pros and cons of planting a garden. Mr. Miller stated that he always plants onions around each hill of potatoes. The purpose of this method of planting is to insure plenty of moisture during dry periods. The onions will cause the potato eyes to water, insuring plenty of moisture for the potatoes. From this example it can readily be seen that Mr. Miller knows a good many tricks of gardening that are worthwhile. With this experience, Mr. Miller should be well qualified to head this new agency. Anyone desiring such information is directed to submit his request direct to Mr. Miller. . . . Everyone knows that Ned Biddle is inclined to be a little nervous. We understand that last Saturday was no exception. It seems the children's wagon is normally kept in the garage. Last Saturday the wagon could not be found. Ned was sure some —— —— kids had stolen it and he patrolled all the alleys in the vicinity of the Biddle residence searching for it. No luck. Ned is still mad. However, we are informed that the real truth of the story is that Ned was playing with the wagon and some big kids came along and took it away from him. . . . We are sorry not to have had full information last week about Noel (Big Wheel) Smith and the eggs. Noel states that he spent considerable time washing the eggs and feels he should receive some compensation for his labors. He also feels he should be reimbursed for the cost of the carton. . . . One never can tell what Mary Jane Bakle will be up to next. For verification of this contact either Alta Franklin or Charline Cramer. . . . John Kintz and Irene Shroyer have been on the sick list. We wish them a speedy recovery. . . . We understand that Dorothy Campbell buys small bottles of Alka-Seltzer just to get the bottles for use in carrying catsup and similar items in her lunch. Anyone who has a need for Alka-Seltzer can get some by asking Dorothy. . . . Florence Purdy is reported to have the heartiest laugh of anyone on the floor, and she keeps every one around her laughing also. . . . Saturday, April 23, Alvina Koomler moved her clocks up one hour. Guests were invited for 12:00 o'clock dinner on Sunday. At the appointed hour dinner was ready but there were no guests. After considerable wait the guests arrived and Alvina discovered that daylight saving time would not start for a week. . . . The General Electric Company has one organization of which the company as well as all of the employees should be justly proud. We are referring to the Aeolian Choir of the Decatur Plant. We had the pleasure of hearing this choir sing "Built on a Rock" by F. Melier Christensen, as its contribution to the Westminster Choral Festival, at Zion Lutheran Church Sunday evening, May 1. The choir and their conductor David C. Embler, are to be congratulated on their fine presentation of this beautiful choral number. As a suggestion to the family night committee of our Club, we believe it would be very much worth their while to have this choir sing at one of the family night programs.



Have you noticed Leona Zwick getting heavy lately? It's all over now—all those free luncheons that her bowling scores won are through for the year. Oh well, September isn't too far off, Leona, you won't get too hungry. . . . Our winding girls gave a surprise luncheon for Ed Klomp to celebrate his 30th anniversary with G-E. All the folks had a swell time surprising Ed and a wonderful lunch. From all your friends, Ed, we wish you many more years and may they all be happy ones. . . . Charlie Schild paid us a welcome visit Monday. Retirement certainly agrees with him. Come again soon and thanks a million for the pictures. . . . Anyone who has items that are useful for scavenger hunts, check with Don Kruse before parting with such. Last week-end the door bell rang and upon answering Don was confronted with two small girls who were looking for an empty catsup bottle for their scavenger hunt. Don wasn't able to get them any, so they requested a lock of gray hair (should I finish the story, eh, or should I say that Don could have bought a bottle of catsup, poured it out and given them the bottle, but a lock of hair?) Don replied, "A lock of hair, why I don't even have a lock of hair." The girls smiled and went on their way. Don has lots of experiences, but none of them are hair raising! . . . Dick Siedel will probably suggest an escalator for Bldg. 17-4 since he has found that the elevator will not wait for him. He really wore that wide-eyed, open-mouth stare of amazement the other night when he became so deeply interested in seeing that everyone got on the elevator, only to find that the door was closing in his face. . . . The past few weeks Tony Miller has been trying to defend his outboard motor which is temperamental, that is, it runs in a barrel of water at home, but at a lake it refuses. Recently Tony had the opportunity to go out on the lake with a couple of fellows who had a Johnson outboard. "Hard Luck" Tony didn't ride along. A game warden stopped them and made them take the motor off; lake too small, wrong season of year, conservation laws and that sort of thing, you know. . . . Belated birthday greetings to Maxine Baker who celebrated the 26th. We wish you lots of happiness in the years to come, Maxie, from all the gang.

Ye Old Meter Girls Elect New Officers

A party for Ye Old Meter Girls was held April 26 at Dehler-Hughes hall. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Chloe Lee, General Chairman; Bernadine Gocke, Co-chairman; Bertha Mattes, chairman for the fall party, and Agnes Thompson, chairman of the spring party.

Elex Club Board Meetings Are Scheduled For May 18

The Elex Club board meetings will be held Wednesday, May 18, in Bldg. 8-2. Rachel Fisher, vice-president, will preside at the night girls' session at 1:30 p.m. in Room 204. The day girls will have their meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the large conference room, with Charlotte Stanford, president, presiding.

A blotter is what you look for while the ink is drying.



Spring is really here. Dale Irwin has discarded his winter togs and is coming out in his light gray outfit. . . . Milo Heller has started a new fashion for men. He was sporting a blue head scarf to keep his "curls" in place. . . . We understand Ife Holmes had "Mac" paint his car. Mac residing in Garrett told Ife he would bring the car in to him. However, someone stopped too quickly and Mac didn't stop quick enough and Ife's car wound up in a garage, and poor Mac had to hitch-hike back to Garrett. . . . Margaret Lepper was disappointed not to see her name in the headlines in Monday's sport section. She bowled a 358 in the tournament Sunday. . . . Cleon Oyer finally won a bet, after losing every week for months. Now the boys are in a dither as to who their next victim will be. . . . Walt (uncle) Niemeyer sure will be freewheeling to the better places now. He loosened up and bought one of Walter Chrysler's "joy wagons". . . . Russell (Dopy) Scherrer wants to have someone explain the difference between a hot and cold spark plug. . . . It will pay Cleon Oyer to read the fine print on any tickets he buys in the future. A week ago Friday he took two guests to a church fish fry. They waited and waited but no one showed up. It seems the dinner was not until the following week. By the way, it cost Oyer anyway. He took his friends out that evening also. Sometimes it pays to keep our dates straight. . . . Mike O'Grady certainly gave a squad car competition. With sirens blowing and Mike's horn stuck, all bedlam broke loose on Taylor St. . . . Art Bear is flying in the clouds since he got his new car. . . . Bob Kissinger is downhearted. He has a new Ford and the boys insist that the price has really dropped. . . . Maxine Daniels is hoping they never have any visitors too soon after their evening meal. It seems Danny always dries the dishes for her in his BVD's. . . . Mr. Niemeyer was quite thrilled about the bargain he received when he bought his car. But it seems when he went to get it they had sold it to someone else. After pleading with the salesman, he finally got another car. . . . Anyone finding a fish sack floating on Snow Lake, please return it to Jerry Uhl and Al Eichler. . . . Jack Binkley is going to present a bill in Congress to make all electrical companies put their lines under ground. It seems he has trouble running into guy wires. . . . Clarence Weist came into work all dressed up last week. We understand he was a guest at the Van Orman Hotel. . . . Did Emil Bersch get in the wrong line at the clock rack? He seemed rather confused when he checked in. . . . Happy birthdays for the month of May are wished to Bernice Troutner, Etta Everly, Rosmond Schooley, Margaret Lepper, Helen Burns, Nora Roser, and Bill LaVine. . . . Our very best wishes to Sophia Bodigon who will say "I Do" May 14. The girls had a lovely farewell dinner for her at the cafeteria and presented her with a gift.

The reward of one duty done is the power to fulfill another.

The way for a woman to manage a man is to make him think he manages her.

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Voltmen Schedule

Sat., May 14—Homestead Grays, 8:15 p.m.

Sun., May 15—Michigan City Cubs, 2:30 p.m.

Tues., May 17—House of David, 8:15 p.m.

Thurs., May 19—Benton Harbor Buds, 8:15 p.m.

All games will be played at Dwenger Park

Erben To Address Squares' Meeting

H. V. Erben, Vice President of the Company and General Manager of the Apparatus Department, will address members of the Squares Club at a meeting Wednesday, May 18, at 7:30 p.m. in the Squares Hall.

The club will also hold its annual election of officers.

Mr. Erben, a Yale graduate, came to General Electric in 1920 as a test engineer. His first job after leaving Test was in the Lighting Engineering Department, where he spent about a year before transferring, in 1923, to the Apparatus Division of what by that time had become the Central Station Department.

In 1928 Mr. Erben was made Assistant to the Manager of the Apparatus Division, Central Station Dept., and he became Division Manager the following year. He did so well on this assignment that, when the old Switchgear Department became a division of the Central Station Department, Mr. Erben seemed the logical man to send to Philadelphia as manager of the new unit. He was given this appointment in 1933.

Mr. Erben was made Assistant Manager of the Central Station Department in 1939 and Manager in 1941. He was elected a Commercial Vice President in 1944 and was made Assistant General Manager of the Apparatus Department in 1945. On the retirement of Roy C. Muir, Jan. 1, 1948, Mr. Erben was elected a Vice President and became General Manager of the Apparatus Department.

Following Mr. Erben's talk, the election of officers will be held and refreshments will be served.



H. V. Erben

Elex Club Sets Deadline For Niagara Reservations

Reservations for the Elex-sponsored trip to Niagara Falls, June 11-12, should be made by Friday, May 27, it was announced today. A five dollar down-payment must be made to hold the reservation.

The fares for the excursion are $31.50 for members; $33.50 for non-members, and $22.35 for children. Expenses for those with railroad passes will be $13.15 for Elex mem-

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G-E Voltmen Open Season

MBA To Resume Collection Of Class A Dues

The MBA General Committee has approved the resumption of dues to be collected by the employees' Mutual Benefit Association on Class A coverage.

Effective June 1, payroll deductions will be resumed. Dues collections for eligible members have been suspended since Dec. 1, 1948, at which time the fund reached a maximum coverage of $17.50 per member. The fund will have reached a minimum allowable coverage per member of $12.50 by June 1.

All members off for lack of work, whose continuity of service is protected under the rules of the Company, have been covered on Class A coverage since the effective date of the suspension of dues.

To have retained dependent coverage, it was necessary to have paid in advance monthly while off for lack of work.

Effective June 1, all members off for lack of work may retain both Class A and B coverage only by paying monthly in advance. Such members are not eligible for disability benefits under Class A.

Employees being laid off for lack of work should arrange for monthly advance payments by contacting their respective payroll sections or the MBA office, Bldg. 8-2, in person so that such payments can be forwarded to Darrell Williams, Bldg. 18-1.

Mayor Branning To Toss Out First Ball During Ceremony Sunday At Dwenger Park

The official season's opener for the G-E Voltmen will be staged Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p.m., when the defending national champions meet one of their arch Michigan-Indiana League rivals, the Michigan City Cubs.

Milt Marx, radio announcer for Station WOWO, will act as master of ceremonies during the opening program. Gene Moss, Bldg. 8-2, will sing the Star Spangled Banner and will be accompanied on the trumpet by Don Bendel, whose father, Francis, is employed in Bldg. 20-2. The color guard of American Legion Post 47 will take part in the flag-raising ceremony.

Mayor Henry E. Branning, Jr. will officially open the season by tossing out the first ball, after Manager John (Red) Braden introduces all the players.

Carl Reynolds is chairman of arrangements for the opening ceremony.

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Carboloy Control Plan To Be Presented Here

Engineers of the Carboloy Company, Detroit, Mich., and representatives of the Apparatus Department's Methods and Equipment Division will present their Coordinated Carbide Control plan at the Fort Wayne Works Thursday and Friday, May 19-20.

Invitations have been mailed to all those concerned with the plan. The program for the Fractional Horsepower Motor manufacturing group will be presented Thursday morning in the second-floor conference room at Taylor St. The meeting Friday will be held in the large conference room of Bldg. 8-2 for members of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, Motor and Generator divisions, and the Works Service divisions.

The Coordinated Carbide Control plan is a program for coordinating all phases of carbide tool-design application and maintenance for all

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Memorial Day

On Monday, May 30, the Broadway and Taylor St. plants, in general, will be closed in observance of Memorial Day.

C. H. Matson

Works Manager.

Foremen, Supervisors Hear Talk By Merrihue



The Fort Wayne Management was host to members of the G-E Foremen's Association and the Supervisors' Club at their semi-annual dinner Wednesday evening in the G-E Club auditorium. "Good Bosses" was the title of a talk presented by W. V. Merrihue, Manager of Employee and Community Relations for the Apparatus Department. Seated at the main table, above, are: (l. to r.) J. M. Crawford, Manager of the Large Motor and Generator divisions; Everett Lindeman, president of the Foremen's Association; Mr. Merrihue; C. H. Matson, Fort Wayne Works Manager; W. C. Wichman, Manager of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, and Ivan Rinehart, president of the Supervisors' Club.

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FORT WAYNE WORKS
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Don Campbell ..... Editor

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Here Is One Fashion We Are Glad To See Go

"Peg legs" and "steel wings" used to be the fashion among old time railroad men. Just in case you might not know, the "peg legs" would be just wooden ones with a leather strap or two to fasten on to a stump of a flesh and blood leg, and a "steel wing" would be a sharp steel hook also strapped on to a stump of an arm. We don't see many of these monstrosities around these days. Time was, when there were many. They resulted mostly from careless railroaders sticking their hands and legs in places where they were caught and mashed . . . between car couplings was one place.

And then came the safety movement which gradually swept over the country. "Peg legs" and "steel wings" began to go out of fashion as a mark of distinction for an old railroad man. In our own business too, while we didn't have many "peg legs" and "steel wings" we used to have lots of hands without fingers and lots of feet without toes and a few glass eyes giving their new owners headaches. Now however it's a rarity to see a man lose a finger, much less an eye. In fact a finger is a pretty important part of the human body and the loss of one is a reflection on everyone in the outfit. And when an eye loses its power of sight these days, there's the dickens to pay. In other words we too have learned that safety pays . . . every waking hour.

Foremen, Supervisors Hear Talk By Merrihue

"In your lap is the future of not only our company, but of the whole free enterprise system," was the challenge presented by W. V. Merrihue to members of the Foremen's Association and the Supervisors' Club at their semi-annual dinner Wednesday evening in the G-E Club auditorium.

Mr. Merrihue is Manager of Employee and Community Relations for the Apparatus Department. His topic was "Good Bosses."

In the opening portion of his talk, Mr. Merrihue outlined the following major requisites of a job, as desired by most employees: good pay, good working conditions, job security, good bosses, fair promotion practices, respectful treatment, full information, belief in the job's importance, and job satisfaction.

"A good boss is the key man in the realization of most of these job requisites," Mr. Merrihue pointed out, "for he can satisfy more of them than any other individual or group."



W. V. Merrihue

Lists Characteristics

In listing the characteristics of good leadership, Mr. Merrihue gave the following as the most important:

(1) Adequate technical knowledge
(2) Administrative ability
(3) Social insight or knowledge of people
(4) Ability to make good and prompt decisions
(5) Dynamic and ceaseless ambition
(6) Sense of deep responsibility
(7) Character
(8) Personality

"Always think of what you ought to do for other people and then do it," he advised concerning his discussion of character. Then he described personality as that "package in which a man presents his characteristics to the people whom he serves."

Manners Are Important

"Today the public must not only have confidence in our products, but also in our leadership and handling of people," Mr. Merrihue stressed. He then called upon the foremen and supervisors to "brush up on our management manners."

Mr. Merrihue then cited the excellent job being accomplished through foremen's conferences, a project instituted at the Erie Works. He added that the plan is also now in operation in a few sections of the Holyoke and Schenectady Works. The Tiffin plant is planning to start the project sometime in the near future.

"These meetings of employees with their foremen give the employees a real feeling of significance in our system of free enterprise," he pointed out.

Reads Two Letters

In conclusion, Mr. Merrihue read two letters to the audience. The first was from President C. E. Wilson to H. V. Erben, Vice President and General Manager of the Apparatus Department. In it, President Wilson stated:

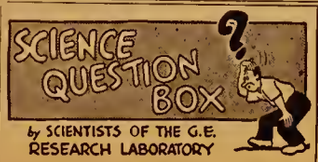
"We must correct information and set up a two-way communication plan for all employees."

The second letter was written by a woman-employee of the Fort Wayne Works and was addressed to L. R. Boulware, Vice President in charge of Employee Relations. The letter was written to commend the Company in its program for better employee relations; it cited the fine spirit of cooperation existing between the employees and the foremen in certain Fort Wayne sections.

Mr. Merrihue was introduced by C. H. Matson, Works Manager.

FAT CHANCE FOR A GARDEN! By COLLIER





Q. How fast does a bowling ball travel?

A. In one series of tests made recently the average speed of the ball was found to be about 30 miles per hour, with 37.5 miles per hour as the highest speed recorded.

Q. Of what use is the study of astronomy?

A. Astronomical observations are necessary for the determination of time and of accurate positions on the surface of the Earth. Modern physics is closely allied with astronomy because in the stars we may observe atoms under conditions of temperature and pressure that we can never hope to duplicate on Earth. Scientists first learned that atomic energy could be released by studying the Sun and stars, where such processes are going on all the time. However, the chief value of astronomy is probably a philosophical one that is no less real even though it is intangible, and that is the concept it has given us of the place of man in the universe of which he is part.

WHAT'S NEW IN PLANTS & LABS

PITTSFIELD — Two large General Electric Power transformers, one rated at 80,000 kva, the other at 45,000 kva, have been installed at substations of the Cincinnati Gas and Electric Company.

The 80,000-kva unit, an autotransformer, at the Hartwell substation is the largest in capacity in the CG&E system. Because of the use of forced-oil cooling, however, it weighs less and is smaller than the 45,000-kva transformer.

Due to its weight of 80 tons, the 45,000-kva unit arrived at the Front Street substation by special freight car, traveling at a maximum speed of 35 miles per hour along a circuitous route from Pittsfield, Mass. As finally installed, this unit weighs 125 tons.

SCHENECTADY—When Major Richard Johnson flew his F-86 to a new world's speed record of 670.981 miles per hour at Muroc Air Force base last fall, his wings rode the tremendous thrustpower of the J-47 engine. Designed and built by General Electric, the J-47 engine represents more than a three-fold increase in thrustpower over the first Air Force jets flown in 1942. Thus, in six years of experimentation and development on jet engines, thrust output has been increased from the original 1400-1500 pounds to the J-47's maximum blast of over 5000 pounds thrust.

Meet the President





These four-day weeks seem to cut down on the news as well as the pay checks. . . . I think all of us who were lucky enough to have tickets for "Oklahoma" enjoyed the play immensely. . . . Now that we are having such nice weather I think everyone could really enjoy these three day week-ends if it wasn't for the short pay checks. At least everyone should get all those little odd jobs finished that we just never seem to find time to do. . . . Saturday Macke and friends played nine holes of golf for the first time this year. I wonder why no report on their scores? . . . Dick Reinking claims playing ball in the sun causes his eyes to be so red and swollen. At least it's a more original excuse than bumping into a door. . . . Ward Staley opened the week-end working in his yard and has a nice sunburn to show for it. . . . Morton and Wagner went fishing last Thursday night. The first time Mort told about the fish they caught there were 43, but it's really amazing how those fish grow each time the story is repeated. . . . Joe Rowan is late to class nowadays, because he stops off to get in a few quick polishes on that new Olds. . . . Reinking "gets around" pretty good on skates, but all Harry Meads had to do was walk into the rink and a cute little blonde skates right over. They are seen leaving the rink together a few minutes later. Dick wonders if he always has that trouble with blondes hanging around or if the new paint job on his convertible is to blame. . . . They're building these Fords so big these days that they have to be parked on an angle in small parking lots, eh, Whitie? . . . Highlight of the G-E War Vets party was a rousing game of "Hearts" with Bergman, Birkenbeul, Woenker, Schmidt, Rasor and Gebert cutting each others throats. Of course, Rasor was the winner—he kept score. Leffers kept the boys cooled off with that light amber fluid. . . . Here is a description of a certain play during a recent softball game, "Swat" went the bat as it connects with the ball. The ball took a long arching flight out to center field. "Clumpty, clump" went the sound of "Cousin Weak Eyes Goeglein" as he galloped across the field to snare the ball. A similar sound was heard as "Butterfingers Birkenbeul" galloped toward the ball. Each man was crying "I got it." Well, the action that followed you can guess; both men "clunked" heads and the ball bounced off Birkenbeul's konk.

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

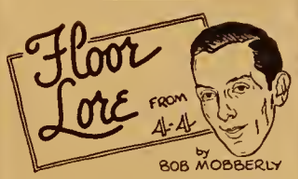
By Joan Aubrey

FLASH—Perry O'Neill is the proud father of twin girls Karen and Sharon. Perry is so happy that he has no doubt told everyone in the Fort Wayne Works by now, but we still wanted to make a public announcement of it. Perry says he is open for suggestions as to how he can build a rumble seat on the baby buggy and an extention to the baby bed. Congratulations, Perry and Mrs. O'Neill. Even if they won't be able to play football, they will make swell cheer leaders. . . . Monday morning several people came in with the first sunburn of the season. Joan Liebig looked like a cooked lobster and Gordon Smith was a bit red behind the ears and the back of the neck from working in the "back 40 acres" of his "farm." . . . Welcome to Florence Knight, who has joined our Production Section, and to Arnold Bowers, the latest member of the Cost Section. . . . We are also happy to have Harold Eggeman and Gail Kreager with us in the Wage Rate Section for the next few weeks. . . . Thelma Stapleton was one of the select few that was able to see "Oklahoma" last week, and she said she really enjoyed it.

Completes 40 Years Of Service



Stephen Morrell, Bldg. 19-2, recently completed 40 years of service with General Electric. On his anniversary he received a 40-year certificate denoting his long service. Attending the presentation were: (l. to r.) Ernest Allmandinger, A. A. Fox, Mr. Morrell, Maurice Archbold, Lee Anderson, Foreman; C. W. Hale, General Foreman; and R. M. Hartigan, Manager of Manufacturing, Large Motor and Generator Divisions.



For the highly superstitious, today is that day to beware. Whether you superstitious folks are aware of it, today is Friday 13! Be careful of those ladders, black cats and broken mirrors. . . . Spring or early summer is definitely here now for certain, as we witnessed Nena Foster wearing her summer frocks lately. . . . We were amused at Harold Mettler's explanation as to how he came to read the instruction and operation manual thoroughly before operating the new machine. After the accident occurred he read the manual over again, and according to his latest word, at no place did the book say NOT to insert fingers in the revolving reel! It's wonderful to possess that much humor even in view of the seriousness of your accident, Harold. . . . That picture, clipped from one of the local newspapers and titled "Elmore Hurt" certainly doesn't do Elmore justice. After all, fellows, he does shave a little more often than that! . . . For Howard Keppler, it was one of those days when the fellows from the exchange plan bench threatened to cut his necktie off. Apparently Kep took them at their word as he was observed shortly thereafter minus the tie!

Rowe Is Appointed Assistant Manager Of Ballast Sales



A. E. Rowe

A. E. Rowe has been named Assistant Manager of the Ballast Sales division, Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions.

A 1943 graduate of Indiana University, Mr. Rowe received his A.B. in industrial psychology. He also graduated from the Graduate School of Business at Harvard University during his service in the Navy.

After leaving Indiana University, Mr. Rowe served with the Navy's Pacific fleet as a supply officer and as a dispersing officer in the Chicago district. He left the Navy in 1946, and at the time of his discharge was a lieutenant.

Mr. Rowe came to General Electric in 1946 as a sales engineer for the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Sales Divisions. He remained in that position until his recent appointment.

His hobbies include golf, bridge and softball. Mr. Rowe is a member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the Elks, and the General Electric Squares. He is married and has three children, two daughters and a son. The Rowes live at 3615 Winter St.

Carboloy Control

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types of tools and cutters, both single and multiple point, through a system of centralized control.

The plan is designed to increase the efficiency of carbides now used in the plant, to broaden the uses of carbides, and to assure the getting of every possible benefit from carbides whenever used. It is based upon principles of operation proven successful in the past by outstanding companies in industry and incorporated by the Carboloy Company into a compact, workable program.

Elex Club

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bers and $15.15 for non-members. These prices include transportation by train, lodging at the General Brock Hotel, meals and tips on diner, baggage handling, bridge tolls, sightseeing tour and transfer to the hotel and train.

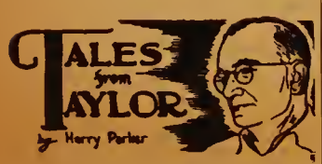
The following information should be given when the reservations are made: Name, address, birthplace, age, and marital status. Naturalized citizens should have naturalization papers and everyone must have a birth certificate.



Life is not a bed of roses—or did you know it? . . . We are going through a period of adjustment in many ways and until we find the leveling off line we will all be in a state of unrest. The consequences of the readjustment period are far from pleasant and we must say "goodbye to many of our friends. We hope that you will find happiness in your new work and that in leaving you will carry with you many pleasant memories and the thought that it is very difficult for your supervisors to make the decision that necessitates your leaving. We have lived through these unpleasant conditions before and we can do it again. We hope we can come up smiling this time without another war. Anyway—it is better to live in America than in the Old Country—whatever happens. There is always a silver lining to the dark cloud—if we bother to look for it. . . . Last Wednesday noon, Hazel O'Brien and Harriet Dewart honored Lee J. Miller, who is retiring the first of June, after a nice vacation, and Harry J. Nickles who will change to the second shift, with a luncheon party. It is always nice to be remembered isn't it? . . . Today marks the last day in Bldg. 18-B for Hazel O'Brien as the attendant in charge of the canteen. We will miss her happy smile and hope that she will find as many friends in Bldg. 19-B as she is leaving in Bldg. 18. The canteen hours will be adjusted (just one more adjustment, folks) to 9:15 to 10 a.m. and from 2:45 to 3:25 p.m. Margaret McKering will be in charge during that time. Better start now forming new habits in your snack time. . . . Every year, Sid Johnson goes back to the Derby in order to renew his "Southern Colonel" commission or could it be the mint julep that is traditional? Anyway "Ponder" had them all fooled. . . . Annabell Redding returned to work in Bldg. 18-4 this week after a tonsillectomy. She tells me, "it wasn't half bad." . . . Irene Draper, Bldg. 18-3, and Howard Draper, Bldg. 26-2, worked hard all day at Big Long Lake—total "take" six blue gills. . . . Fonda Cook of Bldg. 18-4 is proudly displaying the beautiful color pictures of her daughter's wedding. . . . We extend our sincere sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Arnold White in the death of their infant daughter. . . . Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wylie. Their son Robert will be married May 21 in Barherton, Ohio. . . . Old Mother Nature did herself proud on Sunday, her contribution to the day honoring all Mothers. To those whose Mothers are with them I know the day was a pleasure; to the rest, wearing a white flower, the day was filled with fond memories. . . . Today is the last day in Bldg. 18-1 for Mae Lacey. We will miss you and hope that you have not objected to our teasing too much. . . . Virginia Gerdom Spriggs, formerly of Bldg. 18-1 Payroll presented her husband with a tiny baby and before Mother's Day, too. . . . Snooping around in Bldg. 18-3 we find that some of the people were on the move over the week-end. Joseph Wauro and wife visited in Hillsdale, Mich.; Velma Wine went to Mexico just a little week-end jount (her grandmother lives in Mexico, Ind.). . . Jerry Snowberger was seen at "Oklahoma," Friday night and Dolores Brinker entertained her parents at the Hobby House for Mother's Day.



It's a boy! Congratulations to the proud mamma and papa, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Howell. . . . Congratulations are also in order for Carl Click, because he's engaged. . . . The candles burned brightly last week for Jerry Graybill, the reason for the burning candles being Jerry's birthday. . . . Doris Smith also had a birthday last week, and the gals in the file section had a potluck dinner with a delicious cake. Happy birthday to both Jerry and Doris. . . . Jerry Hadley and her hubby have undertaken quite a job, they are going to build their new home. Seems quite a number of young people are taking the housing situation in their own hands, it's a fine idea but quite a job too. More power to you, Mr. and Mrs. Hadley. . . . There seems to be some real champions at the hook and needle in our midst. Eva Westrick who is equally at home with a crochet hook or a needle and Teresa Arend whose talent with a needle seems endless. These gals seem to have some pioneer blood in their veins. . . . "Here comes the Bri—" no, we can't say that cause it's the bridegroom that—oh well congratulations that's what we want to say to Max Harris our most recent bridegroom. The very best to both you and Mrs. Harris.



Lillian Hall is very busy these days preparing to plant her vegetable garden and tells us that she wants to raise a bumper crop of spuds. She purchased a five pound sack of seed potatoes from Aldine Bell who has delivered them to her. Out of this she expects to plant 40 acres with the expectation of doing a land office business this fall when they are ready for harvest. She also expects a heavy yield from her onions, keeping close watch on these and giving us a daily report on how much they have grown. If any of you desire to lay in your winter supply of spuds and onions get your orders in early and avoid the rush. . . . As a carpenter we are afraid that George Cowan is a washout. He was observed last week-end helping to construct a house. So handy is he at driving nails that he uses both hands on the hammer handle. He tells us that he could do much better if the hammer handle was three feet longer. He is probably thinking of the times he drove railroad spikes when walking track for the Nickel Plate Road. . . . Clarence Stove, our self-styled weather prophet, has taken it on the chin again. Every year about the latter part of February he begins to tell us that an early spring is in the offing and makes great preparations expecting the first warm days to remain. As we all know the weather of April and May is very fickle for example look at Easter Sunday. On that day he sat in the front room watching the heavy snowfall with his chin sagging. It just seems that some people will never learn. . . . Edwin Moodie's young grandson can figure for himself. Having broken some window panes in a neighborhood garage, he was told by his mother that he would have to use his savings to pay for their replacement. Knowing that grandma and grandpa had a jar full of pennies at their home, he decided to try and work his grandparents for some of them thereby keeping his savings intact, but somehow grandma smelled a mouse so it was no soap for grandson. . . . Marion Oman, who is forever putting out a beef about the price of haircuts and is always trying to figure out a way to get his cheaper, heard that a new barber shop was opening on Broadway near Creighton Ave. He was wondering if they might pass out sample haircuts on the opening day. . . . Emanuel Miller has turned a veritable speed demon since acquiring a new Ford. He told us that the other morning on his way to work some wise guy kept crowding him. Putting on a terrific burst of speed he pulled away from him but not for long as said wise guy was on his tail again. Stepping the gas buggy up to 98 m.p.h. he was able to leave him in the shade.

Celebrates 30th Anniversary



Ed Klomp, Bldg. 17-4, recently celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric, at which time he received a congratulatory letter on his long service. Attending the presentation were (l. to r.) H. L. Brooks, C. F. Hattendorf, E. G. Stock, Mr. Klomp, D. H. Hanson, W. F. Konow, C. R. Nussel, Carroll Elder, and M. E. Crow.



I am a week late on the following poem. But after all, we shouldn't think of Mother only one day out of the year.

There are fiddle strings and shoe strings
And strings for wrapping meat
There are strings to big free offers
(And to make the list complete)
There are strings you tie on fingers
To help remember things.
But none can ever take the place
Of Mothers' apron strings.

Speaking of mothers and we will include fathers too, the parents of Ann Kensill and Gertie Wheat are celebrating their 63rd wedding anniversary today. Our "we wish you continual happiness and health" mat is out for them. . . . Minnie McCague and Eileen Steinacker were out hunting wild flowers. We hear the "skeeters" tried to take the joy out of finding the posies. . . . Mary Wright spent the last week-end in Columbus, Ohio. . . . Bertha Furge is going to have hausenpfeffer one of these days. The rabbits have taken over her cabbage patch and her husband said he will get them or else. . . . Our newcomers to the early bird shift are Catherine Salmon, Mary Jane Redding, Ura Mae Tinder, Cecil Leslie, Gladys Strong, Gladys Lutz and Beatrice Craig. If I missed anyone, I'm sorry and a "hello" to you also. . . . It's a happy birthday to Harold Bowker, Ann Kensill, Jerry Snyder and Herschel Case. (At least Hershel says he had a birthday May 6. We didn't see any cake or candy.) . . . Last week line 562 had a potluck. Lots of good eats were enjoyed by all including their foreman, Walter Kryder. (Walter really enjoys his carrots.) . . . Paul Nelson received a hand out of rabbit food from Leona Hollis. Leona also baked a birthday cake for Louella Koogle. . . . Ivah Grandstaff bought her huhby an electric razor for his birthday last week. Now he shaves twice a day and gives demonstrations in between times. (No five o'clock shadow there.) . . . Virgie Mayer was really having trouble trying to connect and weld. S'matter, Virginia, the china clippers misbehaving? . . . Harold Bowker was on vacation this week. . . . Bill Martin had to iron out all the aches and pains of the winding machines. . . . Ray Brown is leaving us for Taylor St. We will really miss you. . . . Little boy, ending prayer, "And please, Lord, put the vitamins in pie and cake instead of cod liver oil and spinach."

Beer Elected Vice President Of Vocational Guidance Group

Wallace Beer, Supervisor of Employment, was elected vice president of the Northeastern Indiana Branch of the National Vocational Guidance Association during a dinner meeting of the group Monday at the YMCA.



The Dolson's are the people with talent! Barb and Harry are now building their own dream home. They are up to the roof already. . . . Guess who is back with us? None other than Vera Kilian. Vera has been off several weeks. We sure are glad to see you again, Vera. . . . Phyl Fisher is having quite a time with their new Dodge. She is all confused about the button situation. Will someone please give Phyl a book of instructions explaining the use of each of those little buttons? . . . Last week we had a misprint and we were told about it by Ed Ellenburg. Instead of coming from Indianapolis, Ed came from Minneapolis, Minnesota. Thanks for telling us, Ed! . . . Dick Stoner held a party for all his friends in the Drafting Section last week. Those attending were Ralph Pappert, M. H. Cox, Ralph Valentine, Dora Aughenbaugh, Molly Hile, Wendell Miller, Henry Lantz, Mildred Fettinger, Pete Eberhardt, Dick Cupp, Ed Ellenburg, Skeets Lahrman and Carl Lommatzsch. Dick showed a few of his magic tricks and had refreshments. . . . The Engineering Division is very happy to welcome John Kvinge from Benton and Howard Gerlaugh. . . . Ginny Graff and Ruth Fields received some beautiful flowers from the engineers. You sure have the men trained, haven't you? . . . Carl Paul has been moved from the Designing Section to the Development Section. Big move! Across the aisle. . . . From all reports "Oklahoma" was a huge success. Those attending were Helen Brindle, Barb and Harry Dolson and Delores Patterson. . . . George Finkbeiner can be seen early every morning going through the "Apartments for Rent" section of the paper. George is going to be married May 21 and would appreciate any good leads for an apartment.

Three Retire On Pension



G. A. Seibold

George A. Seibold, Bldg. 4-2, retired May 1, after 29 years service with the General Electric Company.

He began working for G-E in 1920 as a machinist in Bldg. 17-3. He has worked on grooving commutators in Bldgs. 17-1, 17-3, 4-5 and 4-2 since 1923.



F. A. Fordham

Frank A. Fordham, Bldg. 27, retired May 1, after seven years service with the General Electric Company.

He began working for G-E in 1942 as a turret lathe operator in Bldg. 27. He later became a helper, and was working at this job when he left the Company.



L. C. Koop

Louis C. Koop, Bldg. 27, left May 1 for retirement, after 33 years service.

Mr. Koop first came to G-E in 1916 as a machinist. He has worked as a P and J operator, drill press operator, Japan dipper, and helper. At the time of his retirement, he worked on chipping and filing in Bldg. 27.

750 Attend Elex Mother-Daughter Parties



Approximately 750 attended the two Elex Mother and Daughter parties Thursday, May 5. The night girls entertained their mothers with a noon luncheon at the YWCA with 70 in attendance. In the evening, the day girls feted their mothers at the G-E Club gym.

Vernon Carr, magician, and Delores Patterson, vocalist, of Bldg. 26-2, were featured on the night girls' program, followed by the presentation of gifts and prizes for the mothers attending. Dorothy Koomjohn, pianist, and Ogden's saxophone quartet provided the entertainment in the evening.

In the layout above are pictures taken during the day girls' party at the G-E Club gym. The top row pictures show: (l. to r.) Ilene Hardisty, Bldg. 28-2, Mrs. Ollie Knittle, Arlene Dellinger, Bldg. 4-6, Mrs. Geraldine Kunberger, Mrs. Mary Schlotter and Charlotte Stanford. Mrs. Knittle, 83, and Mrs. Schlotter, 80, were the oldest grandmothers at the party. The next scene shows Mrs. Lewis Smith, who came 120 miles to attend the party; her daughter Mable Miller, Taylor St.; C. H. Matson, Works Manager; Mrs. L. A. Evers, who traveled 227 miles for the party; and her daughter Peggy Evers, of the Taylor St. plant. The mothers who had three daughters each are shown in the next picture. They and their daughters are: (l. to r.) Edna Waterson, Bldg. 26-3; Velva Smith, Bldg. 4-5; Mrs. Clarence Waterson; Lois Waterson, Bldg. 4-5; Helma Conrad, Bldg. 19-5; Ludella Conrad, Bldg. 6-2; Mrs. Henry Conrad, and Armilla Conrad, Bldg. 26-2. In the last picture of this row are Alice Robison, Bldg. 17-3, and her mother, Mrs. Martha Rittenhouse. Mrs. Rittenhouse, who is 88 years old, was the oldest mother at the party.

The attendance prize winners are shown in the first picture of the bottom row. They are: (l. to r.) Mary Eker, Mary Leis and Veronica Cook. P. O. Noble is shown presenting the youngest mother her gift. She was Mrs. John R. Heine and her daughter is Marjorie Mayer, Winter St. works. Jean Smith, Elex treasurer, is next shown giving out the gift scarfs to the mothers, while the last picture is a general view of the party.

In the first picture of the night girls' party shown below are: C. H. Matson, Works Manager; Mrs. Clara Bishop, who came 60 miles to attend the night girls' party; and her daughter Alta Bishop of the Medical Section. Mrs. Martha Schroeder is shown with her three daughters who work at G-E. Left to right are: Lora Schroeder, Mrs. M. A. Borchelt, Mrs. Schroeder, and Mrs. Martin Reinking. In the next picture are Mrs. Nellie Smith, who is the oldest mother at 73 years, and Flossie Greek, Bldg. 18, her daughter. Violet Garrison and her mother, Florence Warner, the youngest mother, are shown in the next photograph. A special gift was given to Mrs. Etta Heymann, the only mother who worked here 40 years ago. She is shown in the next picture with her daughter, Mary, Bldg. 8-1. The attendance prize winners are shown in the next two pictures. They are: (l. to r.) Mrs. Edna Quinn, with Mr. Matson in the first picture, and Mrs. Anitha Bradtmiller and Rachel Fisher, in the other.



ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

Some of the gang are wondering if Elmer Minnick and his foreman use the same bowl for their haircuts. . . . Paul Lichtsinn is slow to take a hint, especially if it's given by Howard Musselman. . . . Kenny Hart must have a very affectionate nature. He doesn't seem to care who he embraces. At least he should judge the time and place a little better. An evening date, perhaps. . . . Carl Wiegman was on the sick list as of May 4. The gang in Bldg 19-3 west end should be more careful about raising windows in May. . . . John Campbell, who was recently known as "Unhappy John," can now be called "Lucky John," having won a nice pot the other day. Be careful Joe Burton doesn't get his fingers on any of it, Johnny. . . . Frank Elder, we hear, during his convalescence has thought up some new gags to try on Frank Enderle. Some of the gags have never been tried on humans before. . . . We're glad to hear Florence Weimer is improving and would welcome visitors. Room 607 at the Methodist Hospital. . . . Elsie Dunfee is also on our sick list. We hope she may have a speedy recovery. . . . The Stator Winders are dieting this week. They are expecting a big feed at the Urbine estate, since Harley's wife is the recent dinner-winner. . . . Congratulations to our new grandfather, Bill Hale. The little fellow's monicker will be John Willard. . . . Since the weather man predicts the temperature will reach 90, Lee Anderson will get his Plymouth in circulation again. . . . Anyone wanting information how to play the game "Twenty Questions" consult the three wizards, VanSkyock, Norm Stoller and Frank Karthroll. The next program will be Dr. I. Q. . . . Frank Karthroll has lost all faith in Tim O'Sullivan's weather predictions, since he lost a bet that it would rain May 4. . . . Now that warm weather is here, Carolton Peters is getting to work on time, no lost time starting the Chevrolet. . . . Story of the week: "Mushroom Hunter Supreme," or "How Crazy Can You Get." It seems that our hero on the impulse of one of his many periodical escapades decided that a few mushrooms would hit the spot some evening for supper. Notwithstanding the dire threats from his fellow workers, such as "you're gonna get your feet wet," or "an old man like you shouldn't be tramping through the woods," or "you'll never find any anyway," our hero embarked on his mission for mushrooms. He wasn't content to go alone, so amid protests from his wife, he coaxed her along, too. Next scene found our hero tramping through the woods with his better half, but nary a mushroom had they found. A few hours more of this was about all he can stand, to say nothing of the little woman. So our hero bad to swallow his pride and return home with blistered feet, minus mushrooms. Back home, talking with his neighbor over the fence about his fruitless search, what should he find at his feet, but three little mushrooms. Oh, the irony of it all. There ain't no justice. For any little particulars that might have been missed in this little tale of woe, see Joe (Mushroom Hunter Supreme) Laisure.



Fern Roe, who was married recently, was surprised last Wednesday at her home near Zanesville by a group of friends. They also presented her with a shower of miscellaneous gifts. The color scheme of the lunch which was served later in the evening was carried out in pink and white and included ice cream and a beautifully decorated cake. The guests were Rachel Millikan, Louise Stookey, Cathleen Burnett, Marjorie Rall, Hazel Dilworth, Laurene Kraus, Ruth Reed and Estella Pettibone. . . . Congratulations to Bill Widdifield who celebrated a birthday last week. . . . The heavy California "dewy" weather being enjoyed at the present by the boys in Tool Maintenance seems to be preferrable to the Florida orange showers of earlier days. . . . It might be the early heat wave that caused it, but for some reason Paul Kennerk has changed from his winter "longies" to something more appropriate for the mild temperature we are now enjoying. . . . For the kindness and consideration Bill Shuler has shown to him, C. Hamlet Curtis felt that Mother's Day would be an appropriate time to show his appreciation. So, at the early hour of 2 a.m. Mother Shuler received a box of flowers from him. To save any need for care they are the kind that will never wilt or need attention, they'll just stand stiffly in a vase and gather dust. Oh happy Mother's Day!

Women's Division Elects New Officers



The newly-elected officers of the Squares Club, Women's Division are shown (l. to r.) above: Mrs. Robert Johnson, treasurer; Mrs. Frank Fleischer, member-at-large; Mrs. Marvin Baker, president; Mrs. Orval Doherty, secretary, and Mrs. Lee R. Beard, vice president

The installation of officers will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 17. Mrs. A. E. Rowe and Mrs. C. F. Fitchey will be the co-chairmen of this meeting and will be assisted by Mrs. John Margerum, Mrs. Frank Ondrovik, Mrs. V. P. Uran and Mrs. George Stone.



Today is Friday the 13th. So what! All that stuff about black cats, ladders, etc. is just a lot of bunk and gets some people worrying about things that will never happen. Worry never gets anyone anyplace anyway. . . . Who's the shuffleboard king? Why no one else but our good friend Willie Rohe. . . . Say Leo Elward that sun was a swell wedding gift your co-workers gave you last Friday. I understand that this particular type is quite the rave. If in need would you please be kind enough to loan it to us sometime? We'll take good care of it. . . . News is getting awful scant these days, folks. Of course, you all know why, but better days are coming. Have faith. . . . Ezmark Bolt is taking his vacation next week and then is going on pension as of June 1. All his co-workers wish him the best of luck—especially at pulling in the fish at Jimerson Lake. We are looking forward to a fish fry, Ezmark. . . . Last week someone stole Agnes Bensman's bus pass. In order to console her, Hopkins and Steinbarger went out and picked up one for her. (And we do mean "picked up"). Not only was the pass out of date, but it cost three cents to mail it, didn't it, Chester? But we just know Agnes realizes that it was the thought behind the good deed that counted.

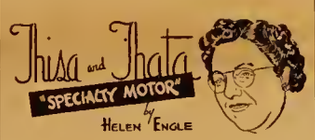


Once again we have more birthdays in our midst: Dorothy Heimann of the winding line celebrated her birthday Thursday. Marcile Jones has also had a celebration. She wishes her birthday would come more often. You ought to see her featured radio gift clock timer and everything. Birthday greetings, girls. . . . Just a moment—Yes that is just what it was for Ransome Barkley, our oven tender, according to the radio conversation on the street in Fort Wayne, Mr. Barkley had an interesting interview. What a radio star—you'll be receiving fan mail soon. . . . Hez Cochran was wondering if anyone missed him a week ago when he was off. . . . Fanny Amstutz is expected to be back to work this week after several weeks' illness. . . . Joan Braun has left to take on household duties. . . . For good clothes line posts see Mounsey, Ace-Navy welder, he guarantees satisfaction or your posts back. Mr. Cramer how is your wash drying on the new lines? . . . Buttermilk Skies—Cecelia Noonan has another version for it. Anything for a laugh, Celia. . . . Has anyone a new theme song to suggest for Junior. . . . Spring must be here, lots of gardens prepared, house cleaning, and even lots of paper hanging. That reminds me, see "Red" Stanley for a good ceiling job. Higher rates for papering kitchens. . . . We haven't seen Oscar Teeple's name in for sooooo long. What is the matter "aintcha" doin' anything or haven't they caught you in the act? . . . We are sorry to report that the nest of little bunnies have left us and have decided to start out on their own in this great big country of ours. . . . We are wondering what happened to the nice spring weather. It must be hiding just around the corner. . . . Now let's see, who hasn't been mentioned in this column lately. There's Gordon Sprunger in the Wage Rate section. Gordon likes to bowl we understand. . . . And there's Mary Miller in Production. Mary spent her vacation in Cuba last year. Wonder where she is planning on going this year. . . . And Dick Steele, in Planning. Dick is sporting new glasses we notice. Not bad, Dick. . . . And Harry Staley in Payroll. Harry is a brother to James K. in Planning in case you didn't know it. . . . The GeCode Club day girls had a Mother's Day party Wednesday nigbt at the Lutheran Church. Quintilla Frye was chairman of the party with Mary J. Wolpert, Betty Frauhiger, Irene Holthouse, Ardella Heare, Olive Journey, Merle Snyder, Cecelia Noonan, and Agnes Andrews on the committee. . . . In case you haven't noticed, the tulips are in full bloom and are very lovely to look at. . . . All the girls enjoyed the GeCode Club party given for their mothers and especially liked the gifts their mothers received. And didn't the tables look nice. . . . How about another poem by Christin Andrews:

Sleep

Sleep is such a wondrous thing
It drives away life's cares.
And helps us fresh our mind to bring.
To the problems all life shares.

Dorothy Schnepf, Harriet Haines and Mary Ann Laurent went fishing one evening and what wonderful fish they caught! Mary Ann's one and only got away and the other ones—they were too small to keep. Better luck next time, girls. Dort says they're not giving up, this is just the beginning. . . . Ardella Heare is very proud of the title "aunt" since Arline Heare's baby arrived. Arline formerly worked in the office.



A little stranger came to stay at the home of Henry Grepke in the person of a baby boy. Congratulations. . . . Alice Claymiller returned after nursing a sprained ankle. . . . Champion mushroom hunter is Emily Nierman—she reported a good haul. . . . The Specialty Motor Supervisors' Club held a party at Ross Strodel's cottage at Round Lake, Saturday, May 7. This party was to celebrate Mardo Tobias' 35th anniversary with the Company and from all reports it was really celebrated. Invited guests included Harry Haberkorn, Ed Glenwith, Frank Brindle, Lloyd Jacobs and Everett Lindeman. O. J. Mettler gave a resume of Mr. Tobias' record with the Company and presented the 35-year certificate. Sible, Bain and Strodel spent the day gathering mushrooms, while Jacobs and Korte showed the boys how they used to play ball. The rest spent their time fishing, playing cards and eating. . . . Esther Pape drove to work the other day because she wanted to stop downtown and buy some paint. Paint is unhandy to carry on the bus, you know. So, she went down, bought the paint and as she neared home she realized she left her car in the parking lot at work. . . . Best wishes and much happiness to Patricia Stabler who is wearing a beautiful diamond ring. The lucky guy is a student at Purdue. . . . At a glance Ardola Johnson doesn't look like a Statue of Liberty but that is just what she is. She was tearing the paper off the ceiling and the plaster started to fall so she stood there holding it up as long as she could. At last she had to let go and down it came all over her. What a mess she had to clean up! . . . Thelma Purdue said the fishing at Big Long Lake was plenty good Sunday evening, and Bernie McCune reports the same from Blue Lake. . . . Birthday greetings to Wilma Linker. . . . Edna Rohrbach has been kidding Freida Knoche for a long time about the two kinds of shoes she wore to work one day, but now we have it back on her. Edna came to work the other day with one black and one brown shoe. One sported a big bow and the other was plain. Not only does she wear mixed shoes but last fall she sent her spring coat to the cleaners and when she got it out this spring it really startled her to discover that it was so big. She hadn't realized that she had lost so much weight. On close inspection she found it to be her sister's old coat that she had planned on getting rid of. She said that she would look twice before she sends anything to the cleaners again. . . . Rudy Zelt not only cleaned the house while on his vacation last week but cleaned the barn, too. . . . Bessie Potts' name was inadvertently left out of the list of people that had returned to work. Glad you're back, Bessie, and hope your stay will be a long one.



"Braunie" has left us again and we sure will miss her interesting news items which she always gave to us. I want to thank you "Braunie" for the wonderful cooperation which you gave me in making this column one of interest for the second shift personnel, and you will be greatly missed. . . . Dorothy Hart received a very pleasant surprise the other night when she answered the telephone while at work. At the other end of the line was her son, Dale, who is in Los Angeles, Calif. The call was in honor of Mother's Day and to Dorothy was ever so much better than any gift would have been. Dale is district manager of B. F. Goodrich Co. on the west coast and he lives in N. Redondo Beach, and is the father of twin daughters of which grandma is very proud. . . . Ethel Koontz was all smiles Monday as her bowling team won the Moose championship. Congratulations, Ethel. . . . Happy birthday to Dick Pemberton, and many happy returns of the day. . . . Chet Carey says he found out over the week-end that he is getting just a mite too old to try to keep up with this younger generation. Oh can't take it, eh, Chet? . . . George Miller reports that his luck in fishing was greatly improved over the week-end. It must have been due to the fact that you didn't have Vern or Harold with you, George. . . . Bob Huhn says he sure wishes his luck would improve a little though as he spent three days catching five fish. We at least will say that you sure have a goodly share of patience if not luck, Bob. . . . Norm Wolf and Ray Hills played golf together a week ago. Ray says as a golfer Norm is not so hot, because after Ray finished playing a few extra holes, he went back to the club house, and there was Norm—all in. . . . Evelyn Lietzke had quite an accident the other day, but what has us all in a quandary is where in the world did all of that water come from? . . . Alma Welches says she really enjoyed her Mother's Day as she was at her daughter's, who lives here in town, and really reigned as queen for a day. . . . Bob Federspiel would like to take this opportunity to thank all of his friends for the many kindnesses extended to him and his family during their recent bereavement.

Safety Committeemen Are Given Meritorious Performance Awards













Safety committeemen from Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions 93, 94 and 95 are shown in the pictures at the top during the presentation of their Meritorious Safety Performance Certificates by W. H. Connor, Manufacturing Engineer. The picture at the right shows D. B. Poland, Superintendent of Div. 93; W. H. Crouse, Superintendent of Div. 94; and Don Waldrop, safety leader representing F. N. Banks, Superintendent of Div. 95, receiving the certificates from Mr. Connor.

In the center picture, at the left, safety committeemen from the General Tool section are shown with the others who took part in the presentation: (l. to r.) E. W. Auman, Assistant Superintendent; Donald Clark, Kenneth Sefton, C. A. Brenner, Superintendent; Reinhold Lepper, Mirwood Dunlap, Robert Wylie, General Superintendent; Paul Yentes, A. F. Thieme, safety secretary; Walter Hazelett, Robert Sowards, Edwin Kayser, Richard Tobias and Donald Willeke.

At the presentation for the Distribution section, in the picture at the right, are: (l. to r.) J. F. Schlotterer, C. K. Wagoner, Hugo Herst, Robert Whonsetler, C. D. Uncapher, F. F. Wilson, J. E. Mills, Ned Thompson, G. D. White, Dale Bentz, D. J. Bucher, C. F. Oberwitte, F. F. Brown and Richard J. Robertson.

Safety Committeemen from the Motor and Generator divisions are shown at the presentation, in the lower, left picture: (l. to r.) Front row—Kenneth Rinker, Catherine Walters, Anne Fairbanks, C. W. Hale, Douglas Heckman and Glenn Goshorn. Back row—John Dennis, Howard Fansler, Emery Cramer, Ansel Black, Wilber Kurtz, George Golden, Clayton Dafforn, Joe Mougin, Leroy H. Cook, Francis Lee, Raymond Williams, Arthur Swain, Jr., Calvin Marhenke, Vern Pease, Harold Traxler and R. M. Hartigan, Manager of Manufacturing.

In the bottom picture, at the right, Earl Gebert, foreman in the Insulation section, Al Hopkins and Tom Hutsell safety committeemen, are shown receiving their certificates on behalf of the section from Harry Hire, Superintendent of the Wire and Insulation division.

The presentation of Meritorious Safety Performance certificates was made recently to the Motor and Generator divisions, Insulation section, General Tool section, Distribution section, and Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions 93, 94 and 95.

R. M. Hartigan, Manager of Manufacturing in the Motor and Generator divisions, presented the award to safety committeemen at a meeting Wednesday, April 6, in Bldg. 31-1.

He stated:

"The excellent safety record, for which Mr. Hale, the general foreman, is being recognized, was made possible by employees under his supervision who worked carefully. The certificate belongs to them."

Members of the Insulation section's safety committee met in the Wire Mill conference room Tuesday, April 19. In presenting the certificate to this group, H. E. Hire, Superintendent of the Wire and Insulation sections, pointed out:

"The Insulation section has worked four consecutive years without a lost-time accident and hopes to renew that record."

The safety committee for the General Tool section was awarded its certificate by Robert Wylie, General Superintendent of the Fort Wayne Works, at a meeting Thursday, April 28, in the office of Bldg. 19-5.

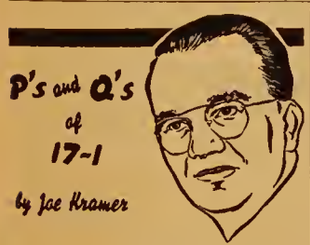
Mr. Wylie congratulated the employees in this section "for consistently having a good safety record" and added that "Production divisions look to the Tool section for safe equipment."

G. D. White, Assistant Production Manager of the Contributing and Service divisions, addressed members of the safety committee for the Distribution section at a meeting Thursday, April 28, in Bldg. 6-2. He presented the award to C. D. Uncapher, Superintendent of the section.

In making the presentation, Mr. White recalled that "not too many years ago, an accident was looked upon as just another accident and little, if anything, was done to prevent a similar accident in the future. Now, when an accident has occurred, efforts are being made at once to prevent another."

Safety committeemen from the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions 93, 94 and 95 met in the large conference room of Bldg. 8-2 to hear the presentation remarks of W. H. Connor, Manufacturing Engineer.

"I am very pleased with the fine safety records made by these three divisions in 1948," Mr. Connor stated. "To achieve a good safety record, it is necessary to pay attention to small details."



Spring is in the air and it brings out the youth even in some of our older employees. Ed Brosche is no longer known as a play boy of Group 19x72. Cliff (Tidy) Combes has now taken over the No. 1 spot. Cliff says no matter how hard you try, you can't win. . . . The violets on Tavie Popa's and Addie Masbaum's desks have once more turned their leaves skyward instead of wilting downward due to the careful doctoring and diet they were put on. Henceforth, Addie promises not to dust them off with a typewriter brush. . . . Joe Kramer is going to be mighty careful when he rings for an elevator outside of Bldg. 4. It seems Joe rang for the elevator, but instead of getting the elevator he was greeted with a bucket of water. Boy, was it cold, according to Joe. . . . John Quinn is looking for a giant size apron, that is one that will cover him in the back as well as the front. John can't quite figure out how he gets oil in his hip pockets. . . . While walking around the south end of Bldg. 17-1, we thought we had gotten mixed up with our time because who was working on the automatics but Frank Gitter. Frank has been on third trick so long that the fellows wanted him to wear dark colored glasses so he would feel more at home. . . . Orval Haver turned farmer over the week-end and helped his brother with the chores. Haver was delegated to milk the cows; after a half hour or so and Orval hadn't returned from the barn his brother went looking for him. When he found him, the only thing Orval said was that he didn't mind milking the cows but how do you fill the milk bottles all at once. . . . Mike Kramer is trying to return the cat he received from Cliff (Tidy) Combes last summer. Cliff doesn't mind taking the cat back, but he says he had only given Mike one cat and now Mike wants to give him seven. . . . Another newcomer to the first trick is Mike Fuelling who has been working on the second trick. . . . The way Orval Haver was running down the aisle Monday afternoon, you would have thought there was a fire somewhere. It wasn't a fire because Orval didn't have a water bucket with him. He had a needle and thread in his hand and said he had bent over too far picking the parts up off the floor. . . . Since Frank Martin is an ex-fireman, he had to show George Mosshammer how to water their garden with a hand powered sprinkler. There was only one catch to it—Frank was watering the garden and George was admiring the scenery until a sudden spray of water brought him back to reality. Frank apologized and said he thought the fertilizer they had been using had caused a new kind of plant to grow and he wanted to water it before it got wilted from the heat of the sun. . . . With the song, "Buttons and Bows," making such a hit over the radio, Mary Gerhard came to work the other morning with a pretty little blue bow. . . . Wally McKay came to work last Monday morning with blisters in a different place. It seems Wally was putting in a length of fencing and digging holes with a post hole digger was really a job. It's a wonder he wouldn't let some of the fellows know he had a fence to put in, they would have been glad to have come out and helped him put in the fence. . . . Fame must be catching. Addie Masbaum, who sits next to Helene Evanoff in the office, was visited by the WORKS NEWS photographer and the "Inquiring Reporter" last week.



We all offer our sympathy to Calvin Bear in the death of his mother and August Rodenberg and Karl Kleemier in the death of their sisters. . . . The latest report is that Carl Einsiedel is trying to get a transfer from Broadway to Taylor St. so he can keep in constant touch with the Junction control tower and keep tbe PRR running more smoothly. . . . Summer is officially here when our campers get their tents up. Chick Abbott has raised his big top on Lake James again and Ren Getty has pitched his tepee on Witmer Lake where he recently purchased a lot. . . . Carey Baker is wearing a Purdue sweatshirt to work so his friends won't have to inquire wbat university his son is attending. . . . Speakin' of excuses, we might as well mention the reason Joe Mettler and "Sky King" Glen Hoon came home empty handed from Upper Long Lake last Saturday. Joe claims the fish sack came loose and out fell the fish. Usually it's about the ONE that got away, but now it's how THEY got away. . . . Lloyd Welbaum had a very enjoyable time in Louisville at the Kentucky Derby. He had a notion to bet on the winner, but changed his mind; however, he did get a nice tan out of it. . . . I was driving past Russel Sage's house last week and actually thought I was nearing a railroad station the way he had the smoke bellowing out. Of course, it was pretty chilly at 87 degrees in the shade. . . . "I wasn't fishing" was all Glen Ramsey could say when tbe game warden caught him taking a fish off of the hook. That's what the little boy said when his mother caught him in the cookie jar, Glen. If it hadn't been that Dave Bartle was a personal friend of the game warden, our friend Glen might be still in the cooler. . . . Tbe question is who opened the gate on Woody Hurshe's dog kennel? Woody finally found his dogs over by Spencerville chasing a fox. Some rabbit hounds! . . . Don Alcott's fellow workers know he loves dill pickles. He told them that he's thinking of placing the dill in the pickle seed or plant so that when the pickles are picked they will have a dill flavor. . . . Here is a big bearted fellow, namely John Stetter. He was planning on going fishing; however, his wife put him to housecleaning. Now don't laugh, fellows, you too may be a victim. Anyway, John, we hear that the fish didn't bite good on that day. . . . George Spittler is back after spending all week outside at his new home, working in the yard and garden. George looks nice and brown except on top of his head. One consolation he says is that just the skin and not any hair came off. Nothing like enjoying the great outdoors, eh, George? . . . Scott Click says his bicycle is displayed at W & D's second floor. . . . Looks like Herb Thiele is getting some young ideas lately or haven't you noticed those rugged-cleated collegiate shoes he is now sporting? Some one asked if Herb has a motor that requires that kind of traction. Guess you'll have to ask him about that one, boys. He is hoping for a rainy day to try them out in the mud—the real test for that type of shoes. . . . Russell Sage is not sure that kindness always pays. As he was helping a neighbor put sheet plaster on, it let loose and cracked Russell on the forehead.

Vets Hold Annual Meeting



E. A. Barnes, former General Superintendent and now retired, speaks at the Veterans' meeting. Seated are G-E Police Chief A. R. Vegalues, at the left, and Joe Goodman, former president of the association, at the right.

The G-E World War Veterans' Association held its annual meeting and election last Friday in Kreis Stolzenau hall.

Ken W. Michael was elected president of the group. Other officers elected were Jimmie James, vice president; Walter Whonsetler, secretary; Harold Rahe, treasurer, and Edmund Holocher, sergeant-at-arms.

Plans are now being formulated for a special service in commemoration of Memorial Day.

26-3 News

By Mabel Odel

Alma Giem and Leila Moore had an unexpected guest for lunch the other day. We think they were a little selfish and rude though. They had sandwiches and all they gave Mr. Mouse was the water out of their water pan on the bench, and then sat there and screamed until he couldn't even enjoy that. . . . Gary Pequignot is equal to a small boy standing on a street corner watching traffic. He doesn't miss a thing that goes down the aisle. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Nellie Wendt whose brother was returned to this country for burial. . . . We are glad to have Ruth Shive with us again after a short illness. . . . We wonder what detained Vera Hoover that she couldn't report for work until noon? . . . Would someone take the time to explain to LaDonna Durbin that there is a difference between catfish and dogfish? . . . Mary Cordell is looking for decorations for her recreation room. Any old moose head will do. . . . When Cora Bucher goes to a theater, all the excitement isn't on the screen as Mary found out when Cora hit a man in front of her on his back. . . . We hope George Brehm will be happy in his new office that is now under construction. It's located just west of the west end wash room. . . . Happy birthday to Ruth Bonewitz. She doesn't look like she has celebrated many, but we do wish that she will celebrate many more. . . . Marge Robertson went strolling in the park to enjoy the scenery and the birds. That evening she had a few extra spots on her headscarf. We know what happened, don't we, Marge? . . . Mary Wiedman will do your hand laundry any time of the day. . . . Did you hear Morris Felger's boat was hit by a torpedo? It didn't sink. You can't sink a battle wagon with that kind of a torpedo, but it did cave in the side. He has it repaired again and is now looking for a rubber bumper that will go all the way around it. Girls, if you are yearning for a cruise down the river, see Morris. . . . Spring is really here judging by the beautiful array of print dresses on the floor. Dorothy Linski has a yellow dress that is a perfect match to the daffodil. . . . Mary Williamson carries her uppers in her purse. Better hang on to the purse, Mary, you may miss out on a steak dinner. . . . Mary Cordell went mushroom hunting. Never a dull moment, she fell into a pond and lost her boots.

Office Offerings

Bob Hunt wasn't worrying about the time being set ahead. He lives on a farm and depends on his roosters to awaken him. But he should have informed them that they had to start crowing an hour earlier for awhile. . . . Cliff Bowman is one of those fellows who takes a peek at the clock and turns over for those extra 40 winks. Once when putting the clock back he laid it on the side. The crystal pressed against the hands stopping the clock. He came in quite refreshed as he got something like 140 winks that morning. Just a suggestion, Cliff, how about a new G-E clock. They have a wide variety of beautiful models to choose from. . . . Ray Shible doesn't read the newspaper. He just uses it to hide his face so he can get his noonday siesta. . . . It's really the last straw when a planner's wife informs us that we better get said planner on the ball to eliminate some of the noise in the office. She hears it only through the phone when making a call, but we live with it eight hours a day. We can't tell you who it is, but his first name is Bob. Thanks, Mrs. Altevogt. . . . Maxine Patterson sent out an SOS to the office. It seems she got lost in Bldg. 26-5. . . . We wonder what made Therese Lindenberg stop so suddenly inside the door? We were told it wasn't the ladies' wash room, but she said it was nice and clean. Sure, and it was a shock to her. She thought she was opening the door to the stairway.

Medical Memos

By Mary Heymann

Why does our Mae have such difficulties? As soon as she buys a new rain coat we immediately have dry weather and loads of sunshine! But, after all, it does take both rain and sunshine to make the newly-planted trees grow in the Mulvane orchard. . . . Success: After many discouraging delays, Mrs. Fryback finally has her own well. . . . Ethel Carriger, formerly from Winter Street, will be celebrating another milestone on May 14. Many happy returns, Ethel. . . . Veda Orff, Bldg. 8-1, is wondering why anything as beautiful as a lilac bush in full bloom would have to be accompanied by Rhus Toxicodendron? Or in plain English, POISON IVY. Mighty uncomfortable, eh Veda? . . . May 12, we honored the birthday of Florence Nightingale, "The Lady of the Lamp." Despite the objections of her family and friends she entered a training school for nurses in Germany. After spending several years in hospitals in different cities she returned to London and was placed in charge of a hospital there. It was then she received an important message from the British government. She was asked to be in charge of a group of nurses who were to go to Turkey to care for wounded soldiers. Her planning, foresight and unceasing toil during the Crimean War endeared her to the hearts of the people and she became a heroine. After the war she started a training school in England, her own country. More than any other woman, she is to be given honor for the present system of careful training for nurses. She died in 1910 at the age of 90. At this time it would be well for all nurses to repeat the pledge they make when they receive their caps, and at graduation:

The Florence Nightingale Pledge

I solemnly pledge myself before God and in the presence of this assembly to pass my life in purity and to practice my profession faithfully. I will abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous and will not take or knowingly administer any harmful drug. I will do all in my power to elevate the standard of my profession, and will hold in confidence all personal matters committed to my keeping, and all family affairs coming to my knowledge in the practice of my calling. With loyalty will I endeavor to aid the physician in his work and devote myself to the welfare of those committed to my care.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, May 16, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Pair Bi-focal light colored shell rimmed glasses.

FOUND—Man's hat at Squares Open House following minstrel show.

FOR SALE

G-E REFRIGERATOR—Very good condition. H-60411.

ECONOM-ICER—100 lb. ice box, fine condition; two French doors, 30x78. A-76844.

BEUSCHING C MELODY SAXOPHONE—Make offer. E-37755.

LARGE SIZE TRICYCLE—With one wheel trailer, small wagon, auto radio and aerial. A-75502.

VENETIAN BLINDS—One 39x68; one 70x62. H-0531.

FOLDING BABY BUGGY—With pad. $7.50. 815 Huestis Ave.

BLUE SOFA-BED—Two used 6:50x15 tires and tubes. A-98103.

SILVERTONE CONSOLE RADIO—A-1 shape; occasional table and two lamps. H-20402.

120 BASS ACCORDION—Royal typewriter, $15; Hawaiian Guitar, $10. 1334 W. Fourth St.

ORGAN—Scythe; bee hive; feather bed; man's overcoat. A-86352.

MILK GOAT—And two kids, $10. Fred Blum, 2 ml. northeast on State Road 37.

TWIN BABY BUGGY—Whitney, black leather. A-93109.

TWO ROW PLANTER—For Rotor-Tiller. Like new. H-28530.

SUBFLOORING—1200 sq. ft.; 10-12 light window sash, 40x41. H-24152.

BAMBOO PORCH SHADES—A-75442.

REVERE HOME MOVIE OUTFIT—Complete, like new, $150. A-55741.

FOR RENT

GARDEN SPOT—About one-half acre, two miles west. H-74748.

SIX ROOM HOUSE—Modern, two story. 916 Herman St., A-76832.

HOUSE TRAILER—Hamilton Lake. Inquire at Bearmans, three cottages north of Penn Park, Saturday and Sunday or write Velma Johnson, R. R. 7, Fort Wayne 8, Ind.

TWO ROOM UNFURNISHED LOWER APARTMENT—Available in June. Southeast. H-64362.

WANTED

BOSTON TERRIER—Female pup. A-55757.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—About four miles north of 118 on Highway 3. Ralph E. Jacobs, works from 8-5:16 in Bldg. 31-1, ext. 2183.

New Quarter Century Club Members



George G. Guenther
Bldg. 19-3



Francis A. Grim
Bldg. 17-2



Walter M. Kryder
Bldg. 17-3



Wasn't that a short summer? Let's hope there is more to come. . . . Most of our fishermen don't think the summer season is here 'till after June 15 anyway so they would like the cool weather now. . . . Ed Klomp certainly was a proud man when the girls gave him that dinner, he fairly beamed. That cake was almost too beautiful to cut. Oh, and by the way, he had a birthday on Monday and treated the gang. Our "thank you" was followed by "many more happy birthdays." . . . Herb Buck ran into a little trouble last week while in the act of putting the screens in his house. He was in the garage getting the screens and the overhead door came down locking him in the garage. After he made several trips through a small window to the house to get some tools to fix the door, he finally got the screens out but then it was too dark to put them in. He finally put them on the back porch 'till the next night, and quietly went to bed. . . . Don Thomas has challenged Mike Lowe to a boat race to prove the merits of their outboard motor. Thomas has a Johnson that is approximately 20 years old and Mike has an obsolete Martin, which he claims has all the "Speed of the Busco Beast," turtle that it. This should be an interesting race to watch except that it might be a safety hazard. Mike's motor might fly apart any second if he opens her up. . . . Our shining example, Les Stauch, came to work Monday morning with a beautiful sunburn. He didn't have any reasonable excuse for it as he wasn't even fishing. . . . Have you heard Walter Beeth's definition for a chaperone? It's one who is too old to play the game, but still trying to intercept passes.



One day last week as I was winding my way down the hall, a little bit of paper chanced by. Due to the experience which I gathered in my youth as a "long arm girl" on the local "Teeters Burg" Baseball Team, I came through. Here is the poem which was written thereon:

REMORSE

I had a little visitor who came around each night
From chewing gum and bits of food, he'd always take a bite.
With indignation in my heart and blood right in my eye
I'd show that little "so and so" and so fixed for him to die.
A dainty bit of edible I fastened to a trap.
The next A.M., the trap had sprung (he wasn't such a sap)
The food was gone but not a sign of Mickey did I see.
I further vowed that little squirt would never outsmart me!
Such discourtesy, I thought, as I set the trap once more,
And placed it in another spot a few feet off the floor.
When I arrived at work next day I found much to my sorrow,
He had repeated his audacity; grrrr,
I'll get him on the morrow.
"Third times a charm" 'tis said, I knew that I must win.
I did, but I felt oh SO sad to make a widow out of Min.

Any-Mouse.

Ray Hupp seems to have found that spring is here. He is sporting a vivacious red tie these days. It's very becoming, Ray. . . . Either the power of suggestion or "being nervous in the service" seems to produce a never ending era of telephone misdemeanors. Frank Fleischer is the latest victim. He was fortunate in that his 'phone dropped on a soft spot in the floor. . . . Warren Berkhiser thinks that since the Company painted the drafting board covers, a pair of sun glasses should be given to everyone. Ask Warren how and where he obtained his. . . . It was evident that "Bobs" Dobbin and Sharrow soaked up an abundance of vitamin D last week-end. The ruddy complexions are very becoming. . . . Harvey VonGunten found a new friend. He discovered the need of the friendship of a dumb animal—so he purchased a turtle. . . . We had the pleasure of a visit from Hugh Folsom's wife last week. . . . Jack Jennings is "sharpening up" his golf game for the office league. He shot a 45 for nine holes at the Municipal Golf Course last week. . . . The black market is now a thing of the past. You don't have to sneak around in a dark alley, knock three times and say that Joe sent you in order to purchase a car. This has been proven by three people we know who have purchased their autos in broad daylight—John Chipko, his first venture, has a Willys, "Moose" Foltz has a Plymouth, and Charlie Thomas likewise. . . . Joan Walter and Gloria Hormann had double trouble last week. Joan fell into the large waste basket into which the smaller ones are emptied. After a struggle she fell out of the basket on the floor. At this point, Gloria came to her rescue and in so doing tumbled into the waste basket herself. . . . Harry Balz also had a little difficulty the other night. He looked "beaten" the following morning, anyway. For a lurid description of all that befell him, see Harry. . . . We want to say goodbye and wish every good fortune to Frank Meyer in his new venture. He and his family are moving to Oklahoma. . . . Happy birthday to Georgia Garrett, who was a year older May 12, and also to Jack Kirlin, May 6. . . . Gil Baker clarified the statement that everyone had gotten a charge out of the drafting covers by explaining that everyone who rubbed a rag over the covers created static electricity and that everyone who touched the covers received a charge. . . . My neighbor, John Oldencamp, seems to be having lots of trouble lately. It seems that not only has he broken two pipes in the last two weeks, but his landlady has advised him that in Indiana one pulls the shades down at night!



MAY 16 THROUGH MAY 20

BROADWAY TAYLOR STREET

Serving Hours:

Cafeteria—16-1 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. 10:48 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-2 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-1 6:45 P.M. - 8:12 P.M. 6:55 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Restaurant 16-2 12:00 M. - 1:00 P.M.

MONDAY, MAY 16

Bean Soup	Split Pea Soup
Roast Pork	Smoked Sausage
Salisbury Steak	Italian Spaghetti
Ham Sandwiches	Ham Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whole Browned Potatoes
Buttered Parsnips	Buttered Peas
Buttered Green Beans	Escalloped Corn

TUESDAY, MAY 17

Vegetable Soup	Bean Soup
Roast Beef	Roast Pork
Pork Chops	Veal Chop Suey
Bacon and Tomato Sandwiches	Chopped Beef Sandwiches
Whole Browned Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Baked Beans	Stewed Apples
Buttered Spinach	Buttered Carrots
Corn Bread	Corn Bread

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

Cream of Chicken Soup	Tomato Barley Soup
Baked Ham	City Chicken
Chicken and Noodles	Ham and Limas
Hamburger Sandwiches	Hot Roast Pork Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Escalloped Corn	Buttered Cauliflower
Buttered Cabbage	Buttered Green Beans
French Fried Onions	

THURSDAY, MAY 19

Tomato Barley Soup	Vegetable Soup
Swiss Steak	Swiss Steak
Ham and Limas	Chicken and Noodles
Braunschweiger Sandwiches	Barbecue Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Buttered Peas	Buttered Spinach
Apple Sauce	Creamed Tomatoes

FRIDAY, MAY 20

Cream of Tomato Soup	Chicken Noodle Soup
French Fried Fish	French Fried Fish
Meat Loaf	Baked Ham
Ham or Cheese Sandwiches	Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches
Parsleyed Potatoes	Fried Potatoes
Buttered Wax Beans	Harvard Beets
Spaghetti and Tomatoes	Buttered Hominy

Wide selection of home-made pies and delicious salads served daily.
Breakfast served at Broadway daily from 6:20 to 7:50 A.M.

Special dinners and parties arranged upon request.

Menus Subject to Change

Make a date for the family



EVERYONE
needs a periodic check-up by a
PHYSICIAN

Inquiring Reporter

WHAT IS YOUR HOBBY?



THEODORE H. WEBER
Taylor St.

"My hobby is working with an electric bench saw and other tools. I also enjoy doing carpenter work on a small scale. My other hobby is baseball."



ORAL L. HYSER
Bldg. 26-4

"My hobby is both hunting and fishing. Mainly because these are both outdoor sports—a healthy relaxation from indoor employment."



PEARL P. NOBLE
Bldg. 4-5

"My hobby is trying to be nice to people, making new friends, and keeping in touch with my old friends, and being kind to everyone I know."



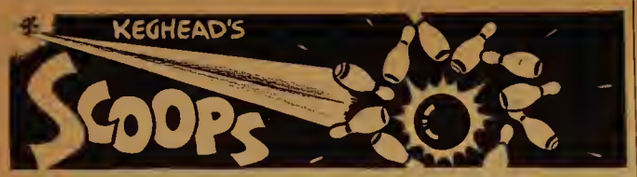
LA VERA WONDERLY
Taylor St.

"I have several hobbies, but my preference is reading. I feel an obligation to keep abreast of current events to the utmost of my ability. A 'must' on my agenda is the daily paper, which I supplement with **Readers' Digest** and **Life Magazine**. I find these publications full of varied and up-to-date subjects that are of general interest to all."



CLIFTON J. MUGG
Bldg 19-3

"My hobby for the winter months is bowling, which is a clean sport, entertaining and very good exercise. For the summer months I like to be at the lake, fishing and working on my cottage."



The Inspectors of the Winter Street League walked off with first place and those blue sweaters in the Tournament of Champions last Friday evening. They had games of 954, 973 and 957 for a 2,884 total. They were paced by M. Patrick's 526. The Inspectors had a handicap of 168 pins per game.

Second place went to the Apparatus No. 2 team, which had a 2,870 total with a 152 pin handicap per game. Third place was won by KSP Motors of the Specialty-FHP Motor League with a 2,834 total and a 170 pin handicap per game.

Production of the Taylor St. League came in fourth with 2,834 and 179 pins per game. The Mikes of the Apprentice League, last year's champions, came in fifth with 2,828 and 152 pins per game. Brouwer's Tire and Battery of the Interdivision League placed sixth with a 2,801 total and a 75 pin handicap per game.

Seventh placers were the members of the Ionic team of the Masonic League with 2,760 total and 150 pins per game. Dickason's Barbers, of the Office League, finished eighth with 2,753 and 110 handicap. Tools of the Small Motor League were ninth with a 2,584 total and 119 pin handicap. Flanges of the Division 14 Bowling League came in last with 2,568 and 214 pins per game.

Frank Matthews had the only 600 series of the tournament. Frank had games of 201, 213 and 210 for a 624. There were only two other 200 games shot and those were by Herbie Habig, 239, and Don Dimke, 200 on the nose. The members of the winning Inspectors team are V. Lomiller, R. Grant, M. Patrick, J. Meyer, and S. Green.

Women's Division

In the Women's Division, the Tuesday afternoon girls won with a 2801 total on games of 900, 880 and 1021 with a handicap of 221 pins per game. Second place went to the Friday evening girls, who had 2781 with a 245 pin-handicap per game. In last place were the Monday evening girls with a 2,741 total and 240 pins per game.

Virginia Bowman had the only 500 series, a 501 on games of 189, 169 and 143. High games were rolled by J. Getty, 188; Charlotte Stanford, 199; and Virginia Mollet, 187 and 173. Members of the winning team are J. Getty, L. Lernet, Eva Fisher, Charlotte Stanford and Tommie Williams.



Gordon Parmalee has a new way of cutting string — with a screw driver. Later on in the week he received a pair of scissors through the mail. . . . The small lot section fellows held a party at the home of Bud Kissinger last week. It was enjoyed by all. . . . Birthday greetings of the week go to Alice Hahn. . . . Just because Kathryn Gilbert's picture was in the paper, she wanted to monopolize all the WORKS NEWS. . . . Growing tomatoes and raising chickens are just too much for Pete Espich. He set his plants out, but next day the chickens had eaten them. One of them needs a fence, Pete. . . . The second shift had a farewell potluck for Jim Battrick who is going to leave us for three months. He is accompanying his parents to England to see his grandmother who is very ill. The first and second shift presented him with a Sheaffer pen and pencil set, stationery and a beautiful decorated cake. Jim was born in England and came to the United States when he was 10 months old. His father and mother have not seen their native land or their people in 25 years. From all of us, Jim, we wish you and your parents a most wonderful trip and voyage. They are sailing on the Queen Mary. . . . The first summer sunburns are now being displayed by Hank "Pinky" Vance and Carl Plattner who claim them to be the result of building a fence and fishing.

Little Lynn



Lynn Crawford, the little fellow above, is now grown-up and an inspector in Bldg. 4-5. He has been with the General Electric Company 30 years, is married and has three children.

In the Spotlight
AT YOUR G-E CLUB

By Bill Allen

"Ole time" dancing featured the family night finale of the present season last Friday evening at the G-E Club gym. . . . Several hundred people "do si doed" and promenaded to the music of Joe Taylor and his Redbird recording band. . . . Joe, a G-E employee from Bldg. 27 and Ed Parker, Bldg. 26-1, who does all the difficult calls really put on a "show" in spite of the terrific temperatures. . . . Baseball time again. . . . The Voltmen will use the new shower and dressing room facilities at Dwenger Park this year. . . . Many new faces will be noticed in the Voltmen line-up this season, including several with major or class AAA league experience. . . . Don't forget the seasons opening game tomorrow night with the famous Homestead Grays.



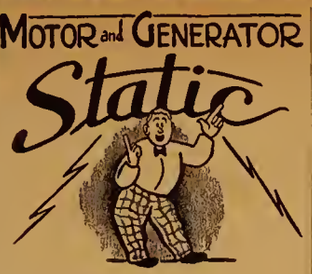
Our deepest sympathy to Dea Logan in the death of his mother and to Joe Niedermeyer in the death of his sister. . . . We were sorry to hear about Norbert Hans' accident and sincerely hope he will soon be able to leave the hospital just as good as new. . . . The boys surprised Dick Gallmeier on his birthday last week and it really was a surprise, too, 'specially when they cleaned the ol' boy out. . . . No, Elton Swank isn't walking in his sleep these days, folks. He's on first trick now and we hope he likes it. . . . Just ask Bill Doehrman how it feels to drop off to sleep, only to have some kind soul (meaning Fred Altekruse) start swinging a sledge hammer just about so many inches from his ear. . . . See Keith Wolfe on details for trick photography. He has a roll of movie film that can't be equaled and will show it upon request. (Did you really use the same roll of film twice, Keith?) . . . Do you suppose Art Nickerson was singing "Open The Door, Richard"

Farewell Party



These are the boys that surprised Lee Miller, Bldg. 10-1, with a farewell party at his home last week. Lee was presented a chest of aluminum wrenches, along with many good wishes from all the gang. He retires this month and is now enjoying his vacation.

when he locked himself out of the College St. gatehouse last week? . . . To go on with our story of Bob "Jack Benny" Hatfield and the grill—he is now having the thing done over in bronze. We're inclined to believe it will serve as a gift to the Mrs. for their golden wedding anniversary. . . . Elmer Mesing's bald head looks like a ball of fire this week. Is that from the sun, "Emily," or did your blood pressure hit a new high? . . . "Sad Sack" Kilcoin, they call him, or, don't drive to Schenectady and back in one week-end. . . . Who or what did Charlie Hartman run into? Could it have been an innocent little light bulb? Anyway he was sporting a big patch on his head last Monday. . . . Glad to see Luther Childers back at Taylor St. after being sick a few days. . . . Not only can Walt Rosselot sing but he also writes verses for songs. You should hear his rhyme for coke. . . . Carl Moore says that he and his family caught 206 fish over the week-end. He won't say which lake he caught them at. . . . Arnold Landis asks everyone to pray for nice weather next week when he takes his vacation. He says he is "going to relieve the congested condition of the lakes of Wisconsin." . . . Harold Smith is taking everything standing up. His roto-tiller seemed to give him quite a hard time Sunday when it caught on a tree root and threw him into high heaven. . . . Birthday greetings to Forest Somers, Clark Mayclin, Madalyn Fryer and Lee Miller.



Thought for the Week: "It's give and take in this world, with too many people trying to take."

FIVE HUNDRED MILE RACE: Do you old-timers recall seeing some of these makes of cars going through Fort Wayne about three or four days before the race? Marmon, National, Cole Eight, Apperson Jack Rabbit, Haynes, Winton Six, Flint, Reo, Stoddard Dayton, Pope Toledo, Stearns Knight, Hupmobile, Willys-Knight, Pierce Arrow, Cord, Auburn, Stanley, American Underslung, Brush, E. M. F. (Flanders) Fiat, Mercedes, Oakland, Overland, Blittzen Benz, Franklin, Roosevelt, El Car, White Steamer, Chandler, Essex, Saxon, Durant, Maxwell, Lexington, Wecott, Jeffery Quad, Dobel Detroit Steamer, Revere, Olds, Stutz Bearcat, Rambler, Kissell Car, Moon, Autocar, Dusenberg, Velie, Star, Duryeau, Lycoming, Rickenbacker, Carnation, Crow Elkhart, Chalmers and Imperial. Brother, if you do, you're getting old. . . . VERSATILE: This column has often stated tha Roscoe Markley is a versatile man. We published accounts of his accomplishments in the field of sciences, animal husbandry, agriculture, sports, civic activities and entertainment. The WORKS NEWS dated April 29 carried a further list of his talents in the "Inquiring Reporter" column. Now we learn that Roscoe served a nine year hitch with the National Guard. To prove this fact to all Doubting Thomases we present a picture of Mr. Markley in his military garb including that young cannon strapped on his hip. . . . STARS IN YOUR EYES: To Art Druce our thanks for this story. He and his pal, Frank Rathert, form a sort of a Damon and Pythias act. The other morning Mr. Rathert did not ride the usual bus to work and one lady inquired of Mr. Druce, "Where is Twinkle Eyes this morning." "Twinkle Eyes," replied Art looking dumb, "and who is Twinkle Eyes?" Just then another passenger inquired, "Do you mean Frank Rathert?" "Sure" said the lady, "that's the guy, but we always call him 'Twinkle Eyes'." . . . Your Roving Reporter.

Pistol Packer



Horseshoe Season Opens

All those interested in entering G-E horseshoe competition should contact Art Kraft, A-87853.

Ham League Players Will Be Selected At Practice Tuesday

All ball players over 35 years of age interested in playing ball with the G-E Club in the Ham Softball league are requested to be at diamond No. 4, McMillen park, at 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 17.

Fifteen players will be chosen and there are several positions still open. League play will open Tuesday, May 24, and Wednesday, May 25. G-E will meet its first opponent, International Harvester, Wednesday, May 25.



Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Silas Anspaugh. They have a baby girl, who was born Wednesday, May 4. . . . Ora Grossman has been seen using Joe Middendorf's glasses for reading purposes. . . . The gang in 14x4 was quite disturbed last week when Ed Rodenbeck called their attention to a particular "spot" in Div. 13. He seemed to have an optical illusion. The boys are hoping he will snap out of it . . . Mr. Grier has been drawing pictures of his Buick and realizing just where his 1948 income has gone. We understand he is in the market for a new Ford. . . . Old age certainly must be creeping up on Bill Lavine. The temperature was 88 and he was still wearing his wool jacket. . . . Congratulations to Waldo Martin and his team. They won the bowling championship. . . . Gay Huey, Bertha Wittie, Helen Perrey, Ann Johnson and Margaret Lepper are going to Detroit to attend Sophia Bodigon's wedding. . . . Bob Crosley and Dallas Corson were "trapped" while doing their roller skating act. . . . At a recent party Herb Habig finally broke down and bought an "out-of-town" beverage. Now the fellows are wondering if he will follow through at the bowling party? . . . For superb entertainment ask Mike O'Grady to give a rendition of his latest composition. . . . Now that Walt Niemeyer has a big Chrysler we understand he is purchasing his beverages in one-half sizes. By the way, Walt, the boys are very curious as to just what your favorite subject is. . . . Myrtle Barfell presented Bill Lavine with a "hot rod" automobile for his birthday. . . . There is a certain gentleman becoming notorious these days in the group by the name of Noel Young. He has had three reprieves. Good luck, Noel. . . . Harold Somers was quite late one morning and, of course, the old stand-by, the alarm clock didn't ring, was given. Harold, the Employees' Store sells very good clocks. . . . Cleon Oyer has been telling the gang what he uses his new spotlight for. Just remember, Oyer, you were young once yourself. . . . An array of very bright colors was enjoyed last Friday. Mr. Campbell, Carl Reynolds, Gus Weisenburger, Dale Irwin all wore very attractive ties, and last but not least Russell Frey. . . . Fred Vogt would like to purchase a compass that will point to the green on the golf course. . . . Just why does it take two men to move a car parked by a fire plug? . . . Many happy birthdays to Nora Furthmiller.



Voltmen To Stage Opening Games

(Continued from page 1)

The Voltmen's first home game will be played Saturday night before the official opening, when the semipro champs meet the nationally-known Homestead Grays of Washington, D.C. The House of David club will journey here Tuesday night to face the G-E team and then Thursday night the Voltmen will encounter the Benton Harbor Buds.

Season Passes Offered

G-E Club President Charles Wilt announced today that season passes will be given to the men who volunteer to be in charge of the children's section at the games. Those interested are requested to contact Mr. Wilt at the G-E Club office or by phoning him on 742 or A-40854.

All employees with Booster tickets will be admitted to all games for 50 cents. Children 14 and under will be admitted free to all Voltmen games except major league attractions, and all students from 14 through 18 for 30 cents.

Pensioners also will be admitted to all regular Voltmen games free of charge, if they will enter through the right field gate and show their pension cards. Admittance will he granted only if a pension card or certificate is given as identification.

Sunday Is Ladies' Day

The opening game Sunday will mark the first Ladies' Day of the season. All ladies accompanied by men will be asked to pay only the 12 cent tax fee.

The box office will open at 1:15 p.m. Sunday, and at 6:45 p.m. for the night games.

Roy Kilby, Columbia City outfielder, and Catcher Donald (Gabby) Horman signed contracts this week to play with the semipro champs. Kilby is the football and basketball coach at the Columbia City high school and will play in the Voltmen outfield; Horman will act as a reserve catcher and utility infielder.

Charles Bobilya, popular Fort Wayne baseball star, and John Burkhardt, catcher, have been signed by the Voltmen to complete the squad.

Bobilya will relieve left-handed batting Olan Smith at first, whenever the opposition starts a southpaw pitcher. Stan Shargey, who handled the shortstop position last season, has been switched to third base and John Dudick will play shortstop. Bill Hardy will remain at second. Stan Miasek has cinched the left field berth and Don Runge is becoming a fixture in center.

The Voltmen's pitching staff includes three southpaws in Scott Cary, Al Hazel and Ray Janikowski, and three right-handers in Hugh Orphan, John Orphal and Charley Shipman.

Voltmen Honor Roll

The following have pledged their support of the G-E Voltmen by purchasing box seats:

Box No. 7	Fort Wayne National Bank
Box No. 8	Pure Sealed Dairy
Box No. 9	Keefer Stewart Frank Aiken Deluxe Pastry Troy Laundry
Box No. 36	General Electric Co.
Box No. 37	Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Thompson
Box No. 38	Mayor Henry Branning, Jr.
Box No. 39	Taylor Shop
Box No. 40	Allen Dairy
Box No. 41	Lee Sales
Box No. 42	Earle Moss
Box No. 43	Hatcher Motors

Members of the bearded House of David team are shown above. This Benton Harbor, Mich., squad will play the G-E Voltmen Tuesday night, May 17, at Dwenger Park.

"A Seat in the Stands"

The season for the annual management-union negotiations is now beginning.

Some unions will seek wage increases only. That is what UE may want to discuss at General Electric, as our settlement last year was for two years with one reopening, for wages only.

But many more unions will be seeking pensions and other similar benefits. They seem to recognize that further wage increases are not warranted in view of the need this year for cost and price reductions to attract buyers. Yet they seem to feel that somehow these proposed pension and health plans come free.

Since the agreement with UE removes any consideration of additions to our pension and health plans already long in effect, and since we have an advantageous "seat in the stands" from which to view what others do, let's watch carefully what happens. Let's especially note the rude awakening of any people among other managements, unions, and employees who think these things are free.

A sound pension plan is no small undertaking either in money or courage. Nothing about it comes free. It all has to be paid for in hard cash. For instance, General Electric employees of 20 to 40 years service pay only about $17 toward each $100 they may receive from their General Electric Plan after retirement at 65*. The balance is made up by G.E. except for what interest is earned on this amount. And each pensioner of 10 or more years service is now protected by free hospitalization up to a further $250.

As a result of the improvements in our pension plan three years ago, the cost to the Company of credit for past service of our employees through 1948 was brought up to $275,000,000. We paid about $35 million into the fund for last year. There are 160,000 G.E. men and women now participating in the pension trust, which means almost $1,800 out of G.E. earnings for each one of this 160,000.

The General Electric pension plan was voluntarily put into effect as an additional reward for long and uninterrupted association in G.E. It was never intended to provide completely for retired employees, but only as a supplement to savings and other provisions a prudent employee would have made during a long career with us. Yet let's look at this chart below and note how liberally your G.E. pension adds up with social security to which G.E. has also contributed. If you are married at the time of retirement you would add your wife's social security benefits to your own shown in the fifth column.

YOUR RETIREMENT INCOME TO WHICH ONLY YOU AND G.E. WILL HAVE JOINTLY CONTRIBUTED



Your Average Annual Earnings at G.E.	Your Average Annual Contributions to the G.E. Plan	Your Total Contributions to the G.E. Plan in 40 Years of Service	Your Annual Income on Retirement After 40 Years of Service Under the G.E. Plan	Your Annual Income From Federal Social Security After 40 Years, Under the Present Law	Your Total Annual Income, During Retirement, from Funds You and We Have Supplied	In the Usual 14.4 Years* of Retirement After 65 You Would Draw a Total of...	Of Which You Would Have Paid Into the G.E. Plan and Federal Social Security Only...†
$2,000	$ 40	$1,600	$ 640	$532	$1,172	$16,877	$2,400
2,500	50	2,000	800	602	1,402	20,189	3,000
3,000	60	2,400	960	672	1,632	23,501	3,600
3,500	85	3,400	1,360	672	2,032	29,261	4,600
4,000	110	4,400	1,760	672	2,432	35,021	5,600
4,500	135	5,400	2,160	672	2,832	40,781	6,600
5,000	160	6,400	2,560	672	3,232	46,541	7,600
6,000	210	8,400	3,360	672	4,032	58,061	9,600

* Men have an expectancy of 14.4 years after retirement after 65; but women can expect to live 21 years beyond their retirement age of 60.

† Under current operation of the present law.

General Electric has provided this sound and liberal pension program as an extra benefit out of stockholders' earnings. Meanwhile G.E. has been paying the full going wage rates that were currently right to the extent G.E. and the employees—or G.E. and the employees' unions—could determine what was right.

It will be interesting for all of us to see, from our privileged "seat in the stands," how others come out who are just now tackling this expensive and otherwise demanding idea for the first time.

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

L. R. Boulware

VICE PRESIDENT—EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

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Motor, Generator Accepts Orders For Short-Delivery

Special Effort Is Being Made To Maintain Present Employment

With the market for the products of the Large Motor and Generator divisions becoming more and more competitive, J. M. Crawford, manager of the divisions, reports that a special effort is being made to encourage orders for short cycle business to maintain present employment.

Heretofore, the divisions did not consider it advisable to accept short-delivery orders because of the possibility of not meeting schedules; thus destroying future potential business.

"Some new business has already been created through the new program which, if delivery dates are met, may promote additional orders," Mr. Crawford said.

He further stated:

"The maintenance of a consistent level of business depends upon several considerations:

(1) The over-all amount of business available.

(2) Offering competitive shipping promises to meet competition.

(3) Actual performance after the order has been secured.

"Performance is a factor in obtaining a fair share of available business. It will also be a deciding factor in keeping or losing of good repeat customers.

"In the final analysis, the customer is the one who determines how many people we employ. Management of this division is extremely desirous and anxious that our over-all performance be a credit to our customer relationships.

"Every employee can make a contribution to this by: reduction of losses; accuracy of doing the job; discussion with Supervision about problems and difficulties, and doing the job 'on schedule'.

"The cooperation and suggestions of all personnel in the division are earnestly encouraged to this end."

Long, Short Cycle

The Large Motor and Generator divisions manufacture all the me-

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Veterans Plan Memorial Day Commemoration

The G-E Veterans' Association will hold its Memorial Service at 12:15 p.m. Friday, May 27, in front of Bldg. 19. The service will honor the memories of 109 former Fort Wayne Works employees who died in the two World Wars.

John E. Estabrook, Assistant to the Works Manager, will deliver the main address.

C. H. Matson, Works Manager; E. A. Barnes, former General Superintendent and now retired, and K. W. Michael, president of the association, will also take part in the program.

All employees whose work schedules permit are invited to attend.

Policies of G-E Benefit Plans Are Outlined

To answer the many questions being asked concerning the benefit privileges of employees laid off due to lack of work, W. E. Beer, Supervisor of Employment, has issued the following information:

Continuity of Service

Continuity of service will be protected for one year from the last day worked.

If an employee is not called back to work within one year, his continuity of service will be broken. However, if an employee is called back to work after more than one year's absence, his case may be submitted for restoration of service if the time absent does not exceed the length of his previous service.

Employees with less than one year's service at the time of layoff will not receive credit for any time lost for lack of

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New Work Week Schedules Announced To Start May 23

Action Taken After Negotiations Of Company, Union Representatives

Effective Monday, May 23, most of the manufacturing divisions of the Fort Wayne Works will be placed on a schedule which will average approximately 36 working-hours per week until July 29, instead of the current 40-hour week.

This will remain in effect unless there is an improvement in business.

Shortening of the work week will be accomplished by eliminating the following Mondays from the working schedule: May 23, June 13, June 27, and July 18.

Decoration Day, May 30, and Independence Day, July 4, will be scheduled as work days. This means that employees entitled to such consideration will receive holiday pay, though no work will be performed.

Agree on Schedule

Action on the shortened working schedule was taken following negotiations between Company representatives and representatives of the bargaining units. In the discussions, it was agreed that in view of current business conditions, shorter hours were desirable in the interest of the entire working force and consistent with agreements existing between the Company and the labor organizations.

The 36-hour week will assist in cushioning the downward trend in production and employment resulting from a drop in orders received for the products of the Fort Wayne Works. This reduction of the number of hours to be worked permits spreading available production among more people.

Commenting on the new schedule, C. H. Matson, Works Manager, stated:

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Elex To Hold Annual Party For Fathers

The Elex Club's annual Father-Daughter party will be held Friday, June 3, at 8 p.m. in the Kreis Stolzenau hall, it was announced today by Charlotte Stanford, president.

A program has been planned featuring Joe Taylor and his band. Dutch lunch will be served after the program. As customary, each father will then receive a gift from the Club.

Tickets for the party can be purchased for $1.50 from contact girls. Reservations must be made by Tuesday, May 31.

Erben Visits Fort Wayne Works



Ray Quandt, Div. 13, is shown at his work, as Lisle D. Hodell, Manager of FHP Manufacturing, conducts Mr. Erben on a tour of the Taylor St. plant.

H. V. Erben, Vice President of the Company and General Manager of the Apparatus Department, visited the Fort Wayne Works this week. He spoke to members of the Squares Club and engineers at the Squares hall Wednesday evening.

Changes In Cafeteria Service Are Announced For May 23

Cafeteria services at the Broadway plant will remain the same Monday, May 23, except for the following changes:

Bldg. 16-2 cafeteria will not be open.

Those who normally use this cafeteria are invited to use the cafeteria in Bldg. 16-1. The restaurant in Bldg. 16-2 will remain open.

No food wagon service will be offered for Bldg. 26.

Regular cafeteria service will be available at the Taylor St. plant.

Memorial Day

On Monday, May 30, the Broadway and Taylor St. plants, in general, will be closed in observance of Memorial Day.

C. H. Matson

Works Manager.

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Bonds Put More Opportunity Into Everyone's Future

One of the greatest peacetime promotions ever let loose in the U. S. has been prepared for the government's 1949 savings bond drive, which started this week and ends June 30. In many respects this campaign will be bigger than the war bond drives. It is the first time since the war that the government has ventured to set a quota—$1,040,000,000 in Series E Bonds.

The name of the campaign is "Opportunity Drive." The slogan is "Put More Opportunity IN YOUR Future."

The main reason for the big drive this year is that the U. S. Treasury needs the money. Government expenditures are up and the income from taxes is down. The Treasury's own explanation elaborates:

"The widest possible distribution of our national debt is the responsibility of all of us. Through continued investment in these bonds by individuals we distribute the debt as widely as possible rather than concentrate it in banks, thus securing a better balanced ownership and a less volatile debt. Further, as the debt shifts from banks to persons billions of dollars of interest go into American homes."

To date, about 80,000,000 Americans hold approximately $32,600,000,000 in Series E Bonds. This is greater than at the peak of wartime savings. The Treasury reports that saving through government bond purchases is now the most popular method of saving by American families.

One of the most encouraging facts about the whole government savings bond business since the war, according to Treasury officials, has been the steady decline in the number of persons cashing them in. The first year after the war was worst, with redemptions exceeding E Bond sales by $957,000,000.

The redemption rate in 1948 was lower than in 1947. The net of E Bond sales above redemptions in 1948 was 219 per cent of that of 1947. Cash-ins for the past three years have averaged less than one per cent a month of the total outstanding.

E Bonds sell for 75 cents on the dollar of maturity value. The E Bond matures in 10 years and pays an average of 2.9 per cent compounded semi-annually, if held to maturity. An individual can purchase up to $10,000 worth of them in any one calendar year.

Company Offers Stock Bonus

Under the terms of the G-E Employee Savings and Stock Bonus Plan inaugurated Oct. 1, 1948, the Company is offering the incentive of a bonus to encourage a larger number of employees to save some portion of their pay regularly. The limit of deductions is $10 weekly which would be eligible for payment by the Company each year of a 15 per cent bonus of G-E stock.

Payment of the bonus is contingent upon the participating employee leaving the Series E bonds purchased under the plan on deposit with the Company for five years following the year in which the bonds are purchased.

This means that those employees now buying bonds under the plan will be credited at the end of the year with G-E stock representing 15 per cent of the cost price of bonds actually purchased this year under the plan.

Regardless of the five-year holding period, any employee may withdraw from the plan at any time and recover whatever he has paid into the plan, both bonds and any cash balance. He will get the stock bonus, however, only if he leaves his bonds on deposit for the full holding period.

Under the plan, the Company is contributing up to $4,500,000 a year with the hope that the regular savers will be joined by at least a portion of those employees who, in the past, have not formed the habit of regular saving.

Put more Opportunity in YOUR Future! Subscribe to the Employees' Savings and Stock Bonus Plan today.

PUT MORE OPPORTUNITY IN YOUR FUTURE!



HUGH CRANE discusses The Marshall Plan

NEW YORK—As good an idea as the Marshall Plan is, there are some strange quirks and contradictions in it.

Some of them look as though they might make it go on forever, instead of letting it end in 1953 when it's supposed to end. And all the contradictions don't originate in Europe either.

Is this the End?

To begin with it doesn't exactly look as though we ourselves wanted it to end then—or at least all of us. It means a big market. Already this year a hundred American industries and interests have tried to climb on the Plan, or stay on it. American ship operators want to do the carrying, although the Europeans can do it themselves. American farmers want to send more cotton and grain; American millers want to do some of the grinding, although the Europeans can do it. American machine tool makers and a number of other industries want their products included in larger quantities; it almost begins to look as though the Marshall Plan was partly turning into a boondoggle for the relief of Americans as much as of Europeans.

You get the same impression if you turn to the import side. ECA Chief Paul Hoffman keeps telling the Europeans, "Sell more goods in America. Study the American market and learn how to sell in America." But a lot of American industries are getting ready to battle the import of "cheap European goods" into this country. Yet it has been estimated that if the Europeans are eventually to get over their "dollar shortage" they'll have to either increase their sales to this country by several billion dollars of else capture half our markets in South America and the Far East. Who's going to like that, if it's his market that's being captured?

For 50 years at least we've been exporting more goods than we've been importing. Four years more of Marshall Plan isn't any too long for us to get used to the idea of importing as much as we export.

The Payoff

But the Europeans also have some jokers in their attitude toward balancing accounts with us and paying with goods for the goods they get.

On the surface their difficulty seems to be that their costs and prices are too high. American goods, by and large, are low in price compared to European goods. So it's nice for them to "buy American" but hard for them to sell in America — and getting harder as prices here go sliding.

But there's a fairly simple explanation of this and solution to it. Their currencies are too high; or in other words they pay too little for the dollar. For example the British price of the British pound sterling is four dollars. But it isn't worth four dollars. You can't get four dollars' worth of goods for it, but only about three dollars' worth. And the same goes for the other important currencies of Europe (except the Swiss franc). They can talk all they want to about trying to sell their goods to us, but the one thing they ought to do and won't do is to mark their currencies down; then they wouldn't have to keep trying to sell three dollars' worth of goods for four dollars.

Is There a Joker?

This "dollar shortage" business can have a joker in it. A country may be short of dollars because it has been run over by the juggernaut of war, like a man whose house has burned down, or it may be short of dollars like a man who wants to build a bigger and better house than he can pay for right now.

Anyway the simplest answer to the dollar shortage is for these governments to let their citizens pay more for dollars and charge less for their own currencies. That's how they used to do it. Nobody heard of dollar shortages before the war.

But is it so simple? If the Europeans all dropped their currencies to the point where they could really sell, and sell heavily, in this country—imagine the howl that would go up, from this side of the Atlantic. Do we really want to get paid after all, if it means, as it must, getting paid in goods?

Meet the President



Company Cuts Prices On Household Refrigerators

Father, Son Are Members Of Quarter Century Club



Ed Leitz



Ray Leitz

Ed Leitz, retired, and Ray Leitz, Decatur plant, are one of the few father-son combinations in the Quarter Century Club.

Ed Leitz was in the same division 29 years. He worked on type H transformer assembly when he first came to General Electric in 1917. Between that time and his retirement in 1946, he was foreman of small unit winding assembly, foreman of luminous tube and ignition assembly, and foreman of capacitor assembly for commercial refrigerators, until that section was moved to the East. When he retired, Mr. Leitz was working on assembly in the Transformer divison.

Since going on his "permanent" vacation, he has been taking it easy around his home at 2118 Broadway. Mr. Leitz has three sons: Ray, who has worked for G-E 33 years; Ed, Jr., and Paul, who at one time worked for the Company. To complete the G-E family, Mr. Leitz' father worked in the storeroom, located where Bldg. 4 is now, 33 years before his retirement in 1925.

Ray came to General Electric one year before his father, as a clerk in the pattern shop. He later worked on winding in the Motor and Generator division, and then transferred to FHP cost work. In 1919 he went to transformer cost and since 1937 has been Supervisor of Cost at the Decatur plant.

Mr. Leitz is very active in community activities at Decatur. He is president of the Community Fund; county chairman of the Payroll Bond Deduction Drive; and chairman of a committee appointed by the mayor to study the need for a community building in Decatur. He is married and has three children. The Leitz family lives at 1015 Monroe St., Decatur.

New Work Week

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"We are happy to be able to agree on this measure which will eliminate some layoffs for lack of work resulting from the sloping off of business. It is to be hoped that this situation will only be temporary. Not only does it deprive our employees of essential income, but also it may adversely affect prices and future operations in the long run; as our high cost of overhead, which continues regardless of the number of hours worked, must be spread over fewer units of production."

During the past several weeks, some of the Fort Wayne manufacturing divisions and satellite plants have been operating on the 36-hour schedule with a few observing a 32-hour week.

Personnel in all divisions affected are being advised of the new schedule by their foremen and supervisors and bulletin board notices. Vacation pay at the time of the annual shutdown, July 29 to Aug. 14, will be based on a 40-hour week, regardless of revisions in the work schedule preceding the shutdown.

Schedule Is Outlined

Following is the work schedule as agreed upon up to press time:

Fractional Horsepower Motor Divisions 1 and 16 will follow the schedule, except that they will work on Monday, May 23.

Fractional Horsepower Motor Division 17 will follow the schedule, except for Monday, May 23, when approximately 65 persons will work a half day and the remainder will work a full day.

Fractional Horsepower Motor Divisions 13, 14, 15 and 33 will follow the schedule.

Fractional Horsepower Motor Divisions 19 and 20 will follow the schedule except where necessary to contribute to Division 16.

Fractional Horsepower Motor Division 36 will not follow the schedule, but will work 40 hours.

Transformer Divisions 91, 93, 94 and 95 will follow the schedule.

Motor and Generator will not follow the schedule, but will work 40 hours.

Winter St., ACD will follow the schedule, except they will work on Monday, May 23.

Fairfield Ave. ACD Regional Parts will not follow the schedule, but will work 40 hours.

Wire and Insulation will follow the schedule.

General Service Division will follow the schedule.

Shipping and Receiving will follow the schedule.

Regional Parts Warehouse will follow the schedule.

In certain divisions where a skeleton force is needed on the days off, those working will be scheduled to take time off later in the week.

Power House and Plant Protection employees will continue to observe the regular working schedule.

Tool Room employees will continue to observe the 32-hour work week which has been scheduled for the past several weeks.

New Reductions Estimated To Save Consumers Eight Million Dollars

Price reductions ranging from $9.25 to $19.25 were put into effect today by G-E on its entire line of household refrigerators.

Coupled with changes annouuced earlier this year on three popular low-priced refrigerators, today's reductions will represent a total savings to the nation's consumers of approximately eight million dollars. In announcing the reductions, L. H. Miller, Manager of the G-E Refrigerator division, pointed out that the Company's refrigerator sales in the year to date have run over 30 per cent higher than in the comparable 1948 period.

The new list price schedule follows:

	New Price	Previous Price
NC-6	$189.75	$199
NF-6	194.75	209
NB-8	229.75	245
NC-8	269.75	279
NF-8	319.75	329
NH-8	399.75	410
NC-10	309.75	329
NF-10	349.75	364
NH-10	449.75	460

Emphasizing that "from a manufacturing standpoint, there is absolutely no justification for lowering prices at this time," Mr. Miller said that "we are taking this step in anticipation of the manufacturing economies that we believe must come through lower costs of materials and components."

He said that the reductions are being made at a time when the demand for household refrigerators is at its peak and when home owners need them most for the preservation of food during the hot summer months.

Motor, Generator

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dium size industrial Synchronous and Direct Current equipment produced by the General Electric Company, with the exception of the specialized transportation machines made at the Erie Works. Included are motors, generators, dynamometers, printing press drives, and motor and generator sets.

Orders received on incoming business are divided into two classes: long and short cycle.

Long cycle business is loaded into the factory schedule months ahead of shipping date. Orders for this type of equipment represent a base load and have a wide application. They are used in connection with the operation of steel, rubber, and paper mills. Further application is in the operation of printing presses, large excavating equipment; as well as turbine and engine-driven generators for shipboard application.

Shorter Promises Needed

The short cycle business consists of both motors and generators. The motors are used for such operations as individual drives for pumps, compressors and blowers. The generators are used with diesel engines for portable power package units for such purposes as emergency use in hospitals, small towns, and circuses. A recent development is to furnish power for television booster stations.

Only a portion of the total factory schedule is represented by the long cycle business, and enough short cycle orders must be obtained if a desirable level of production is to be maintained.

The product is highly competitive. During the past year, it has been necessary to make shorter and shorter promises even to meet competition. This naturally has reduced the time cycle for Engineering, Drafting, Planning, Material Listing, Material Procurement, as well as Manufacturing. When necessary, because of short promises, everyone in office functions from designer to raw-material procurer gives this type of order special consideration.

A lecturer says that if you look a bear straight in the eye he'll run. But the gentleman forgot to say which way.

Five Complete Quarter Century Of Service



Philip J. Schott
Bldg. 17-1



James T. Keller
Bldg. 26-3



Andrew P. Weisbrod
Bldg. 19-3



Ernest C. Brown
Taylor St.



Arthur L. Knoll
Bldg. 4-4

Benefit Plans

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work. Employees with more than one year's service will receive credit for time off up to six months but will not receive credit for time off in excess of six months.

When an employee is called back to work, he will receive a registered letter of recall advising him to report to the Employment Office. A period of two weeks will be allowed from the date the letter is received for the employee to report for work or his service will be broken.

Unemployment Compensation

A separation report for unemployment compensation will be given employees laid off for lack of work. This report should be presented to the local office of the Indiana Employment Security Division which has the sole authority for determining eligibility for compensation.

Vacation Allowance

Employees with more than one year's service at the time of layoff will receive pro rata vacation payments depending on the time elapsed since the last vacation period. Employees who have completed one year's service since Jan. 1 will be paid their full vacation allowance at the time of layoff. If the vacation allowance is not included in the last check, it will be mailed to the employee.

Group Life Insurance

Group Life Insurance may be kept in effect by making monthly premium payments in advance to the Payroll Section. (Either personally or by mail.)

Pension Plan

Employees belonging to the Pension Plan will continue to be members although no payments will be made during the layoff.

No contributions to the Pension Fund may be withdrawn as long as the employee retains continuity of service.

Mutual Benefit Association

An employee laid off for lack of work may retain coverage for himself by paying dues monthly in advance to the Payroll Section. Benefits will be limited to hospitalization as he will not be eligible to receive disability benefits.

Protection of dependents may also be continued during the layoff by paying dues monthly in advance to the Payroll Section. The employee must retain his individual coverage in order to continue his dependents coverage during the layoff.

Employees' Store

Employees laid off for lack of work may continue to make purchases through the Employees' Store as long as they retain continuity of service. (Up to one year).

Credit Union

Payments on loans may be made directly to the Credit Union Office.

Payroll deductions on the savings plan will be resumed on the same basis after re-engagement if absence has not exceeded six months. After this time a new authorization for deductions will have to be signed.

Model Racing Enthusiasts Start Club At Taylor St.



H. J. Murphy and R. C. Dennison, both of Taylor St., are shown starting their racer for a spin around the track.

The "hot rod" craze has hit General Electric with the same enthusiasm that has taken Fort Wayne by storm. About two months ago a number of G-E men and their sons became interested in miniature racers and erected a standard 25 foot track in the Taylor St. plant garage. This informal club meets every Tuesday evening from 7:30 to 10 p.m., and an average of 10 to 12 cars are on the track at one time.

Unlike the model cars publicized by a local newspaper, which are replica roadsters, the cars used by the G-E racing-enthusists are styled like regular racers. After receiving the models, they install engines very similar to model airplane motors. Also like model airplane making, the father-son teams make many of their own parts, such as wheels and axles.

These small cars come in three classes, .099, .150 and .195 cubic inch. Yet the tiniest of the three sizes can obtain a speed of 47 miles per hour on a standard 25 foot diameter track. The larger models are able to run at a top speed of 70 miles per hour. The fuel used in the racers is methanol. An ounce of methanol fuel is enough to keep the car in motion about three minutes.

The cars are attached to a center ball-bearing post by a piano wire leader with a bridle made of the same material. This set-up enables the racers to run unattended.

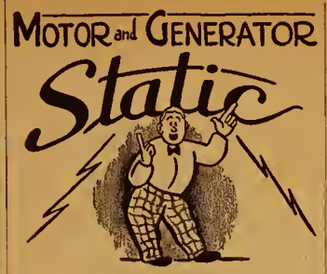
The enthusiasm for model racing has spread all over the world. There are persons interested in this hobby in seven countries and about 159 cities in the United States.



We are afraid that our famous athlete of yesteryear, Ralph Dunlap, is in a bad way as he has developed that middle age spread. We suggested that he go in for some strenuous exercise such as pole vaulting or shot putting to rid himself of this excess poundage. We would like to see him regain that figure which made him resemble a Greek Adonis. Sometimes we wonder if he and Harold Hart are trying to outdo each other to see which one can spread out the most. . . . Ralph Ecenbarger invested in one of those new-type lawn mowers, the kind that is made up of a series of small cutters. He tells us that it is a slavish job to try and mow a lawn with one of them, so he has crated it in preparation to returning it to the vendor. We might suggest that he use it as a reducing machine. We learn that the diffculty he had with his mower was caused by him letting the grass get so long that the newsboy lost his way between the house and sidewalk. . . . Now that Harold Richmond has successfully negotiated all of the hurdles that confronted him, upon joining the "Mystic Order of Ancient Arabian Hack Drivers," he is entitled to enter the inner sanctum and receive his little blue coat with brass buttons, also his high hat and white gloves. . . . A new sign appeared on the California road. It reads "Newton Poland's Raspberry Rancho." He has set out several acres of the luscious berry-producing plants and is expecting to derive much revenue from the sale of the berries. He has also purchased a high powered tractor and is going to do plowing on the side, so if any of you are in the need of raspberries or plowing, it will pay you to visit Newt's ranch. . . . Herman B. H. Hake is on the lookout for customers to purchase used clothing. He has lost so much weight that he is just a shadow of his former self. He tells us that his clothing hangs on his like a sack. He would like to dispose of his entire wardrobe to enable him to purchase some clothing that will fit. . . . Ray O'Neill came forth with the announcement that his brother, Perry, and wife are the proud parents of twin girls. Ray is very excited over the whole affair and explains his enthusiasm by saying that one does not often become an uncle twice in the same day.

ELEX EXTENDS DEADLINE FOR TRIP RESERVATIONS

The reservation deadline for the Elex Club's excursion to Niagara Falls, June 11-12, has been extended to Wednesday, June 1. A down-payment of $5 must be made by that time at Irene Meyers' office, Bldg. 8-2, the Personnel office at Taylor St., or to contact girls.



Fred Eisenbiegler and Tiny March are out to set an endurance record in golf. Recently they played 45 holes of golf in one day. Nothing like spending a whole day on the golf course to get a good sun tan. . . . One of our draftsmen, Su Jung, is missing this week due to being laid off. Next week, Dresden Tiffany, will be missing for the same reason. We won't be surprised if the men petitioned to get Tiffany back, since he has a Varga girl calendar. The girl calendar was recently replaced for a day with another calendar with pictures of real he-men physique, muscle and brawn. The girls thought the new calendar a great improvement. . . . Glenn Tobias, one of our engineers, has been transferred to the New York Office. . . . Of all things to ruin the dignity of the M-G Office Mark Smith finished his shaving at his desk the other morning. It is too bad we don't have a large mirror in the office. . . . Dean Schaffer was talking to Dave Clugston when Dave said, "Hey, Ed, hand me the slide rule oil." Ed Cwiklo handed over a little green bottle with liquid in it. Dave proceeded to put a few drops on his slip stick. "Now it works fine," Dave said, "Do you want to try it on your rule, Dean?" Dean got his rule and Dave "oiled" it. Dean says, "it works swell." What wonders Ed's bottle of cough sirup can work. Fellows, have you tried cough sirup to improve your speed on calculations? . . . Congratulations! "Pop" Noll is "pop" again and this time it is a boy.

Some folks think the pinnacle of success in society consists of being in the height of fashion.

Battrick To Report On Life In England



E. J. Battrick

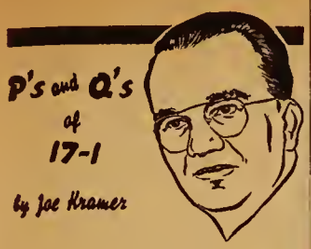
Today E. James Battrick, an assembler of master motors in Bldg. 4-5, boards the Queen Mary in New York City for a cruise to England.

On leave of absence from the Company, Jim is returning to the country in which he was born 27 years ago. He will arrive in Southampton, Wednesday, May 25, and will return to the United States Friday, Aug. 5.

Jim came to this country 25 years ago with his parents from their home in Hertford, of Hertshire. The Battricks lived in Convoy, O., until eight years ago, when they moved to Fort Wayne and Jim started working for General Electric.

During the time he spends in England, Jim expects to visit relatives in numerous farm communities and cities throughout the country.

His experiences and a report on the conditions in England will be carried in the WORKS NEWS in a series of dispatches from the G-E Roving Reporter. Jim expects to give an insight into present-day life in England from his interviews with friends and he will deal somewhat with such topics as their experiences with socialized medicine, the recent local elections, aid from the United States, and post war reconstruction.



There seems to be a small amount of competition for the title of "Baby Sitter" in Bldg. 17-1. The new challenger to George Mosshammer's title is Harry Kessler. Harry has made the promise that he not only will take the job of baby sitting but will take the babies fishing and bait the hooks for them. . . . Wayne Winters is the new addition to Bldg. 17-1 tool room. Jack Lewis took Wayne under his wing and was breaking him in right on how a bench man should do. Of course, Jack was the bench man and Wayne was doing all the dirty work including carrying the portable drill unit while Jack was carrying the drill. . . . It has been requested that Clarence Doctor refrain from practicing hog calling in the south end of Bldg. 17-1. If Doc wants to practice, he should go out on the lower 40. . . . A party was held at the Yacht Club last Friday noon honoring three employees of Div. 19 who are leaving for other jobs. Richard Evans and Howard Reinking are being transferred to other sections of the FHP motor division, and Ted Schroeder is leaving for the sunny shores of Florida. The office and foremen personnel of the division attended the party. An enjoyable time was had by all present, even if Bill Walt had to change his speech because Bob Dent hadn't told him that there were to be ladies present. Mr. Franke gave a short talk thanking the employees for their past services and wishing success in their new endeavors. The only accident occurred when Joe Kramer's lame elbow got in the way and hit a wooden stirrer spilling the contents on Joe's leg and the floor. No, it wasn't water, that's what made Joe mad. Virgil Hartman commented that he really enjoyed very highly seasoned food. I imagine that would include hot peppers. In case you have any hot peppers, I believe Virg would be very recipient in accepting some. . . . The reason for the lull in conversation during the noon hour in Bldg. 17-1 wash room is due to this being Jack Lewis' vacation week. . . . Don't forget to place your orders early for fresh garden vegetables. George Mosshammer and Frank Martin are taking orders for their fresh vegetables. From the looks of the list, they are going to have an abundant supply of vegetables this fall. . . . We forgot to mention that Norm Bender made it known that he would not like to have any hot peppers. His only experience with hot peppers proved disastrous as he was up at the lake and water doesn't quench as well as certain beverages. . . . We thought Helene Evanoff was on a diet, but she said that now with hot peppers in season she has to eat something with them, and the other evening it was two hot peppers and seven slices of bread—1400 calories. . . . Red Braden wasn't stiff last Monday from washing windows like he would have some people believe. We have it from very reliable sources that Red was out chasing that little golf ball Saturday and Sunday. . . . Don't forget your booster ticket for the Voltman games. Red Braden will personally autograph all booster tickets purchased in Bldg. 17-1.

Look Magazine To Feature Fort Wayne







The Fort Wayne Works will be one of the subjects included in a feature story to be published in two months by "Look Magazine."

The magazine has selected Fort Wayne as having the "most happy and contented" people in the nation. The selection was made on the basis of a number of surveys which showed that the city held an enviable position among all of the cities of the country.

Ben Kocivar, a department editor, and Philip Harrington, a photographer, spent nearly two weeks in the city gathering material and shooting pictures of various scenes of the city's life.

Because of the large role played by the General Electric Company, the men from "Look" spent considerable time interviewing G-E employees and photographing Company activities.

In the photograph at the left, Mr. Kocivar interviews C. H. Matson, Works Manager, at the Broadway gate.

A group of women attending the Elex Club's Mother-Daughter party are shown in the lower, left picture posing for a stunt shot for the "Look" photographer.

Edward Bradbury, below, was selected as an average G-E employee for a series of pictures. He works in Bldg. 17-4.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradbury have four children, one girl and three boys, and reside on a farm in Lafayette township.

Apprentice BROADCAST



by MILDRED ELLIS

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ward Staley who are the proud parents of a baby girl. . . . Fred Borton say's he's going to take their little boy down the river this summer—not to drown him, but to teach him to fish. . . . Fortune smiled on "Schmidty" Sunday. He got to go fishing—caught 24 of 'em too (with a little help). . . . Good music is supposed to be an aid to digestion, but the effects of Rasor's pre-lunch harmonica playing proved—(?) . . . Dick has no sympathy for his fellow workers, who need their beauty sleep. He goes around getting them up at all hours. . . . Paul Wuttke has utilized some of his buying power for he is the proud owner of a new Chevy. . . . For a good fried egg recipe see Carson. Atomic cooking has nothing on him in the way of speed. He gets his skill from getting up late but still making it to work on time. . . . Since Mrs. Barnes left for the P.T.A. Convention in St. Louis, Bob has been seen in the company of two very cute brunettes. (His daughters). . . . The apprentice draftsmen bid farewell to George Gettle. I'm sure his lectures will be remembered for a long time. . . . Leffers is one of the Gates boys. They call him "Rusty", because of the way he swings a ball bat. . . . Woenker reports that the softball team is doing fine. They won two games over the week-end, so their batting average was a way up—till Tuesday night when they lost to the G-E Club 14-6. . . . Kirlin and Hubartt report that the launching of their boat will be delayed till the middle of June. . . . Kenny Zurbuch has set up a safety display in the school. There is a mechanical man showing the correct way to lift, different kinds of safety glasses, safety shoes which are suitable for work or dress wear. It couldn't be that they don't trust us—but there's no two shoes alike. With this display and our new safety posters each week we should be very safety-minded.

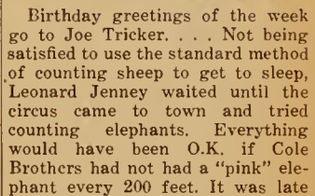
ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

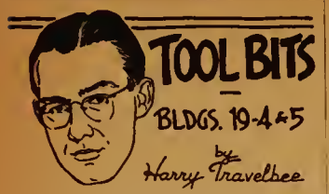
One day last week the phone rang in Elmer Wagner's office. It was Ted Schlup's wife, who asked to talk to Ted. After he hung up he told Wag that he'd have to leave because the queen bee was out, and he had to get her back in the hive or all the rest of the bees would swarm after her. Ted left and didn't return the rest of the day. Whether or not he got the queen back, we don't know, but one was reported as winging its way over Columbus, Ohio, a few days later. Perhaps Ted can tell you the straight of it. . . . We've often wondered what those cigars Howard Musselman smokes are made of. A qualitative analysis, by the job, might reveal that the filler is old Manila rope and crimp cut cabbage leaf in a wrapper of genuine Cuban old wool socks. . . . Mart Heider of Sand Lake, catches more than fish on fish hooks. While visiting in Bldg. 19-3 last week he reported catching a hell diver on a minnow baited hook. This is the season of strange and tall stories, from the fishermen, so we'll believe it.



Did you miss me last week? I missed the deadline; being off on Monday, I forgot to write on Friday. That way I didn't have to confess for another whole week that I am now a full fledged member of the saw breakers club, and you should have seen my audience too. That along with locking bumpers in the parking lot and holding up traffic I've kept the fellows pretty well on me. . . . But if anyone wants a wild ride, Gene Werling and B. O. Smith recommend a ride with Marc Junk for thrills, tilts and paint removing from trucks. That is where the red paint on his fenders came from. . . . Recently Jack Pollock needed a pencil. Before the day was over Jack had quite a collection—16 stubs, one broken eversharp and several pennies to help purchase more pencils. When questioned what he was going to do with such a collection, he replied he would share them with Ozzie "Me Too" Nahrwold, who was also the recipient of a photostat copy of a recent popular cartoon. It was neatly done in a red frame and is now hanging on the office wall. . . . The recent reduction of forces has brought several changes to the tool crib. Art Haberstock is doing the duties in No. 2 crib which were formerly handled by Travers Chandler, and William Herring is doing the main duties at No. 1. . . . Ward Staley, Sr., says he is certainly enjoying the longer evenings which are the result of Daylight Saving Time and an additional hour earlier start in the mornings. . . . Ewald Stinsmuhlen is anxiously awaiting the time he won't need any fire in his furnace so he can have his son's toys removed from it. The boy likes to hear the toys go down the air ducts until they go boom down in the furnace. . . . Ardell Hamerock was off several days due to a throat infection, but is again back on the job. . . . Our sympathy is extended to George Bartle in the recent death of his mother. . . . George Houck of the lathe section has left the group. Good luck, George, we hope to see you back soon. We extend our welcome to William "Whitey" Suelzer.



Birthday greetings of the week go to Joe Tricker. . . . Not being satisfied to use the standard method of counting sheep to get to sleep, Leonard Jenney waited until the circus came to town and tried counting elephants. Everything would have been O.K. if Cole Brothers had not had a "pink" elephant every 200 feet. It was late in the morning when the parade was over and Leonard got to sleep. . . . We wonder if Roy Woods bought that new tractor to keep the streets clean in front of his home. . . . Could the traffic be too congested for Al Rondot in Fort Wayne? We would like an explanation of the new-style, "ruffled" fender he is displaying on his car.



Do you remember when Paul Brinkroeger was manager of the Apprentice basketball team about 20 years ago? He has an old snapshot of this powerhouse. . . . As usual Gus Kruse thought someone opened the window. Instead, his friends and neighbors donated a 12 inch fan so Gus could get a no-draft cross ventilation. . . . Chick Abbott gave his new Plymouth a test run over to Paxton, Ill., last Friday. . . . Eldon Mee and Clyde Spanger are raising strawberry popcorn in their gardens this year. Next, I'll be hearing about them raising banana splits on raspberry bushes. . . . Someone moved the Credit Union without first consulting Art Dicke so it seems. He decided to go to the Credit Union one night last week on business, only to find a beauty parlor operating in its place. . . . Mirwood Dunlap is sure going in for heavy farming. He is now making his lawn mower into an oats, wheat, and corn cutter. . . . Here's a late news flash—the sleuths in Bldgs. 19-4 and 19-5 finally uncovered the mystery that was causing the rattling of windows and dishes the other night. Its center was in the vicinity of Yoder when both wheels fell off of Bill Trumbower's tractor. . . . Have you ever heard of a hidden pipe snooper? In case you haven't, see Leo Schlaudraff, who in the eyes of Bob Truelove and Vic Barcus, is an expert at finding hidden water pipes with a hammer and nails. I wonder if Leo could locate a couple of oil wells for us in his spare time. . . . We saw Jack Roesener attending the circus in Kendallville last Saturday. Of course, Jack will tell you he was taking some kids to the big top, but we understand Jack enjoyed it immensely. . . . Clyde Spangler took his family to the 500 mile race trials at Indianapolis last Saturday. Every time a car would come into sight, Clyde's little girl would plug her ears and close her eyes. . . . Elmer Sauerwein came home last Saturday night and found a big red rooster under a bushel basket. Elmer said it made a nice Sunday dinner and he hopes he can find another rooster in his garage this Saturday night. . . . Cliff Clapesattle came back from Detroit with what he calls his dream casting rod (as most of us know). He says it is the best rod on the market, but how can you be sure, you haven't used it yet? . . . We hear Herb Thiele is getting that car of his all fixed up so that he can make better time to the lake. Better hurry, Herb, cuz the fish are biting. (so we hear). . . . Why is it that when someone has an enlarged waist line, he thinks that everyone else is higger around the middle than he is. John Roemer was arguing with Myron Auer that Myron was at least three inches bigger at the waist than he was, but no sooner had he said that, then Myron took his belt off and handed it to John to try for size. But to John's dismay, the dern thing wouldn't reach around. Don't feel too bad, John, our faces have been red too—just smile, brother, smile. . . . By the way, ask Myron what kind of a compact he gave his girl. Also ask Chet Reynolds how he broke his new folding rule—sumpin about a door, I guess. . . . John Hensler is learning to eat baked bean sandwiches now. If he is lucky, after a few more samples he will like them almost as well as he does sauerkraut sandwiches.

52 Years Ago

Old Photograph Recalls Industrial Progress



Changes in industry over the past fifty years are exemplified in this photograph, which belongs to John Williams, Bldg. 17-2. Taken in 1897, the picture shows employees of the old Smith Mill, a cooperage 19 miles east of Fort Wayne. The highest pay was $1.25 per day; the lowest was 75 cents per day. The men worked a 10-hour day and each furnished his own lantern and oil.

In the top row (l. to r.) are: Elmer Urick, Elmer Hoover, E. Thompson, P. Bany, G. Savio, W. Smith, S. Bany, A. Bany, T. Deachoeis, D. Parker and John E. Williams. Second row: H. Gibson, J. Savio, A. Laurel, F. Lopshire, I. Miller, F. Clark, G. Burke, and H. Protsman. Seated: P. Claypool, W. Speith, C. Spieth, H. Holden, C. Spieth, B. Garringer, E. Bany, A. Spieth and C. Claypool.



We are happy to welcome A. E. Leider back, he is sporting a nice "Florida" suntan acquired in Roanoke. . . . Ruthann Rayan and our little Marion Champion (designated by many as our half-pint messenger) left Bldg. 18-B Friday. We are sorry to have you leave and hope that you may return some day. James Nagle and Kenneth Beck have taken their places on the hall desks in Bldg. 18. . . . Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Singleton. It's a boy! We are sure that Phil will tell you that all of this talk about Friday the 13th is the bunk—because 7 lb. 2 oz. Michael Lewis arrived that day. Incidentally the boy has been named for the two grandfathers. Grandfather John Michael Singleton's birthday is also the 13th. . . . Herbert Kammeyer enjoyed a vacation from his work last week. . . . Karl Brandt is welcomed back to Bldg. 18-4 following a week's siege with the flu. . . . Juanita Spice, Bldg. 18-1, celebrated her birthday Friday with "sugar and spice 'n everything nice." . . . Clarice Craighead, Bldg. 18-4, is taking time off from her duties to take a needed rest. . . . William Spahr, Bldg. 18-1, is to be congratulated. He is now the proud owner of a new home in the Anthony Wayne Village. . . . Friends of Maxine Jones Mandra, who formerly worked in the Payroll Division, Bldg. 18-1, will be pleased to learn that on May 9 she gave birth to an 8 lb. 3 oz. boy.

Vacation Plans

It is just ten weeks until the vacation shutdown. If you are looking forward to a sojourn at the lake—better get your order in now, but definitely! There are so many, many wonderful trips that it would be difficult to make recommendations. If you have not driven west—why not give Colorado a try this year. It is an easy drive to Rocky Mountain National Park, and just a short run to Denver, Colorado Springs and Pike's Peak. I am not running a travel agency but I know you will enjoy the thrill of the Rockies. . . . Bldg. 18-3 in the news: Central High School junior prom had the distinct pleasure of seeing one of the city's finest dancers in the person of R. K. Archibold. Who said "Archie" couldn't dance—you Fred Astaire! Please accept our belated birthday wishes. . . . Doris Rhonemus proved to be a booster for the G-E Voltmen by attending both games in Dwenger Park over the week-end. . . . Who said Bldg. 18-3 did not have a big game hunter? Paul Kissinger, with his trusty double barrel shotgun put away a playful coiled six foot black snake at Lake Everett over the week-end. We award him the week's hero medal. . . . Polly Schinnerer and Janet VanAuken Leeper, both former Payroll girls are pleased to announce to the world that they have a boy and a girl, respectively, the former in Fort Wayne and Janet in Florida.

'Coronet Magazine' To Publish Article About Dr. Langmuir

"Langmuir, Miracle Man of Science" is the title of a leading article which appears in the June issue of "Coronet Magazine."

Doctor Irving Langmuir, Associate Director of the General Electric research lab at Schenectady, is described by Hal Burton, author of the article, as "the most astounding man in modern science."

"Coronet" will appear on the news-stands Wednesday.



Gladys Elliott has been spending the week in New York City where she and her husband went to attend the wedding of her daughter Ruth, to Jack Best, a featured singer in the Fred Waring chorus. Ruth, formerly in the Waring organization, is now a member of the Collegiate Chorale. Another daughter, Joan, was her sister's attendant. She, too, makes her home in New York where she is employed as a junior executive in the script department of NBC. . . . This thing of getting into print is nothing new to Ed Glusenkamp as we discovered in looking over some old WORKS NEWS. Way back in '34 when the paper had only a few small pages there is an article about him. It seems he discovered what he thought was to be his New Year's turkey perched on a lamp post but when he climbed said pole found it to be nothing but an owl. However, he decided to cook the thing anyway and tried unsuccessfully to find a recipe to make it palatable. The owl, sensing this indignity, pined away and died leaving Ed without his holiday dinner. Since then he buys his fowl across the counter like the rest of us. . . . Ed Gebhart was at Centlivre Park watching the outside activity at the Cole Brothers circus and now and then getting a peek at the inside entertainment too. He had his eyes on an aerial act, not watching where his feet were taking him, when he ran smack dab into a stepladder. Didn't hurt the ladder a bit, but left Ed with skinned shins. After this painful experience he remembered his safety training and transferred his attention to the midgets. . . . Among his other useful accomplishments Roy Bracht has added that of "guide." He may take his victim the long way round but eventually they end up just where they started. . . . Fisherman Ray Lepper has a new diversion now that he's caring for the very young racoon he and his boys came across while hunting for mushrooms. It cries regularly for its three hour bottle on which it is thriving. Just how he intends to tie it in with his fishing remains to be seen, possibly it may learn to dig his bait. . . . Martin Brown (Brownie) proved himself the proverbial "friend in need" when he came to the assistance of Earl Johnson whose belt gave way and threatened to let him down. By using some of his collection of odds and ends he mended the broken parts securely making it possible for Earl to go about his work in safety.



It is lonesome at this end of the office since they moved Perry Esterline. He is right in the corner and all he needs now is one of those funny long hats. We're only fooling, Perry, we do miss your cheery voice up here. . . . Pres Slack is having more fun trying to identify all of the different flowers that surround his new country home. He says that he never knew there were so many kinds. . . . Marvelene Butts is back after a tonsillectomy. She is still a bit shaky but looking much better. . . . We were sorry to have Florence Knight leave us. She has gone to Taylor Street to work for Paul Horstmeyer, and I am sure she will be very happy with her new job. . . . Congratulations to Bob and Marilyn Roehm on the birth of a daughter. The young mother was a time clerk in our office.



There just hasn't been too much news in 10-20-30 Frame the last couple weeks, about all you hear lately is "Hey, what's your service date and where are you getting transferred to?" But we guess that's kinda the way it is all over these days, but maybe in the near future things will get back to normal and then we can have bigger and better news for you. . . . That smile that Frank Diss has been wearing is due to the fact that he finally got delivery on that new "Chevie." Frank wants everyone to come out to the parking lot during their lunch hour and he will be glad to give demonstrations and let you drive it, he says he is getting prepared to become a salesman if need be. . . . Congratulations to Bob Hull and the Mrs. on their recent trip down the aisle, and we also want to welcome Bob as our new dispatcher in the rotor group. . . . We want to tell Clyde Cowan that he sure is missed around these parts and want to wish him the very best of luck in his new job at Broadway. . . . Congratulations are also in order for Ruby Stoops who became a very proud grandma May 11. It's a boy and named Gary Lee. . . . We were sorry to see Selma Voigt leave us and hope that she will have a nice vacation in Illinois. . . . Andy Anderson is very happy now that the bowling banquets are all over. He says it's pretty rough on you to have to go to two of them on successive nights.



OUT OF THE BLUE in 26-2 office

by Delores Patterson

We are very sorry to hear that Herb Driftmeyer is ill again. We are hoping he will be back with us soon. . . . George Finkbeiner will no longer be "frec" after this Saturday night. The "I Do" vow will be said in the Trinity English Lutheran Church. The lucky girl is Marilyn Young. Congratulations, George! . . . Wayne Jones has heen complaining lately about his shoulders being sore, and rightly so, too, because he just finished his basement wall in knotty pine! . . . This week happy birthday wishes are being extended to Rodean Dowell and Mickey Huth of the Service Bureau. . . . Transformer Payroll, Bldg. 26-2, welcomes two new girls to its division. They are Armilla Conrad and Marjorie Wall, who were formerly of Bldg. 26-4. . . . Ed Ellenburg and William Pape have bade farewell to the Drafting Division. There is a sure sign of spring in the air now because most of the girls are blooming out in cotton dresses. . . . Gail Doolittle is getting married Saturday to Earl Kirk in the First Methodist Church. Very best wishes, Gail. . . . The Specialty Transformer Engineers are happy to welcome Pat Blackwood from the Schenectady Works. . . . The Specialty Transformer Requisition Engineering Section has bade farewell to Mary Mickey and welcomes Emilie Swain of Bldg. 26-3. . . . **Miracle of the week!** Delores Patterson had her hair snipped.



DIVISION 14's News Beams RACONTEUR

by MARTHA BRENNER

Bill Alt had considerable trouble getting past the guard last week. The package he had was rather large, but after disclosing the contents he was permitted to go on. (He was carrying a bunch of rhubarb.) . . . Anyone wishing to order cherries should see Ray Bobay. We understand Ray is expecting a "bumper" crop this year. (Incidentally Ray's tree is sporting exactly three cherries). . . . Vern Dassler had a bowling party, and we are wondering just why Bob Turschman spent so much time in Vern's garage. . . . Russell Frey was really sunburned last weekend. He claims he caught his limit of fish. . . . Helen Miller may be getting a little old to play baseball. Sunday's game resulted in a sunburned nose, skinned elbow and black and blue knees. . . . Was Mildred Moore taking her daily exercise Thursday or could she have been looking for a lost car on the parking lot? . . . Bill Lavine's friends presented him with a new car and garage for his birthday. Just what model was it, Bill? . . . Margaret Lepper really had a "nightmare." She dreamed that she and Ann Johnson were working third trick. . . . Waldo Martin was seen taking off his shoes and massaging his feet. Those overnight hikes with the Boy Scouts will do it every time. . . . Theron Kitchen was heard boasting about the bowling league in our Division one Friday morning. But after bowling that Friday night for their league sweaters he exclaimed, "Boy! what a bunch of terrible bowlers." . . . What's this we hear about Joe Sallot's wife changing the wiring in their garage? What happened, Joe? . . . Anyone finding two wash tubs please contact Nora Furthmiller. Seems she lost them off the back end of her trailer. . . . Ed Rodenbeck will never start his diet if he doesn't stop eating peanuts. . . . Elmer Buuck is a busy man these days. He is getting his motor boat all tuned up for the races on the St. Joe River. . . . We wish to extend a speedy recovery to Luke Shorter who has heen absent for several weeks. . . . Dallas Corson's son has a "hot rod," but the neighbors claim Dallas is enjoying it much more than his son.



Did you ever see "Sherlock" Mesing pouring over a king size drawing with a magnifying glass? We don't know whether he needs a new pair of spectacles or if he's just following the course of a gnat making its way across his desk. Or could it be Elmer is using that magnifying glass to keep an eye on "Luebke the Lip." By the way. Pop is open for any suggestions on how to get rid of fever blisters quick. . . . Whitie VanAuken was all smiles when he came to work Monday morning. He is the proud grandpa of a baby girl born to his daughter Janet, now living in Florida. Russell Spaw is also a new grandpa, his grandson was born May 15. . . . Howard Smith looks kinda' lonesome since Carl Beck came to Broadway. They had been working in the garage together several years at Taylor St. . . . Harold Smith is also in the vegetable business and wishes to make known that anyone wanting tomato plants should let him know he has lots of them. . . . Did you ever see Andy Frank go through the motions of how to plant a garden? Don't miss the next showing. Ray Quinn can probably give out with several timely tips by now on this garden business, since he goes in for it in a big way. . . . We have failed to mention that Al Dubach of the Power Plant treated us to candy and cigars when a new member was added to his family recently. Congratulations, Al. . . . Nicknames are common with Sam Mastro. You will notice he is answering to the names of Porky, CO-2, and now it is Smokey. . . . The fellows think Rus Maxson might need new bifocals since he lost sight of the pen on the flow meter chart. . . . While on the subject of glasses, Joe "G" Banks came to work the other day without his helpers and had to rush home to get them. . . . Frank Fisher had his ear muffs out and his overcoat dusted off in preparation for the big frost we were to have May 4. You see, he made that prediction Jan. 8. Frank was a hard loser on that one, but he appeared at work in his summer outfit the same as the rest of us. . . . We were glad to have Bill VerBryck, George Delfs and Frank Reader pay us a visit in the Power Plant. . . . Grover Walker is on a week's vacation and is busily engaged in landscaping his yard. . . . We are hoping Scotty will soon be busy on the popular window boxes again this year. . . . Watch that speed for the first thousand miles. Yes it is a new Chevrolet for Ralph Craig and a new Ford for Lee Hess

AIEE Elects New Officers



New officers of the Fort Wayne Section of AIEE are: Seated, (l. to r.) J. F. Eitman, chairman, and R. E. Trovinger, vice-chairman. Standing, (l. to r.) are J. H. Capps, secretary-treasurer, and M. A. Baker, assistant secretary-treasurer.

J. F. Eitman, Bldg. 26-2, was elected chairman of the Fort Wayne section of the American Institute of Electric Engineers, at a meeting Thursday, May 12. Other new officers elected were R. E. Trovinger, Indiana and Michigan Electric Co., vice-chairman; J. H. Capps, Bldg. 4-6, secretary-treasurer, and M. A. Baker, Bldg. 31-2, assistant secretary-treasurer.



SLEUTHING in 4-6

by JOAN POOS

TODAY I AM A MAN—Gil Baker will reach the old age of 21 tomorrow, May 21. Happy birthday, Gil. Also belated congratulations to Walter Hahn whose birthday was last Saturday. . . . TESTING?—Welcome to Gordon Goodrich, who is a new test engineer in the DC division. We are sure that you won't be the same when you leave us. . . . DEEP IN THOUGHT—The sawdust you may have seen flying around or the rattle of gears you may have heard was only Toby Tyler deep in thought about a new design. Hope you master it, Toby. We'd hate to see that painful pensive expression upon your face permanently. . . . [illegible] SPOT OF 4-6—Have you noticed the beautiful flowers which Mildred Heinkel has on her desk each day! . . . SO SAD, TOO BAD—Walter Seegmiller left for Florida on a leave of absence due to illness in the family. . . . Jo Biddle is recovering at home now from a recent illness. We hope to have her back soon. . . . HOW DEE DO DEE—Welcome to Clara Richter in W. H. Weikart's office. Also a belated welcome to June Munson who is taking over the job vacated by Dorothy Broucel in Mr. Weikart's office also. . . . NOTICE—Al Volz wishes to put in an advertisement. It seems that Al is looking for a girl these days. Age 18 years or less; height 5 ft. 4 in.; black hair; dark eyes; weight 175 lbs. Anyone answering these qualifications please see Abbie Hartman. She's his manager. Have you tried any wishing wells lately, Al! . . .

It's Windy Here

FHP Motor Division 17 Office

By Joan Aubrey

Have you planted your garden yet? If not and you need some expert advice, the Planning office is the place to visit. You will get no less than three different opinions as to how it should be planted, so all you need to do is decide which is right. The experts to talk to are Ben Fleek, Gordon Smith, Roy Rippe and Gene Foster. If these fellows harvest the garden they have planted, the rest of us in the office won't need buy any vegetables all summer. But if it's cottage cheese you want to make ask Alma Witte, she knows all about that. . . . Our very best wishes to Pat Dolan who is getting married May 21 at the Forest Park Methodist Church. We wonder if Hal knows what a lucky fellow he is. . . . Perry O'Neill now has his new family home from the hospital and he really has his hands full when the twins want attention at the same time. When he and Gene Foster get together and talk about their families it's hard to decide which can brag the most. . . . Alma gave a very nice wedding shower for Eleanor Lambroff recently. All the girls in the office were there and Eleanor received some very lovely gifts. But the party who had the best time all evening was Alma's dog Rex. He had to greet everyone as they arrived, but his favorite girl was Vera Schweier. For some reason she held a great attraction to him.

DRAFT DODGER—Norm Oetting decided that it was summer and slept in front of an open window. Result: Stiff neck.



The Big WIND

DIVISION 17 TAYLOR STREET

by Dorothy Heinzelmann

Norm Wolf wants it explained that the reason he was so all in due to that golf game he and Ray Hills had recently was because Ray had him chasing after his golf balls all the time. Hm-m-m that isn't the way we heard it. . . . Edna Parker says she too has an increase in her family. It's a little dog named Dixie, but Edna says she has her in the hospital, and we do hope that she gets along fine. . . . Congratulations to Tommy Williams who became a proud aunt over the week-end. Tommy says she sure has a fine little niece. . . . We're glad to have Ellen Saul back with us after her recent illness. . . . Welcome to Lulu Heckman and Nora Dudgeon to our group. . . . Harold Mosshammer really hit the jackpot on his fishing over the week-end for a change. He says he got 38 great big bluegills. How big, Harold? Could be, as you see Harold was moving in on Ed Brockhall's territory up around Appleton Lake.



"Blessed is the man who is too busy to worry in the daytime and too sleepy at night."

We would like to suggest a candidate for membership in the Audubon Society. His name is Phil Miller and this is the reason we think he would be a good member. One night about midnight Phil's wife was unable to sleep because of the loud chirping of a robin. Phil told her the robin would be all right but she wasn't satisfied until Phil went out to see what was troubling the bird. The investigator found that a cat was in the tree quite close to the bird's nest. Phil managed to get a clothes prop and routed the cat out of the tree and the robin went immediately to its nest. After putting the robin to bed Phil returned to his rest. . . . We were so glad to have Marie Richardson (the former Marie Bruick) drop in to visit her former coworkers the other day. The reason for her happy expression is that she and her husband have moved into their brand new house. Best wishes for your happiness in your own home, Marie and Charles. . . . George (Tough Boy) Miller has a new story he is now telling. He is saying how brave he is. It seems as though George had a burglar in his basement and he didn't want to go after him alone so he called the police in on the job. When they arrived George said, "this way," and proceeded to the basement unarmed after the great big burglar which turned out to be a little field mouse. . . . Lee Shanabarger became a father of a baby girl May 9. Her name is Joyce Lee and she weighed nine pounds, one ounce on arrival. Congratulations to the proud parents. . . . We also received an announcement of the birth of Larry Allen, May 7. His parents are Truman and Mary Bell. Mary is the former Mary Jenkins and was a rotor inspector in Group 16x42. Congratulations. . . . Jim Kavanaugh says he would like to have Wednesdays as his day off so he can play bridge at the women's bridge club. . . . Vance Burnau and son Bob went to Indianapolis last Sunday to watch the race trial runs. Charlie Thomson arrived at the same place earlier than Vance. He came early and stayed late.



Rummage sales are Mr. Kohls' weakness. You ought to see the stylish ladies hat he purchased at the last one It was quite becoming to the contour of his face, even th· lovely roses about the brim. Someone else in his section must be an admirer of fine hats as Bill's hat disappeared after one wearing. Don't yank its duplicate oT of any maiden, Bill, it may be hers and only a facsimile of yours. . . . The new gadget Dick Steele has been carrying around is a heat thermometer. Call on Doc Steele for fever check-ups. . . . There will be a new guard on the third shift. We'll not keep you guessing, it's none other than your ole friend Waymon Patrick. Jerry Gage, another Plant 1 operator, will assume the duties of a guard also. . . . On Hez Cochran's wedding anniversary he became a grandpa. His son's family was presented with a baby girl. That also makes Mr. Zeser, our guard, a grandpa. . . . We see a lot of new faces on the day shift. Goldie Roop and Minnie Egley are two newcomers from the night crew. Joe Railing has been transferred to Plant 2 Flange section. . . . Mrs. Tillmon Gehrig has left the Company in exchange for household duties. The group will always remember you, Annabelle. . . . When "Duke" Keller hasn't much to say, you know he's getting serious. Who wouldn't be, his time is drawing near for that marital step he is taking with that girl from Milwaukee. . . . There are evidences of a beautiful flower garden in Betty Frauhiger's back yard. Her husband touched it up with a nice picket fence. Lots of luck to Betty in painting it. . . . Happy birthday to Berniece Miller, who passed out the candy bars on Friday the 13th. According to Ina, that's the only Friday like that in the year. Sure glad to hear that. In case she is wrong, let's have someone's opinion for the next news item. . . . Model husbands are hard to find but when you run across one like Gordon Sprunger you have it. How about the home problem experience you claim can be solved hy no arguments. Will it work fool-proof? . . . Don't forget to make your Memorial Day plans; it's practically at hand. They say the fish are biting good. Rinaker from Berne will be one of the fishermen. . . . Vida Lammert's two nieces from East Liverpool, Ohio, are spending a vacation with her. . . . Jo Ivetich has been seen planting a strawberry pateh. Hope you get a large crop, Jo, because we all like strawberry short cake. . . . Please take note GeCode Club girls. The next party is going to be a combined picnic instead of the "Wedding Bells" party and the July party will be cancelled. The committees for the June and July party will be combined into one committee for the picnic. . . . Francis Eady is the proud owner of a new Hudson! . . . Here's a friendly reminder to those that may not know that parking in a reserved parking place isn't being very kind to your fellow man. "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you," is still the best policy. . . . We understand Esther Meyer and Wanda Bailey are planning on seeing Niagara Falls with the Elex Club in June. . . . With Memorial Day coming up we hear some people are making plans to go places and others are just going to stay home and rest. Earleen Steffen is going to do some fishing at Hamilton Lake. Genvieve August says she doesn't have any plans. . . . Dort Schnepf and Florence Schultz are planning on seeing the Cubs play Cincinnati at Chicago. . . . Social Item: Dave Embler and family recently visited George Roop's country home. Nature Item: The Roop's children reported a possum in a hollow tree in their wooded grove. Child Care Item: Dave Embler accompanied six children to observe the possum in the hollow tree. Boy Scout Item: Dave Embler builds fire in hollow tree using only one match (pipe size) to start same. Safety Item: Dave was concentrating on getting smoke from fire and forgot to follow Rule 4, Section 1 of Child Care which says "never allow boy, age 4 to 12, to approach from rear with club in hand." One did get a club and when the possum rushed from tree, child swung at possum, hit Embler's head instead and rushed to join rest of kids who had scurried after departing possum. They didn't get the possum but later, much later, the kids returned and helped Child Care expert Dave Embler to his host's house for a complete rest.



Now that May is here, can summer be far behind? All our lake enthusiasts are living now from Friday 'till Monday in one grand splash. Aren't they lucky? . . . If you have an old lawn mower that won't "Mow 'em down" anymore, have Ray Greek estimate the repairs needed. From all reports, that's his new business. . . . Did you hear that Roger Crabill bought his wife a new power mower for her birthday? Thoughtful man! . . . Racing is in Sol Andorfer's blood, "Hot Rod" racing, that is. Seems Sol is trying his best to sell the neeessary subscriptions so he ean get a car and join the fun. What these boys won't do next. . . . To all the old faces we miss every day, good luck in your new work and don't forget Bldg. 17-4 and its parties and get togethers nor your friends here, but think of us occasionally. . . . To all the new faces in our group, here's hoping you like Bldg. 17-4 and all its people and may your work here be pleasant. . . . That was some poker party at Bill Hurtt's the other night. All the boys had their fill of cards and eats too. Oh well, it wasn't so bad on Friday, now was it? . . . Our "Welcome Back" mat was out for Floyd Shellenbarger who has returned to the gang after being off sick. . . . Cy Seymour finally talked Henry Roemke into getting a new Ford. Dick Seidel after months of waiting finally settled for a new Lincoln. He has figured out all the contraptions on it except for three buttons. Press any of them and nothing happens. . . . Mike Lowe wants to race Don Thomas on the river when there isn't any wind blowing. Guess Mike knows he will be up higher in the air than Thomas, and the wind resistance might hold back his Martin motor. . . . Our floor has a ball team and from all the groans and moans you heard last week they must have played a game. When a memher of the team was asked what the score was he said, "I don't remember, but I think we won." Must of been one of those pitchers battles 32 to 31. "Flash" Gerardot said he missed the ball every time he swung at it except once. Must have hit a foul ball.

Bill Allen Reports On All 'In the Spotlight at G-E Club'



Bill Allen

Bill Allen, Bldg. 8-2, is the columnist for "In the Spotlight at the G-E Club." He has been a member of the G-E family since 1943. His first job was in the war facilities contracts, accounting section in Bldg. 18-3, and he later transferred to accounts payable.

He then worked for Doyle White in the General Service division on war assets work. Bill has been assistant to the G-E Club treasurer since 1946.

His hobby consists mostly of athletics. Bill is also active in young people's work at his church.



Reminder: Better get your reservation in for the Elex trip. Time is growing short. . . . **Quality Pays:** Kate Weigle has a G-E light hulb that she has used 21 years. She doesn't know how old it really is, because it was in use when she moved into her present home. . . . **Showers:** We have had stork showers, bridal showers and April showers, but did you ever hear of a cough drop shower? Mary Shumm has been buying three or four boxes at a time. To help her out financially, her co-workers each presented her with a box of cough drops with a note telling her why they were donated. Mary, you know we get tax exemption for charity. . . . Floetta Zartman came to work full of vim and vigor. However, that vim and vigor blew out of the window, when she saw a four-legged visitor in her waste paper basket. In fact she wouldn't go to work until Violet Brower removed Mr. Mouse. Speaking of Violet, she has been here 22 years and believe it or not she got lost and had to ask her way around. Need a map? Maybe it had something to do with her trying to put her clock card in the coat rack. . . . **Water In Eyes:** Hedy Harrison really got an eye full of water. She was looking in a miniature camera, when she pressed the button, but instead of another picture showing, water flew in her eyes. . . . **Short Cuts:** Savannah Stokes, Marcille Thomas and Ann Kensill are sporting new short hair cuts. . . . Anyone needing advice on growing or killing flowers, eontact Lucille Allen. She's an expert. . . . It's a happy birthday to Therlene Freiburger and Alberta Foulks. . . . **Fire Siren:** Was it a coincidence that the fire siren blew the other day when Mary Jane Redding had assumed a job of burning insulation off of wires with a torch? . . . We're glad to see Hazel Lockwood, Gertrude Martin, Margaret Maloney, Olga Lindenberg and Sarah Sowards back with us again. . . . It's "hello" to Palph Lindeman, Paul Chavis, William Miller and Clyde Cowan, newcomers on the early bird shift. Clyde Cowan replaces Harold Frazier. Sorry to see you go, Harold. Now we will have to help Clyde find all tbose little stray stators. . . . **Full Hands:** When Mrs. Katt deserted her family of three, Eileen Steinacker took over and with the aid of a hot water bottle and doll nursing bottle. She is caring for the three little kittens. (With or without mittens?) . . . Sorry to have Bea Lantz on our sick list this week. . . . Martha Rice and Edith Beaty were seen at the square dance. Afterwards Edith had a pinochle party. Is that why you were primping your hair, Martha? . . . Francis Eckrote exercises her hobby of writing poetry quite freely. She told Mary Wright that she was the victim of her latest works. This is Francis' description of Mary:

> Marys are different
> I've always heard tell
> And I think you live up
> To that old saying quite well.
> There is no predicting
> Your thought or your whim
> What you undertake
> You work with much vim.
> And when it's accomplished
> Do you stop? Ah, no!
> You think up something else
> And at it you go.
> This picture of Mary
> Painted all in rhyme
> Shows her busy, resourceful
> And having a good time."

So Mary had to make an addition to the above poem:

> Now if any other Marys
> Are accused of the same
> Don't worry about it,
> Just say it's my name.

If we knew how short the future is to be we'd spend less time worrying about the past—and start taking good care of the present.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office. Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE

Monday Noon, May 23, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Billfold containing papers with name William Roberts on them.

FOUND—One key in Bldg. 19-2.

FOR SALE

F-14 FARMALL TRACTOR—And Cultivator on rubber. H-46543.

FIVE-ROOM BUNGALOW—All modern, full basement, garage, large lot, close to schools and churches. H-64114.

FOUR SUITS—Size 12, just like new. H-37181.

TWO WINDOWS — Each upper and lower, 28x32, complete with frames, very reasonable; 6 ft. couch swing, $7. H-17505.

1948 WHIZZER SPRING FORK BICYCLE A-29181 or E-4908.

USED VACUUM SWEEPER—And attachments. H-19922.

TABLE TOP GAS RANGE—Very good condition, can be used with city or bottle gas. H-26341.

KITCHEN SINK—Good condition, cast iron enameled, very reasonable. H-59422.

WANTED

BOY'S BICYCLE — 24 or 26 inch. H-81404.

WASHINGS—By pensioned widow lady. A-79301.

HIGH CHAIR—A-19164.

ONE-WHEEL USED TRAILER—H-74748.

LARGE TOY AUTO — Or tractor. H-48755.

GUN CABINET WITH GLASS DOOR—E-38901 evenings, Saturday and Sunday.

FOR RENT

FIVE-ROOM UNFURNISHED LOWER APARTMENT—Available in June. Southeast. H-64362.

LOVELY SLEEPING ROOM—In modern home, for one gentleman, close in, innerspring, telephone privilege. 3340 Piqua.

COTTAGE—On Bear Lake, three beds, oil heat, screened porch, boat, $25 per week. Columbia City 228 on Etna.

COTTAGE—All modern, two bedrooms, $25 per week, on Snow Lake. Ebbon Brown, Fremont, Ind.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDERS From Columbia City. Dale Grigsby, Bldg. 26-2, works from 8-5:15. G-E ext. 753 or Columbia City 260J.

WANTS RIDE OR WILL SHARE DRIVING From Monroeville, Warren Jackson, works at Taylor St. in Div. 17 from 8-4:30. Taylor St. extension 426.

WANTS RIDE—From Webster or Barber Lake. Can call Carl Steinbacker, ext. 496. Works from 7-3:30.



To most of us things are getting a little rough, but we in the Wire Division are lucky. We have among us a Good Samaritan in the person of Jake Arnold. To all those in need Jake has graciously offered his carrier pigeons. By accepting this offer it will be possible for you to have your phone removed thus saving the monthly phone bill plus all postage that would be required to send letters and small packages. Gee, Jake, that's sure swell of you and thanks a million. . . . Wimpy Lemper brings those nice fresh eggs in from his farm each week, but the other week Wimpy decided different. He was driving at a high rate of speed when he noticed the traffic light changing to red. He put his foot on the brake very hard, bingo, scrambled eggs. . . . Congratulations to Guy Oberlin, who became grandpa again last Monday to a swell grandson.

Insulation News

Congratulations to Russell Flaugh and Hans Muller, who turned in some winning suggestions. That's the easy way to take home money, fellas! . . . Agnes Ryan isn't a bit afraid to tell her weight. Some people turn green at the mention of pounds, or develop a quick allergy to the presence of scales, but not Agnes. No siree! She's not a bit bashful to tell the world that she weighs over a hundred pounds. Now what stumps the experts around here is, "How much over a hundred, Agnes." . . . Last week's WORKS NEWS carried the pictures of noted celebrities from Bldg. 12-3. Earl Gebert, Lazern Hopkins, and Hans (Tom Hutzell) Muller, were shown receiving the Safety Award from Mr. Hire, Superintendent of Wire and Insulation. All took very good pictures, but the cutest of all was Tom Hutzell. And all this time we have been calling him "Hans." I guess it just proves the old saying that you can know a person all your life and still never really know him. If you don't mind, Hans, we're going to stick to your given name. . . . You might think that's a cyclone you hear every night in Bldg. 12-3 about 4:55, but it's only Josephine Balsamo running the hundred yard dash down those long, long, three flights of steps. The rest of us just stand aside and puff for our second wind, while "Speed" Balsamo keeps on dashing.



Congratulations to Henry Wiegman and his bride, Ruth Ladig, who were married at Concordia Lutheran Church Saturday. Those attending the reception in the evening report a gay time was had by all. Also, congratulations and best wishes to Helen Hinc and Lee Guillame, who were married a week ago. . . . Happy birthday greetings to Betty Bertsche and Betty Kummer. . . . Clara Krudop Schneider entertained some of the girls at her home the other night. She wanted them to see all of her lovely wedding gifts. Gretchen Webb and Lillie Benz were among those present. Gretchen reports that she is very busy taking care of her young son and Lillie is ready to leave for California. . . . Welcome to Pearl Ross, Margaret Erickson, Janice Egolf, Olive Elliott and Stella Mailand who are back with us again. Here's hoping your stay is a long one. . . . Ann Hershberger and Zelda Garrison are on nights again. . . . Joan Braun found out you can't eat soup without a soup-spoon. She is wondering just how the caveman ate his soup. . . . Betty Jo LeMaster has left us to become a full-time housewife We wish you a lot of good luck, Betty. . . . Lorinda Beyerlein isn't speaking to anybody today. Why? She lost her voice. . . . Tom Dickerson went to Holland, Mich., to see the tulip celebration. He said it was beautiful. . . . I received the following note: "In behalf of my wife and family, I wish to extend the most heartfelt thanks for the heart-warming gift presented to us by the co-workers in Bldg. 4-3 following the recent new arrival in our family of a 7 lb., 12 oz. baby boy named Michael Dean, and for your kindness and well wishes following my wife's operation." Henry D. Grepke. . . . Ed Bocdeker has given up the idea of getting that turtle out of Fulk's lake. . . . Herb Braun doesn't speak to the boys when he comes to work in the morning. . . . Les Hubartt is trying to be as important as ever, but he is slipping fast. . . . F. Clark is still out on the heat run. . . . C. Nahrwold is walking around very gloomy. . . . Oh well, cheer up fellows, vacation-time is just around the corner. . . . Anna Ruth Clemmens said that she took a quick trip to Chicago Sunday, but nothing exciting happened. The stores were closed and she couldn't buy that new hat she is looking for. . . . A correction on last week's item about Edna Rohrbach's shoes—They weren't of different colors; they were the same color, but not mates. One is just as bad as the other.

TRANSFORMER TATTLES

By Mary Ann Miller

Bldg. 26-4, west end, says so long to Darreld Hirschfelder. . . . Did anyone notice that Wilda Frauhiger was limping last week? She fell into a ditch. Was quite a jar wasn't it, Wilda? . . . Johnny Bryie just returned from a week's vacation with a nice tan. . . . We wish Emma Lytal a lot of luck in her new home . . . Phil Shultz, winding section, was transferred to the third floor. . . . We hear the Gerald Norwalt family has increased. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hoopengarner, who were married May 7. . . . Ralph Smith is recuperating nicely from his recent operation. . . . Leo Clejnot and "Dutch" Norwalt went fishing last Saturday. They came back with the usual story: the big one got away. . . . All Otto Brown wants for Christmas is his two front teeth. . . . Where does Faye Russell spend his Sundays since his brother is here? . . . The boys want to know why John St. Clair doesn't take advantage of all the free haircuts he has been offered. . . . Oral Hyser was selling autographed pictures of himself for 25 cents last Friday. There may be some more pictures available at that price. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McNamara on the birth of a son. And this is special, because it's the first boy born to a cost section employee. So great was the surprise of it being a boy, that they didn't have a name picked. Lloyd also has three girls.

26-3 News

By Mabel Odel

Our sympathy to James McCray in the death of his mother. . . . If anyone can think of a good suggestion, Frank Schultz will help you put it over by writing it up with fancy words. He will give you this service on a 50/50 basis. He already had helped to make one winner. Gertrude Kummerant received a $25 award last week. That's good team work, congratulations, folks. . . . Almetta Smith tells us that if you drink champagne just before retiring, it causes dreams that are out of this world. . . . Les Parrish is keeping his little Crosley pretty close to home since the hot rod craze hit town. He just can't stand the wishful look in the little boys' eyes as he drives down the street. . . . Since Russell Clarke got his trousers back from the cleaners, he is undecided as to whether he should shorten them a few inches and make knee pants or start a new fad and wear them three-quarter length. . . . If anyone can predict a rosy future for Doris Rinehold, it will help to ease her disappointment. She drove to Butler, Ind., for a reading, but found the man had left town. . . . Hazel Scott nearly missed out on an all important date. She was to meet her husband after work, and understood the meeting place to be at Calhoun and Pontiac. After waiting more than an hour she started to inquire as to whether he may have had to work overtime. She found him, needless to say, in a very unhappy state of mind, waiting at the factory entrance. Any suggestion you may have to help her back in his good graces will be appreciated. . . . It was a big day in the hearts of every child. The circus was in town. How could Mary Reed and Carolyn White resist the temptation to join the rest? . . . For a quick pick-up at the end of the day Lola Brunner says sundaes can't be beat. It's hard on the girlish figure but it does soothe the appetite. . . . There is no danger of Lonnie Rockstroh having coffee nerves. She has decided to make one pot of coffee less per day. . . . Zelma Kuyoth has found a way to get a bunch of mice out of a box of coils. She calls the test section and tells them the coils must be tested before she gets them. . . . Irma Wilkens is a new member of Arthur Murrays. Lorraine VonBerhn has just graduated from the '49 class. Maybe she could save some money by having them show us some of those fancy steps.

Office Offerings

Pat Lahr is leaving us to join the gang in Bldg. 26-4. Good luck, Pat, and pay us a visit now and then. . . . We welcome Leon Bond. Now there should be less waste and no spoilage. . . . Don Waldrop has a new power garden plow with mower attachment. He hasn't gotten it trained yet to stay in his own yard. While trying out the mower it got out of control and started across the neighbor's garden. Pull as bard as he might he couldn't hold it. He finally shorted the motor and it stopped in the middle of the garden. He is still on friendly terms with said neighbors, as the vegetables weren't high enough to get clipped.

All tbe people in New York aren't stupid, just because the population is dense.

Business has many angles—the buying angle is equal to the try angle.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT TEAMS DO YOU THINK WILL WIN THE MAJOR LEAGUE PENNANTS?



BETTY MORAN

Decatur

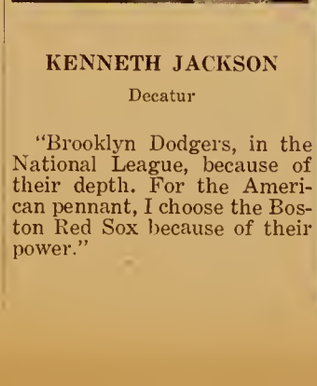
"I pick the New York Yankees to win the American League pennant, just because they're my favorite team. Since I follow only the Yanks, I'm not able to choose one from the other league."



GEORGE HANNA

Decatur

"I think the Cleveland Indians will take the pennant in the American League, because they have a good pitching staff. As yet I can't tell who will get it in the National League."



KENNETH JACKSON

Decatur

"Brooklyn Dodgers, in the National League, because of their depth. For the American pennant, I choose the Boston Red Sox because of their power."



EDWARD HORMAN

Bldg. 19-2

"Indians and Dodgers. I pick the Cleveland Indians because they have Lou Boudreau, the best manager in the league today. With their hitting and pitching staff, they just can't miss. In the National League it is a tough guess to pick a winner at this stage of the game. I will stick my neck out, however, and say the Brooklyn Dodgers, because Burt Shotton has his boys really hustling this year. They are young, and have plenty of batting strength, plus good pitching. All these equal a pennant."



ADDIE BASBAUM

Bldg. 17-1

"In my opinion, and I do hope, the New York Yankees and St. Louis Cardinals will win the Major League pennants this season."



TOUCHING THE BASES

by Walter Husted



The Auscos downed the Lafayette Red Sox, 3 to 0, at Edgewater Park before 1,750 happy fans in St. Joseph, Sunday. Showing an almost entirely new lineup, the Auscos served notice that they will be hard to live with this season.

Mack Stewart limited the hard-hitting Lafayette sluggers to five hits, while setting 10 Red Sox down on strikes. Two former Voltmen combined to produce the winning run in the third, when Bobby Winters doubled and scored on Manager Carl Kennedy's single. The insurance runs came in the seventh on Bernie Westerkamp's single and a home run by first sacker George Logan.

Russ Clifton pitched for the Red Sox, going seven innings, giving up six hits and the three Ausco runs. "Slim" DeLion pitched the last inning.

Line score:

Lafayette	000 000 000—0	5	3
St. Joseph	001 000 20x—3	7	1

Clifton, DeLion and Hixson; loser. Clifton.
Stewart and Westerkamp.

Studebakers Win

The Studebakers opened their season with a 2 to 1, thrilling 12-inning victory over the Benton Harbor Buds at Lippincott Park, South Bend, Sunday. Lefty Roy Lee, for the Studebakers, and Barney Morris, of the Buds, hooked up in a tight-pitching duel. Lee returned the victor, although he gave up 10 hits to the hard-hitting Buds; while his teammates could garner only five off Morris.

The Buds scored their only run in the fourth inning on singles by Richel, Geras and Kovach. Morris held the Studebakers at bay until the home seventh when Humay opened with a single, went to second on a sacrifice and scored the run that tied the game when Eufemi dropped a handle hit into right field.

In the next four innings, Morris faced only 13 batsmen, one base on balls being the only blot on his twirling. In the twelfth, which was played in a downpour of rain, Andy Anderson drew a walk, was sacrificed to second, and scored the winning run of Aeschliman's single to right.

Line score:

Benton Harbor	000 100 000 000—1	10	1
South Bend	000 000 100 001—2	5	1

M-I LEAGUE STANDINGS

(Includes Games of May 15)

	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Joseph	1	0	1.000
South Bend	1	0	1.000
Michigan City	1	0	1.000
VOLTMEN	0	1	.000
Lafayette	0	1	.000
Benton Harbor	0	1	.000

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Michigan City, 7; VOLTMEN, 6.
St. Joseph, 3; Lafayette, 0.
South Bend, 2; Benton Harbor, 1. (12 innings).

EXHIBITION GAMES

Homestead Grays, 6; VOLTMEN, 3.
Notre Dame, 13; St. Joseph, 6.
St. Joseph Auscos, 3; Lafayette Red Sox, 0.

BOOSTER TICKET SALES END

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Friday, May 27

Fifteen Named To Ham League Softball Team

The final practice session before the Ham Softball League opening was held Tuesday, May 17. At that time 15 men were picked for the G-E team to compete against six other league teams.

The players chosen for the G-E team are Clarence Watterson, Pres Slack, Joe Ort, Oscar Rodenbeck, Bill Holloway, Ross Snyder, Clyde Musser, Carl Reiter, George Langenberg, Elmer Hazelett, Tony Wichman, Chief Surface, and Fred Bergman. Sam Baumgartner was named coach, and Bill Schible will serve as manager.

The Club opens league play Wednesday, May 25, at 8 p.m. against International Harvester. The game will be played at Packard Park.

OWL GOLF

By Earle D. Stauffer

With a very fine assist from the weather man, the Owl Golf League teed off toward the goal and championship that has been held the last two years by those "Hot Shots" from Bldg. 19.

Even before anyone could get warm to the task at hand, a sub par round, the first time this has happened in this writer's Owl League experience, and a team total of 156 was carded. Jim Sternberger put together three birdies, four pars, and two bogies for a sub par 35 on the first nine at Brookwood. Quite naturally, Jim and the rest of the "Hot Shots" carded the team total of 156 strokes. They picked up a fat plus-36 from Butch Junk, Walt Pook and Company.

The rest of the league play didn't produce any other 40-busters but they all have their sights set to make open season on the "Hot Shots" when they meet.

Team No. 3, composed of Merchant, Uhrick, John and Dick Bierbaum picked up 13 points from Gus Ormsby's boys.

Pappy Garland, Lou Barney, John Starke and Earl Stauffer make up Team No. 1, which took a measure of the Bldg. 17-1 standbys by 12 points. This Bldg. 17-1 team, composed of Ray Stanger, Al Middaugh, Jerry Humbarger, and Garland Myers, is starting its third season.

Quite naturally we, as a G-E league, are proud of our position in the vast interdivision sports program sponsored by our own G-E Club. We hope to promote the good sportsmanship that has been displayed in the past and make this season bigger and better than any that have gone before.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

Here it is another nice day in May, and we all can hope that next Monday is as nice for we will all be off enjoying a day at the lake, cleaning house which is not so enjoyable or working around the yard, etc. . . . As I was coming into work recently I noticed Bill Edmunds, to which all in Div. 91 would like to wish the best of luck. I also noticed that it doesn't take Bill very long to drum up new business, as he was carrying a large bag, which probably contained eggs. It was too large a sack to be carrying his lunch in. . . . I believe Rudolf Jackson and Ferdinand Reaser, commonly known as Pete, say they miss the cream in their coffee in the morning now that Joseph Ort isn't with us anymore to bring it in. . . . Russel Golliver seems to be having his ups and downs more than ever. Maybe it could be because he has taken the job as elevator operator. . . . Raymond Zell and Wilbur Shaffer are not letting any dirt get under their feet. They are giving the place a clean sweep down regularly. . . . Wilbur Shaffer is the proud father of a bouncing baby girl which weighed 7 lbs. 2 oz. . . . Russell Aker has gotten "stuck up" since he got that new super duper Dodge. He claims it has everything in it but the kitchen sink. He used to always blow his horn when he saw you in the old Chevy, but no more. He must be afraid of wearing out the horn on this new job. . . . It seems as though Luther McConnehey and John Sowers had an argument some time ago. Luther, being wrong, tried to buy John off by telling him he would bring John a nice large 20 or 30 pound turtle, but as yet John has seen no turtle. . . . Gerald Crum and Gus Kuhn were trying these new cars out over the week-end. Gus went to Michigan and Gerald went to Indianapolis. He got there just a little too late to see the grandstand go down at the speedway, as it happened near where he was sitting. . . . The fellows you see wearing sun glasses are none other than some of the second trick boys, Red Holzwarth, Mike Dauscher, Louis Wegman and John Staley. . . . It looks as though Ralph Milligan is in the market for a new Ford. At least he was seen getting a demonstration on Pontiac St. . . . Fred Thieme started to make his garden, but found the ground too hard. He had to dynamite it. It might be that Fred is getting a little weak. . . . Bob Bunyan said the bluegills that Arlo Amick brought him were very good only he hopes he doesn't have to wait as long for the next bunch. . . . The steering wheel on John Hughes' car must have broken up at Angola over the week-end. He was seen going around in a circle there. He was seen by none other than Charlie Kaiser who got caught in the rain Sunday. That was the first time Charlie's car has gotten wet other than being washed. . . . Robert Mennewisch got his Mondays confused a little. He forgot to come in last Monday. . . . All in Division 91 would like to wish Jim Stauffer a speedy recovery.

Medical Memos

By Mary Heymann

DID YOU NOTICE? The clean, shining walls in the Bldg. 8-1 Dispensary? The brilliant, pink color of Dr. Garton's face recently due to sunburn? The difficulty Mae Mulvane is having in refusing candy, pie, etc? Or is she? How happy our mothers were on their special day? . . . A group of student nurses from the Methodist Hospital, accompanied by Marie Kolter, superintendent, visited the main dispensary Tuesday, May 10. Since industrial nursing is one of the so-called newer fields, senior students especially are interested in this type of nursing. . . . Plans are under way for the Nurse-Management dinner to be held May 18. This is sponsored by the Industrial Nurses Association. . . . If anyone happened to notice Lyle Rupert looking a little different this week, it's because she had a new permanent last Saturday. . . . Anyone wanting expert advice on washing screened porches, consult Imo Jean Schwartz, Bldg. 21. . . . Minnie Fryback, Bldg. 21, is taking her vacation this week to do her housecleaning, she says. We hope she doesn't work too hard. . . . If you hear a terrific rattling and banging going by your home someday, don't be alarmed. It will probably only be Duane Stroud in his new Nash.

We moderns have otalgia,
Yet I remember way back when
We had the same annoying pain—
But we just called it earache then.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



G-E GOLF

By Hugh Dubdit

FORE and off to a new season. We have been asked to clarify and give an interpretation of some of the rules in effect through our leagues.

This week's rule, concerns teeing up the ball in the rough. Under the "winter rules" we use, the ball may be teed-up in the fairway. The census of opinion is that when the ball leaves the fairway being played it is considered in the rough, even though the ball may be in an adjacent fairway. When the ball is located in the rough, it must not be touched except under penalty of one stroke.

In the Wednesday night group, the Brassies led by G. Schimmele, shooting a 40 and W. Kirke with a 41 got away to a lead scoring 16 points. V. Foulks of the second place Mashies turned in a card of 40.

The Optimists of the Tuesday night group turned in a very good team score of 173 actual, to beat the Forty-niners and scored 13 points to lead the group. "Red" Braden had the best card of 38, while Bod Dent and Virg Guebard came in with 41.

Etiquette Tip of The Week: Try to remember that there may be several foursomes following you that want to finish the round before dark. Let's all try to shoot promptly when the way is clear or allow a speedier group to shoot through.



While most of our gang are counting the days until vacation, Melba Ingram's excitement increases as she counts the days left before her wedding. May 28 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Melba will become the bride of Robert L. Kelly of Auburn. Following the wedding and reception Melba and Bob will leave for a honeymoon trip to Niagara Falls. The wishes of the whole gang are that the happiest days of their past will be the saddest days of their future. Have fun, kids, and hurry back. . . . Everyone in Bldg. 8-1 is still talking about the bowling party last Tuesday night at Kessens Bowling Alley. Such great bowlers as "Heiny" Guenther, "Katie" Hirschman, Florence "Always good for a laugh" Casey, Byron "Set 'em up again" Simmons and Vera "Gutter Ball" Kruge were on hand to make the evening successful. Vera wasn't going to bowl at first when she heard it was going to cost her five cents for each gutter ball she rolled. Rather than have Vera penniless by the end of the evening, the gang decided to drop that idea and keep Vera happy. . . . It didn't take Jim Laisure long to get used to the day shift. He always comes in wide awake and rarin' to go. At least, he comes in. . . . A most welcome visitor last Monday was Tom Dent. Tom is up and about and expects to return to work in a week or two. It will be nice having you back with us, Tom. . . . "The reason a dog has so many friends is that he wags his tail instead of his tongue."

Voltmen Lose Opening Games To Grays, Cubs

The G-E Voltmen dropped their two opening games last week-end, the first exhibition opener here against the Homestead Grays and the other was their Michigan-Indiana League inaugural. They lost to the Homestead Grays Saturday night in a 6-3 duel, and were nosed out by the Michigan City Cubs, 7-6.

The game Saturday was delayed a half-hour by rain, before the official opening finally got underway. Gene Moses, Bldg. 8-2, was



Mayor Henry E. Branning Jr., above, throws out the first ball to open the season.

accompanied on the trumpet by Don Rendel in a stirring rendition of the Star Spangled Banner, before Mayor Henry E. Branning Jr., threw out the first ball to officially open the season.

The Voltmen got off to a 3-1 lead in the first inning on successive home runs by Johnny Dudick and Olan Smith, but the Cubs had passed them by 5-3 at the end of the fourth. The Voltmen succeeded in making it a 5-5 game after a sixth inning rally, but gave the opposition an unearned run in the seventh to break the tie. They yielded another run in the ninth and then fell a run short in their half of the final inning.

Cubs	AB	R	H	Voltmen	AB	R	H
Thomas,lf	5	1	2	Runge,cf	3	0	0
Sunday,2b	5	1	2	Hardy,2b	4	1	0
Fuchs,cf	0	0	0	Dudick,ss	5	2	3
Hoffer'th,c	5	2	4	Smith,1b	5	1	1
Platak,rf	5	0	0	Miasek,lf	2	0	1
Dotlick,1b	5	1	1	Shargey,3b	2	1	0
Yoke,3b	4	0	1	Horman,rf	3	1	2
Nesho,ss	4	1	1	Burkhardt,c	4	0	2
Sakas,p	2	0	0	Orphal,p	1	0	0
Smola,p	1	0	1	Hazel,p	3	0	0
Diehl,cf	1	1	2	Kilby,cf	2	0	1
				Bobilya,2b	1	0	0
Totals	10	7	14	Totals	36	6	10

a Batted for Shargey in 9th.

Michigan City ..... 112 100 101—7
Voltmen ..... 300 002 001—6

Errors—Smith, Smola, Two-base hits—Burkhardt, Dudick. Home runs—Dudick, Smith. Stolen base—Horman. Double play—Dudick to Hardy to Smith. Left on bases—Michigan City 11, G-E 9. Bases on balls—Orphal 2, Sakas 4, Smola 1, Hazel 1. Strikeouts—Orphal 2, Sakas 6, Smola 2, Hazel 2. Hits—Off Orphal 9 in 3 1-3 innings, Sakas 6 in 5. Passed balls—Burkhardt 2. Winning pitcher—Smola. Losing pitcher—Hazel. Umpires—Sears and Kawalski. Time—2:20.

Voltmen Lose to Grays

The Voltmen lost to the famous Homestead Grays, 6 to 3. Behind the pitching of Scott Cary, the Voltmen built up a 3 to 0 lead in the first five innings and appeared on their way to victory.

Semipro Champions Open 1949 Season



Members of the G-E Voltmen, semi-pro baseball champions, are shown above in their first official picture of the season. Top row: (l. to r.) Hugh Orphan, pitcher; Al Hazel, pitcher; Olan Smith, first base; Charles Braden, manager; Stan Miasek, left field, and Charles Bobilya, second base. Middle row: (l. to r.) Charles Shipman, pitcher; John Burkhardt, catcher; John Orphal, pitcher; Dee Hamilton, coach; Roy Kilby, center field, and Scott Cary, pitcher. Bottom row: (l. to r.) John Dudick, shortstop; Bill Hardy, second base; Don Horman, right field; Jim Slack, batboy; Don Runge, center field, and Stan Shargey, third base.



John Burkhardt slides into second, as two Cubs make an unsuccessful attempt to put him out.

The national champs scored single runs in the second, third and fourth frames. In the second inning, Stan Shargey drove one of Kaiser's slants over the left field fence; while in the next frame Burkhart repeated Shargey's feat with a slightly longer drive. The Voltmen concluded their scoring in the third inning on Miasek's triple and Burkhart's single.

In the home eighth, the Voltmen appeared to have a rally underway on singles by Miasek and Horman which put runners on first and second with one out. Burkhart popped a high fly along the first base line which was missed completely by Leonard; but in a mix up over a very faintly called infield fly, the base runners took off and Miasek was run down to complete a double play.

Homestead	AB	R	H	Voltmen	AB	R	H
Richard'n,ss	5	0	0	Runge,cf	3	0	0
Gary,3	5	1	1	Hardy,2	4	0	1
Bankhead,2	4	1	0	Dudick,ss	4	0	1
Leonard,1	3	2	2	Smith,1	4	0	0
Fields,cf	4	1	1	Miasek,lf	4	1	3
Clifford,c	4	0	2	Shargey,2	2	1	1
Wit'spoon,lf	4	0	0	Horman,rf	4	0	1
Jackson,rf	4	1	2	Burkhardt,c	3	1	2
Kaiser,p	1	0	0	Cary,p	2	0	0
				Orphan,p	0	0	0
				Shipman,p	0	0	0
				aKilby	1	0	0
				bBobilya	1	0	0
Totals	37	6	8	Totals	33	3	9

a-Batted for Shipman 9th.
b-batted for Runge 9th.

Grays ..... 000 003 021—6
Voltmen ..... 011 100 000—3

Errors—Fort Wayne, Hardy Dudick. Runs batted in—Fields 3, Clifford 2, Gary, Burkhardt 2, Shargey. Three base hits—Clifford, Miasek. Home runs—Fields, Shargey, Burkhardt. Stolen bases—Jackson, Shargey. Double plays—Leonard to Bankhead, Shargey-Hardy-Smith. Left on bases—Grays 6, Fort Wayne 9. Bases on balls—Bankhead, Leonard, Runge, Burkhardt. Strikeouts—Kaiser 8, Cary 4, Orphan, Shipman. Hits off—Cary 3 in 5 innings; Orphan 3 in 3 innings; Shopman 2 in 1 inning. Balk—Kaiser. Losing Pitcher—Orphan. Umpires—Hood and Burke.



Stan Miasek and batboy Jim Slack greet Olan Smith as he crosses the plate after hitting a home run over the centerfield fence in Sunday's game against the Michigan City Cubs. The poke gave the Voltmen a 3-1 first inning lead.



Olan Smith saves a wild throw on an attempted wild play in the seventh inning of the game Sunday.

Roll Up 28-3 Victory Over House Of David

By Bill Hunt

The House of David team might well change their name to The House of Goliath after Tuesday night's game. It could be seen as early as the first inning that they were to be beaten, although they started well by laying two bunts down that stumped substitute third baseman Chuck Bobilya. It quit then as their murderers-row went down swinging, pitcher to first and second to first respectively.

The Voltmen fattened their averages gloriously, as everybody got at least one hit. Gabby Horman led the pack with two mighty home runs, two doubles and a single in five official trips at bat. Stan Shargey also got a round tripper to go with two singles to make three for five. Don Runge got two doubles and a single in four to make his average look much more healthy.

House of David	AB	R	H	Voltmen	AB	R	H
Barrett,ss	3	0	2	Shargey,ss	5	4	3
Gran'man,2	5	0	1	Horman,rf	5	7	5
Zurkowski,1	5	0	0	Smith,1	7	3	1
Dunlap,rf	3	1	0	Miasek,lf,p	4	3	1
Krieger,lf	3	0	2	Bobilya,3	7	3	4
Marion,cf	4	1	2	Burkhardt	7	2	2
Yauilla,3	5	1	2	Kilby,2	5	2	1
Henuille,c	5	0	0	Runge,rf	4	3	3
Serben,p	0	0	0	Cary,p	5	1	2
Meyer,p	2	0	0	Orphan,1	1	0	0
Skully,p	1	0	0	Shipman,lf	0	0	0
Totals	36	3	7	Totals	51	28	22

House of David ..... 000 00 2 100— 3
Voltmen ..... 103 4210 53x—28



Al Hazel waits for a throw that would cut off the winning run in the game against the Michigan City Cubs Sunday afternoon.



Before starting the Homestead Grays-vs.-Voltmen game Saturday night, Umpires George Hood and Eddie Burke meet for a session with Sam Bankhead, manager of the Homestead Grays, and Charles (Red) Braden, Voltmen manager.

What About Job Security?

Let's face the facts about job security.

Let's honestly admit that things have been so flush for the past 10 years that we have all forgotten that jobs could be scarce or insecure. Let's confess that all too many of us have leaned too heavily on the promises of politicians that some new man-made laws were going to protect us from the natural operation of the old law of "supply and demand." Let's realize that almost all of us have forgotten that the boss who sets the wages and makes the jobs is not the union leader, not the government man, not the company officer, but the customer who buys—or refuses to buy—what we make.

And let's face up to the fact that the customer has suddenly slowed down his buying — stopped buying as much, or as freely, or at prices as high as a few months ago. Why?

We think it's this. In the last 10 years there has been a great increase in the supply of money — with nothing near the same increase in consumer goods. That's because we shot away in the "hot" war, or gave away in the "cold" war, a large part of what all of us produced. And what we produced for the government was paid for mostly in new money in the form of I.O.U.'s.

For six years we all got paid more and more out of the increased supply of dollars. We had the money, but we couldn't buy lots of things we wanted, because they weren't being made.

Now, in the last four years since the war, we Americans have been trying to make up for what we couldn't get — or get enough of — in the previous six years. But, at the same time, we have been having to hand over about ¼ of the average income of each of us to military, foreign, or other federal, state, or local government purposes.

We have too eagerly and too carelessly rushed to buy the remaining ¾ of our country's output. For four years we have been using *both* income and savings to bid against each other for what products there were on the market... products we *could* have bought out of income alone, if we hadn't been in such a hurry.

WHAT MUST WE DO?

Now the big rush is over. A lot of people have gotten what they wanted most... for which they, too often, were willing to pay too much. Some people have come to the end of their savings. Others still have old savings or are putting new savings in the bank, but are holding off buying until prices settle down and seem more attractive.

Customers in general feel that shortages are over, prompt deliveries can be gotten again, and it isn't necessary to buy way ahead or pay the first asking price. In fact, most of them feel they can buy later at lower prices. The return of full supply and intense competition has put the buyer back in the driver's seat.

General Electric has always tried to make jobs secure, to have them even more secure than other employers. The past record has been good, and right now General Electric is trying its best to maintain that record—to beat it, if possible.

Clearly, the way to make and protect jobs is to get and hold customers. And to keep them buying in this slow market we must offer better values—more attractive prices on ever more attractive goods, presented by our advertising and our salesmen with ever more enthusiasm and conviction.

As material costs came down and engineering improvements were made, General Electric, early in the year, reduced prices on refrigerators, ranges, freezers, and many other items... introduced new television sets and automatic clothes washers at prices nearly $100 less than previous models... with expected savings to General Electric customers of $50 million in 1949.

Since these first reductions, General Electric has been able to reduce prices on still other items, some of them for the second time.

These timely reductions.... these product improvements... and the still bigger values we hope to offer in the future — together with a more powerful, hard-hitting selling effort — will help to make jobs. They will increase customer buying power, get more General Electric products sold, get production back up and layoffs down, make a sound start towards raising real wages and insuring greater job security.

HOW CAN WE ALL HELP?

The security of General Electric jobs, and how good they are otherwise, is wrapped up in this improvement process — improving the quality and reliability of our products, improving the price we offer, improving the sales effort we make, improving the reputation we enjoy. In the end, there is no security like working for an employer who is the low-cost producer with the best reputation for quality products and honest dealing.

Every employee has a personal stake in making and holding General Electric customers and General Electric jobs. Everyone needs the help of everyone else.

And we all can help by checking ourselves again and again each day and hour... in the plant, the laboratory, the office, in the customer's presence... making sure we are giving our full interest, skill, care and effort to these more attractive, more reliable, bigger-value General Electric products which we must have in order to stimulate renewed and increased buying by our customers.

But we don't just need a product and a price that outwardly look good to the customer. Knowing that steady jobs depend on a steady flow of orders, we all need, even more, to hold on to that world-wide reputation of ours which gives the customer the inner assurance that the product and price are as good as they look—that it's best to buy from General Electric.

We can't promise that all this will result in steady employment, because we can't look into the future and tell how much our customers can and will buy from us. But we do know that all of us—working together—can and should do a lot toward protecting our present jobs, gaining back those lost, and going on to make new jobs and new futures... by doing more of what it takes to make the products that make the sales that make the jobs.

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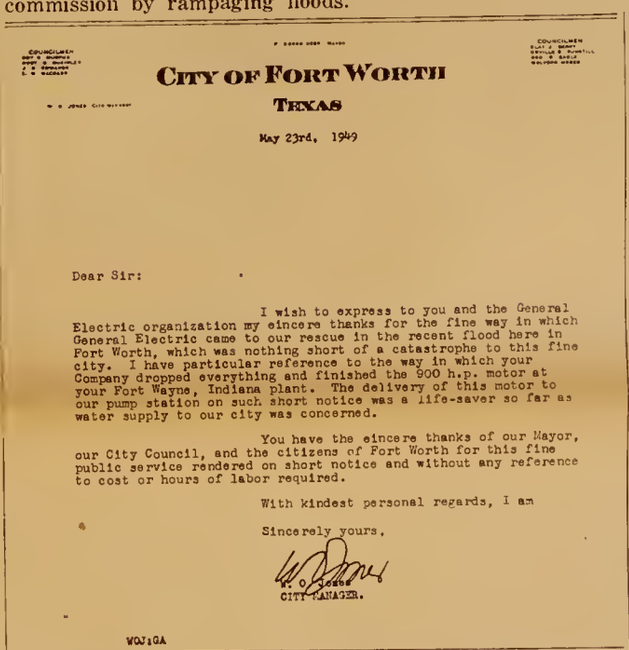
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G-E Workers Rush Motor To Aid Flood Stricken City In Texas

A group of assemblers, testers and machinists at the Fort Wayne Works were praised this week after a dramatic race against time to rush a synchronous motor to Fort Worth, Tex., for pumping water to flood-groggy Texans, whose water system had been put out of commission by rampaging floods.



CITY OF FORT WORTH
TEXAS

May 23rd, 1949

Dear Sir:

I wish to express to you and the General Electric organization my eincere thanks for the fine way in which General Electric came to our rescue in the recent flood here in Fort Worth, which was nothing short of a catastrophe to this fine city. I have particular reference to the way in which your Company dropped everything and finished the 900 h.p. motor at your Fort Wayne, Indiana plant. The delivery of this motor to our pump station on such short notice was a life-saver so far as water supply to our city was concerned.

You have the eincere thanks of our Mayor, our City Council, and the citizens of Fort Worth for this fine public service rendered on short notice and without any reference to cost or hours of labor required.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

CITY MANAGER.

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The exciting story of how local G-E workers went to the aid of the flood-stricken Texans started Monday night, May 16, when a 10-inch rain caused flood waters of the Trinity River to smash four gaping holes in the levees and inundate large portions of the city of Fort Worth. It soon flooded the city's Holly Pumping Plant and cut off the water supply for the entire city.

The first floor of the plant was submerged in three feet of water. The six main motors driving the centrifugal water pumps, which were located in a pit 18 feet below the first floor, were submerged under 20 feet of water.

City Is Without Water

With the exception of a few scattered artesian wells, the city was without water of any type. Drinking water was brought in by truck. Hospitals cancelled all but major operations to conserve what little water was available. The chief danger, however, lay in fire and no effort was overlooked to get the pumps back in service.

Power at the pumping station went off at 5:45 a.m. Tuesday. An urgent telephone call to the General Electric Company's Dallas service shop brought a crew of men to the scene. Until the water was pumped from the pit in which the main pump motors were located, nothing could be done to them.

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Vice President H. V. Erben Reviews Business Outlook

ADDRESS GIVEN AT MEETING OF SQUARES CLUB, ENGINEERS

"The Apparatus Department, Past, Present and Future" was the topic of an address by H. V. Erben to members of the Squares Club and engineers at a meeting held Wednesday evening, May 18, in the Squares hall.

Mr. Erben is Vice President of the Company and General Manager of the Apparatus Department.

In the opening portions of his talk, Mr. Erben discussed the operation of the Fort Wayne Works.

Mr. Erben then discussed the organization of the Apparatus Department, its volume of business, expansion activities, and the general business outlook.

He pointed out that the department represents approximately one-half the total volume of the Company, and has about one-half of its employees.

"Although we are primarily in the producer-goods field, we have an extensive interest in the components field, a fairly wide range of products for the consumer market, and an increasingly active part in the armament and jet engine fields," he said.

Expansion Activities

In his discussion of expansion

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VETERANS HOLD G-E MEMORIAL PROGRAM TODAY

Final arrangements have been completed for the G-E World War Veterans' Memorial Service which will be held at 12:15 p.m. today in front of Bldg. 19.

The main address will be given by John E. Estabrook, Assistant to the Works Manager.

The rifle squad and bugler of American Legion Post 47 and a color guard will take part in the ceremony. The color guard will include Harold Rahe, Melvin Curtis, Roy Ogden, Robert Zimmerly and Preston Hille.

Arthur F. Stute, representing the veterans of World War I, and Paul Trier, for those of World War II, will place wreaths at the two memorials.

C. H. Matson, Works Manager; E. A. Barnes, former General Superintendent and now retired, and K. W. Michael, president of the association, will also take part in the program.

Volunteer Firemen To Hold Annual Stag Picnic June 4

The Volunteer Firemen's Association will hold its annual stag picnic Saturday, June 4, at the Log Cabin.

Speeding Truck Carries G-E Motor To Fort Worth



Loaders slide the G-E motor from Bldg. 6-1 into a truck Wednesday morning for its trip to Indianapolis and then Fort Worth, Texas. The next photo shows the vital cargo arriving at the Holly Pump Station in Fort Worth at 12:40 a.m. Friday. In the left foreground is a city motorcycle officer and parked at the far left is a Texas Highway Patrol escort car. The crane at the right stands ready to lift the motor into the pit at the pump station. The photo at the right shows the motor being lowered from the flat-bed truck onto skids leading through the doorway of the plant. The happiest man to see the new motor arrive was Superintendent of Production Fred Kink (at the left), who rushes up to pat the motor.

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Don Campbell.....Editor

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Every Buddy Poppy Carries A Memorial Day Message

Each year on Memorial Day all America is asked to "Wear A Buddy Poppy." The national Buddy Poppy Sale will be held Saturday, May 28. It is conducted annually by the Veterans of Foreign Wars to raise relief work funds for help to disabled and needy ex-service men and their dependents—help beyond what government aid can supply.

Made in government hospitals, the Buddy Poppies, so named by the war-disabled who fashion them each year, are a mute tribute to their "Buddies" who never came back. They recall the little red flowers that sprang up in the fields of Flanders as if to commemorate the lives of those gallant youths who fell there more than a quarter of a century ago in the first great World War struggle to establish an enduring peace. They recall, more freshly, the high toll of World War II in the same selfless cause.



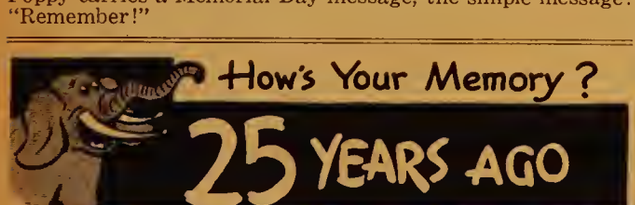
The President of the United States each year at the White House receives the first Buddy Poppy from the child of one of America's dead heroes, a child from the V.F.W. National Home for Widows and Orphans of veterans, to which a portion of the Buddy Poppy Sale proceeds is allocated. Labor and fraternal organizations, business and professional associations, religious leaders and women's clubs have annually expressed their warm accord with the Buddy Poppy plan.

President Harding, the first President to receive a V.F.W. Poppy, characterized it as "the outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual remembrance." The first national poppy sale of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the first veteran organization to undertake and successfully conduct the poppy-sale movement on a nation-wide scale, was in 1922, using French poppies made by women and children of the devastated areas. The present plan of "Buddy Poppies" made by disabled ex-service men, developed in 1924, has expanded annually and is recognized by the U. S. Veterans Administration as a valuable adjunct to the Occupational Therapy work in the government hospitals where the Buddy Poppies are made.

Today in the hospitals of the United States thousands on thousands of disabled veterans give tragic evidence of the cost of conflict. Not the least pitiful result of war's exacting toll are the thousands of widows and orphaned children who lost husband and father.

Each Buddy Poppy is a symbol of the hope that war may never again demand the sacrifice of America's manhood. To wear one of these poignant "flowers of remembrance" is to honor their memory and their deeds. There can be no better honor to their sacrifices than to help the disabled and their dependents.

The goal is set this year at 20,000,000 Buddy Poppies. To wear one on Memorial Day is so little to ask. It means so much. Every Buddy Poppy is a reminder of war and its terrific toll of health and young strength. Every Buddy Poppy carries a Memorial Day message, the simple message: "Remember!"



Diplomas were presented to sixty G-E Night School men Tuesday evening, May 22, following a dinner at which they were the guests of the company.

Several musical selections were played during dinner by an orchestra made up of men from the plant. Emerson Vester, of the Apprentice Department, played several delightful piano solos.

E. A. Barnes spoke on the subject "Training, the First Step Toward Promotion."

"Opportunity Knocks More Than Once" was the topic taken by W. J. Hockett to point out that opportunity is always present.





OUT OF THE BLUE in 26-2 office

by Delores Patterson

We extend our sympathy to the family of Herb Driftmeyer. . . . John Cunningham of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Engineering Division has left for Schenectady. We are all very sorry to hear of his leaving. . . . Bob Thomas of the Service Bureau had a hectic time last Friday. He arose at the 5:30 alarm, and the first thing to do was fix the washing machine. After fixing that he was getting into his car to come to work when he spied a flat tire. That made him a few minutes late for work. Coming to work puffing, he started his daily routine delivering the mail. While on his route, his mail bag broke and he dropped two untyped cylinders. Poor Bob, he was just a week late—You would have thought it was Friday the 13th! . . . The golf season is here for sure and Dick Sellers and Jim Locker bought a box each of golf clubs from Herb Eaton. Let's see some action now, fellows! . . . Goings-on for our three-day holiday! Betty Horner is moving into her new home. Clara Wagner is going to sleep! Vera Reeves is going to be ambitious (for a change). Ruth Ellert is going to the Tulip Festival at Holland, Mich. Lee Stein is going to Goodland, Ind. Mickey Huth is going fishing. Bob Thomas will spend his time at Lake Wawasee. Dorothy Halleck is going to Earl Park, Ind. . . . Helen Brindle, trying to cooperate with the Jaycee's Clean-Up Week Campaign, tried to clean up her neighbor's backyard only to find herself knee-deep in poison ivy! We hope it hasn't bothered you too much, Helen.

ELEX DAY GIRLS PLAN FATHER-DAUGHTER PARTY

The Elex day girls are planning their annual Father-Daughter party for Friday, June 3, at 8 p.m. in the Kreis Stolzenau hall.

Joe Taylor, Bldg. 27, and his band will be featured for the program, followed by a Dutch lunch. During the party, each father will receive a gift from the club.

Tickets for the occasion are $1.50 each, and can be obtained from contact girls. The deadline for the reservations are Tuesday, May 31.

Thisa and Thata "SPECIALTY MOTOR"

by Helen Engle

Our heartfelt sympathy to William Wickliffe and his family in the death of his brother, Arlo Wickliffe. . . . We're glad to see Bob Bice back on the job. He says there is nothing to the peanut story. . . . Hazel Herron got a little extra shut-eye the other morning and came in a bit late. That's OK, Hazel, extra sleep does one good once in a while. . . . Thelma Purdue came out of the store the other day carrying a big sack of groceries when a gust of wind came along and played havoc with her big, big skirt. She vows no more full skirts when going to the grocery. . . . Congratulations and best wishes to Becky and Harry Possel who became the proud parents of a girl last Saturday. Becky used to work in 1x29. . . . Nahrwold, how does it go to be a papa? Congratulations and good luck from the gang in Bldg. 4-3 Test and Inspection. . . . Berry, has that boy of yours started to school yet? Better look out or he will soon be cutting you down to his size one of these days. . . . Elmer Koehlinger, how does that car run? Must be all right as you look great behind the wheel; keep her going, Elmer. . . . Some of the fellows at Henry Wiegman's wedding reception are wondering why George Prince had to leave so early. Do you have to get in before dark, George? . . . As far as we know Gilbert Walker is the first hot-rod fan in Bldg. 4-3. He takes it out to the country to try it out. . . . Henry Shirley and Louie Sauers are feuding about who can grind the valves in a car the fastest and best. . . . We want to welcome Lucile Orr to inspection. Hope you will like it here. . . . And to Peggy Tschannen a welcome from 1x29 and hope you like us.

Meet the President



Erben Reviews Business Outlook

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activities, Mr. Erben stated:

"Unfortunately, the current business situation in a considerable number of our product divisions, including the two businesses here has necessitated the curtailment of operations in some of our branch plants, as well as at parent works. We consider this condition as temporary, however, and we are not changing our policy in regard to continuing decentralization to small plants wherever desirable."

Major stress was placed by Mr. Erben on the need for orders to support the department's present rate of production and meet the 1949 budget.

Mr. Erben then reviewed the general business outlook in the three businesses located at the Fort Wayne Works:

Fractional Horsepower Motor

"As you know, this is a component-type business. As such, your business follows the trend of the user industries. And in this business, almost every single line has gone soft. The pipelines are filled; many users over purchased and are using up motor inventories. However, it is our hope that this condition is temporary. Slowups in some industries like home laundry equipment may later be offset by increases in demand for pump or fan motors. In view of this factor, we are still optimistic and hope that the total volume of business in 1949 will average considerably above its current level, and even more encouraging, our Marketing Research Division in a very recent report has reconfirmed their belief that after the present recession is over fractional horsepower motors will continue on to new heights."

Specialty Transformer, Ballasts

"This business is made up of two distinct lines of product.

"In regard to ballasts, the business outlook is difficult to describe, and that is putting it mildly. Prewar we had high hopes, based upon the Lamp Department's outlook. During the war, this optimistic viewpoint was stimulated by the installation of fluorescent lighting in many defense plants.

"At the present time, the business has increased but has developed to about one-half of what we planned. We are by no means discouraged, but the immediate future is by no means clear. The situation demands that we pull in our belts and dig in for a hard fight.

"In the more stable end, the Specialty Transformer part, you have great diversity in both product and application. Yet, this business is also sensitive to business changes. As a result, the Specialty Transformer line—currently about one-third of the volume of this business—is also facing a future difficult to forecast."

Large Motor, Generator

"The unit at Fort Wayne, with its synchronous motors, motor-generator sets, and direct-current motors, has not dropped off as much as your other two businesses. The level of operations is down slightly under 1948 and the downward trend may continue moderately for a short time. However, this is a relatively stable operation and the fluctuations probably won't be severe.

"Part of the work of this operation has been in helping another division catch up with a backlog. This work should be finished in July. A small decline in the level of the Fort Wayne unit is anticipated at that time as a result."



H. V. Erben, G-E Vice President and General Manager of the Apparatus Department, is shown above meeting with W. C. Wichman, Manager of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions; C. H. Matson, Fort Wayne Works Manager, and M. E. Lord, Manager of the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, at a meeting of the Squares Club and engineers last week.

Employee Relations Objectives

"You and Your Job" was the next topic discussed by Mr. Erben:

"I know you are all anxious for even more information about what is actually happening in your own operations. Rumors about depressions and recessions are current at many of our works. As you well know, the necessity for layoffs is an unpleasant reality right here in your own factory and your associated plants.

"I think that the return to normal operations can be helped considerably by a good dose of facts. As a result, I am asking each of our product division managers to brief all of their people—in the shop as well as in the office—on the frank and honest facts of the business as it now stands and as they see it in the future.

"This presentation will include all possible and pertinent information on sales, billings, costs, investment, development, employment, etc. In many cases the short-range picture may be unpleasant, but I am convinced that you need and want this information. When our people have it, I know they will be better equipped to change these short-range setbacks into long-range victories for themselves and their operations."

Improving Jobs

Mr. Erben then reviewed the department's mutual approach to the subject of jobs:

"G-E has been engaged for the past 18 months in a serious effort to improve jobs at General Electric. The Apparatus Department and your works have been sincerely trying to meet the goals of this worthwhile campaign. While we have hardly scratched the surface, I want to assure you that I and your own management wholeheartedly support this campaign and its objectives.

"We have made a small but sure start in the face of what may be conservatively called dismaying facilities. Reconversion. Inflation. Expansion. New competitors, some of them financed by your own tax payments. And, as you know, we have been attacked unfairly and without quarter by people who represent special—and sometimes very special—interests."

Concerning job improvement as it affects each employee, Mr. Erben outlined the following three things that the department has been attempting to do:

"(1) We have been trying to keep in mind pay, working conditions, and the other material parts of your job so that we can develop a realistic program of gradual improvement.

"(2) We in managerial positions have been trying to learn how to be good supervisors. We want to give you full and honest information, clear directions, authority commensurate with responsibility, and self respect. We want our supervisors to be leaders in the best sense of the word—leaders who will give everyone a sense of participation and who will earn the loyal support of their people.

"(3) We have been trying to make available some of the more important facts of economics and good citizenship. We have sincerely tried to be objective in our approach. We have not and could not, for example, tell Dean Carothers what brand of economics to teach. He was on his own and that's the way we want it."

Looking into the future, Mr. Erben discussed pay, benefits, working conditions, and job security.

He stated:

Pay to Be Open Matter

"In the past there's been secrecy and mystery about pay. Effective as of now and in the future, we want to make it possible for you to discuss pay on the frankest basis possible with your responsible superior."

Benefits Are Nothing New

"In this day of emphasis upon the so-called 'fringe benefits,' G-E employees can rightfully feel that they had it long before professional union and government stylists decided to make 'fringe' the fashion of the day."

Stock Bonus Savings Plan

"The advantages of this plan are not difficult to see—some 77,000 G-E employees are convinced that here is a good way to save and a good way to become a stockholder in the Company.

"So, as far as pay and extra benefits are concerned, we are sincerely trying to be fair, and to anticipate and then meet the increasing social responsibilities of our day."

Working Conditions

"We will continue to strive for adequate—not perfect or luxurious—working conditions in the same manner that you as home owners strive over a period of years to make your home an increasingly better place in which to live.

"If your working conditions are a source of real irritation, let your supervisor know. He won't be able to get everything fixed to suit everybody at once—but I assure you we are interested in seeing that all of our supervisors try to do the reasonable things, within a reasonable time limit and with a reasonable cost."

Job Security

"Things have been so free and easy for the past 10 years that many have forgotten that jobs can be insecure. But many jobs are insecure right now—jobs that were born in abnormal times and must of necessity die with the end of boom times.

"There is no royal road to job security but I'm convinced that General Electric provides the best opportunity for alert, aggressive, loyal, resourceful employees to make their own job secure."

Department Has Kept Pace

In conclusion, Mr. Erben stated:

"Your Apparatus Department has more than kept pace with the amazing war — and post-war — growth of an American economy which has its roots in the ever-growing use of electric power.

"Factory-wise, product-wise, personnel-wise, and organizationally we believe we are prepared for almost any challenge the future may present.

"We can't fail, nor can subversive groups make much headway, if we can provide the leadership that will earn the loyalty and the resourceful, eager participation of all of you who are sharing in this great enterprise."

Elex Club's Second Shift Girls To Attend Theater-Luncheon Party

The second shift girls of Elex will hold their June meeting Thursday, June 16. They will meet in the YWCA at 11:30 a.m. for a smorgasbord.

Following the luncheon, they will attend the showing of "Flamingo Road," starring Joan Crawford, at the Emboyd theater.

Tickets for the theater-luncheon are $1 each and can be purchased from contact girls. Reservations must be made by Monday, June 13.

Squares Elect New Officers



The new officers of the G-E Squares Club are shown, above, mapping plans for their term of office after the club's annual meeting and election Wednesday, May 18. They are: (seated) R. P. Cheesman, vice president; M. A. Baker, president; D. G. Seabold, secretary; (standing) J. J. Clarkson, director, and F. T. Carlson, treasurer.

G-E Workers

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City officials then requested G-E representatives to do everything possible to hasten completion of a new 900 horsepower, 720 rpm, synchronous motor already on order.

Start Working at Midnight

After several exchanges of telegrams, R. M. Hartigan, Manager of Manufacturing for the Large Motor and Generator divisions, was reached here by telephone at 10 p.m. Mr. Hartigan got some extra crews together about midnight.

The men located a motor which would do the job, but it was being prepared for another order. Another catch was that it was anywhere from 5 to 10 days from completion. In fact, one end of the motor hadn't even been assembled.

They worked all day and night Tuesday, and completed it Wednesday morning about 9 o'clock.

Job Finished in 10 Hours

The last castings were machined the motor assembled, and the test group completed tests—all in only 10 hours, a job that usually requires several days.

"Everybody did a remarkable job in my opinion," Mr. Hartigan said later. "I can't say enough to praise those fellows. They really pitched in and worked."

The next problem was one of transportation. The motor weighs 10,000 pounds, has 900 horsepower and 2,300 volts. It is about 50 inches high, 50 inches long and eight feet wide.

Truck Speeds Motor to Texas

Too heavy and compact to be flown, the motor was sent by truck. A local trucker rushed it to Indianapolis, where a trucking firm solved some difficulties concerning regulations about driving a truck straight through to Fort Worth by putting a special relief driver on the job.

Victor Brown, the truck driver, said he drove 55 and 60 miles an hour most of the way.

Hearing of the emergency trip, the governor of Oklahoma ordered a special police escort for the motor through that state. An escort also was waiting at the Texas border to speed the final lap of the journey.

The truck made a record run of over 1,000 miles in 33 hours, arriving in Fort Worth at 12:40 a.m. By 7 a.m. installation and wiring was completed. Grimy workmen stepped back and grinned—their work was done.

The motor turned over perfectly. Soon water was flowing from the taps of homes throughout Fort Worth for the first time in three days.

A photographic account of the story is shown at the right:

(1) Fort Worth, Tex., got its water system back in operation in record time only because of the hard work and technical know-how of a bunch of guys and gals at the Fort Wayne Works. A part of the crack crew that worked on the motor includes the following from the first shift: (l. to r.) First row—William Grider, rotor assembler; Bernadine Mailand, AC coil taper; Anna Fairbanks, DC coil taper; William Kaiser, rotor assembler; Al Deininger, machinist; Ollie Fox rotor coil winder; George March, armature winder; Otto Rusch, balancer, and George Zeis, AC assembler. Second row—Guy Miller, exciter assembler; Osmer Eix, oven

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MODERN PAUL REVERE

Speeds G-E Motor Over 1,000 Miles To Fort Worth, Texas, In 33 Hours

Police sirens sounded a tocsin to Fort Worth, Tex., residents of "to faucets, to faucets, the water is coming" as a big truck bearing the city's new water-pump motor rolled into the town at 12:40 a.m. last Friday.

Riding hard in the saddle, as he had been for more than 32 hours and 1,009 miles, was General Electric's modern Paul Revere—Victor Brown.

Brown, an independent truck driver from Indianapolis, had climbed into the cab at 4 p.m. Wednesday, after the G-E motor was loaded into his truck. He had stopped once at noon Thursday for a 15-minute meal. The rest of the time he kept rolling.

"It was the most important cargo I ever hauled," he explained.

When arrangements were made through the Governor of Oklahoma for a police escort to meet the truck at the Oklahoma-Missouri boundary, there was no way of informing the truck driver. Brown stated that shortly after leaving Springfield, Mo., he heard via news broadcast on his truck radio that "a truck bearing an urgently needed motor was being rushed to Fort Worth, where the people had been completely out of water for three days." He realized that meant him, and from that point on he tried to increase his speed insofar as safcty permitted.

Truck Misses Escort

Entering Oklahoma via a shortcut, Brown missed the waiting police escort. Until 8 p.m. Thursday night he was among the missing as far as Oklahoma police, Texas police, Fort Worth officials, representatives of the Yellow Transit Company, or General Eleetric personnel were concerned.

The first Brown knew of his motorcycle escort was when he was stopped by a sheriff about 20 miles north of McAlester, Okla., more than half way across the state. Brown says that he had been exceeding the speed limit and when stopped got ready to pay a fine He really began to get worried, however, when the sheriff told him that he was wanted by the Oklahoma State Police. He asked the sheriff what for and learned then for the first time that a motorcycle escort was awaiting him.

Brown said from then on the going was fine. He pushed the truck along as fast as it would go and on one or two occasions, when he could take his eye off the road long enough to glance at the speedometer, he was hitting 80.

Arrives in Fort Worth

A new patrol picked up the van every 25 miles without slowing the cargo and a wailing, three-motorcycle, police escort swept the speeding truck into Fort Worth at 12:40 a.m.

Brown climbed stiffly out of the cab, and said he felt "fine." He watched the motor lowered into the pit, and then went to a hotel to sleep.

Proclaimed a Hero

The next morning Brown woke up to find he was a hero. The Chamber of Commerce had a dinner planned for him, calls from newspapers and television were waiting.

He was amazed to hear that the motor went in operation at 9 a.m., but added, "that was a real motor I brought in."

And before he left Fort Worth, he told friends he was "going out there and watch that thing operate a while."

G-E Workers

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operator; George Grote, inspector; Ed Lepper, shaft grinder; Art Swain, shaft lathe operator; Ed Auth, balancer; Fred Reinking, sheet metal; Erv Moore, rotor assembler; Ralph Leonard, casting yard; William Behm, assembler; Joe Neal, production; Don Murphy, casting yard; Phil Lydie, spray painter; Lyle Johns, spray painter, Virgil Carmen, tester.

(2) The 10,000-pound motor is made ready for shipping in Bldg. 6-1. C. L. Saurbaugh was responsible for the transportation details so that no time was lost in getting the motor to its destination.

(3) Members of the emergency crew from the second shift included: (l. to r.) First row—James Knupp, assembler; Charles Mowery, slab mill operator; Orville Gamble, stator coils; Harry Rhodes, stator winder; Immanuel Stauffer, rotor coil winder, and Merlin Pattee, chipper and grinder. Second row — Russell Mennewisch, test foreman; Robert Tilbury, assembler, George Buelow, tester; Frank Serovey, tester; Carl Schafianski, machine shop foreman; Harold Misegades, assembly foreman, and Paul Kleinrichert, radial drill operator. Third row—Paul Armstrong, radial drill operator; Gene Fox, assembler; Fred Schafer, assembler, and Ray Junk, vertical boring mill operator.

(4) Men hurriedly unload the motor soon after the truck came rumbling into Fort Worth with its valuable cargo.

(5) Here's the 900-horsepower motor on its way down into the Holly pump station about 2 a.m. Friday.

(6) The men at the bottom of the pit get ready to start their job of moonting and attaching the motor to a 20,000,000-gallon-a-day pump, as the crane cautiously lowers the motor from the doorway above.

(7) Before noon Friday the motor was whirring away on the job of delivering water to a drouth-stricken city.

(8) The installation is completed and soon the giant valve is turned on to send water flowing into mains throughout the city.

(9) R. M. Hartigan, Manager of Manufacturing for the Large Motor and Generator divisions, is shown at his desk reviewing the dramatic story as reported by the Fort Worth press and national news bureaus.

FOREMAN TO RETIRE



L. J. Miller

Leo J. Miller, Foreman in the General Service division, will retire Wednesday, June 1, after 32 years' service with General Electric.

Mr. Miller was employed by the Company in 1916 as a wire man, and later became a pipefitter. In 1928 he was appointed assistant foreman of plumbing. Since 1937 he has been foreman of the same section.

Ft. Wayne Engineers Elect New Officers

New officers were elected by the Fort Wayne Engineers' Club at its monthly meeting Thursday, May 19, at the Chamber of Commerce. They are: J. C. Ferguson, Farnsworth Television and Radio Corp., president; L. R. Beard, Bldg. 4-6, vice president; F. H. Fleisher, Bldg. 4-6, treasurer; S. L. Betz, secretary; and A. W. Howard, Bldg. 18-1, and R. A. Hoot, directors.

Harold Frazier Heads List Of 97 Suggestors

Harold L. Frazier, FHP Division 1, led the list of 97 suggestors this week with a $150 award for his suggestion on heat treating shafts. The total awards amounted to $1,225.

Next on the list was Luella Ternet, FHP Division 13, who received two awards, $105 and $25. Her suggestions pertained to the assembly of switches and to remove the foot setters on nut setters.

Franklin J. Blotkamp, FHP Division 13, was awarded $60 for his idea on toggle switch covers. Thirty-five dollars went to George L Santon, Motor and Generator Division, on his suggestion for testing rotor coils.

Those receiving $25 awards are Rose V. Ramsey, FHP Div. 16; Clive E. Lupton, Tiffin plant; Paul Black, Specialty Transformer Div. 93; and Otto R. Borkenstein, General Service.

Awards ranging in various amounts from $5 to $20 were made to the following employees:

FHP Motor Div. 13: Clarence Hartman, John Wood (two awards), John G. Weber, Elmer J. Pion, Charles A. Sherland, Fletta Erickson, Harold Blumenhorst and Robert L. Repine.

FHP Motor Div. 14: John D. Anspach, Robert M. Bultemeier and J. Ralph Fischbach.

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City officials then requested G-E representatives to do everything possible to hasten completion of a new 900 horsepower, 720 rpm, synchronous motor already on order.

Start Working at Midnight

After several exchanges of telegrams, R. M. Hartigan, Manager of Manufacturing for the Large Motor and Generator divisions, was reached here by telephone at 10 p.m. Mr. Hartigan got some extra crews together about midnight.

The men located a motor which would do the job, but it was being prepared for another order. Another catch was that it was anywhere from 5 to 10 days from completion. In fact, one end of the motor hadn't even been assembled.

They worked all day and night Tuesday, and completed it Wednesday morning about 9 o'clock.

Job Finished in 10 Hours

The last castings were machined the motor assembled, and the test group completed tests—all in only 10 hours, a job that usually requires several days.

"Everybody did a remarkable job in my opinion," Mr. Hartigan said later. "I can't say enough to praise those fellows. They really pitched in and worked."

The next problem was one of transportation. The motor weighs 10,000 pounds, has 900 horsepower and 2,300 volts. It is about 50 inches high, 50 inches long and eight feet wide.

Truck Speeds Motor to Texas

Too heavy and compact to be flown, the motor was sent by truck. A local trucker rushed it to Indianapolis, where a trucking firm solved some difficulties concerning regulations about driving a truck straight through to Fort Worth by putting a special relief driver on the job.

Victor Brown, the truck driver, said he drove 55 and 60 miles an hour most of the way.

Hearing of the emergency trip, the governor of Oklahoma ordered a special police escort for the motor through that state. An escort also was waiting at the Texas border to speed the final lap of the journey.

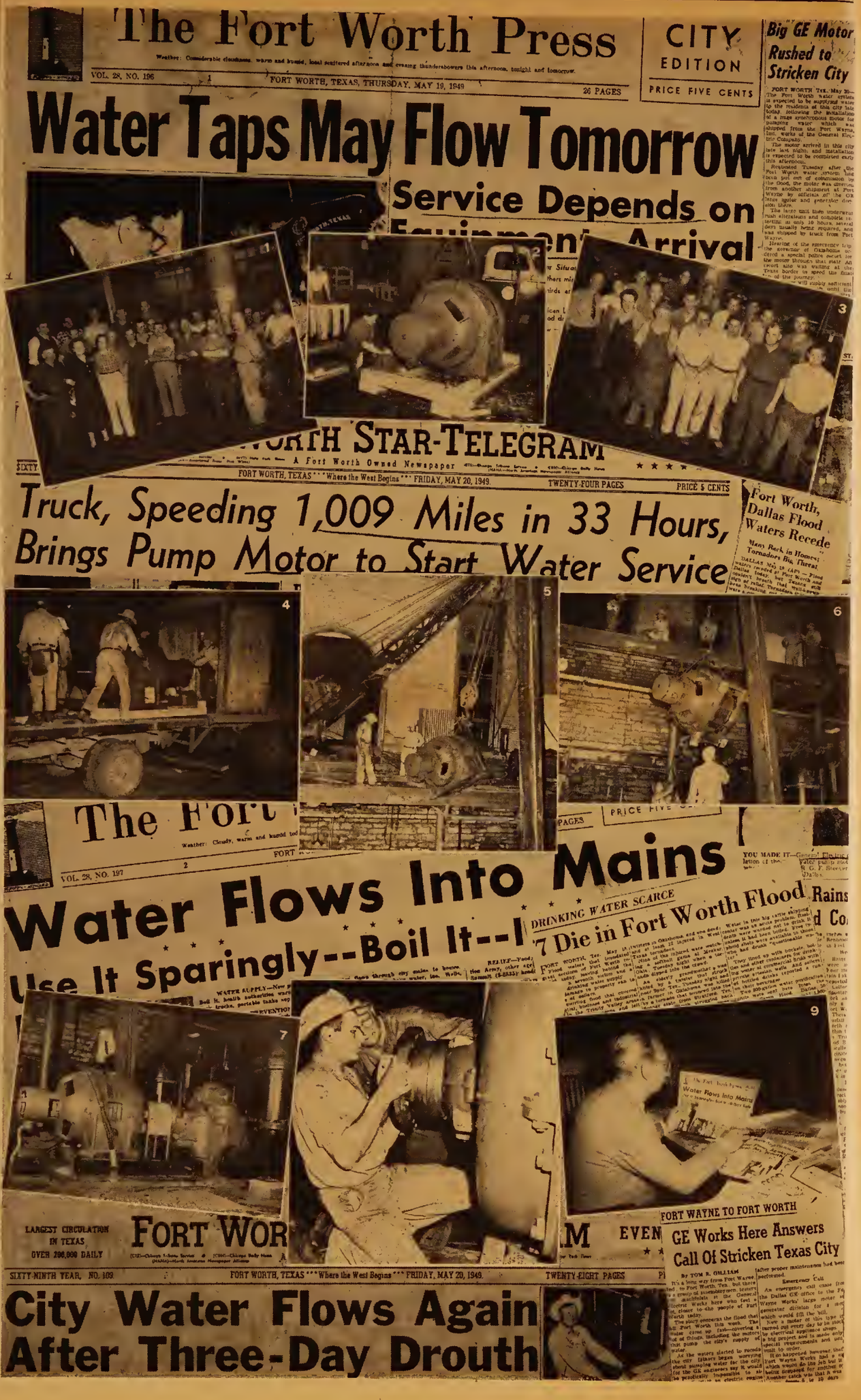
The truck made a record run of over 1,000 miles in 33 hours, arriving in Fort Worth at 12:40 a.m. By 7 a.m. installation and wiring was completed. Grimy workmen stepped back and grinned—their work was done.

The motor turned over perfectly. Soon water was flowing from the taps of homes throughout Fort Worth for the first time in three days.

A photographic account of the story is shown at the right:

(1) Fort Worth, Tex., got its water system back in operation in record time only because of the hard work and technical know-how of a bunch of guys and gals at the Fort Wayne Works. A part of the crack crew that worked on the motor includes the following from the first shift: (l. to r.) First row—William Grider, rotor assembler; Bernadine Mailand, AC coil taper; Anna Fairbanks, DC coil taper; William Kaiser, rotor assembler; Al Deininger, machinist; Ollie Fox, rotor coil winder; George March, armature winder; Otto Rusch, balancer, and George Zeis, AC assembler. Second row—Guy Miller, exciter assembler; Osmer Eix, oven

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MODERN PAUL REVERE

Speeds G-E Motor Over 1,000 Miles To Fort Worth, Texas, In 33 Hours

Police sirens sounded a tocsin to Fort Worth, Tex., residents of "to faucets, to faucets, the water is coming" as a big truck bearing the city's new water-pump motor rolled into the town at 12:40 a.m. last Friday.

Riding hard in the saddle, as he had been for more than 32 hours and 1,009 miles, was General Electric's modern Paul Revere—Victor Brown.

Brown, an independent truck driver from Indianapolis, had climbed into the cab at 4 p.m. Wednesday, after the G-E motor was loaded into his truck. He had stopped once at noon Thursday for a 15-minute meal. The rest of the time he kept rolling.

"It was the most important cargo I ever hauled," he explained.

When arrangements were made through the Governor of Oklahoma for a police escort to meet the truck at the Oklahoma-Missouri boundary, there was no way of informing the truck driver. Brown stated that shortly after leaving Springfield, Mo., he heard via news broadcast on his truck radio that "a truck bearing an urgently needed motor was being rushed to Fort Worth, where the people had been completely out of water for three days." He realized that meant him, and from that point on he tried to increase his speed insofar as safety permitted.

Truck Misses Escort

Entering Oklahoma via a short-cut, Brown missed the waiting police escort. Until 8 p.m. Thursday night he was among the missing as far as Oklahoma police, Texas police, Fort Worth officials, representatives of the Yellow Transit Company, or General Electric personnel were concerned.

The first Brown knew of his motorcycle escort was when he was stopped by a sheriff about 20 miles north of McAlester, Okla., more than half way across the state. Brown says that he had been exceeding the speed limit and when stopped got ready to pay a fine He really began to get worried. however, when the sheriff told him that he was wanted by the Oklahoma State Police. He asked the sheriff what for and learned then for the first time that a motorcycle escort was awaiting him.

Brown said from then on the going was fine. He pushed the truck along as fast as it would go and on one or two occasions, when he could take his eye off the road long enough to glance at the speedometer, he was hitting 80.

Arrives in Fort Worth

A new patrol picked up the van every 25 miles without slowing the cargo and a wailing, three-motorcycle, police escort swept the speeding truck into Fort Worth at 12:40 a.m.

Brown climbed stiffly out of the cab, and said he felt "fine." He watched the motor lowered into the pit, and then went to a hotel to sleep.

Proclaimed a Hero

The next morning Brown woke up to find he was a hero. The Chamber of Commerce had a dinner planned for him, calls from newspapers and television were waiting.

He was amazed to hear that the motor went in operation at 9 a.m., but added, "that was a real motor I brought in."

And before he left Fort Worth, he told friends he was "going out there and watch that thing operate a while."

G-E Workers

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operator; George Grote, inspector; Ed Lepper, shaft grinder; Art Swain, shaft lathe operator; Ed Auth, balancer; Fred Reinking, sheet metal; Erv Moore, rotor assembler; Ralph Leonard, casting yard; William Behm, assembler; Joe Neal, production; Don Murphy, casting yard; Phil Lydie, spray painter; Lyle Johns, spray painter, Virgil Carmen, tester.

(2) The 10,000-pound motor is made ready for shipping in Bldg. 6-1. C. L. Saurbaugh was responsible for the transportation details so that no time was lost in getting the motor to its destination.

(3) Members of the emergeney crew from the second shift included: (l. to r.) First row—James Knupp. assembler; Charles Mowery, slab mill operator; Orville Gamble, stator coils; Harry Rhodes, stator winder; Immanuel Stauffer, rotor coil winder, and Merlin Pattee, chipper and grinder. Second row — Russell Mennewiseh, test foreman; Robert Tilbury, assembler, George Buelow, tester; Frank Serovey, tester; Carl Schafianski, machine shop foreman; Harold Misegades, assembly foreman, and Paul Kleinrichert, radial drill operator. Third row—Paul Armstrong, radial drill operator; Gene Fox, assembler; Fred Schafer, assembler, and Ray Junk, vertical boring mill operator.

(4) Men hurriedly unload the motor soon after the truck came rumbling into Fort Worth with its valuable cargo.

(5) Here's the 900-horsepower motor on its way down into the Holly pump station about 2 a.m. Friday.

(6) The men at the bottom of the pit get ready to start their job of mounting and attaching the motor to a 20,000,000-gallon-a-day pump, as the crane cautiously lowers the motor from the doorway above.

(7) Before noon Friday the motor was whirring away on the job of delivering water to a drouth-stricken city.

(8) The installation is completed and soon the giant valve is turned on to send water flowing into mains throughout the city.

(9) R. M. Hartigan, Manager of Manufacturing for the Large Motor and Generator divisions, is shown at his desk reviewing the dramatic story as reported by the Fort Worth press and national news bureaus.

FOREMAN TO RETIRE



L. J. Miller

Leo J. Miller, Foreman in the General Service division, will retire Wednesday, June 1, after 32 years' service with General Electric.

Mr. Miller was employed by the Company in 1916 as a wire man, and later became a pipefitter. In 1928 he was appointed assistant foreman of plumbing. Since 1937 he has been foreman of the same section.

Ft. Wayne Engineers Elect New Officers

New officers were elected by the Fort Wayne Engineers' Club at its monthly meeting Thursday, May 19, at the Chamber of Commerce. They are: J. C. Ferguson, Farnsworth Television and Radio Corp., president; L. R. Beard, Bldg. 4-6, vice president; F. H. Fleisher, Bldg. 4-6, treasurer; S. L. Betz, secretary; and A. W. Howard, Bldg. 18-1, and R. A. Hoot, directors.

Harold Frazier Heads List Of 97 Suggestors

Harold L. Frazier, FHP Division 1, led the list of 97 suggestors this week with a $150 award for his suggestion on heat treating shafts. The total awards amounted to $1,225.

Next on the list was Luella Ternet, FHP Division 13, who received two awards, $105 and $25. Her suggestions pertained to the assembly of switches and to remove the foot setters on nut setters.

Franklin J. Blotkamp, FHP Division 13, was awarded $60 for his idea on toggle switch covers. Thirty-five dollars went to George L Santon, Motor and Generator Division, on his suggestion for testing rotor coils.

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There has been a new addition to the Hamrick homestead. Iola reports the pussy cat had five kittens. That's a lotta mouse catchers around. . . . Toledo had several Decatur visitors over the week-end. Cecilia Noonan, Effie McGill, and her family visited relatives there. . . . Joe Craig has resumed work on the flange line. The Switch Section sure missed your frequent glances. . . . A nice bouquet of flowers was sent to Veda Egley from her section. She is recuperating after a recent operation. . . . The Van Wert air show proved a success according to local reports. Two G-E pilots flew their own planes to the show, "Silent" Smith and his two children flew their Aeronca to the event. The children sure enjoyed the pop and popcorn. Josephine Ivetich and a passenger flew the Piper J-3 to the maneuvers. . . . To Wilbur Suman we extend our deepest sympathy on the loss of his father. . . . Harvey Koos is reported on the sick list. A speedy recovery is extended to you, Harvey. The line misses you. . . . A new gadget should be suggested to Effie McGill when swatting hees. By now the bump from the stinger should be relieved. Effie sure got a stinger after Cecelia demonstrated the swatting method. . . . Earl Mounsey and family and Joe Railing and wife were Van Wert visitors Sunday. . . . A new hand in Plant 2 is seen knocking paint off of stators. He's Leo Hoffman from Plant 1. . . . Talking about treats, Eddie tops the list, we see he's been passing chewing gum to a few girls. Florenee, how did you get along with your chawing stick? . . . Frank Gillig is off for a couple weeks as his wife is sick. We all hope she gets well soon. . . . To hear Ezra talk about spring housecleaning you'd think he didn't consider the idea much too good. . . . The girls will sure miss Marcia Martin. She was one of our ardent GeCode Club members, participated in G-E bowling team and activities. . . . Ray Johnston spent the week-end in Wheaton, Ill. . . . Chet Kleinknight saw Cincinnati play Brooklyn in a double header at Cincinnati last Sunday. . . . Who has more trouble in digging a well than Mr. Lankenau? . . . That's quite some bet George Buckley has with Mr. Welch regarding Mr. Welch's lawn. . . . Congratulations, Ray Moser on your $5 safety award in driving. . . . We understand Roger Schuster is going to Chicago over Memorial Day week-end to attend a wedding and may also take in a baseball game. . . . The noon it rained so hard just when the office went to lunch wasn't so nice for Ray Leitz, Jim Staley, and Lohnas McIntosh. It seems they left their car windows open—result—wet seats. . . . After all these years Abe Richert found out that DeSoto's also must have gasoline in order to run. Abe found that out recently, when he ran out of gas on the way to work and had to walk several miles to and from a gas station. S'all right Abe we have all had that experience at sometime or other.

Patent Counsel Visits Here

G. P. Tarleton, Patent Counsel for the Apparatus Department, visited the Specialty Transformer division this week to investigate a number of patents.

Three Graduate From Apprentice School



R. C. Sebold

Richard C. Sebold is a recent graduate of the Apprentice School's machinist-toolmaker course. A graduate of South Side high school, he was a member of the National Honor Society and the four-year honor roll.

Entering the Apprentice School April 30, 1942, he left in January to enlist in the Army Air Corps. He was assigned to the Quartermaster Mechanics School at Camp Lee, Va., and served three years in that division of the air corps. Mr. Sebold had 32 months overseas duty in Australia and the Philippines. He was in the Battle of Leyte and received the Bronze Star.

After his discharge in December, 1945, he completed one year of engineering at the Purdue University Extension. He re-entered the Apprentice School Oct. 17, 1946.

Mr. Sebold is married and lives at 1113 Park Ave.



D. W. Meyers

Delbert W. Meyers recently graduated from the machinist-toolmaker course of the Apprentice School. He was a four-year honor roll student at Central high school.

He entered the Apprentice School Aug. 20, 1942, as a machinist-toolmaker apprentice and left in January the following year to enter the Army. He was in the military service for 38 months.

Mr. Meyers was assigned to the signal corps' training school at Fort Monmouth, N. J., and later at Brooklyn (N.Y.) College. He saw overseas service in the South Pacific and received the American Defense, AP Service, Good Conduct and Victory medals.

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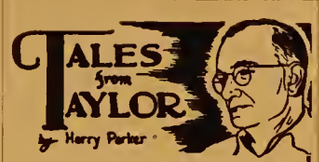
L. N. Brunner

Louis N. Brunner recently graduated from the Apprentice School. He is a 1942 graduate of Concordia high school, where he received the Walther League medal for leadership, scholarship and character.

He entered the Apprentice School in July, 1942, and left in March, 1943, to enlist in the Army. Shortly after his enlistment, he entered the University of Michigan and later went to infantry officers' candidate school at Fort Benning, Ga.

Mr. Brunner saw overseas duty as a liason officer and later battalion adjutant in Japan. He received the Asiatic Pacific Theater Ribbon and Army Commendation.

He was a first lieutenant when he was released from active duty in 1946, at which time he re-entered the Apprentice School. Mr. Brunner is married and lives at 4409 S. Park drive.



One of our pensioners whom we have not had the pleasure of seeing for more than two years is our very own Field Marshal Conrad Hohnholz. Some of the boys run into him occasionally and he always asks about all of us here at the plant. We all would be glad if he would pay us a visit, but why the old pup does not show up here is more than we can explain. Here is hoping that he reads this and accepts it as an invitation to come and see us. . . . Our boat enthusiasts have begun to show activity. Last Sunday Art Brandenberger launched his new craft at Big Long Lake, but there was something radically wrong with it. She listed to the starboard too much, so Art had to remove it from the water and make preparations for returning it to the maker. Our other one, Ward Grim, has obtained a new water skimmer for use on Lake Papakeechie, but as yet has not announced when launching ceremonies will take place. . . . When Basil Bowley reported for work Monday morning there on his desk was a nice big mess of freshly caught crappies from Bear Lake. We are all wondering who the donor might he because we would appreciate a niee mess of them for ourselves and would like to have him bring us some. . . . Peggy Ruch times herself in the morning by radio programs. First of all she is awakened by a certain broadcast, and then when another certain one comes on she knows it is time to leave for work. The other morning she was awakened at the usual hour, but her cat which had slept all night on top of the radio stepped down and in doing so happened to step on one of the push buttons changing the station. Peg listened intently for her usual home-leaving program, but it did not come on. Glancing at the clock she realized that the hour was getting late with the result that she eame very close to being late for work. . . . Now we know that Archie Boren, our Huntertown flash, is becoming absent-minded. He reported for work last Monday morning, but the place was dark, not a soul was in sight. Realizing that he had made a mistake he put in a eall to Huntertown and had his wife drive in and get him. . . . Two of our former colleagues, Paul Wilcoxson and Charlie Odom, are busy these days working on apartment house construction. Charlie called on us the other evening to show us his new car. He told us that he was so awfully busy these days that he just had to trade his old car for a business coupe.

Robert Kessens Is Elected President Of Stamp Society

Robert W. Kessens, Taylor St., was elected president of the Anthony-Wayne Stamp Society at a meeting Monday night at the YMCA. The annual banquet was held Wednesday at the Colonial Restaurant. Henry Wittber was in charge of the arrangements.



Amanda Doty, we have a complaint that your name never appears in this column. It doesn't look bad in the headlines at that, does it, Amanda? . . . Notice To All Fishermen—Mary Cordell is starting a fishworm farm. To help the cause her co-workers donated a jar of fishworms and also a banana to feed them until she could get them bome. She is sure that by vacation time the business will be in full operation, and your patronage would be appreciated. . . . Don Shepherd has a neat way of getting free ice cream cones for himself and friends. Last week the treat was on Hazel Scott. Never let money lay around, Hazel, or haven't you heard that it is the root of all evil? . . . Dorothy Campton is happy and can whistle while she works. She's back home again in the repair section. . . . We say farewell to Irene Huey. She was presented with a gift for herself and one for the little bundle she is expecting from heaven. The best of luck to you, Irene. . . . Eldon Stanley, Donald McCrea and Ray Loveless were so busy working on individual piece work that they forgot to make out their time. You want to watch it, boys, you better let the time clerks in on the secret of how much you are making. . . . Cliff Devault went fishing, and with his luck running high, he kept a perfect score. When he reached the mark he rowed to the shore. He told his wife the fish were biting swell and that he had caught the limit. When he pulled the sack out of the water he only had two fish left. We know the lake he was on. Now what we would like to know is, was he catching the same two fish over and over? . . . We wonder where George Brehm got that dainty little piece of cloth he uses to clean his glasses. . . . Cora Bucher attended the tulip festival and we were told she took her wooden shoes so she could participate in the dance. . . . Wanda Grimm gave us an exhibition of the jitterbug to prove that it wasn't a dance created just for the skinny people. . . . Lola Brunner is eating rye crisp, and we give her this warning. Never set your box of rye crisp on the same shelf with the dog biscuits. . . . Mary Codell is allergic to penicillin. She took it for a cure and now she is looking for a cure for hives. . . . Frances Leach would like to have some one to teach her how to pick a lock. She had herself locked in the house, believe it or not, and had to wait until her husband came home to open the door.

Office Offerings

Christ Starke, through the influence of Ray Scheibel, finally got up enough nerve to wear a bow tie to work. We agree with Ray, you are truly the bow tie type, Chris, but seriously, do you suppose that's why it poured down rain all day? . . . Corky Cockburn and Dorothy Andrews are leaving our gang. Good luck, girls. . . . Someone donated a pair of overalls to Willard Lenz. He says he can't wear them though. . . . Ray Scheibel earied his raincoat for three days. On the fourth day he left it in his hotel room and then the rains came. He should have more patienee with the weather man even though it does take four days for his predlctions to come true.



Our good friend Bill Rohe and Bill's neighbor Mart Einsiedel have for the past several years been running in competition as to who has the best garden. This year Bill definitely decided that he was going to raise the largest tomatoes or bust. Bill put his tomato plants in very carefully and as a fertilizer used fish scales, heads and what-have-you. All went well until the neighhood cats found out that Bill not only planted tomato plants but also fish. The plants were dug out of the ground and the fish heads were digested by the cats. Our suggestion, Bill, is that you cement the plants in from now on. . . Leo Elward wishes to take this opportunity to thank all of his coworkers for their wedding gift.

Insulation News

Now that we're moved to Bldg. 12-3, we don't think Joe Kramer will live to enjoy it. He's been working so hard that we all figure he's not long for this world. It seems. that everyone has adopted the motto, "If you want to know, just ask Joe," until he has turned into a one man moving crew. What we want to know is what we need with all those other people when Joe, (better known as Joe, Sr.) is around? . . . Most people like to see how little they can eat and still stay alive, but Bill Glenn is just the opposite. He likes to see how much you can eat and still live. He has many favorite foods, but his favorite drink is warm orange juice.

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SWINGING HIGH . . . Grace Byrnes (right), Turbine Accounting, Schenectady, found this 5-tan crane o navel perch at the stockholders' meeting held in the new Turbine building at Schenectady. Abave, Eileen Jenne, President of the G-E Waman's Club serves Charles E. Wilson, President of General Electric, af the luncheon served ta all stockholders. In the background, Mabel Cornwall, Works Loboratory, pours coffee. An estimated 1500 were at the meeting, believed to be the largest crowd ever to attend any G-E stockhalders' meeting.



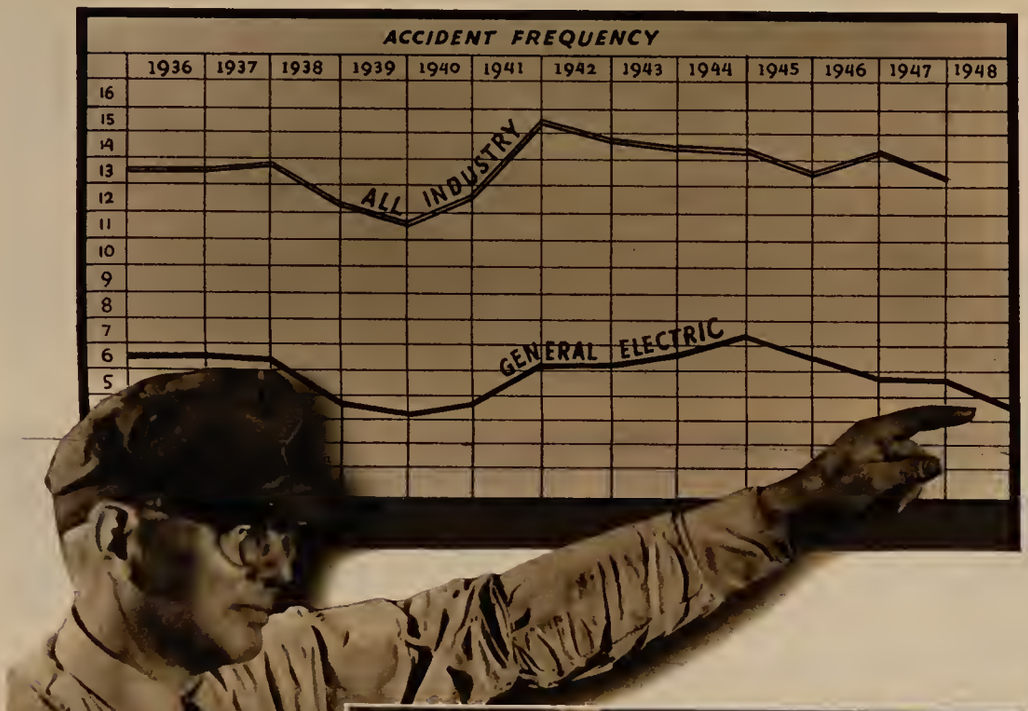
HOLLYWOOD INFLUENCE . . . The DeKalb, Ill. Plant now has its own Oscar, G-E Joe, to be presented to the department showing the best records in quality production, safety, housekeeping and scrap reduction. Looking approvingly at Joe ore, from left: Harriet Peterson, Mary Twait, Myrle Luoma, Oneita Roberts and Marie Stover.



40 YEARS SERVICE HONORED . . . Mary V. Donahue, of the West Lynn Works, has just completed 40 years with General Electric. When her ca-warkers leorned af this, they surprised her with a gift and beautiful flowers. She was also presented with a pin and certificate honoring her 40 years of service. Miss Donahue joined the Company in 1909 as an inspector on wiring insulation.



THE FLOWERS THAT BLOOM IN THE SPRING, TRA LA . . . Pretty girls and blossoms alike are a welcome springtime sight. Adding plenty of color ta a backdrap of cherry blossams are these lovely lasses from the Switchgear Divisions, Philodelphia. From left ta right: Terry Schlenz, Marie Farley, Stello Brown and Jean Goebel.



Teamwork Is S

A recent review of General Electric's safety record during the past thirteen years brought to light some interesting and gratifying facts. As shown on the chart (upper left corner) G.E. has made steady progress in improving its safety record. Also, G.E. has consistently maintained a much better record than industry as a whole.

This situation has come about as a result of splendid teamwork on the part of employees and management, with safety committees playing an important part. Pointing with pride at the chart is veteran Quarter Century Club member George Gaines, Schenectady Works, who has never lost time as a result of an accident during his 37 years with G.E.

Our Candid Camera photographer decided to do a little research to discover some of the activities which contribute to the maintaining of this safety record. The result is shown on these pages. The activities pictured here do not represent exceptional performances but instead are examples of similar functions which take place in G-E plants across the nation.

As we review the G-E safety activities, it might be appropriate to quote from the booklet SAFETY IS PART OF YOUR JOB, the following: "The best safety program in the world is ineffective unless each individual is constantly alert to avoid accidents."



At Pittsfield, in the high-voltage warking oreas, the employees are given monthly practice in emergency rescue work. A typical rescue squad is shown during a session. From left to right are Lloyd Sherman, Larry Peterson, Percy Goodrich, and Don Shepherd, as they brush up on the use of an inhalotor. Their "victim" is Ray Hitchcock. Such precautionary meosures pay dividends whenever an emergency orises.



←The use of proper safety equipment is alwoys stressed. Here, at the Pittsfield Apporotus Works employees' store, experienced shoe fitter Pat Mohon serves Harry Hubbord, craneman, o regular safety shoe user.



At Syracuse, Safety Engineer Don Willioms inspects safety device for riveter before its use by operatar Nellie Skuce. The device wos designed and made at Electronics Pork.



Many novel stunts are used to dramatize the G-E safety program. Here we see Bob Burchell, left, Section Safety man ot Syracuse, demonstroting the new Electronic safety man to Ted Jamro. When a wired mat is stepped on the Electronic man gives out with a safety message.



An important phase of the G-E safety progrom is the continuing check-up for health hazards which involves testing samples af a wide variety of meriols. Gordon Ginther, Pittsfield Chemical Department, analyzes a sample of oir from the plating roam.

Secret of Good Safety Record at General Electric





Another Bridgeport safety practice is the periodic checking on employee health in the mercury switch section. Laura Goff, technician, is shown taking a blood sample from the ear of employee Irma Cook.



In the new Construction Materials Department at Bridgeport the foremen are taking a vital interest in promoting safety among their employees. At periodic intervals yearly the foreman, with the aid of charts and other props, reviews general safety principles with his section. In this picture Peter Chopsky explains the five-point safety program to, from left, front row: C. Tyler, T. Jessel, S. Gross, F. Raino; second row, G. Toth, L. Ryan, F. Mensch, and F. Parsons. Standing is Otto Haury, a long-time safety booster.

←G-E safety engineers work in close co-operation at all times with the manufacturers of various types of safety equipment, to make sure that the latest and best items are available to employees. At left, Rita Downing, home laundry section, wears "feather specs."



The importance of constant attention to good safety practices is outlined in the booklet SAFETY IS PART OF YOUR JOB. Here, Louis Maselli, foreman in the Apparatus Training Section, discusses the subject with Robert Ziegler, who is starting his training at Schenectady.



Safety committees at Fort Wayne, composed of division employees, make regular tours of inspection. Shown above is the committee from FHP Motor Div. 14 inspecting the punch press section. Left to right are C. Heemsoth, W. Skevington, J. Anspaugh, R. Vaughn, M. Vonder Haar, R. Bultemeier, G. Angel, and A. Weisenburger. At the machine in the foreground is J. Devaux. Division 14 has just established a record of 2,536,280 accident-free hours in 2½ years.



The shop safety committee program at Fort Wayne Works plays an important part in maintaining the excellent safety record. FHP Motor Div. 33 enters its seventh accident-free year as the committee meets for discussion. From left: C. Imbody, Jr., C. Elder, chairman, C. Koepke, E. Laymon, C. Dimke, O. Surface, H. Deister, G. Miller, and H. Drage, secretary.

Candid Camera



MR. PITTSFIELD . . . In addition to this new title won at first annual Monarch Physique Club competition, Fred G. Huddy, left, of Pittsfield Works, has previously won titles of Mr. Springfield and Mr. New England. Second place winner was A. D. Mellillo, center, of North Adams, Mass. At right is L. L. Phelps, also of Pittsfield Works.



TOP-TAKER . . . Thomas J. Foster of Electronics Pork, Syracuse, is congratulated by C. A. Priest, left, Manager of the Transmitter Division and George Endrich, head of Transmitter Test, for his $1000 suggestion, the highest award ever made at Syracuse.



G.O. MERMAIDS . . . Taking time out (above) for one more ducking under the shower after their participation in a swimming ballet are Rosemarie Budka (left), and Regina Penichter, both of the General Office. The ballet, sponsored by the Y.W.C.A. of Schenectody, featured many General Office girls. The program included formation swimming, costumed numbers, comic acts, waltzes, and high diving.





ON THE LIGHT SIDE . . . Singing waiters highlighted the entertainment at annual "Night in Virginia City" party held at the Honford Works in Richland, Woshington. Known as the Richland Meistersinger quartet, they are, from left: K. E. Webster, Ben Wilson, C. J. Sheeran, and O. C. Schroeder. A letter from the Mikado is discussed (right) by, in usual order, Pish Tush (William Braymen), Ko-Ka (Robert Rowell), and Paah-Bah (Richard Riegel), at Hanford Works where Richland Light Opera Company produced Gilbert and Sullivan's "Mikodo."



Any day now we expect to see Mr. Seymour have a chauffeur pick him up at the Fairfield lot after work. One need not be surprised if "the man" unrolls the green carpet, then gets out the whisk broom and brushes Cy off. In case of doubtful meaning of this run on words, Mr. Seymour bought a Lincoln this last week. . . . An organization has been formed by Gerry Holdgreve and a few others who are charter members; it is T.S.F.T.P.O.S.C.O. Not a barber shop harmony group, but a protection against Seidel and Seymour, men of Lincoln distinction. The alphabetical alliteration simply means The Society for the Protection of Small Car Owners in Bldg. 17-4. The last meeting minutes read something like this: It is unanimously voted that refueling tanks and tow ropes will be carried between gasoline depots to assist in any way possible the men who have by virtue of their own expenditure of wealth, taken unto their possession a large car, namely a Lincoln. . . . We wonder if Carl Swaim has leaped over any more picket fences? . . . Herb Ufheil is in the market for new brakes, we hear. He had some little difficulty with a garage wall recently and has decided to invest in brakes. . . . Our sympathy is extended to Clarence Wickliffe in the death of his father. . . . Clara Gehring surprised the gang with the announcement of her marriage. Congratulations and best wishes from the gang. Also our thanks for the treat. Oh yes, that reminds us, who said women can't keep secrets—Clara did! . . . When Les Stuach and Don Kruse are seen together this famous query arises, "Which one has the Toni?" Ray Solga would like to know if you have to have a hair cut before you get a Toni, in case you don't know he wants one! . . . The second scheduled hall game was rained out. So our team didn't lose any ground. Norb Lose came prepared to give his all. He was so disappointed in not getting to play that he stayed in Fort Wayne a while longer hoping the field would dry up. . . . Mel Azar, who has just left the gang, has been employed by Mike Lowe to bring charges against certain individuals in Bldg. 17-4 for making libelous and insinuating statements about his brand spankin' new (1949) Martin 40 outboard motor. Mike will post $1 against any taker (or faker) who thinks his Johnson 2½ will out-perform Mike's Martin. Come on you guys, put up or else. . . . Congratulations from the gang to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hattendorf who recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. . . . Did you ever stop in the middle of a laugh and wonder what life could offer if laughter was taken away, and the joy of provoking mirth and good clean fun would close? Anyway this fellow who sticks a bit of humor in this column from time to time would like to leave something with you. A few years ago when he was overseas, his mother sent him this prose. The source and author are unknown, perhaps you recognize it—"A smile costs nothing, but gives much. It takes but a moment, but the memory of it usually lasts forever. None are so rich that can get along without it, and none are so poor but that can be made rich by it. It enriches those who receive, without making poor those who give. It creates sunshine in the home, fosters good will in business and is the best antidote for trouble. And yet it cannot he begged, borrowed or stolen, for it is of no value, unless it is freely given away. Some people are too busy to give you a smile, give them one of yours. For the Good Lord knows no one needs a smile so badly as he or she who has no smiles left to give."



Greetings to Vier Johnston and Bill Ort who celebrated their birthdays last week. . . . Ben Bennett tries to discourage the gals from going fishing for catfish. He says the girls are so tired out they're hard to get along with on the next day. . . . Max Baron, to hear him tell it, is the world's fastest when it comes to mixing and pouring cement. There are those who somehow doubt his word and it looks like he might have to prove it. . . . After working together for several years Dee Confer looked at Harry Anderson one morning recently and discovered that Harry was wearing glasses. Dee questioned him only to find that he's heen wearing them for 20 years, so now Harry thinks Dee is the one that really should be wearing glasses. . . . If the column seems a bit short it may be because one of the reporters has been intimidated. Paul Kennerk, whom the boys call Nosey-newsy, says they've got him too scared to talk.

Driftmeyer Dies



L. H. Driftmeyer

Lawrence H. Driftmeyer, 50, died at 7:10 p.m. Sunday, May 22, at the St. Joseph's Hospital following an illness of 10 days. He lived at 244 E. Woodland Ave.

A methods and equipment specialist in the Transformer Div., Mr. Driftmeyer has worked for the Company since 1916. From 1924 until 1934 he was a foreman in that division.

Mr. Driftmeyer received the Coffin Award in 1935 for outstanding work in tool design.

A veteran of World War I, he was a member of the Grace Evangelical and Reformed Church, the Quarter Century Club, Summit City Lodge No. 170, F. & A. M., Scottish Rite and Trinity Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Surviving him are his wife, Margaret; one daughter, Mrs. Don Reeves, of Plattsville, Wis., and one grandchild.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 1:30 p.m., the Rev. John W. Heistand officiating. Burial was in Lindenwood Cemetery.

Sheriff Presents Safety Award To G-E Truck Driver In Decatur



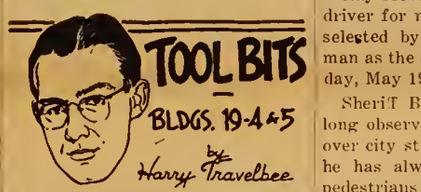
Sheriff Herman Bowman presents Decatur's Safe Driver Award to Ray Moser.

In a campaign by the Deeatur Chamber of Commerce, the city accentuated safety on the street during the week of Monday, May 16. Each day someone selected a safe, eourteous driver and two pedestrians who showed respect for the traffie laws. Local merchants awarded cash and merchandise prizes to the winners.

Ray Moser, a Decatur G-E truck driver for more than 15 years, was selested by Sheriff Herman Bowman as the driver of the day Thursday, May 19.

Sheriff Bowman stated, "I have long observed Ray Moser's driving over city streets and highways and he has always shown traffic and pedestrians every courtesy. His driving is an excellent example of safety behind the wheel."

In accepting the award, Mr. Moser said, "It's part of all our jobs to work safely. Personally, I try always to remember that I control lots of power. If I'm careful and keep it under control, it helps me. If I get carcless and lose control, it's likely to break my neck."



Congratulations, John Hensler. He became a grandfather May 17, the first one in his family. . . . Don Alcott and family visited the Toledo Zoo and from what we hear, Don had a tough time getting away from the cages. Don claims that the monkeys really fascinated him. Anyway Don says that a good time was had by all. . . . Kenny Sefton is mighty proud of that Kaiser, or at least he doesn't want any roof repairman dropping hammers and nails on it. Kenny looked out of a Bldg. 19-4 window and spied a fellow repairing the roof on the garage where he conceals his pride and joy. . . . Herb Mennewisch and John Hensler swapped instruments at a recent jam session. John played the bass fiddle and Herb played John's banjo. You guessed it, all the neighbors' cats and dogs left town. . . . Woody Hursh spent a wet Sunday at the 500 trials in Indianapolis. He thought they could have held motor boat races much better. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Welbaum have announced in the local newspapers the coming marriage of their daughter, Mary Lou, in June. Congratulations, Lloyd. . . . The side line of the week is Kenny Doell's sending questions to all the radio quiz programs. His questions are guaranteed to stump the experts. . . . Welcome back to work, Dave Lewis. You sure are looking good. . . . Jim Pugh is thinking about buying his dog regular dog food as it seems his dog has a desire to chew up everything in the house. The latest item on the menu is the kitchen linoleum, and Jim seems to think that his house isn't big enough for him and the dog. Mayhe a good balanced diet will solve your problem. . . . Myron Auer attended the regional track meet at Kokomo Saturday and still thinks that the Central team is tops. . . . A recent amateur program at the Bethlehem Church brought out some of the hidden musical talent in Paul Brinkroeger. Paul claims he had a little stage fright along with getting a spider out of his shirt. Paul had the kids down in front frozen to their seats. They actually thought he was Borah Mennavich or alias Larry Badler. . . . Gene Dennig reports that the St. Mary's river is almost running through his barn yard. He stands on a raft to milk ole Bess in the morning. . . . Al Stecker is having open house in his new cottage. Paul Weaver says he will handle all the overflow crowd and all the free beer. . . . We saw Swede Moser and family in a canoe on Lake George in that near tornado. He said they did get a little damp, but they weren't scared. . . . That is a nice sketch of Ed Shafenacher we saw in the west end of Bldg. 19-4. Although it does resemble President Truman in almost every respect. The question is does Truman ever blow his top?



"Nations drift into war; they must be guided into peace."

Paul Traub was busily engaged the other day showing some of his men how to tie a necktie. It was a double knot (or somethin') and it looked good. . . . Dale Springer entertained his bowling team with a party at his house. . . . Steve Sallot was back on days for a short time and had to wear lark glasses to protect his eyes from the bright sunlight. . . . Ted Roehm was bragging about the haul of bluegills he made at Big Long Lake. The fellows want to know about the skunk up at Rome City last winter though. . . . We extend our sympathy to Nolan Geyer in the death of his sister and also to Raymond Scherer in the leath of his father. . . . The big question in the tool room these days is who is working and who isn't. The fellows are in and out so fast that you can't keep up with them. . . . We say so long to Harry Haley again. Hope you will be back again soon. . . . Boh Rehrer is always having a lot of good luck fishing when he goes alone, but he never seems to get any when someone is with him. Bob isn't the only one who has that kind of luck. . . . Ed Meyer's son and family are spending the holiday week-end with him from Arlington, Va. . . . John Williams has changed a little since the picture was taken that was in the WORKS NEWS last week. That was taken before John was a Democrat. . . . Ralph Walda is keeping the record business up and going. He bought three albums last week.



To be good, you must do good.
To keep the good, you must pass it along.

Ernie Brown celebrated his 25th year of service with G-E last week and received the congratulations of the group. He also received a very nice photograph. . . . Jack Pollock received an additional supply of pencils from several of the other tool rooms. News of that kind usually travels pretty fast. . . . Last week I forgot to mention that we have a new member in the arbor group, Ray Brown. It was my error, Brownie. . . . Last Friday Bob Maggart came in with a brand new hair cut and was it attractive. If he would have had some hair on top of his head, he'd have looked like the Last Mohican. Even his own family hardly knew him when he went home.

Birthday Greetings

Both Paul Armstrong and Ralph Solt celebrated the same day this week, and my good friend Bill John also celebrated another anniversary this week. . . . These Mondays off have their advantages for some people. Ed Smethers spent one Monday getting a plow hitch put on his new Hudson, now ready for lot plowing. . . . Ward Staley, our Hot Rod enthusiast, had two of his cars in last Wednesday giving several noon hour demonstrations with the aid of Ralph Dennison. Ward has some very nice cars.

A lie will go around the world before the truth gets its boots on.



MISS CYNTHIA: I am sure that you remember Margie Schwartz. We are happy to announce the addition of Cynthia Ann to the Schwartz household, Tuesday, May 17. Cynthia weighed 7 lb. 2 oz. She looks just like Margie too—lucky 'lil gal. . . . A-HA: We wish to welcome Hugh Folsom into the floor-sitters club. It hasn't been determined as yet on what basis the President of this club should be elected. We could measure the depth of the dent in the floor. . . . SEE YAH IN PICTURES: Ed Whipple was seen giving a splendid description of "something" in inches while talking over the 'phone the other day. Ah for the day when we can have a television effect on our telephones. Huh, Ed? . . . I'VE SEEN YOU SOMEWHERE BEFORE: Have you ever noticed the similarity between some of your friends, or possibly yourself to characters in the comic strips or the movies. One good example is Don "Mutt" Spaulding and Glenn "Jeff" Seabold. . . . RELAXATION: Helen Conrad enjoyed a pleasant week of vacation at home. She made a week-end shopping trip to Toledo, Ohio. . . . GRANDMOTHER: Abbie Hartman is a grandma for the second time. Congratulations, Abbie, and may you have many more. . . . WELCOME: To Nadine Junk in the Mimeograph Room. She transferred from Taylor St. . . . SHHHhhh: In spite of the editor's admonition not to ask anyone to see anyone, etc., etc., at times, it seems impossible for one to do anything else beeause it is impossible to obtain the whole story from anyone—or—it isn't printable. Sooo—anyone who didn't hear Jack Kurlin's story of how he had to walk home from work—see Jack. Anyone wanting to know about fish baits—blonde or redhead, see P. Motter. He is well informed. . . . NEW BUGGY: M. C. Oetting of the AC Drafting Section, has a new car. He traded his Pontiae in for a '41 Plymouth. . . . ANOTHER SQUEAK: Nancy Woodhull greeted a new visitor last week as she opened a drawer—Elmer (Mouse—that is.) . . . A Happy Decoration Day To You All—But Let's Not Forget What Memorial Day Should Mean To All Of Us.

Wickliffe Dies

Aldo Jay Wickliffe, 60, died at 12:30 p.m., Thursday, May 19, at his home, 915 Parkview Ave. He had worked in the Transformer Division since 1920, and at the time of his death was a connector and assembler in Bldg. 26-1.

He was a member of the Plymouth Congregational Church and the G-E Quarter Century Club.

Surviving are his wife, Anna B.; six children, Clarence W. Wickliffe and Mrs. Zola M. Johnson, of Fort Wayne; Ralph E., of Waynedale; Mrs. Blanche Isnogle, of Ludwig Road; Earl C., of the U. S. Navy, Memphis, Tenn., and Mrs. Clara A. Royal, of Marion; 11 grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Leo Symonds, and Mrs. Lulu King, Yoder; two half-sisters, Mrs. Effie Brandon, and Mrs. Fannie Burns, Ossian; and two brothers, Ernest and William.

Funeral services were held Monday at 3 p.m. in the Klaehn Funeral Home, Dr. Elmer E. Voelkel officiating. Burial was in Prairie Grove Cemetery.

ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGERS NAMED FOR APPARATUS DEPT.



J. W. Belanger



N. M. DuChemin

John W. Belanger, Manager of the General Electric Company's Turbine divisions at Schenectady, and Nicholas M. DuChemin, Manager of the Company's Meter and Instrument divisions at Lynn, Mass., have been appointed Assistant General Managers of the G-E Apparatus Department, according to an announcement by Charles E. Wilson, Company President.

Concurrently, Henry V. Erben, G-E Vice-President and General Manager of the Apparatus Department, announced that Mr. Belanger and Mr. DuChemin will assist in directing operations of the department's product divisions, works service divisions and various works.

Marketing aetivities of the Apparatus Department will continue to function under direction of Chester H. Lang, G-E Vice-President in charge of Apparatus Department sales.

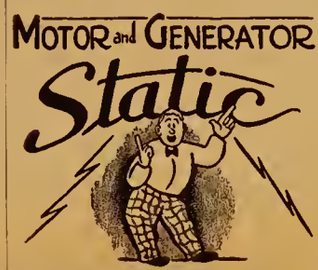
Assigned Divisions

Mr. Belanger was assigned the folowing divisions: Aeronautie and Ordnance Systems divisions, Large Motor and Generator divisions, Turbine divisions, all with headquarters at Schenectady; Schenectady Works Service divisions; Aircraft Gas Turbine divisions, Lynn, Mass.; Locomotive and Car Equipment divisions, Erie, Pa.; Erie Works Service divisions, Erie, Pa.; Switchgear divisions, Philadelphia; Transformer and Allied Products divisions, Pittsfield, Mass.; Elmira Works, Elmira, N. Y.; and Fitchburg Works, Fitchburg, Mass.

Mr. DuChemin was assigned the following divisions: Control divisions, Industrial Heating divisions, and Small and Medium Motors divisions, all at Schenectady; Lighting and Rectifier divisions, Meter and Instrument divisions and River Works Service divisions, all at Lynn; Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Fort Wayne Works Service divisions; Welding divisions, Fitchburg, Mass.; Oakland, Calif. Works, and Miscellaneous Products.

Swager Is Elected Vice President Of State Personnel Directors' Assn.

L. C. Swager, Assistant to the Works Manager, Labor Relations, was elected second vice-president of the Indiana Personnel Directors' Association at the organization's annual conference last week in Lafayette.



Thought of the week: "The Constitution does not provide for first and second class citizens."

NO OPINION: According to Bud Fisher, oracle of Bldg. 31-1, Jim Stouder made a startling discovery, one that might well ehange the course of human events. You can always tell when Bud has news, there is a twitch to his nose like a hound dog with a coon up a tree, a certain gleam in his eye, and a smug look on his puss. So when we saw him approaehing our desk displaying all these symptoms, we expected a story and got it. "Did you hear about Jim Stouder," he inquired when about three feet from the desk. "No," we replied, "What now?" "Well, sir," sez Mr. Fisher, "it seems Jim is planting moth balls in his yard to keep the moles away—last year they over-ran his place, and now there are none—they have all gone to the neighbors—that will make them awful mad, bet they sue him for damages—see that this gets in the WORKS NEWS."All this was in one breath and before we could interrupt or ask a question. If Mr. Stouder has made such a discovery, he is indeed a benefactor to humanity and entitled to a niche in the Hall of Fame, but we all know Bud and will await further developments before forming an opinion. . . . COULD BE: Jim Mitchell, proprietor of "Mitchell's Emporium" at Blue Lake announces that he is resuming his Sunday evening free movies. Sez Jim, "Tell the folks to bring their dimes, quarters and dollars and come up to our show, which is absolutely free." From the tone of his remarks, we are led to believe that the show may be free, but it will cost you to get away. Could he be getting mercenary?

Medical Memos

By Mary Heymann

The tribe of Wilsons seem to be celebrating birthdays. Dr. Leslie Wilson added another year May 22. Then the next on the list is Mabel Wilson (no relation to the doctor) who blew out the candles on her cake May 25. Now her aunt Mae Wilson Mulvane, R.N., was afraid she might be left out of the picture so she does her celebrating May 27! Happy birthday to all! . . . Dr. and Mrs. H. W. Garton journeyed to Milwaukee last week-end to attend the ordaining of their son-in-law, Louis E. Ulrich, Jr., in the Lutheran ministry following his graduation from Northwestern Lutheran Seminary in Minneapolis. . . . We are all waiting to see the pictures of the tulips at Holland, Mich., as taken by Dr. Harvey L. Murdock who, with Mrs. Murdock and friends, attended the Tulip Festival Saturday. . . . Olive Walters will attend the graduation of her nephew, Diek Walters, at the high school commencement Exercises at Ohio City this evening. . . . Industrial nurses of the northeast district held a Nurse-Management dinner meeting recently at the Chamber of Commerce. A very interesting and educational talk on "Industrial Nursing and You," was given by Jack Staehle, Public Relations Director of the Alden Company, Chicago. Each plant in the northeast district was represented by the plant nurses and management. The General Electrie nurses were happy to have as their guests I. H. Freeman, Personnel Supervisor, and Dr. H. W. Garton, Medical Director. . . . Definition: Rain—something that, when you take an umbrella, it doesn't.



I believe that it was Lafayette who once said " I read, I study, I examine, I listen, I reflect, and out of this I try to form an idea into which I put as much common sense as I can." That is splendid adviee for today. Personally I think our County Commissioners should study the above statement. I find it a little hard to apply to this column, but I will keep trying. . . . We extend to Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lichtenberg our sincere sympathy in the death of her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Stein of New Rochelle, N. Y. . . . Charles Hooley and Mary Alice Girardot of Bldg. 18-3 recently returned following vacation week. . . . A. S. Johnson of Bldg. 18-1 is absent this week on "Military Duty" in Baltimore. . . . Edna Neiber, secretary to R. J. Hoffman, Bldg. 16-3, was the guest of honor last Wednesday when Chester Lichtenberg entertained with a luncheon at the Colonial Restaurant. The affair was to honor her 25 year anniversary with the General Electric Company. Mr. Hoffman acted as host for Mr. Lichtenberg and presented Edna with a lovely corsage and bowl of flowers. The guests included Edna, Hazel McDougall, Irene Meyers, R. J. Hoffman, William Rohe and W. E. Holmes. . . . Miss Lucile Tople and Robert Ducher Wylie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wylie, were married on Saturday evening at 7 p.m. in the First Methodist Church at Barberton, Ohio, in a very beautifully appointed wedding service. They will make their home in Barberton. May we offer our very best wishes. . . . Welcome to Dorothy Klug, who has transferred from Bldg. 4-5 to Bldg. 18-5. . . . Happy birthday to Gene Grant of Bldg. 18-4. . . . Hazel Obrien, who was recently transferred from Bldg. 18-B to Bldg. 19-B, and Marion Champion who left Bldg. 18-B last Friday, hoth would like to have you all know how very much they appreciate your kindness to them. . . . Betty Garber and Thelma Stone Bldg. 18-1, spent the week-end at Pleasant Lake with Lois Tritch. . . . Hazel Meyers, Bldg. 18-1, returned after two weeks' absence. . . . Elizabeth Carnell, Bldg. 18-1, has finally had her new (?) car released by the government. (Remember one of the representatives of Uncle Sam ran into it and crumpled the pretty fender.) She is going to head it south for Cincinnati for the Memorial holiday. . . . Speaking of Memorial Day—if you haven't planned a trip why not leave Friday night and drive as far as Dayton, Ohio, get up real early and go to Natural Bridge, Va. The pageant given each night is very impressive and well worth the drive. The trip back home over the sky-line drive will add greatly to a pleasant week-end trip.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Tuesday Noon, May 31, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Lady's Gotham yellow gold wrist watch with black cord band.

LOST—Black billfold containing $30 in cash, G-E check and other identifications with name Eileen Anderson on.

LOST—Black leather billfold, G-E check, $40 in cash, driver's license, social security card and other cards.

LOST—Black combination billfold and change purse with about $37 in bills and some change and card with employees' names and telephone numbers on it.

FOR SALE

MISC. FURNITURE — Breakfast set, davenport and chair, lounge chair and ottoman, rocking chair, etc. 3710 Beaver Ave.

RADIOLA 60—With loud speaker. Fair condition. Make an offer. H-44965.

APARTMENT WASHER — Stationary wringer, like new. A-69494 after 4 p.m.

PEONIES—For Memorial Day. Kenneth Ross, east of 427 on St. Joe Center Road.

COOLERATOR—100-lb. ice box, fine condition, excellent for lake cottage or any home, white enameled. H-8494.

1937 OLDSMOBILE SEDAN—Four-door sedan with new motor, radio, heater and seat covers. H-0505.

PUPPIES Part fox-terrier, $3. H-60025.

LARGE BUILDING LOT—Off Sandpoint road. Terms, reasonable. H-37777.

12-FT. CAR-TOP PLYWOOD BOAT—Brand new. 420 W. Lexington.

1947 CHAMPION OUTBOARD MOTOR—4.2 hp. A-1 condition, automatic starter. $50. Markle, Ind., phone 185-3R.

FOR RENT

GARAGE—Near C-E, 1229 Wall St. A-40251.

WANTED

GOOD HOME FOR TWO KITTENS—Yellow, four months old. E-5204. 1132 Wabash.

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Released from Hospital

Elsie Dunfee, Raymond Holmes, Frank Cox, Henry Luedeke, Florence Weimer, Josephine Biddle, Oliver Adams, James Bledsoe, Caroline Becker, Ernest Disler, George Weikart, and Harold Wiegman.

Returned to Work

Grace Bedsworth, Richard Gotschall, Rogerio Del Gado, Frank Auer, Raymond Fulghum, Vera Killian, Ora Marie Fulmer, Howard Berry, Marcia Neukom, Cletus Schmenk, Floyd Shellenberger, Sophia Sinn, Melvin Beucler, Franklin Bly, John Brandyberry, Marie Griffin, Delores Baker, Goldia DeLong, Fern Hartman, Jay F. Yopst. Charles Menefee, Mary-Mann, Tom O'Connell, Neva Lutz, Austin Reimund, Irma Miller, Elmer Lederman, Bruce Brown, Fred Baker, Mike Hosler, Madonna Kilgus, Edward Jenkins, Lucille Bates, Walter Coolman, William Jeffries, Victoria Hyre, Claud Matteson, Carl Watterson, Magdalen Perrey, Elizabeth Reed, Edna Ward, Carl L. Smith, Russell Ray, Margaret Stuck, Harvey Adair, Paula Howard, Dorothy McMullen, Gertrude Martin and Elfrieda Wolf.



Was it heat that caused Mr. Skevington to unbutton his vest or was it the new tie? How about it, Bill? . . . Marcielle Bantel thinks the days of chivalry are all over. No one stoppped and helped her fix a flat tire. . . . A cocker followed Fritz Vogt to work the other day. We are wondering if he coaxed him away from home so he will have more room in the dog house? . . . Elmer Buuck was really excited when he saw Arlo Hawk unwrapping a package of ball bearings. He thought he had missed the candy wagon. . . . Anyone having an old handkerchief or a part of a sheet or just any old thing please see Herb Wise. . . . We can look forward for plenty of rain next week. Meredith Trout will be on his vacation. He has been very fortunate the past few years in picking the "rainy weeks." . . . Walt Niemeyer is figuring on refueling his Chrysler by air so he won't have to stop at every other gas station. . . . Myrtle Barfell broke a piece off her meat grinder, and Bill Lavine told her the next time she should remove the shoes off the horse before she started the grinder. . . . From all the reports a grand time was had at Sophia Bodigon's wedding. . . . Harold Somers is building a sail boat. Now the gang is wondering when he will start digging a channel from Pretty Lake to Long Lake. . . . From the looks of Cleon Oyer's desk the Texas cyclone must have struck it. . . . Slim Miller is in the market for one good sling shot. He no sooner plants his garden until the birds have devoured the crops. . . . Ruth Dannecker's brother-in-law was quite disturbed when he found Ruth had put the dill pickles in the orange juice jar. . . . Forrest Grimm really scented up the assembly section last week. What's the latest odor, Forrest? . . . Last week the weather man had Irene Bowman confused. She carried an umbrella and raincoat everyday but the day it rained. . . . Cleon Oyer has been enlightening Jett Monier on the necessity of the ant. It seems without them we would not have any peonies. According to Mr. Oyer the ants eat the wax that covers the buds allowing the buds to open. Jett was happy to learn this as she had insisted upon knocking the little insects off the bush. . . . Cherrio to Louie DeVoe, who is leaving our division. Sincerely, Louie, the gang will really miss you. . . . We wish to welcome Lee Witte and Max Sitton. . . . Bill (farmer boy) Curtis was asking if cows bellow when they have their horns cut off.



Just what would put Juanita Widman of the telephone room in such a dither that she would come in to work on her scheduled day off? Bet she hated herself for that one. How about it, Juanita? . . . Audrey Thomas can give you a good description of what a five-foot blue racer looks like at close range—after it's dead, that is. The snake found a choice spot in Audrey's back yard, but not for long. Mr. Thomas and the neighbor man made short work of it when they killed it with a shotgun. . . . We're happy to hear Norbert Hans is improving and he wishes to thank Chalmer Fisher and Bill Garver for so generously donating their blood. Also Al Bauman, George Coplen, Al Diehl, Howard Connor and Harold Miller for offering their blood in case more transfusions are needed. . . . That was a beautiful orchid Lois Ulrey wore to work last week. Said she received it from her "secret pal" to wear the night she sang at the recital. Pretty nice pal, huh, Lois? . . . No, that isn't just an ordinary stone on Howard Moore's desk. It was found over by Bldg. 12 and is believed to be a real-for-sure tomahawk, left there by the Indians, according to Howard. (Wow, can you top that one?) . . . That "mellow tone" Bill Schible used all last week was the result of a cold he contacted while playing cards with the boys. Curly Muehlenbruch was so warm and poor Bill just had to freeze it out with the window open. Was it really Curly that was so full of pep at 2 a.m. when the rest of the boys were ready to call it a day? . . . When Standardizing needed a skeleton crew to work on Monday, Al English thought he was supposed to work. Now we don't really think that has anything to do with your skeleton-like appearance, Al, honestly. . . . Did you know Erv Huth is the coach on the CYO softball team. Of course, that little fact has no bearing on the following story. The other evening during the game (a CYO softball match), Erv's son Gail hit a nice one, rounded first and was half way to second and his cap fell off. He proceeded to second, hit the base and then dashed off to get his cap and the boys tagged him out. Now there's a few people around here seem to think that was the coach's fault when a kid pulls a boner like that. The rest of us just ain't talkin'. . . . Happy birthday to Mary Saxton and Ralph Latham.



MAY 31 THROUGH JUNE 3

BROADWAY TAYLOR STREET

Serving Hours:

Cafeteria—16-1	11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.	10:48 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-2	11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.	
16-1	6:45 P.M. - 8:12 P.M.	6:55 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.
Restaurant—16-2	12:00 M. - 1:00 P.M.	

TUESDAY, MAY 31

Vegetable Soup	Cream of Celery Soup
Roast Beef and Dressing	Roast Pork
Pork Chops	Italian Spaghetti
Chopped Beef Sandwiches	Ham Salad Sandwiches
Whole Browned Potatoes	Whole Browned Potatoes
Spanish Limas	Baked Beans
Harvard Beets	Buttered Spinach
Buttered Broccoli	

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

Cream of Tomato Soup	Vegetable Soup
Meat Pie	Roast Beef and Dressing
Smoked Sausage	Chicken a la Kling on Biscuit
Ham Sandwiches	Barbecue Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Sauerkraut	Buttered Squash
Buttered Green Beans	Buttered Limas
Escalloped Corn	

THURSDAY, JUNE 2

Bean Soup	Beef Noodle Soup
Swiss Steak	Swiss Steak
Barbecued Wieners	Veal Chow Mein
Bacon and Tomato Sandwiches	Chopped Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Glazed Carrots	Harvard Beets
Buttered Cabbage	Buttered Cauliflower

FRIDAY, JUNE 3

Cream of Potato Soup	Tomato Barley Soup
French Fried Fish	Meat Loaf
Meat Loaf	Macaroni and Cheese
Barbecue Sandwiches	Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Escalloped Tomatoes	Creamed Corn
Buttered Spinach	Buttered Broccoli

Wide selection of home-made pies and delicious salads served daily.
Breakfast served at Broadway daily from 6:20 to 7:50 A.M.
Special dinners and parties arranged upon request.
Menus Subject to Change

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT, IN YOUR LIFE, HAS GIVEN YOU THE GREATEST HAPPINESS?

HELEN LANTZ

Bldg. 4-1



"I think the thing that gave me my greatest happiness was getting my first job after high school graduation, because it made me feel that I was really grown-up and independent."



DALLAS BROXON

Taylor St.

"My great happiness is with my family, home and friends."



VIRGINIA SIMON

Bldg. 19-5

"Happiness in my estimation is not achieved through material things. It can be found in friendship, good books, music, health, and just the joy of living."



ED G. MEYER

Bldg. 17-2

"That is a difficult question to answer. Many things have given me happiness and it is hard to single out one specific event. My home, family, and job have given me great satisfaction and happiness."



BERTHA IDA SWARTZ

Taylor St.

"Working at the Taylor St. cafeteria—having a swell guy to work for and friendly people to serve—has given me the greatest happiness."



The Big WIND

DIVISION 17
TAYLOR STREET
by Dorothy Heinzelmann

The sound room gang had a pot-luck Thursday. Those enjoying the chicken, chocolate cake and all the rest of the delicious dinner were Hazel Hardwick, Lucy Woodard and Eva Creigh, who are going to put in full time as housewives; Bill Roberts, who left for Bldg. 17-4; Esther Schladen, Vi Minnich, Ruth Leverton, Olka Johnson, Iris Allen, Pauline Ober, Duckie Drake, Charles Penn, Dave Chambers, and Dora Smith, who is leaving the Company. Esther had forgotten they had to bring baked beans, so 1:30 a.m. found her taking them out of the oven, but they sure tasted good. Never had we seen anyone consume so much potato salad as Dave but then he is still a growing boy. We certainly hate to lose all those nice people and we wish them all a lot of good luck. . . . Hazel and Marion Hardwick are now the proud owners of a beautiful blue Oldsmobile. . . . Vic Minnick has a new electric coffee pot to replace. She plugged in her mother's brand new one and forgot to put the water in, and the spout promptly melted off. Vi says it just isn't the thing to do; it's going to cost her plenty. . . . Esther Schladen has reverted to her childhood habits again as she took off her shoes and stockings, crawled out of her car and waded for help. Yes, her car was stuck in the water on her way to church, but plucky Esther got the car out, put her shoes and stockings on and went on her way to church—that's our Esther. . . . We welcome Clifford Balyeat to our group and hope you like us. . . . Ellen Saul really has the system in making dates. She takes her mother along for protection. We don't blame you, Ellen. . . . Bob Huhn has the "hot rod" fever too, so now he has something to keep him busy in his spare time. . . . Bob Federspiel got to Wabash over the week-end, but was getting worried for fear he might have to trade his car for a boat to get back. . . . Ed Bierely is all smiles again now that his boys are back in school after a siege of the mumps. We heard Ed stayed away from them while they were home. . . . Ernie Raypole had a party Saturday night and as a result he had guests for breakfast Sunday morning. Did they like your cooking, Ernie? . . . Ruby Allen went to her daughter's at Ashley over the week-end. . . . Nellie Williams is back on days after a short time on nights. Are you glad you are back, Nellie.

G-E BOWLING STARS CAPTURE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLES





Eddie Kraft, Taylor St., won the singles and all-events of the G-E Employees Bowling Tournament which ended Saturday evening, April 23. He won on scores of 756 for the singles and 1,937 for the all-events. He is shown in the upper left picture.

Eddie also walked away with the All-Events title at the Men's State Bowling tournament, which ended at Indianapolis Sunday, May 22. His winning score was 2,010.

Pictured in the upper right picture are the doubles champs, Don Dimke and Marc Junk of the Apprentice School. Their winning score was a total of 1,390 pins.

Leaders of the team event were Joe Haas, Dale Springer, Eldon Roby, Dick Madden and George Soule, shown at the right. Their score was 3315.



Apprentice BROADCAST



by MILDRED ELLIS

For the latest and strangest things in plants see Bergman or Schmidt. Their gardens are late this year and I'm sure strange things will be growing. . . . After the result of Merton Allen's test on Rasor's safety glasses it has been suggested he should be made a member of the safety committee or become an optometrist. . . . The business agent for Art Gum and his Rubber Band is a pretty snappy individual. His name is Warren Brown. . . . Oh, for the life of a softball player! They don't have housecleaning to do. There's probably many a good softball player hurried to his elbows in suds. . . . Reinking finds that swimming (or sinking) in the Purdue pool is much more interesting since they have a female life guard. . . . Homer Carson is covering lots of Hoosier territory since he has transportation available. Soon he will know more about Indiana than the natives. People call us natives, but I've always pictured natives as wild people. Well—! . . . Johnny Appleseed had nothing on "Good Deed Zollinger" who has scattered grass seed in his neighbor's yard and alley. At least that's where his grass is growing since the recent downpours. . . . It's a pleasure to work around Miller. He looks so comfortable in his stocking feet that his nearby neighbors remove their shoes, too. . . . The fellows tell me that Joe Rowan has become quite snobbish since he has been transferred. He always wears a tie and doesn't even speak to his fellow-apprentices, but Joe claims he's just trying to get Fremion and Frede on the ball. He thinks the guys wouldn't look bad if they were fully dressed. (Ties, that is.) . . . Tours were the thing in regard to classes last week. Class C visited the wire mill and both classes C and D took in the wonders of the metallurgical lab. Our thanks to George Gettel and Gene Warwick for providing enlightenment to our scholars. . . . Jack, Carl and Lew Davis are working against time on their sailboats. Jack even takes people on tours to see their boat. He claims he must get transportation to Carl's house someway. . . . The I raftsmen are planning a fishing trip this week-end at Fremion's cottage. So far the boys have batted zero in the fish catching department. Birkenbeul spent Thursday night looking for crawlers and claims he will get his share of the fish this week-end. Next week we will report on the fish—either those that swim in the water or those in the Apprentice School.

It's wise not to cash a check for a person who lacks balance.

When you want to stop sailing on the sea of trouble try tossing out your anger.



G-E Club Scores 3 To 1 Victory Over City Light

G-E Club scored a 3-1 victory over City Light Tuesday, May 24, in a Main Auto Major Softball League game at Municipal Beach.

The club combined three hits and a walk in the second inning to gain their runs. The loser's only run came in the fifth on a walk and two hits.

Line Score:

City Light	000 010	1	2 1
G-E Club	030 00x	3	4 0

TOUCHING THE BASES

by Walter Husted



In the only game played in the league during the last week, the loaded Auscos dropped Michigan City from the undefeated list, winning 8 to 4 at Edgewater Park.

Jack Holland held Michigan City to five hits while his teammates pounded Soderlind, Smola and Carey for nine hits which they grouped with five errors to score eight runs.

Bob Winters paced the winner's attack with two singles and a double to drive in five runs.

Box score:

Auscos (8)	Ab	H	O	A	Mich. City (4)	Ab	H	O	A
Schultz,ss	3	2	2	3	Thomas,lf	3	0	3	1
Logan,1st	2	1	5	0	Sunday,2nd	1	0	5	0
Winters,lf	5	3	3	0	Fuchs,cf	3	2	3	0
Shilling,2nd	5	0	6	3	Platek,cf	2	0	1	0
Kennedy,cf	1	0	0	0	Hofferth,c	3	0	2	0
Jones,3rd	4	2	1	1	Diehl,rf,cf	4	2	0	0
Nowak,rf	4	0	3	0	Dotlich,1st	3	0	7	1
West'kamp,c	3	0	7	0	Yohe,3rd	3	0	2	2
Holland,p	4	1	0	1	Meyers,ss	4	1	1	4
					Soderlind,p	2	0	0	2
					Smola,p	2	0	0	1
					Carey,p	0	0	0	1
Totals	34	9	27	9	Totals	32	5	24	12

Mich. City ..... 000 002 002—4 5 5
Auscos ..... 102 301 01x—8 9 1

M-I LEAGUE STANDINGS

(Includes Games of May 23)

	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Joseph	2	0	1.000
South Bend	1	0	1.000
Michigan City	1	1	.500
VOLTMEN	0	1	.000
Lafayette	0	1	.000
Benton Harbor	0	1	.000

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

St. Joseph, 8; Michigan City, 4.



Monday is Memorial Day and that means a long week-end for all of us. If you are going fishing to the races, to see a favorite ball team playing or just visiting, take safety along with you. . . . Our sincerest sympathy is extended to the Frank Moritz family in the death of their wife and mother. Carrie Moritz was a former co-worker. Her pleasing smile will be missed. . . . Last week Almeda Fairchild put away her tools and bid us goodbye. She left the Company for retirement. She was given a shower by the 564 line and a gift from the rest of her co-workers. We hope you enjoy your leisure time doing all the things you haven't had time to do. . . . Some time ago I told you of the way Harry Chism would get the Busco beast. The other day Harry presented pictures from a newspaper story that the big bull of Kokomo was just a "bum steer." Harry proves that he never spread the bull, but convinced us that over 4700 pounds of bull was a living reality in the vicinity of Kokomo until the winter of 1919. (That's a long time ago.) The story stated that Ben (that's the bull) was always "horsing" around on the ice and one day it fell and busted his sacroiliac. In due time old Ben was butchered. Believe it or not the meat filled a hay rack 14 x 7 and the residents of Kokomo are still gnawing on the bones and licking their chops. The hide was taken to a taxidermist who spread old Ben to his original size and shape and has him on exhibition. In the past years souvenir hunters, moths and bull slingers have done a great deal of damage to the original, but to make a long story short, when Harry Chism spreads it he can prove it. He's got the pictures. (We still say that's a lotta bull.) . . . Is there an entomologist in the house? Harold Bowker wants to know the difference between a termite and a flying ant. . . . We are glad to see Iley Souder and Josephine Motter back with us again. . . . It's howdy to Albert Fry, Chester Hill, Vivian Tricker, Victor Nahrwold, Fred Krotke and Myrtle Swager, who are newcomers to the early bird shift. . . . Sorry to hear that Ruth Hines is on our sick list. . . . Charlie Francies is going in the fresh frozen tomato business. Jack Frost came along and nipped his tomato plants—all 1,100 of them. . . . Margaret Monnot spent last week-end in Detroit. Virgie Mayer made a trip to the "Windy City." . . . It's getting to be a habit on the 534 line for "china clippers" to misbehave. Francis Eckrote is the latest victim. . . . Hershel Case hasn't figured out just when his birthday really should be. He is going to ask his mother, then he will know. . . . **Peculiar Happenings on Our Floor:** Ann Kensill, 22 years of service, received a gold medal made of paper last week. Violet Brower bought pie at the cafeteria and left it on her tray. She had to go back to the cafeteria and get it.

My dentist is a sad one—he always looks down in the mouth.

OWL GOLF

By Earle D. Stauffer

The second week of the Owl Golf League is history, but it passed with the threat that this gang of golfers will not be pushed around by anyone.

Those vaunted "Hot Shots" from Bldg. 19 ran into a snag when they collided with Team No. 1, composed of Garland, Barncy, Starke and Stauffer. They emerged a bare one-point victor. Warren Wickliffe paced his team with an even par 36, while Lou Barney "killed snakes" for his "best-ever" league effort of 37 to pace the losers.

In a corking-good match, Ray Stanger and his Team No. 2 (we hereafter will refer to them as the "Jolly Boys") locked horns with the Bierbaums, Uhrick, and Merchant who comprise No. 3. When the divots had cleared away the contest was all even. Ray was low for the "Jolly Boys" with a 44 and Uhrick paced No. 3 with a 43.

Pook, Junk, Suelzer and Hamilton Team No. 5 picked up the most points of the day when they beat Gus Ormsby's boys, minus Gus, by the margin of five points. Bernie English who replaced Gus for the day had low ball honors for both teams with a 44.

This handicap golf is no respecter of teams or players. It extends a helping hand to the high average player to make it possible for him to play in a league with the likes of Sternberger, Grider and Company. More times than not, the high forty or low fifty player is more to be feared than the consistent par shooter.

P's and Q's of 17-1

by Joe Kramer



Anyone requiring the services of a steeple-jack are asked to contact Cliff (steeple-jack) Coombes. Cliff will gladly arrange a demonstration showing the proper way a steeple-jack would descend from the top of the ladder in case of a fire. . . . Frank (Nature Boy) Martin and George (Green Thumb) Mosshammer are accepting orders for fresh vegetables with the exception of onions. It is rumored they only set out two onion plants. . . . The operator of the wash hooth on the first trick in the south end of Bldg. 17-1 is Joe Collins. Joe has been transferred to Bldg. 17-1 from the paint oven in Bldg. 4-1. Hope he likes to work in Bldg. 17-1 as well as he did in Bldg. 4-1. . . . Addie Masbaum is spelled with an M instead of a B like in last week's WORKS NEWS. Addie, please accept the apologies of the editor. . . . We are wondering if Curly Sprague is going to use the sling shot he made to shoot the mice that the cat won't catch or if he is going to use it to shoot the cat. . . . If you are interested in the changes of the moon we suggest you secure a copy of Paul Geiger's almanac. Paul's almanac has an entirely new system of determining the changes of the moon. It should prove very advantageous to scieutists in years to come. . . . What with the new trend in hair styles, Addie Masbaum is going to be kept busy keeping the bangs on Helene Evanoff and Mary Gerhard trimmed straight. Addie says she is going to practice with a safety razor and maybe in a couple of weeks she will be able to give shaves. . . . Charlie Niblick is having his house painted. Due to the changeable weather and a possibiilty of rain, Charlie had the painters use a water paint so in case of rain they wouldn't have to stop painting. . . . Jack (Hot Rod) Lewis took his vacation last week in an effort to secure subscriptions to a certain newspaper so that he might get his hot rod. . . . With Bill Hodge now in the tool room, Bill and Charlie Braden can certainly get together to get that man off of third base. Red and Bill really have quite a session at noon hour playing over the previous day's Voltmen's game. . . . While speaking of the Voltmen, we want to remind you to be sure and get your booster ticket and attend some of the swell games the Voltmen put on. That was really a slugfest they had when they played the House of David. Everybody got a hit, but Charlie Braden and the bat boy. . . . We hated to say good-by to Curtis Martin when he went on pension the end of April. We enjoyed working with Curt because of his cheerfulness and helpfulness in getting work done that had to be done. Good luck, Curt. . . . No, good people, that wasn't a new face on the grinder in 72 Group last week. Glen Hudson got slowed down enough to be able to run the grinder for a while. . . . Taking advantage of being off work last Monday, some of the girls in Bldg. 17-1 office went to the lake to enjoy a swim and a picnic. Addie Masbaum, Tavie Popa, Helene Evanoff, and Mary Gerhard report that the water was just right. As far as sunburn is concerned, the next time they are going to take an umbrella along. . . . Meriam Valentine said that Friday, May 20, was the first time she can remember of coming to work after a sudden drop of temperature and finding heat in the office. . . . After weeks of hard work painting and papering and cleaning, Charlie Lauer moved into his new house last week. When are we going to have a house warming party, Charlie? . . . We wish to extend our sympathies to Robert Taylor and Norman Bender on the deaths of their father and sister, respectively.

Voltmen Down Red Sox For First M-I Victory

By Bill Hunt

Scott Cary pitched and hit the Voltmen to a hard fought victory as he struck out five and drove in two runs.

Cary's was the only hit in the big fourth, when Smith and Miasek walked, Bobilya popped up to first, then Hardy and Runge walked to force in Smith. Cary then drove a clean single to the left of second base to score Miasek and Hardy.

The Voltmen defense weakened after Joe Cannizo doubled and Hank Stramm singled on a bunt which third baseman Bobilya fielded and threw to third base; which was not covered, so Cannizo scored. Cary got Hixson on strikes, but Hardy bobbled one that allowed Clifton to reach first and Stramm to go to third. John Galvin drove one that Bobilya could not hold that scored Stramm and sent Clifton to third, then the Voltmen nemesis Joe Desiderato hit to center to score Clifton and Galvin. Bestudick popped to Smith to end the inning.

The Voltmen recovered in their half of the fifth to tie it up. Stan Shargey led off with a walk, went to second on Horman's infield out, to third on a pass ball, and home on Olin Smith's clean single over second. The score remained tied until the eighth, although each team had a hit per inning 'till that time. Burkhard was hit, sacrificed to second beautifully by Hardy, then scored by Stan Shargey's line drive single to left. Art Herring then relieved for Lafayette to retire the side on one pitched ball.

The one-two punch of the Red Sox started in on Cary when Cannizo and Stramm singled sharply to right. Manager Braden then called a halt and let Lefty Hazel finish five inning bull pen work out against Lafayette. Lefty successfully finished off the next three Red Sox to save the game for the Voltmen and Scott Cary.

LAFAYETTE	AB	R	H		VOLTMEN	AB	R	H
Galvin,cf	4	1	0		Shargey,ss	4	1	1
Desiderato,3	4	0	1		Horman,rf	1	0	1
Mettler,lf	4	0	1		Smith,1	3	1	2
Bestudick,rf	4	0	1		Miasek,lf	2	1	0
Novack,1	4	0	1		Bobilya,3	3	0	0
Cannizo,2	4	1	2		Burkhardt,c	3	1	0
Stramm,ss	4	1	2		Hardy,2	2	1	0
Hixson,c	4	0	1		Runge,cf	3	0	1
Clifton,p	2	1	0		Cary,p	3	0	2
Herring,p	1	0	0		Hazel, p	0	0	0
Totals	35	4	9		Totals	27	5	7

Lafayette ..... 000 040 000—4
Voltmen ..... 000 310 01x—5



Voltmen Honor Roll

The following have pledged their support of the G-E Voltmen by purchasing box seats:

Box No. 6—C. L. Schust —Indiana Const. Co.
Box No. 7—Fort Wayne National Bank
Box No. 8—Pure Sealed Dairy
Box No. 9—Keefer Stewart —Frank Aiken —Deluxe Pastry —Troy Laundry
Box No. 32—Seyfert Foods Co.
Box No. 35—Main Auto Supply Co.
Box No. 36—General Electric Co.
Box No. 37—Brouwer's Tire & Bat.
Box No. 38—Mayor Henry Branning, Jr.
Box No. 39—Taylor Shop
Box No. 40—Allen Dairy
Box No. 41—Lee Sales
Box No. 42—Earle Moss —McConnell —Fort Wayne Wire Die —Seven-up Bottling Co.
Box No. 43—Hatcher Motors

What is a Speed-Up?

And what is just an honest day's work?

The "speed-up" and the "stretch-out" are favorite old battle cries in resisting improved output per worker.

In the pick and shovel days—and in the early days of crude factory operation—there was all too frequently some justification for increased output per worker to be described in such terms. Then, "speed-up" too often meant more production at the expense of the worker. Now, constantly improving machinery enables the employee to get far greater production from a normal day's effort—well within all considerations of health and strength.

Now in today's buyer's market we Americans can make the greatest progress we have made in a long time. Everyone is again seeking new designs and equipment and methods so that mechanical power and brain power can get more and better goods turned out at more attractive prices—with still just an honest day's physical effort.

We in business—employees and management—are striving to make this progress because we have to. The customer is the boss again, and he is making us get rid of the wasteful, indulgent habits of boom times. The buyer is back in the driver's seat, and serving notice on us that he will not buy unless we really take an interest in our work . . . begin to exercise our skill and ingenuity . . . cut out waste of material and motion and time . . . make sure we begin doing again exactly what he—our "customer-boss"—wants done.

Even if it were still possible for some employer here in America to set inhuman standards and drive his employees to back-breaking toil, it could last for a *very* little while because the employees would rebel. Or, if they did not, mistakes would occur, quality and reliability would suffer, rejections would actually cut down the amount of good production accomplished, and costs would rise.

No enlightened employer would fail to realize that asking good employees to work beyond their reasonably comfortable capacity would not only be contrary to the basic principle of putting the human considerations first, but also would be so shortsighted as to endanger the very life of the company along with the security of the jobs.

In good times and bad General Electric tries honestly to pay what is right for a fair day's work. And we believe an honest day's work is made up of the *full* interest, care and skill of the General Electric employee in addition to what is regarded as a reasonable output of effort according to modern standards. It is not expected that General Electric employees will go home feeling fresher than when they came to work, although we sometimes wonder if our employees don't leave work Friday night a little *less* tired than when they come to work on Monday morning—after one of our American weekends.

We know of no way any of us can do an honest day's work without going home at least a *little* tired; but that seems still well within what would be a fair price for the good pay, extra benefits, and other satisfactions we try to include in every General Electric job.

If there are any cases of employees being subjected to the back-breaking work or other severe conditions deserving the name of "speed-up" or "stretch-out," it would be most amazing to all concerned. And it would be a real favor to the manager of any such employee to be told by the employee why he so regarded his job.

It angers some people, of course, to see the employee and the employer buckling down to work together more creatively . . . more earnestly . . . more productively . . . in the common interest of attracting more customers. It angers people who are against progress . . . who don't want the American system to work.

What some people are trying to tar-and-feather as the "speed-up" and "stretch-out" is simply that steady progress in lengthening men's arms . . . that substitution of mechanical effort for human effort . . . which makes it possible for each of us to get *more* done—for ourselves and each other—in the same time with the same or even less effort.

The company whose management and employees start working together the most quickly, efficiently and eagerly—in today's tough market—is the company that will increase the quality of its products the fastest . . . offer the most attractive prices and best values . . . make the most sales . . . and so have the fewest layoffs . . . furnish the most and the steadiest jobs during the troubled period . . . and provide the greatest job security in the future. If making better products at lower prices to sell more customers and create more jobs can be called a speed-up, then we have all got to recognize that there is now—instead of the old bad kind of speed-up—a new kind of good speed-up.

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Crowd Attends Premiere Of G-E Film

Decaturites See First Public Showing of Movie Featuring Aeolian Choir

A large throng of Decatur citizens attended the premiere showing last night of the Hollywood-produced film, "By Their Works," at the Decatur high school auditorium. The technicolor film features General Electric's Aeolian Choir and employees of the Decatur plant.

> "By Their Works" will be shown in Fort Wayne at the G-E Club auditorium Tuesday, June 7, at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 8, at 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. All three showings will be open to the public.

"By Their Works" was produced by the Raphael G. Wolff Studios of Hollywood, Calif. Filming of the 45-minute movie was done last year. The show includes scenes taken at numerous G-E plants throughout the country.

The 70-person, G-E Aeolian Choir, under the direction of David Embler, gave a short concert in connection with the program last night. Reproduction of the songs and filming of the choir's participation in the full-length feature were made from the stage of the Catholic high school auditorium there.

As well as showing the entire choir, the cameramen selected several members and showed them at their work in the Decatur plant in a special sequence of the movie.

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The Aeolian Choir at Decatur, above, is composed of G-E employees, their sons, daughters and friends.

Supervisors Plan Annual Stag Picnic

The annual stag picnic of the Supervisors' Club will be held Saturday, June 11, from 1 to 9 p.m. at Voigts Retreat, east of the city.

A full day of fun and fellowship is being planned by A. S. Johnson and G. R. Lindemuth, co-chairmen. Their committee consists of R. W. Kent, R. N. White, E. M. Hanauer, W. H. Spahr, E. J. O'Neill, K. J. Redding, A. C. Hensick, J. V. Johnson, C. E. Slater and H. S. Shields.

All those without transportation should see their contact men.

Voltmen Game To Raise Funds For Boys' Camp

G-E Club officials have completed arrangements with the Goodfellows Camp, Inc., for the sponsorship of the Voltmen vs. Michigan City Cubs game, Thursday, June 9, at Dwenger park.

The Goodfellows Camp, Inc., is an organization started for the purpose of providing summer camp facilities for underprivileged boys of Fort Wayne. The worth-while project is being undertaken by many Fort Wayne citizens.

Many organizations have already underwritten their expression of satisfaction with this project. The Fort Wayne City Fire Department, represented by Cy Uebelhoer; the Fort Wayne City Police Department, represented by Mr. Lester Eisenhut; Milt Marx, Sports Broadcaster; Walter Frederick, local attorney, and Ernie Hanauer, G-E Fire Chief, are among the many persons interested in the Goodfellows Camp, Inc.

The scheduled Michigan City game has been replaced on the G-E team's home schedule by a game to be played June 17 with the St. Joe Michigan nine. This game, originally scheduled at St. Joe, has been moved to Fort Wayne to make it possible for the Voltmen to donate the game with Michigan City to the Goodfellows Camp, Inc., fund.

Regular admission tickets will not be sold for this game and G-E Booster tickets will not be honored. The price of admission has been set by the officials of the Goodfellows Camp, Inc., at one dollar per person, tax included.

Ervin Huth, Bldg. 20-2, is chairman of the ticket distribution program for the G-E Club. Tickets may be secured from all G-E Firemen and at the G-E Club.

G-E Cafeterias, Restaurant, Stores To Close Three Mondays

The Taylor St. and Broadway cafeterias and restaurant and Employees' stores will be closed June 13, June 27, and July 18, it was announced today. This action is being taken to conform with the elimination of these days from the working schedule of most of the manufacturing divisions in shortening the work week from 40 to 36 working-hours per week.

Elex Club Announces New Change In Train Route Of Niagara Trip



A view from the sky of the park at Niagara Falls is shown above.

A change in the route of the Elex trip to Niagara Falls, June 11-12, was announced today.

The trip will be taken via the Nickel Plate Railroad to Buffalo and then by bus to the Falls. Those taking the excursion are requested to meet at the Nickel Plate depot, Calhoun and Clinton near Superior St., at 2:45 a.m. (DST).

Arriving in Buffalo, N.Y., at 12:45 p.m., the group will continue on their tour by bus to Niagara Falls, N.Y. The girls will arrive at Niagara Falls, Ont., a half hour later.

There has been no change in the

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Apparatus Dept. Sets Up Pre-War Pricing Policies

H. V. Erben, Vice-President and General Manager of the Apparatus Department, has announced that effective June 1 the Department will return substantially to its pre-war price policies.

"It is expected," he declared, "that this return to pre-war price policies will provide a stimulus to prospective purchasers."

Mr. Erben pointed out that certain exceptions are necessary in the case of long delivery items. Transformers rated 15,000 kva and above, turbine-generator sets rated 15,000 kw and above, and Alco-G-E-diesel-electric locomotives, he said, will continue to be sold on the basis of "price in effect at the time of shipment, with a 10 per cent ceiling." Large hydraulic turbine-driven generators, synchronous condensers, and frequency-changer sets will be sold on the basis of price in effect at the time of shipment, with a 20 per cent ceiling, he said.

"Consistent with its pre-war policy on the sale of light equipment with a short manufacturing cycle which frequently is purchased by future delivery orders," he declared, "the Company will protect the purchaser on shipments made within 90 days after a price increase." This equipment includes distribution transformers, network transformers, lightning arresters, cutouts, and power factor correction capacitors; watthour meters, instrument transformers, industrial controls, and induction motors rated from one to 200 horsepower.

All other Apparatus Department lines of equipment, he said, will be sold "on the basis of the quoted price being maximum with provision for downward adjustment in the event of general price reductions in the particular product line."

These lines include power transformers below 15,000 kva, all items of switchgear, integral d-c motors, synchronous motors, and induction motors above 200 horsepower; industrial heating, street lighting, and welding equipment; industrial haulage locomotives and car equipments, turbine-generators below 15,000 kw, and mechanical-drive turbines.

Employees Cautioned To Safeguard Checks

Employees should not endorse their pay checks until the time when they are presented for payment. Several times in the past, endorsed checks have been lost by employees and have been found and cashed by someone else. In such cases, the Company cannot be held responsible for reimbursement to the employee, and it is always difficult and, in practically every case, impossible to hold anyone else. Therefore, employees should take this precaution to safeguard their checks or take the risk of losing the entire amount. However, if a check is lost, whether endorsed or not, notify your foreman or supervisor immediately and an attempt will be made to stop payment on it.

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Girl Scouts Open Campaign To Rid Fort Wayne Of Ragweed

The Girl Scouts of Fort Wayne are to be congratulated for the fine job they did recently as a part of an educational campaign to rid the city of ragweeds which cause so much distress every summer to victims of hay fever.

The official eradication period will be July 15 to August 5, but the Girl Scouts helped enlist supporters to the campaign early by carrying ragweed plants in a door-to-door canvass to introduce the weed to householders.

All residents of the city and Allen County are asked to destroy every ragweed plant on their property. It is better to destroy the cause of hay fever than to treat the patient once he has contracted it. An active anti-ragweed campaign in New York City—which strangely enough is ragweed infested—reduced the pollen count 60 per cent.

For the best results, weeds should be destroyed before the seeds mature. The ragweed plant can be pulled, cut, or sprayed. In doing that, everyone will help hay fever sufferers and protect himself or his children who may some day be afflicted with the ailment.

Letter From Veteran Praises Old FHP Motor With Nine Lives

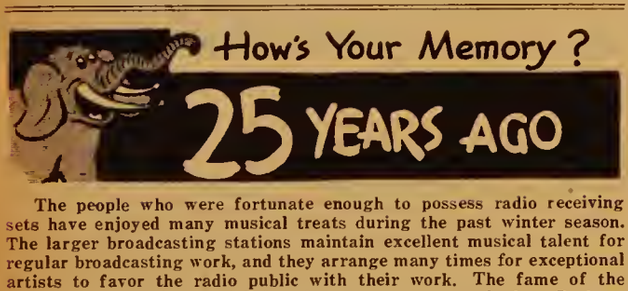
Not long ago we got one of those pat-on-the-back letters that leaves even old-school engineers hang-jawed with amazement:

"Gentlemen: I am writing you concerning a motor that I have in my possession of which I am very proud, and I thought your company would also be proud to know of, due to the conditions that this motor has undergone. The story is as follows:

"I am a Veteran of World War II. When I was discharged from the Army I bought the place in which I now live. At one time there was an old carpenter living here, but one year before the war he died and the place stood empty until we bought it. And about one year before he died his carpenter shop burned down but was never cleaned away. Since we came here, we worked spare time cleaning away the mess.

"Just recently we completed the cleaning away of the mess. Among the cinders I found this motor attached to a plank and when I took it out I found the motor filled with mud, grass, cinders—I dug the mud, etc., out and took the motor to work with me, (I work in a machine shop) and showed it to one of our electricians and he laughed at me for thinking that it would still work. However, he placed it in one of the ovens and left it there all day and night to dry, and the next day he fully expected it to blow out a fuse, but to his great surprise when he plugged it in it runs just like new. Now to my knowledge it had lain out in the weather for over six years. I think from all markings that it is an old motor, which adds to my surprise."

Our historical records indicate that this motor was manufactured in 1919. Just another example of the quality of our work, for which we all can be proud.



The people who were fortunate enough to possess radio receiving sets have enjoyed many musical treats during the past winter season. The larger broadcasting stations maintain excellent musical talent for regular broadcasting work, and they arrange many times for exceptional artists to favor the radio public with their work. The fame of the musical organizations which broadcast naturally travels far. Perhaps we scarcely realize it but we believe we have, here in our own Fort Wayne Works, a musical organization whose fame would be widespread were it in position to broadcast its musical programs. You will know at once that we refer to our G-E Band.

The people of our Works and of our city during the coming summer may again enjoy the privilege of hearing the weekly noon concerts of our band in McCulloch park. To the radio fans, let us say, here is the privilege of hearing real music without the trouble static and other interference which too often spoils the otherwise exceptionally good radio programs. Director Verweire now has fifty well trained men in his organization.

Hard to Explain to the Rest of the Crew



HUGH CRANE *discusses* Price of Potatoes

NEW YORK—Uncle Sam is spending over $200,000,000 this crop-year on the lowly spud. Last month he was spending about $1,000,000 a day just buying potatoes.

What for? To get more potatoes grown? To get more potatoes available for the American consumer's dinner table? To get the price of potatoes down?

No. To take potatoes off the market and to hold the price of potatoes up.

Why Potato Prices Stay Up

That's why potato prices don't go down. In fact since the turn of the year, while other food prices have been going down slowly, the price of potatoes is up, at least here in New York. Uncle Sam is holding it up.

This has been expensive to Uncle Sam. In fact since V-J Day he has spent over a third of a billion dollars in buying potatoes at $1.40 a bushel and up, carting them away, and selling them to alcohol producers, livestock feeders and others at an average cost of around 10 cents a bushel. The buyers have to sign a promise that they won't let anybody but livestock eat the potatoes. Sometimes Uncle Sam has just dumped the potatoes on the ground and poured kerosene on them. Sometimes he has even paid the farmer to just not dig the potatoes out of the ground in the first place.

Cost Keeps Climbing

The cost of this to Uncle Sam keeps going up. It cost him $90,000,000 on the 1946 crop, $40,000,000 for 1947, but over $200,000,000 for last year's crop. There doesn't seem to be any end to the potatoes that farmers will grow at a guaranteed price of $1.42 per bushel; and if they all got to market, down would go the price.

It isn't that farmers increase their acreage so much as that they put more fertilizer, better seeds and more care into their potato fields.

So this year the government has had to buy something 'round

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SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q: What caused the ice ages?

A: A number of explanations have been proposed. According to one theory, an important factor was a change in the amount of moisture in the atmosphere. When large, it absorbed much of the heat radiation from the Earth, and re-radiated it back to the ground. This would keep the temperature of the Earth high, with relatively little variation with latitude. With low water content in the air, the Earth would radiate away its heat more rapidly, particularly where there are long winter nights. Then the arctic and sub-arctic regions would suffer a very pronounced cooling, and the ice around the poles might advance well towards the equator. Another important factor may have been dust thrown into the atmosphere during periods of great volcanic activity. Such dust may remain suspended above the clouds for years, and would reduce the heat radiation coming in much more than that from the Earth out into space. Thus it would produce a considerable cooling effect.

Q: I missed the recent eclipse of the Moon. When will we have another chance?

A: The next total eclipse of the Moon, visible generally throughout North America, will occur on Oct. 6, 1949, with the Moon totally eclipsed from 9:20 to 10:33 p.m., EST. If you miss that, you will have still another chance on the evening of Sept. 26, 1950.

Meet the President



Hugh Crane

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125,000,000 bushels, or about a fourth of the entire crop, to haul of to dime-a-bushel non-human use, to hold the supply down and the price up.

This is more than the total production of Maine and Idaho our two big potato states. It as much as puts their production out of the picture. And in fact it actually is beginning to crowd them out of the picture. These two states, together with New Jersey and Long Island, have been the country's low-cost, high-quality producers. But at present prices garden-farmers near the big cities are turning out bigger and higger crops and capturing the nearby markets. And now that the Department of Agriculture is getting tired of buying so many potatoes for throw-away use and is talking about acreage quotas on potatoes, it is the farmers in the old-line potato growing areas who seem scheduled to get the biggest cuts.

The government has decided to cut its support price goal on next year's potatoes by a third, to maybe discourage the Niagara of potatoes that keeps coming to market. But the outlook is gloomy. Even at 95 cents a bushel farmers seem likely to keep the spuds rolling: and even acreage quotas they can get 'round by putting more fertilizer and elbow-grease on each acre.

List of Subsidies Growing

Uncle Sam is also supporting the price of eggs now in the same way. It has already bought over 30,000,000 pounds of dried eggs this year on top of 20,000,000 it bought last year and couldn't or didn't sell. Also butter. The price of butter can't go down because the government is holding it up at 59 cents wholesale. Next candidate is pork; the Secretary of Agriculture warns that his department may next have to hold up pork prices, as the law now stands, and the cost this year might be a small matter of $75,000,000.

The consumer pays twice—once in taxes to finance these support programs, and once at the grocery store counter.

Doesn't seem quite right, somehow.

Elex Club

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itinerary during the week-end at the Falls. The group will leave at 4:45 p.m. Sunday for the return trip. The train will arrive in Fort Wayne at 3:25 a.m. Monday, June 13.

All those sharing rooms should notify Irene Meyers' office, Bldg. 8-2, so that hotel reservations can be made for both persons.

Crowd Attends

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President Charles E. Wilson is featured during the opening and closing portions of the film, which is a pictorial story of production lines in G-E plants.

The wire mill at the Taylor St. plant is included in the scenes showing the production of various G-E products.

G-E World War Veterans Hold Memorial Service



Paul Trier, Bldg. 20-2, is shown above placing a wreath in commemoration of fallen comrades as a part of the G-E Memorial Service last Friday.

"A better understanding among all people" was the plea made last Friday noon by John E. Estabrook, Assistant to the Works Manager, in the main address of a Memorial Service sponsored by the G-E World War Veterans' Association.

The ceremony was held in front of Bldg. 19.

K. W. Michael, president of the association, opened the program and introduced Bill Walt to give the invocation.

Mr. Estabrook stated that "the graves of American patriots and the monuments which symbolize those graves should become shrines from which should constantly flow to the living an even greater desire to individually and collectively strive for the elimination of those human errors in thought and action which are the prelude to war."

He described the instigator of all wars as arrogance, greed, and lust for power.

"In brief he is all those things which cause people to lose their sense of value and withdraw themselves from the continuing battle for the preservation of the good things which it was intended that we as a free people enjoy and which can only be perpetuated through the maintenance of our unity as a people and our cooperation in this common cause," he added.

Arthur F. Stute, Bldg. 27, placed a wreath at the World War I monument, and Paul Trier, Bldg. 20-2, placed a wreath at the memorial for World War II. The rifle squad and a bugler of American Legion Post 47 and a color guard participated in this, the concluding portion of the program.



Ramblings in Bldg. 31-2: Everyone is either coming or going. This week Fred Eisenbiegler is going—going to be married in Canada to Thyra Rankin. After a week's vacation, he will return not to Fort Wayne but to Schenectady where he has been transferred. . . . Pat Johnson is going to leave us to go back to teaching. Pat will go to Ball State this summer to prepare to teach the first graders at Decatur. Good luck, Pat. . . . Carol Pond is going to take up the old fashioned art of homemaking. We hope she and her husband get the home they have been wanting. . . . The M-G girls honored Carol and Pat with a dinner party this week. The girls presented them with parting gifts. . . . Paul K. Shive and Robert E. Hirschmann came to our Drafting Section from General Tool in Bldg. 19-5. Hope they like us. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Readon, who are very happy over the arrival of a baby girl named Ann Louise. . . . Earl Elwonger must like his Wheaties, as we hear that he listens to Jack Armstrong. . . . Boo, Hoo! We just discovered the WORKS NEWS being used as a rug. Don Kent was standing in his stocking feet as he worked at his drafting board. At his feet lay a copy of the NEWS spread all over the floor. A bad example for all those who like to cast off their shoes in the summertime.

President Wilson Forecasts Possible Rise In Business

CALLS ON UNION LEADERS TO FACE 'ECONOMIC FACTS'

The present industrial decline in production may continue until the second quarter of 1950 but business may again reach the high level of 1948 by the end of 1951, Charles E. Wilson, G-E President, said this week.

Speaking before the 17th annual convention of the Edison Electric Institute at Atlantic City, Mr. Wilson said that it was not expected that the present decrease in industrial production would exceed 15 per cent, as compared to last year, before production again turned up. He cited the lack of "great speculative excesses in inventories and the stock market," increased government spending, and the piecemeal readjustment of production and prices as factors which would prevent any drastic decline.

In stating that the production of consumer goods in the electrical industry is expected to drop "by at least 20 per cent" as compared to last year, Mr. Wilson asserted that "we are now to a substantial degree the victim of our policies of our earned and logical price reductions. We have created a 'wait for more' attitude in our market and the only remedy I know for that is hard selling of good products at a fair price."

Many Factors Involved

Although he said the falling-off in volume buying had made some General Electric products unprofitable at present prices, Mr. Wilson said the condition would not be serious if it is not aggravated by other factors such as increases in wage levels.

"With the threat of higher taxes and increased government spending, the customers who compose our market will not support further price increases. Therefore, the only possible result of increased labor costs at such a time would be to put some real iron in the public's decision not to buy what we have for sale and that will mean curtailed production and unemployment.

"A little statesmanship on the part of union leadership at this time would help a great deal and benefit everybody. After all, they have done more than well by their 'special interests' in the years since the end of the war. They can't go on forever diluting the value of money. I would hate to think that union leadership did not have the moral courage to face its membership with the economic facts of life. If they are ever going to start being economic statesmen, why not now?"

Ignore Benefits

Mr. Wilson said that those who attack "big business" ignore the social and economic benefits which have resulted from the growth of American industry.

"It is technological advance which has made our larger economic units both possible and more effective. The high American standard of living is provided by enormous turbine plants, steel mills, oil refineries, railroad freight facilities, wheat and cattle ranches, packing houses, chemical installations, and so on—and most people today are generally familiar with the size and cost of these units, as well as with the enormous cost of new developments involving basic research, pilot plants, and full-scale production. If they do not know the exact figures, they at least know that the cost is great, and that it is still increasing," he said.

"It took only a few thousand dollars to tool up for the first automobiles, but when Ford changed from the Model T to the Model A in the 'twenties, the cost of the change-over was a hundred million dollars. There was a time when oil wells could be drilled for from $20,000 to $50,000, but today deep-drilling costs about $250,000 per well, and a recent pioneer well drilled to explore the continental shelf of the Gulf of Mexico cost two million dollars. The initial costs of some kinds of capital ventures are so great today that it is a question in the minds of many as to whether even the biggest businesses are big enough to do the job. It makes an interesting contrast between the charge that business is growing too big and the charge that it is not big enough to handle modern economic developments."

Mr. Wilson predicted that the utility industry's eight to nine billion dollar expansion program over the next five years would increase total power sales from 240 billion kilowatt hours in 1948 to 363 billion in 1955 and would result in a 66 per cent increase in generating capacity over the present. He urged the utility executives to point toward doubling or trebling capacity; to institute a vigorous public relations program; and to sell electric power aggressively.

VETERANS PLAN ANNUAL PICNIC

The G-E World War Veterans' Association will hold its annual picnic Saturday, June 11, at the Log Cabin, off the Bass road.

The picnic will continue from 1 to 8 p.m. Tickets are available from contact men for 75 cents. Attendance prizes will be awarded, so every member should write his name on the ticket.

Elex Night Girls Arrange Smorgasbord-Theater Party

A theater party will be the highlight of the Elex night girls' meeting, June 16. Members will meet at the YWCA at 11:30 a.m. for a smorgasbord before going to the Emboyd theater for the movie, "Flamingo Road," starring Joan Crawford.

Tickets for the meeting are $1 each and are available from contact girls before Monday, June 13.

Company Prepares For Continuing Expansion Of Electric Power Use

The trend of constantly expanding consumption of electric power will continue for years to come, according to G-E President Charles E. Wilson.

In a report accompanying the first-quarter dividend of 50 cents per share to the Company's 250,000 stockholders, Mr. Wilson cited estimates of the Edison Electric Institute that electric utilities will install 6,700,000 kilowatts of generating capacity during 1949, and that the total of new generating capacity installed during the three-year period 1949-1951 will equal the nation's total power supply of only 25 years ago.

Based On Needs Up To 1960

Describing General Electric expansion in manufacturing facilities for generation and distribution equipment, he said that the Company's preparations today are based on an assessment of the electric power needs as far ahead as 1960. The new $30,000,000 turbine plant in Schenectady and expanded facilities for making transformers and distribution equipment in Pittsfield, Mass., and Philadelphia, Pa., are designed to help fulfill those needs, he stated.

"No single ingredient is more important in the nation's economy than the ability to produce electric power. No single factor contributes more to a continuing improvement in the standard of living," Mr. Wilson declared.

American utilities achieved a record production of 282 million kilowatt-hours of electric power during 1948, Mr. Wilson stated, in spite of handicaps carried over from the war and reconversion period.

Double Capacity Installed

Four and a quarter-million kilowatts of generating capacity were installed by utilities during 1948, he said, which is double the capacity installed in any previous year.

He recalled that "so much power was produced for the war job that in 1945 it was believed in some quarters that when business returned to 'normal' after the war, America's capacity to produce electricity would be seriously over-expanded."

He pointed out that the steady climb in electric power consumption showed "how far from the mark were these planners who believed utilities were over-expanding."

New Factory To Boost Rate

Mr. Wilson said that more than three-fourths of the electric power needs of America are supplied by steam-turbine-generators, which G-E will produce at a rate higher than ever before in the Company's new turbine factory virtually completed.

He pointed out that using the present facilities of the Company, General Electric in 1948 had set an all-time record in producing 65 large turbine-generators with a total of 2,720,000 kilowatts of generating capacity—enough to light and supply the power needs of a city the size of New York.

Honored By Friends At Retirement



When Almeda Fairchild left for retirement, her friends in Bldg. 17-3 joined to bid her goodby. Mrs. Fairchild is shown in the foreground of the above picture. Gathered around her are: (l. to r.) Ellen Dittlinger, Virginia Longardner, Gloria Zion, Isabelle Blackburn, Margaret Halley, Audrey Young, Wilma Burkholder, Nettie Huhn, Hilda Jensen, Luella Stabler, Anna Lehman, Verna Kohart, Jess Hahn, foreman; Lucy Alexander, and Erma Landis.

Thisa and Thata "SPECIALTY MOTOR"

by Helen Engle

We wish Henrietta Deck a speedy recovery from the fall she had, coming to work the other day. . . . Frank and Marie Devauz went to Niagara Falls for the week-end. Was it a second honeymoon, Marie? . . . Carol Easte paid us a visit last week. It's good to see you again, come again soon. . . . Helen (Hine) Guiellaume is having her troubles already. She had the nicest washing hung out when one of the posts broke, getting her nice wash all dirty. Better luck this week, Helen. . . . Happy days are here for Mae Fowler. She is getting a new G-E refrigerator this week. . . . See Herman Buuck and Al Rebber for the know-how of building chimneys. By the way, is your chimney straight, Mardo? . . . Happy birthday to Esther Madden and many more to follow. Oh, yes, and thanks for the lovely cake. . . . We extend birthday greetings to Donna Lindley, Helen Engle, Janice Egolf, Frieda Knoche and Edith Schriener. . . . Mary Nute and her Jim said the fishing was powerful good in Wisconsin over the week-end. . . . Grace Ober attended the Indianapolis races and ate plenty of fried chicken. . . . Robert Pence from the Assembly section sat on a can of black paint the other day, and take it from him he can prove that it leaves rings too! . . . Ruth Tutwiler and Mardo Tobias picked the wrong weeks for their vacations. Ruth planned on doing her housecleaning and Mardo had just gobs of outside work to do. . . . The employees of Division 1 extend their sympathy to Vera Fetro and her sister in the death of their mother. . . . The employees of Division 1 extend their sympathy to Arthur Witzigreuter in the death of his father. . . . Wilma Linker was called home to Michigan due to the serious illness of her mother. . . . The Welcome Mat is out to Ivan Parrish, Virginia Stephen and Betty Burnett in 1x29. Hope you're with us a long time. . . . Butch Claymiller, our electrician, is a big boulder lifter. He and Alice are building a house at Rome City and were looking for rocks to put in their foundation when Alice discovered a big one at the bottom of the hill and called to him to come and get it. He came with the wheelbarrow. After a struggle he got it loaded but he was worn out, so Alice said she would push it up the hill, imagine! She grabbed the handles and tipped it over spilling the boulder so Butch had another struggle. This time said he, "I'll push it up the hill" so he did but when he got up the first hill he too tipped it over.

Here and There in Building 17-4

by Maxine Baker

Since purchasing a new Lincoln, Cy Seymour has been given more advice and asked more questions! Only today he was asked if that was entirely a new car or if it was his old Ford with new fenders. Norb Lose wondered how it was pivoted in the middle or what kind of joints it had so that you could turn corners with it. Guess Cy has had a little trouble parking it in the parking lot, so Walter Lorenz told him the correct way to park a car in a parking lot. He must have read in Time magazine an article on how to park cars. Cy thanks everyone for their kind advice and timely questions. . . . Tony Miller has his thumb all taped up. He claims he hurt it playing ball. That's what he says. I heard from a very good source that he has been trying to start the Neptune again. . . . The gang presented Clara Gehring Kleint with a rooster as a wedding gift. All our best wishes go with it, Clara. . . . We heard Lyle Harshbarger planted his watermelons, muskmelons and pickles together. When he harvests his crop, we will report the results. . . . We hope Frank Olney enjoys his association with the gang and wish him lots of luck in his new assignment. Although Frank Moody has departed for Bldg. 4-6 we hope to see him often. . . . An anonymous friend sent the following verse to Clara Gehring Kleint and we though you might all enjoy it:

Eventually we must succumb
To destiny for which created
Perhaps it leaves us cold and numb
More often, joyful and elated.
Elated, when two hearts are tied
In common bonds thru smiles and tears.
But why did Clara have to hide
Her secret from us all these years?

Apprentice Broadcast

by Mildred Ellis

After a grand four-day vacation, we have observed an abundance of "sun-kissed" faces. Most of the fellows accomplished this in their own gardens and back yards—a few went fishing or golfing. . . . For advice on trout fishing see Merle Aughinbaugh. I was easily convinced that he was an expert fisherman, but I hear that he didn't have the same luck in convincing the fish. . . . That pile of debris appearing in the spot where the Wabash roundhouse was, is a result of faulty brakes on Rohy's Crosley. . . . Most apprentices, after receiving a few hours instruction on the gear machines, are able to cut teeth in a gear, but no one has ever turned out such fancy teeth as Merton Allen—and in such a short time. Methinks we will have to hire a dentist to help Mert out. . . . The big fishing party was a great success for the six draftsmen: Birkenheul, Bergman, Lahrman, Leffers, Rowan and Fremion, who went fishing and actually caught some fish. Residents of Pretty Lake have respect for their fishing ability now. Birkenbeul had to take all the fish home to prove to the Mrs. that he really went fishing. Whitie fished sans his polka-dot shorts—it seems the fellows had to use them netting some minnows. John Leffers was the only one of the gang that didn't catch a fish. But John claims he really doesn't care, for then he won't have to bother with cleaning them. . . . Carl Lommatzsch really has his troubles with his Pontiac. It seems that everybody and his brother is out to spoil the looks of Carl's car. Now when he parks in the lot he takes down the license number of the cars on either side of him. . . . Dick Nix has found out that Mics have a strange way of disappearing when Mort is around. . . . Last Wednesday's Special was baked Philadendrum. . . . The apprentice softball team came through their first league game in fine shape, winning 11-5. Kenny Zurbuck did a swell job on the mound allowing only eight hits. Birkenbeul's batting average is getting to look sick 0. 0. 0. You'd think a great big guy like him could hit the ball once in awhile.

Beucler To Represent G-E In Truck Roadeo June 12



Ed David, foreman in Bldg. 6-1, extends wishes of good luck to Melvin Beucler, G-E entrant in the Chamber of Commerce Truck Roadeo.

General Electric's truck drivers have elected Melvin Beucler to represent them in the Fort Wayne Truck Roadeo, Sunday, June 12, at Baer Field. The event is being sponsored by the Fleet Safcty Committee of the Chamber of Commerce Safety Council.

Mr. Beucler has driven 30 years without a chargeable traffic accident.

The actual driving problems which will be presented in the roadeo course are:

Winding backward and forward between markers to determine driver's ability to steer vehicle in close limits; offset alley; driving straight line between two rows of markers to determine driver's ability to steer a straight path; parallel parking in a given space; backing down alley to dock from adjacent 40 foot roadway; and diminishing clearance and stop line problem, to determine driver's ability to steer vehicle through a space that becomes progressively narrower and to judge clearance, also to stop at given line.

Winners in the various classifications will receive trophies and merchandise awards. Runners-up will receive merchandise awards.

For Family Washing there's no place like home

NATIONAL HOME LAUNDERING WEEK ★ JUNE 6-13



Frances Leach, Bldg. 26-3, is shown above operating a G-E flat plate ironer, which is on sale in the Employees' store for $160.60. The deluxe automatic washer behind her sells for $298.43, empolyees' price.

The General Electric Company, one of the leading suppliers of motors for home laundry equipment, will take an active part in National Home Laundering Week, June 6 to 13.

The commemoration will be staged throughout the United States and Canada by the American Washer and Ironer Manufacturers' Association, of which General Electric is a member. This will be a revival of a promotion event which resulted, during prewar days, in greatly increased sales and maintenance of employment at a time when there had been a seasonal downturn in preceding years.

During the week, appliance retailers will concentrate on home laundry equipment with advertising, promotions, and publicity. More than $10,000 in prizes will be given for the retail display windows best emphasizing the association's slogan, "For Family Washing, There's No Place Like Home."

Motors for G-E automatic washing machines are made in Bldg. 4-5 and Division 17 at Taylor St. makes motors for ironers and pump motors for the automatic washers. The DeKalb plant is the Company's major producer of motors for home laundry equipment. The plant produces motors for washing machines, dryers and ironers.

In the Employees' Stores, G-E flat plate ironers are on sale for prices ranging from $160.60 to $184.72. G-E rotary ironers are available to employees for $40.16 to $160.76.

General Electric's wringer washers range in price from $88.40 to $144.67, while the automatic washers cost from $246.18 to $298.44.

The employees' price for a G-E dryer is $200.96.



New interest in the home life for the Rathert's is now spent in the chicken park. We understand at least Willy has her Bantam chickens eating out of her hand. . . . Louie Botteron is still having difficulty in obtaining a hot rod. . . . Dale Irwin is very interested in selling his two cars for the purchase of one that will run. . . . Arlo Hawk was elated with the coin purse he had purchased for his wife, until he found out he could have bought one for just half the price. . . . Poor Elmer Buuck has been in trouble since the last downpour. The river is so high he has been testing his motor boat in a barrel of water. . . . We hear Harold Amstutz's favorite pastime on Sundays seems to be wrecking the side of his car. . . . Cleon Oyer's attention was distracted while driving home one evening when a couple of his fellow workers yelled at him. Just remember, Cleon, "The Life You Save May Be Your Own." . . . We have all heard of mothers saving their little girls' curly locks but Bob Kissinger gave Katherine Irwin a keepsake belonging to Oyer, and he can't afford to lose too many of his locks. . . . Fritz Vogt should be enlightened as to the operation of a cooler. It seems a few of the boys were playing golf and after the game Fritz treated them. However, he had only put a tray of ice cubes in it and filled it up with water. . . . Bill and Mac are so tired of the same old scenery that a new face put a glint in their eyes. . . . ATTENTION ALL MOTORISTS—Lottie McFarland is driving to Bloomington, Ill., this week-end, and it has been about 12 years since she last drove a car. . . . Orville Robinson has been having quite a time hauling the black dirt back in his yard since the last downpour of rain. . . . Tom Harber spent quite a thrilling week-end over Memorial Day. He and his friends cemented the log house. . . . Uncle Walt Niemeyer is quite upset over the ball games the Daisies have lost. Chin up, Walt, the season has only started. . . . We welcome to our division Esther Lotter, Alma Wilkinson, Thelma Culler and Emma Hindrick.

Named Temporary Chairman Of Mental Health Chapter

Herschel L. Smith has been named temporary chairman of the Fort Wayne Chapter of the Indiana Mental Hygiene Society. Mr. Smith is the safety engineer for the Fort Wayne Works.



All the groups participated in a potluck dinner honoring Mary Hoffman on Tuesday, her last day at work. She is retiring after 22 years of service. At the same time she received a G-E iron and a pin. We all wish her the best of luck and health to enjoy her leisure. . . . We welcomed Park Schemehorn back to work after an illness of seven weeks. . . . Congratulations to Virginia Gebhart who celebrated her birthday May 26. . . . Paul Monroe has been suffering from a sore arm. It looked very much like a boil, but after being questioned he said that the mule bit him. Could be! . . . Oh the shame of it! Orville Stanton, known as Cannon Ball since he acquired the new Oldsmobile, was slowed down considerably when he found himself bogged in the mud at the Speedway. It took no less than a tractor to get him out of the mire and moving again. He still is willing though, to challenge all comers to race him "fair and square." . . . Roy Bracht plans to paint his house and has been after information on the easiest way to paint under the eaves. The last advice received was to lie down on the roof, reach over and paint from there. The advantage in using this method removes the danger of falling off the ladder.

It's nice to be the head of the house—but tough to have the headaches that go with it.

Police Lieutenant Is Here 30 Years



Lt. Edwin Koch, Plant Protection, celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric last Friday, when he received a letter congratulating him on his long service. Attending the presentation of the letter were: (l. to r.) E. M. Hanauer, Fire Chief; J. B. Greer, Supt. of General Service; Lt. Roy Weick; Lt. Koch, and A. R. Vegalues, Police Chief.

WHAT'S NEW IN PLANTS & LABS

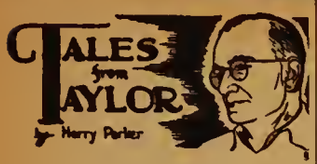
SYRACUSE—A single tone arm, with interchangeable pickup heads for playing both standard and long-playing records, is a feature of a new lowboy FM-AM radio-phonograph console now on the production lines at General Electric's new Electronics Park plant here.

SYRACUSE—Radio communication between mobile units over 70 miles apart began recently when the Fruit Belt Electric Cooperative installed a new General Electric carrier-operated relay system at Cassopolis, Mich.

Key unit in the FM system is a G-E 50-watt SC-201 transmitter-receiver located on a hill in a low noise level area. Transmissions on 158.25 mc from the central office or the Cooperative's trucks are picked up and fed directly into the relay transmitter. The signal is rebroadcast at 153.71 mc with the same percentage of modulation as the received signal.

SCHENECTADY—Contrary to popular conception, raindrops assume a variety of shapes—from pancakes to telephone receivers—G-E weather scientists have learned in controlled tests here. Rather than maintaining tear-shape, raindrops may change appearance as often as 50 times a second. Using a specially developed instrument, with which air is forced upward against a drop of water, stroboscopic pictures recorded action of the water drops. Calibrated eye-droppers were used in the experiments which are part of the general investigations into weather phenomena conducted under Project Cirrus, the cloud-study program of the Army and Navy in consultation with the G-E Research Laboratory. Periodic deformations of drops are described as being actually "oscillations." In each oscillation the drop assumes a new shape and then returns to the original shape. Oscillations are the result of a combination of the surrounding air pressures and the surface tension of the drop.

HARTFORD—The first G-E postwar mercury turbine-generator, using mercury vapor instead of steam to drive a turbine, has gone into service for the Hartford Electric Light Company at its South Meadow Station. Capable of producing 15,000 kilowatts of electricity, the new installation includes a mercury boiler in which mercury is heated into vapor, just as water is heated into steam. The vapor not only drives the turbine that turns the electric generator but also supplies extra heat to be used for the production of steam for other turbine-generators.

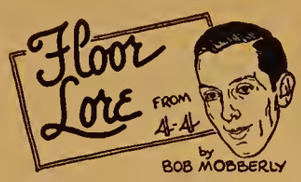


Now that Herb Saurer, our expert crow slayer, is working days we are afraid that the crow population will greatly increase as he was used to laying a lot of them low during daylight hours. He tells us that this change in arrangements will not affect his operations in the least as he has procured a powerful searchlight with which to hunt them out in their roosts. In this manner, he believes that he will be able to eliminate more of these black demons than ever. . . . Take note of this all of you readers and get your reservations in early as Art Brandenberger and Ward Grim have purchased new cabin cruisers for use on their respective lakes. Since these boats are of a goodly size permission to operate them on these lakes was refused. Not to be outdone they are planning on running excursions this summer from Madison, Ind., to New Orleans via the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. . . . Frank Blotkamp purchased a new table model radio and tells the boys that his purchase was made with money obtained from a suggestion award. But some of the boys are inclined to think that it was obtained by holding out on mamma. . . . For a long time we have heard nothing about Johnny Driver's famous 1934 Buick, but evidently it has begun to show off again. He brought the carburetor in this week and said that he was going to soak it good in vinegar to remove all of the scale that has accumulated down through the years, then give it a general good cleaning in hopes that the old boy will percolate again. We suggest that he soak the whole car in vinegar or throw a hand grenade into it. . . . Richard Wilkins, who was stationed in India during the last war, became a great lover of tea, especially India tea, as it has such an exquisite flavor and aroma. Drinking it is like sipping the nectar of the Gods. He explains that the leaves from the lower branches of the plants are the best as they seem to be more flavorful than the top ones. . . . The other afternoon on our way home from work we happened to observe Lawrence Ankenbuck standing in the middle of the vacant lots on the east bank of the St. Marys river. Occasionally he would wander around a bit then gaze intently skyward. We do not know whether he was star gazing or was just plain lost.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

Nature study is a very interesting subject, especially studying bees. We learned only recently of a curious habit Ted Schlup's bees have. It seems that if Ted works around them Saturday or Sunday they'll sting him, so Ted has to take time off from work during the week, to do his bee chores. Maybe they're organized bees. . . . It is reported that Ida May has found that rare thing, true love. After eight months of married bliss, Ida's head is still in the clouds. . . . Warm weather is here to stay officially, Elmer Warner has removed his long underwear. Cal Case is still a bit dubious, though. His probably won't come off 'till the thermometer hits 90. . . . We wonder if Paul Lichtsein's better half will ever hear of his winning a big pot last week. . . . Frank Elder is back to work from his recent illness. . . . Ed. Lepper is always forgetting trump in the daily noontime euchre game—very confusing to all, but possibly beneficial to Ed at times. . . . Wilber Ayers, from the appearance of his last haircut, must have borrowed Elmer Minnick's bowl. . . . Hay! Hay! you G-E farmers, Elmer Minnick says "for $10 a month pension, I'd stay home on the farm." There you are, fellows, there's cheap help. . . . Hugo Kleint, Bldg. 19-3, and Clara Gehring were wedlocked recently. Best of luck and the cigars were excellent. . . . Approximately two weeks ago Fred Bucholz and the Mrs. were driving along on Fort Wayne's east side, when an accident happened. Mrs. Bucholz was injured some, but we're glad to say that it was not bad. Here is the version of the incident as it was told to us: Freddie was clipping along at a fair pace and took his hands off the steering wheel saying, "Look, Mamma, no hands!" About that time a telephone pole jumped in the path of the car, and after it was all over Mrs. Freddie said, "Look, Papa, no teeth!" . . . Amos Schladenhoffen had better stop casting reflections on the high moral standard of Ted Schlup's queen bee, or he may be very, very, sorry. What if the queen bee did elope with a horsefly and fly off to Columbus, Ohio. We don't think that's any of Amos's affair. . . . We extend our sympathy to Luella Boyce in the death of her sister.



Getting used to the revised schedules around the plant, in order to meet the "deadline," is comparable to changing from central standard to daylight savings time. It requires keeping a calendar before you in order to know just what day it is! . . . We would like to tip our hat to Charlie Griffith, who during the past several weeks has been taking Bill Putt's place as foreman. It's a lot of responsibility, Charlie, but we all feel you have been doing a grand job. . . . In regards to Bill Putt, we are happy to learn that Bill is expected back soon. Everyone sincerely hopes you are feeling 100 percent better, Bill. . . . Belated congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Carey on the birth of a new daughter. Both parents are really pleased as they both wanted a girl. . . . The stork was indeed on a busy schedule as we learn that a former member of Repair and Return, Dick Lothamer, is the proud father of a baby girl! . . . We understand that a Smith named Ray, constructed a golf bag cart to assist him at his favorite summer-pastime. In the case of Ed (Chum) Bowser, however, Ed is going to build a cart to carry an adding machine around to keep his score! Perhaps you could persuade your chum to give you a few lessons, Ed. . . . From first hand information we learn that Howard Keppler made a necessary trip to the Taylor Street plant recently in the company of Carl Reeves. Carl proceeded down an aisle to discover that Kep was not behind him. Turning around Carl noticed Kep looking at something in his hand. On closer observation, Carl saw that Kep had a compass and was getting oriented with the place. A huge plant isn't it, Kep? . . . We extend a speedy recovery to Clarence Didier and his wife, who are now at Mayo Brothers Clinic. How about dropping them a card, folks? . . . The office has acquired a new look with the addition of all of those fresh cut flowers on Nena Foster's and Voyce Brumbaugh's desks. They certainly add a pleasant touch, girls!

YOU'LL JUMP FOR JOY...



G-E Club Holds Old Fashioned Dance



Several hundred G-E employees set back the clock recently at the G-E Club's "Old Fashioned Dance" when they swung their partners to the tunes of bygone days. Favorite dances were old timers such as "Adam and Eve," "Cheat and Swing," "Old Arkansas," "Bird in the Cage," "Butterfly Whirl," and "Swing to the Wall."

Calls of "Do si partners, Do si corners, but don't get a fall," echoed to the favorite tunes of past generations, still popular today. It was all fun and plenty of exercise for everyone, as the above pictures show. Joe Taylor, Bldg. 27, and his Red Bird recording band provided the music.



Our we-wish-you-happiness mat is out for Alice Kreiselmeyer and Franklin Loftus who will say "I do" tomorrow afternoon. . . . Floetta Zartman and Doris Ryan enjoyed a Dutch treat. They went to the tulip festival at Holland, Mich. . . . If you see a flashing new Nash coming down the street, chances are that it is Edith Beaty. She had a long wait, but finally it arrived. . . . That wasn't an Indian war dance that Walter Kryder was doing. He just was hopping mad because a wire got in the way of his trouser leg. Violet (Good Deed Dotty) Brower came to the rescue with her little sewing kit. . . . Clara Fulmer, a former co-worker, has gone home from the hospital. Her address is 320 Cornelia St., Hicksville, Ohio. Let's send Clara a card. . . . We are glad to hear that Lucille Miller is better. Hope you are back soon. . . . Ethel Perry paid us a visit last Thursday. Glad to hear you are better too! . . . Bill Martin must have a new sideline. He was seen going around the other day carrying the sign, "maid." Whoever heard of maid service for a winding machine? . . . At the same time Mildred Huntine was displaying "do not disturb." (Must be a genius). . . . Belated birthday greetings to Charlie Francies, also happy birthday to Chester Hill. . . . Hello to Ovid Holmes, Jr., and Florence Schlosser, newcomers to the early bird shift. . . . We can expect Esther Reiter to have a housewarming party (we hope) since she is in her new home. . . . Do you want your hair brushed, but good? Ella Arn will give you a free demonstration with that new brush they have on the 534 line. . . . Does Walter need glasses or is Nina shrinking? While looking right at her, he asked if she was in that day. . . . Lowella Koogle rushed home last Friday because she thought her husband had mashed two of his fingers. When she got there, all he had done was mashed two of his fenders. She bought him a box of candy because she was sorry for him, and since he wasn't hurt, she ate the candy herself. . . . Jo Ann Kemery bought a watch dog to keep the tramps (not wolves) away from her door. . . . Ann Kensill just loves (?) mice. She screamed with delight when one ran across her shoe the other day. . . . Mary Shumm has acquired a little kitten. She is undecided whether to call it Harry or Harriett. . . . Keys, keys, who has the keys? That is what Ruth Lemmert was asking the other day. . . . Bob Walt has come up with a new idea. He is going to get an electric motor and have wires strung across the lake, so that when he goes fishing he won't have a dead battery. Better take some oars along. . . . What is this we hear about Jerry hanging on a Christmas tree? . . . Ethel Keller spent last week-end at Turkey Run. . . . Ann Kensill went to the races at Indianapolis. . . . Mabel Schaaf went to Pierceton. . . . Velma Seibt visited at Wabash.



Testers Receive Resuscitation Training



R. K. Drake and W. R. Hunt are shown receiving artificial resuscitation from J. H. Keith and M. W. Heller. Watching the demonstration are: (l. to r.) M. L. Poling, A. G. Kurtz, Harry Hedglin, W. G. Hofer, R. H. Cole and Ed Cade, instructor.

The picture, above, shows a class in first-aid receiving a refresher course on artificial resuscitation. All new electrical testers are required to take this training upon employment and each month for six months. They then take a refresher course every three months. The instruction is given by Ed Cade, Bldg. 20-2.

The prone method, shown above, is used throughout the Company for first-aid treatment. Mechanical resuscitators are in limited use in some plants, but they may be used only by trained personnel.



Melba Ingram is Melba Ingram no longer—now she is Mrs. Robert Kelly. Melba and Bob were married last Saturday afternoon at St. John's Lutheran Church. After a short wedding trip to Niagara Falls, Melba is now back to work. She would like to take this opportunity to thank the entire gang for the lovely set of dishes and coffee maker which she received from them. We're glad she liked them and now we're waiting for an invitation to Sunday dinner. Seriously, Melba, we do wish you and Bob all the happiness in the world. . . . We are glad to welcome Tom Dent back into the fold. We hope your health continues to improve with each passing day. . . . Some people have all the luck—Harold Miller is on vacation this week. When asked what he was going to do, Harold replied, "Work around the house like all married men on a vacation." . . . Birthday greetings this week to Doug Blessing and Earl Munson. . . . Vera Kruge has been insisting that I retract a statement I made a couple of weeks ago in the WORKS NEWS. She informed me very politely that she does not roll gutter balls as I stated. After watching Vera bowl the other night I'm inclined to believe her. Sorry, Vera. . . . Today we say goodbye (temporarily, I hope) and the best of luck to Cecil Strong, Blaine Webster and Jim Laisure. When you have time, fellows, drop around and see us anytime. . . . Casey, when you want a new coat, why don't you just go downtown and buy one instead of trying to wear one home from the office. The stores downtown have a much larger selection than our office force from which to choose if you want to buy one, but if you only want one, try the restaurants. We would hate to see Faye Jordan walking home these chilly afternoons without her coat. . . . "All problems become smaller if you don't dodge them, but confront them. Touch a thistle timidly and it pricks you; grasp it boldly and its spine crumbles."



Our friend Eleanor Lambroff was married in Gary, May 29, and we were told she was a very lovely bride. Alma Witte and Thelma Stapelton went to the wedding, but they almost didn't make it. They got on the wrong road and were within 22 miles of Chicago before they discovered they had missed Gary. They turned around to head back toward Gary, but this time they turned the wrong way so after three tries they finally arrived in Gary. Alma, what are you going to do when you try driving to California this summer? Dorothy Vetter and her husband also went to the wedding and they all had a wonderful time. . . . Several other lucky people in the office made trips over the week-end. Ralph Dennison and family went to the 500-mile race at Indianapolis. Ann Smith and family went to Huntsville, Ala., to see her newly married sister and Norma Bastian went to Charleston, Ill., to visit her grandparents. . . . Pat (Dolan) Morey is back to work today after a ten-day honeymoon in the Smoky mountains. . . . Poor Perry O'Neill didn't get to go anywhere, but he is sure going to make up for it when his twin daughters get a little older. He said they must have known he had some time off because they really outdid themselves to keep him awake. . . . We were very sorry to see Joan Liebig, Vera Schweir and Evelyn Harges leave our office family last week.



Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

There are many fellows who brag about the fish they catch or the rabbits they shoot, but when Everett Jones and Dean Smith go mushroom hunting they really bring back the proof. . . . Herman Gebert brought in his baby picture and was showing some of the fellows what a beautiful baby he was. . . . Some people say anything can happen, and now I believe they are right for Charles Mathias bought a '48 Chevrolet to go courting in. Beware all you gals. . . . There seems to be a bit of jealousy in our office lately. Lowella claims Mary is receiving all the candy, roses, and cake. We would like to know who this secret admirer is. . . . If by any chance anyone sees Mary on her hands and knees, do not be alarmed. She is just running her trap line. It seems as though another character has moved in. . . . Fred Thieme is all smiles again now that he has found his rhythm, which has been lost for the past week. As you well know, Fred has greater efficiency when he has that rhythmatic motion. . . . Ralph Milligan seems to be still in the market for a good Ford. He is always getting a demonstration, especially on week-ends. I wonder who he sells cars for. . . . That fellow behind those green glasses Thursday was none other than Gerald Crum. It seems as though Gerald did some polishing on that new red Chevrolet and got some red paint in his eyes. . . . Eddie Daucher requested we provide him with a new fishing rod from our next collection. What do you say, boys, ready for another collection for sports. . . . It seems as though some people just naturally have troubles in whatever they do. One of these persons is Luther McConnehey who claims he cut his thumb drying the dishes for his wife. Really, I don't believe it was the cut he wanted to tell about. He just wanted the boys to know he helped his wife with the dishes. . . . Lorenzo Smith is another one who always seems to be having his troubles. He went fishing and burned up his car. I just wonder does anyone have to be traveling that fast just to go fishing? Lorenzo said it was a pretty expensive fishing trip.

Michigan Mushrooms

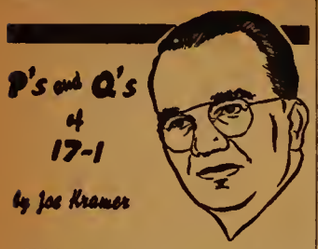


When Everett Jones and Dean Smith, Bldg. 26-1 (l. to r.) went mushroom hunting, they meant business. Here is proof that their story about 4,000 mushrooms was true. Those delicious steak-toppers were gathered northeast of Lake City, Mich., three weeks ago.

FATHER-DAUGHTER PARTY IS SCHEDULED TONIGHT

The Elex day girls' Father and Daughter party will be held tonight in the Kreis Stolzenau hall at 8 p.m. Susan Jones, Winter St. Works, is in charge of arrangements.

Joe Taylor, Bldg. 27, and his band will be featured on the program. A Dutch lunch will be served after the entertainment, and each father will receive a gift.

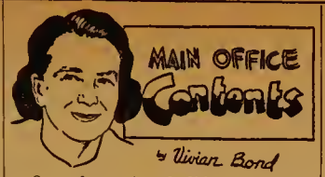


With the arrival of sunny weather and spring housecleaning. Wally McKay decided to wash down the front of the house (we wonder who decided). Wally wasn't satisfied with just washing the house and the front sidewalk, but it has been reported that he was seen washing the street in front of his house. . . . We have read in numerous newspaper ads that shade improves the flavor of coffee beans. Frank Martin and George Mosshammer being demon agriculturists have decided to let the weeds grow in the bean patch. They claim that if shade improves coffee, just think what it will do to green beans. . . . We are happy to report that there were no casualties suffered in Monday's excursion to the lake, although Helene Evanoff wanted to get her shoulders tanned and forgot those illusive little strings were untied. . . . Bill Grimm is looking for a shotwell baker tapper. Anyone in 72 group knowing of the location of this machine, please give Bill complete directions. . . . Ivan Ford is in the goat business again. With an increase in Ivan's goat family, he is looking forward to being able to provide more homogenized goat milk. Ivan guarantees that the milk has been homogenized by nature. . . . A welcome visitor to Bldg. 17-1 last Friday was Ralph (Cowboy) Beerman. At least he was welcomed by Mike Kramer. . . . It is good news today. Ed Arthur has just announced the big sale of pants at half price. Ed says, "With each suit you buy, you get an extra half-pair of pants." . . . We are glad to welcome Leo Nyboer back to work after his recent illness. We can report that Leo only lost 26 pounds, and he is gaining them back very rapidly. . . . Among the bachelors of the week, we find Harold (Red) Braden. Red's wife went to visit her folks in Ohio for a week. Red says, "The cooking he's been getting since she is gone is worse than when he was in the Army." . . . We have listened to some of the fish stories that float around during this time of the year, but decided to believe the ones told by Merlin Wagner. Wag brought us some of the nicest bluegills we have had the pleasure of eating. Thanks a lot, Wag. . . . We thought our eyes were deceiving us last week. While talking to Bill Walt, we looked up and thought we saw Bill coming in the door, but it was none other than our former associate Arnold (Fat Boy) Berning. We were glad to see you, Berning; why don't you drop in to see us more often. . . . Since Bob Taylor has moved to the desk formerly occupied by Charlie Lauer, Frank Hickman doesn't know which of the two desks he is supposed to use. Frank can be seen sliding his chair from one desk to the other. He has already used up a can of oil and two sets of casters. . . . Argend Denney was sure glad for the three-day holiday. He spent his time cultivating his garden. Denney says the main things he is raising this year are peas and potatoes. See Denney for any further information. . . . Since publication of last week's WORKS NEWS George and Frank, the vegetable kings of Bldg. 17-1, have informed me that due to the rush on onions, they have now set out two rows 85 ft. long. . . . Virgil Hartman reports a very enjoyable three-day holiday. We wonder if he visited old friends in Tiffin or Pennsylvania.

4-1 Floorage

By Marie Lantz

Here we are—a new face in a new place—and we have been asked to cover the floor! At best, we'll barely beat out bits of dirt for our beginning. . . . To Henry Schwartz here's belated good luck greetings. Henry retired May 7. In remembrance the fellows of Bldg. 4-1 presented him with a gift of $25. . . . Did the choo-choo miss you? A trip through the much talked about Train of Tomorrow proved it to be a treasure of transit. And that reminds us—at one time Bill Oberlin was passenger agent for the Pike's Peak R. R. in Colorado Springs, Colo. Yet Bill's better half has traveled by train once in her life—that at the tender age of five. . . . There are four girls on Bldg. 4-1's factory floor and two of us bear the same surname. Oddly enough, we were not acquainted previously. Helen hails from Hicksville; your scribe is a Wayne-ite. . . . We extend a fond farewell to David Bartle, our machinist who transferred over to Taylor this week. . . . They say there's a present meat shortage—none-the-less one can usually find Bear and Trout at Bldg. 4-1's south end.



Our three day holiday over, we hope safely for everyone, we are trying to settle down to the usual routines. The word "safely" stands out very vividly in my mind when it is not possible to drive down Fairfield Ave. at 5:30 without seeing one or more accidents. It is surely time for all drivers to take an inventory of their driving habits. You know someone is always wrong!

Shades of Jack Benny

The only resemblance to Jack Benny in this story is his ability to play his favorite violin solo, "The Flight of the Bumble Bee." The bee in this story did not stay in flight! F. L. Peternell of Bldg. 18-2 was preparing his new cottage at Lake Gage for the final big move. A bee took "Custer's Last Stand" and after much maneuvering Pete was able to carefully eject the bee. Being a lover of all small animals and insects Pete, of course, could not kill the bee. Gently escorting him to the door to set him free, the ungrateful bee turned on his benefactor, the battle raged on with the benefactor losing! The moral to this story is: If a bee wants to be in your beautiful new cottage be sure to let the bee be. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Clark and nephew Frank spent last week-end at Greenfield Village near Detroit. . . . Mr. and Mrs. T. T. King have returned to their home in Arcadia Court after spending the winter months in Nebraska with their daughter and son. Mrs. King is slowly recuperating from her back injury received in a fall.

All G-E Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Garringer (Wilma formerly was second shift supervisor of the works and Ezra works in Bldg. 17-4), announce the approaching marriage of their daughter Joan, Taylor St., to Joseph Hile, Bldg. 4-6, to be solemnized June 4 at the Trinity Methodist Church. . . . A. S. Johnson has returned from Camp Lee, Va., where we are sure he enjoyed a military leave. . . . The General Electric friends of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Didier will be surprised to know that they are both in Rochester, Minn., where Zoa underwent surgery May 17 and Clarence is receiving treatments. . . . Last week, Doris Rhonemus and husband, Bldg. 18-3, enjoyed a week-end in Michigan City and Chicago. . . . Did you know that Marshall, Mich., is just 90 miles north on route 27? Why not take a Sunday off and enjoy the lovely scenery as well as a very special meal at Schueler's Hotel? It is a big time restaurant in a small community—this is not a paid advertisement—just plain facts. . . . Betty Jean Rose, Bldg. 18-1, underwent minor surgery at the St. Joseph hospital Tuesday of last week and is convalescing satisfactorily. . . . To Chester Lichtenberg, may we extend our congratulations (sorry to be one week late) upon your completion of 42 years with General Electric Co.

Howard Miller—Please Note

To leave a car running for about three and a half hours, while parked in the yard is mighty hard on the gasoline supply to say nothing of your battery. (It is a little trying on one's usual good disposition, too, isn't it, Mr. Miller?) It is nice to have unknown friends who bring the sad tidings, isn't it? Could have gone on for the full eight hours! . . . Al Tharp, Bldg. 18-4, is to be complimented on his sale of poppies on Poppy Day. . . . Paul Lenz of Bldg. 18-4 is very proud of his new Chevy. When he makes up his mind he wants quick service. Bingo! and he has a new car. . . . Nel Joy, General Accounting in Bldg. 18-3, left G-E Friday to join her husband in Muncie. She was presented a farewell gift from her friends.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Clarice Craighead, Edna Canizares, Mary DeVries, Henrietta Deck, Dwight Dafforn, Andrew Einseidel, Paul Horstmeyer, Ruth Hime, Clarence Hartman, William Irwin, William Jamison, Irene Kleber, Amanda Longwell, Andrew Longardner, Louis Manz, Evelyn Nowels, Golda Rodich, R. M. Rigel, Albert J. Sears, Alta Stanley, Lloyd Smith, Irene Schafer, Harold Trautman and George Worley.

Left Hospital

Clara Fulmer and Edna Canazares.

Returned to Work

Henry Brugeman, Donald Shepherd, Mildred Quackenbush, David Lewis, Ora Farrel, Clarence Ziegler, Alice Nichens, Elvira Romary, Iley Souders, Thomas Dent, Luke Shorter, Rosezella Turner, Dewey Heaston, Goldie Kelly, Olive Strong, Roy Taylor, Malinda Wahrer, Marguerite Wyant, Dewey Heaston, Louise Holycross, George Weikart, Laura Krauskopf, Kenneth Bainbridge, Lucy Woodward, Park Schemerhorn, Mable Fann and Otto Nahrwald.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon June 6, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Brown leather tobacco pouch with zipper. Found by the elevator in Bldg. 6-1.

FOR SALE

FURNITURE—Dining room suite, davenport and chair, maroon 12x15 rug, and miscellaneous items, good condition. Call A-99232.

BOY'S SIDEWALK BICYCLE — 14" wheels, 1 year old, $15. H-74293, 2914 Central Drive.

YOUTH STEEL BED—Springs, 6-yr.-old crib, both with water-repellent innerspring mattress, perfect condition, reasonable, or will trade for two bunk beds. A-70931 after 5:30.

ATTIC VENTILATING FAN — Three-pound G-E automatic iron; English-type man's bicycle; baby carriage. 1001 McKinnie Ave.

CHAMPION OUTBOARD MOTOR — 3.9 hp, never used after recent overhaul, must sell. E-40834, 1642 Sprunger Ave.

1947 SERVICE CYCLE—$90. Hoagland telephone 66.

COOLERATOR 100 LB. ICE BOX—$30, excellent condition, white enameled on steel, now at Lake James. H-8713, Mon.-Fri.

APARTMENT SIZE WASHER — And wringer, $15. H-8723.

BOY'S COAT—Two Eaton suits, like new and reasonable. Size 4-5. A-98501.

AUTOMOBILE TOP CARRIER — Two-burner oil stove, two pressure sprayers, fuel oil barrel. A-86831.

LIVING ROOM SUITE—And two rocking chairs. H-20481.

GIRL'S GREEN ALL WOOL COAT—And leggings, good condition. Age 7-9, $6; Plaid wool suit, girl's size 10, $2. A-86475.

STEVENS AUTOMATIC RIFLE—Telescope, sight, new, shoots 22 long or short. A-3724, 2509 N. Anthony Blvd.

FOR RENT

COBBLE STONE COTTAGE—Two bedrooms, 13 mi. north of Angola, available Aug. 13-20 and after Labor Day. H-57474.

WANTED

TWO SMALL PIGS—Also to trade or sell two-row planter for roto-tiller. H-25530.

GARDEN SPRAYER — Shoulder-type, pressure sprayer. A-98501.

APARTMENT SIZE GAS STOVE—Four-burner. H-76443.

HOUSE TO RENT — Unfurnished. H 90043.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—From Helmer, Ind., to Broadway G-E. Willard Parker works from 8-5 in Bldg. 6-1. Call Ed David on extension 433.

Five Become Members Of Q-C Club



Roy F. Hosler
Bldg. 26-4



Carrie E. Green
Bldg. 26-4



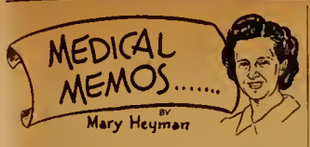
Alfred B. Rondot
Bldg. 4-5



Elsa H. Frede
Bldg. 4-3



Joseph J. Shelly
Bldg. 31-2



Dr. and Mrs. H. W. Garton are entertaining their 14 months old granddaughter, Barbara Jean Ulrich, from Minneapolis, Minn. Such active little youngsters can cause plenty of stir and excitement—and how the grandparents do love it! . . . Now that Mabel Wilson received a cookbook for her birthday, we expect to be reporting on her cakes. And we don't mean pancakes either! . . . The long holiday week-end was welcomed by all. Some planned trips, others visited relatives and some had guests in their own homes. Several went to the various lakes to get ready for a full summer season. But with all of the activity, there still was an abundance of time to pause in memory of the ones who have laid down their lives. . . . Alta Bishop spent the week-end holiday at Niagara Falls, N.Y. . . . Dr. Harvey L. Murdock was in Indianapolis Wednesday, attending the Annual Trudeau Society Meeting. . . . Thinking backwards: The thoughts of badges and their different types and significances came to mind. I distinctly remember the badge that was given to me when I was a news-gatherer for our weekly Convoy paper. It was inscribed "Reporter No. 3 (there only was one!), Convoy Signal-News," and was made of a heavy metal. Also a harnessmaker fashioned a star out of leather to serve as a badge. The paper no longer exists but these old badges are treasured souvenirs. . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mulvane and son Forrest, visited Mr. Mulvane's father at Robinson, Ill., last week-end. . . . Bertha Schrader spent last week-end at Napoleon, Ohio, where she attended the high school commencement exercises of her nephew, Robert Gilson. . . . Alta Bishop has a new nephew, Dale Rittenhouse. He was born last Saturday in the Defiance County Hospital. . . . I believe that one reason why there are so many people who are restless, dissatisfied and disappointed, is that they have no bright and glowing object before them, no star to which they can hitch their wagon. (George Matthew Adams).



Again we have news on the Holland Tulip Festival. It must be a beautiful event as we get yearly reports on it. Esther Harmon and a few of her friends motored to Holland last week-end. . . . Relatives in Ohio had Dorothy Heimann as their week-end guest. Her relation happens to be her sister who lives in the Buckeye State. . . . To Effie McGill's surprise she purchased a new dark green Plymouth. She intended to fix her old trade-in but the cost set Effie's decision on the new four-wheeled buggy. No speed demon record, Effie, or we'll have to lay down the law. . . . Ada Owens has been absent from work several days this week. A little rest and she'll be on her job good as new. . . . For a change we will give you a new magic trick you can perform for your friends as a very interesting dinner table experiment. In as much as Christopher Columbus has been given credit for doing the balanced egg trick, we will give you the lowdown on the technique. Method: Shake the egg so that the yolk will settle. Then set the egg carefully on the table, and as the bottom of the egg is heavier than the top, it will be possible to balance the egg on end. Let's hear from some of you magicians on how you get along with the hen fruit. Watch your next week's news for your second trick. Short week, short news. Please won't someone help us by telling us some news items. . . . About 40 of the boys had a buffet supper under a tree as a farewell party for engineer Lew Gossman. As a parting peace offer, everybody gathered around while Lew's seven poker playing pals let him win two pots in a row. (Ed. note—Easy Come—Easy Go. Final reports show that seven men won at poker that night, Gossman was out of town and could not be interviewed). Bob Huffman, Lew's successor, was here getting the lay of the land and Hap Carter came along for the ride. While waiting he took lessons in wild poker from John Welch and Hary King, Dick Steele assisted, and Frank Braun gave up. Lew received a set of woods as a gift and a subtle suggestion that his golf game could stand improving. Lew in turn presented Bob Huffman several folders of unfinished business. Luck to you, Lew, and welcome back, Bob.



JUNE 6 THROUGH JUNE 10

BROADWAY TAYLOR STREET

Serving Hours:

Cafeteria—16-1 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. 10:48 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-2 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
16-1 6:45 P.M. - 8:12 P.M. 6:55 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.
Restaurant—16-2 12:00 M. - 1:00 P.M.

MONDAY, JUNE 6

Tomato Barley Soup	Split Pea Soup
Roast Pork	Breaded Pork Loin
Beef and Noodles	Ham and Limas
Hamburger Sandwiches	Barbecue Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Stewed Apples	Apple Sauce
Buttered Peas	Buttered Whole Kernel Corn

TUESDAY, JUNE 7

Bean Soup	Tomato Noodle Soup
Baked Ham	Roast Beef and Dressing
Beef Stew	Wieners
Barbecue Sandwiches	Ham Salad Sandwiches
Escalloped Potatoes	Whole Browned Potatoes
Buttered Green Beans	Buttered Green Beans
Harvard Beets	Sauerkraut

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

Chicken Noodle Soup	Bean Soup
Wieners and Hot Potato Salad	Baked Ham
Chicken Pie	Chicken and Noodles
Bacon and Tomato Sandwiches	Hot Roast Pork Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Wax Beans	Buttered Broccoli
French Fried Egg Plant	Buttered Squash
Glazed Peaches	Sweet Potatoes
	Corn Bread

THURSDAY, JUNE 9

Corn Chowder	Vegetable Soup
Swiss Steak	Swiss Steak
Ham and Limas	Beef Stew
Ham Salad Sandwiches	Hot Dogs
Mashed Potatoes	Whipped Potatoes
Corn O'Brien	Buttered Cauliflower
Buttered Broccoli	Buttered Peas

FRIDAY, JUNE 10

Cream of Tomato Soup	Beef Barley Soup
French Fried Fish	French Fried Fish
Roast Beef	Smoked Sausage
Chopped Beef Sandwiches	Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches
Mashed Potatoes	Fried Potatoes
Buttered Spinach	Buttered Limas
Glazed Carrots	Creamed Tomatoes

Wide selection of home-made pies and delicious salads served daily.
Breakfast served at Broadway daily from 6:20 to 7:50 A.M.

Special dinners and parties arranged upon request.

Menus subject to change.



Not to be outdone we now have Joe Banks of the Power House, coming out with a new Packard. It so happens that there is a luminous dial on this new car of which Joe was not familiar. When he arrived home late from work and turned off all the gadgets, he still saw a light on the panel. He adjusted every button trying to find the light, until in desperation he gave up. Don't you think you should have gotten some "up to the minute" instructions on that snazzy car, Joe? . . . The gang at Taylor St. are wondering where Carl Friend got that bathing suit he was showing around last week? . . . Some fellows have their initials printed on their lunch boxes but not Charlie Hartman, he has a teddy bear. 'Fess up, Charlie, did you put it on there? . . . That streak of smoke going out of the Taylor St. parking lot is George Wralstad's car. He says it isn't burning up, he just had the motor overhauled and it runs like a top. . . . We are glad to see Dewey Heaston and Roy Taylor back to work after long illnesses. . . . The poker game boys had a housewarming at Cliff Thiebolt's new home last week. . . . Folks, watch for these "way back when" items that will appear in this column now and then and don't hesitate to send in your favorite story on some of the old timers around here. For instance, there are a few boys in our midst who remember this one. It was about 20 years ago when Johnny Lare took a level home and was having so much difficulty using it, called Don Brayer and stated his woes. Don decided to lend a hand and went to his rescue, only to find Johnny confused and perplexed, peering through the wrong end of the level. . . . Birthday greetings to Tez Trump, George Wralstad and Harry Nickels.

Inquiring Reporter:

DO YOU THINK THAT PEOPLE EXPECT TOO MUCH OF THE GOVERNMENT TODAY?

CARL VIZITHUM
Bldg. 4-6



"Yes. We are not cooperative enough by voicing our opinions with postcards and other means to the legislative bodies on various important matters. We are the government and should take part in it. The increasing cost of running the government is due to expecting too much. The more we expect the more it will cost."



CARL K. WAGONER
Bldg. 6-1

"Financially, yes; too many expect aid instead of trying to work. Service from our Congressmen, no; too many are playing politics. There are too many Democrats and Republicans in Washington and not enough Americans."



RUTH SHOUP
Taylor St.

"The men and women running the government are chosen by the people, and we expect them to live up to the promises that put them into office. I do not believe people expect too much of the government today."

ARLO C. HAWK
Taylor St.



"I think most people do expect too much of the government today, because they do not realize the many problems that there are to contend with due to the condition of the world."

MARY M. WIEDMAN
Bldg. 26-3



"I believe that most of the people expect a lot from the government today. The people in countries abroad expect aid in the form of food, clothing and arms from the U.S. The people here in our own country take many of our privileges for granted and expect many more without the cost of taxation."

Nearly Half Of All G-E Employees Are Participating In Savings Plans

Approximately 79,770 employees of the General Electric Company, about 46 per cent of the total employment, were participating in the Company's savings plans as of March 31, according to John D. Lockton, G-E Treasurer.

Subscriptions for the purchase of U. S. Savings Bonds under the new G-E Employees' Savings and Stock Bonus plan and the U. S. Savings Bond Plan, established in 1941, total some $28,226,000 in annual payroll deductions representing 4.8 per cent of the Company's total annual payroll, Mr. Lockton said.

This total does not include some 3,700 employees of General Electric affiliated companies subscribing to the savings plans at an annual rate of payroll deductions amounting to $1,154,000 or 3.4 per cent of the total annual payroll of the participating companies, according to Mr. Lockton.

G-E Plans Aid Campaign

Discussing the U. S. Treasury Department's forthcoming bond sales campaign, the G-E Treasurer said that "the very high participation in the Company's employees savings plans should be of material assistance to the campaign in the many localities where the Company operates." The U. S. Treasury Department drive is being held May 16 through June 30.

Describing the G-E Employee Savings and Stock Bonus Plan, now in operation seven months, Mr. Lockton said the plan provides that employees, who by payroll deductions subscribe for the purchase of U. S. Savings Bonds, Series E, are eligible for payment by the Company of a 15 per cent bonus in G-E stocks on the cost price of bonds which they purchase.

Payment of this bonus is contingent upon the participating employee leaving the bonds on deposit with the Company for five years following the end of the year in which the bonds are purchased. The first five-year "holding period" during which the bonds remain on deposit commenced Jan. 1, 1949.

May Withdraw Any Time

Regardless of the "holding period," any employee may withdraw from the plan at any time and recover whatever he has paid in, both in bonds and any cash balance in his payroll deduction, and any accumulated income to his credit representing dividends on the G-E stock. He will get the stock bonus, however, only if he leaves his bonds on deposit for the full five year "holding period," Mr. Lockton said.

For those employees not wishing to participate in the Savings and Stock Bonus Plan, the Company's U. S. Savings Bond Plan, permitting the purchase of U. S. Savings Bonds by means of payroll deductions or by cash, has been continued.

Mr. Lockton estimated that approximately 13,000 employees are buying bonds at an approximate rate of $4,716,000 under this older plan. Bonds purchased by employees under this plan are delivered to the employees as soon as they can be issued.

An oyster can't be human—it keeps its mouth shut part of the time.

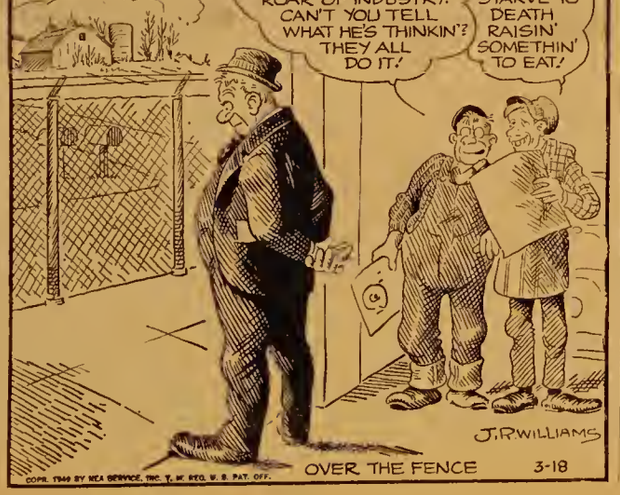
SLEUTHING in 4-6

by JOAN POOS

THE BELLS TOLL: Joan Garringer and Joe Hiles became man and wife Sunday. Congratulations and the best of luck to you both. . . . SPOTS BEFORE YOUR EYES?: Last Thursday there was a very bright spot in the DC Section near one of the windows. Further investigation disclosed that it was a new yellow and brown tee shirt owned by Gil Baker. . . . "GLAD TO SEE YAH": Welcome back to Bob Kirby after a 10-day illness. Hope you are all right now Bob. . . . ANOTHER SUCKER (EXCUSE ME): The members at large wish to welcome Denton Manecke into the floor sitters club. Another person has proved that the floor is stronger than he is. . . . DOG TALK: Betty Rose is limping these days. It seems that she was taking her dog indoors after a walk. He decided at the last moment to stay outside and have a good unhealthy fight with a younger dog about three times his size. Betty fell and bruised her legs, especially one knee—and the dog—he's limping too. . . . "CHEW" HER OUT: . . . By all indications, Phyllis Hines was attempting to put over a few thoughts to Gwen Steinbarger one day in the hall. Phyllis lost her gum in the process and after a thorough search finally found it stuck to another purse. . . . GOLF "GUFF": The struggle for greater distance of golf drives goes on. We've heard about silicon rubber centers in golf balls. Now Jack Jennings talks about flywheel action balls in which weight is distributed away from the center of the ball resulting in greater spin and greater distance if the spin is overspun as obtained in a hook. What next, maybe some kind of jet gun for launching them in the air from the tees. . . . HAPPY: Birthday to Betty Garber, Payroll Section, and H. P. Love, DC Section. Their parents were overjoyed on a May 25 in the past. . . . EXTRA: Walter Brake was seen delivering stationery the other day. You make a very cheerful and cute messenger, Walt. . . . We were happy to see both Zoller boys pay us a visit last week. . . . OUT OF TOWNERS: Bob Sharrow had a happy vacation in Wisconsin. . . . Bill Pringle took his family for a drive through Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin over the holiday.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



Safety Engineer Visits Here



H. L. Stevenson, foreman, and W. H. Evans, Schenectady Works Safety Engineer, watch Lloyd McClure operate a punch press.

W. H. Evans, Schenectady Works Safety Engineer, toured the Fort Wayne Works last week as a part of the inter-works inspection program which was inaugurated recently by the Apparatus Department's safety committee.

Each safety engineer has been assigned to visit a different works. Herschel L. Smith, safety engineer for the Fort Wayne Works, will tour the Erie Works.

These inter-works visitations have been adopted to enable safety engineers to inspect methods and exchange ideas for the improvement of safety and health measures.

In the photograph, above, Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Evans are shown discussing the two-hand control on a punch press.

FRACTIONAL ACTION BLDG. 4-5

by LEOLA CARRIER



We all wish the best of luck to Charlie Trey who retired May 31. Charlie started to work in 1915 in the meter division which was located where the cafeteria is today. He then transferred to Bldg. 26, then came to Bldg. 17-2. He worked there a short while and then came to Bldg. 4-5 during the first World War and has been with us until his retirement. His friends and coworkers surprised him with a lovely gift a fly rod and all the equipment to make a fisherman happy. They also gave him a pipe engraved with the date of his retirement, and in the card was money. Charlie stated that they couldn't have gotten him a gift that he appreciated so greatly. We do know Charlie is an outdoor man and we know he would enjoy the gifts. . . . We congratulate Jess Haffner, who was married last week-end. The newlyweds spent the week-end in Chicago and saw the Cubs and Cincinnati Reds ball game. . . . According to the chatter of the co-workers, everyone enjoyed the holiday. The most comments were: wasn't the weather grand! Wilbur Shaw, president of the Indianapolis Speedway thought the same thing, for he stated, "God must be a racing fan too, for He had wonderful weather for us." . . . How many of you saw the Memorial Day parade? To some it brought back sad memories, but to others it gave quite a thrill to see our young men march, who fought on battle fields to make democracy live. . . . One of our co-workers saw Charlie Kaiser who is now retired. Charlie sent his regards to his friends. He also stated, "Let's have more news in the Bldg. 4-5 column," so come all of you help make the news. . . . Greetings to Dick Young who celebrated his birthday, and also to Ed Rodenbeck, who celebrated his wedding anniversary last week. . . . We wonder if anybody can compete with Chris Stauffer in chewing gum and sleeping at the same time. . . . It will be hard to keep in touch with Louis Hickernell since he has that new car, Chevrolet, that is.

2-2 TALES

by BELLE BUCHAN

Dorothy Askren is thinking of buying a station wagon or perhaps even a small truck. Her car has become entirely too small, now that she is hauling a small army around. . . . You just haven't lived until you have watched one of our noon hour card sessions. How those guys can whoop it up with Howard Schultz and Bruce Rohn doing most of the whooping and with Harold Boles putting in his little peep now and then. . . . We extend a welcome to two new girls in the office, they are Olga Welch and Lucille Werling. . . If you see everyone in the office wearing sun glasses, it isn't because of the sun. It is just the new yellow shirt that Perry Esterline is wearing these days. . . . And speaking of shirts, Jack Welch is doing all right for himself too; says he isn't color blind, but we are not so sure. . . . The Birthday Club held its regular meeting at the "30" Club in Columbia City recently with Dorothy Askren as the girl with the birthday and Laurel Weaver as hostess. Those present were Dorothy Mills, Eileen Hennen, Olga Welch, Katie Scherer, Florence Knight, Jean Pappert, Dorothy Askren, Norma Krall, Laurel Weaver, Lucile Werling, Anna Lapidot, Marvelene Butts, Belle Buchan and her daughter, Violet Elliott, as a guest.

International Harvester Wins Over G-E Hams, 11-7

The G-E Hams lost their initial ball game of the season to the International Harvester, 11-7. The score was tied 5-5 going into the last inning, when the truck men cut loose with a barrage of six runs to put the game on ice.

It was this same team that last year eliminated the Hams in the league play-off by a 2-1 score. The team plays games each week at Packard Park.

The schedule of the remaining games is as follows:

June 1—G-E vs. Foresters.
June 7—G-E vs. Turners.
June 8—G-E vs. Eagles.
June 14—G-E vs. Turners.
June 21—G-E vs. Zollners.
June 28—G-E vs. Zollners.
July 6—G-E vs. Magnavox.

A league play-off will be staged at the end of the regular season.

Touching The Bases

by Walter Histed

M-I LEAGUE STANDINGS

(Includes Games of May 30)

	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Joseph	5	1	.833
Michigan City	3	2	.600
VOLTMEN	3	3	.500
Benton Harbor	2	2	.500
South Bend	2	3	.400
Lafayette	1	5	.167

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

St. Joseph, 6; South Bend, 2.
St. Joseph, 7; Michigan City, 2.
VOLTMEN, 5; Lafayette, 4.
St. Joseph, 3; Lafayette, 2.
South Bend, 10; VOLTMEN, 1.
Benton Harbor, 8; VOLTMEN, 0.
Benton Harbor, 11; St. Joseph, 7.
VOLTMEN, 5; Lafayette, 4.
Michigan City 12; South Bend, 11.
Michigan City, 6; Lafayette, 1.
VOLTMEN, 5; Benton Harbor, 0.
Lafayette, 13; South Bend, 3.

G-E Voltmen Lose Game To Globetrotters, 6-9

By BILL HUNT

The G-E Voltmen dropped an exhibition tilt marred by errors to the Harlem Globetrotters last Sunday night at Dwenger Park, 9-6. The Trotters scattered five Voltmen hits while racking up 13 themselves.

Despite the fact that the Voltmen made the easy ones look hard to the extent of six errors, they were still threatening to score as late as the eighth inning.

Stan Shargey, Don Runge and the new southpaw piteher, Jerry Brandon almost made up for their teammates' ineffectiveness by their stellar performances.

Shargey was the batsman. He hit a triple, a home run and walked in three official times which netted him four runs batted in. Runge starred in the field. He cut off runs by two great catches and saved a bad play, as he threw out a man at third after three Voltmen had watched a pop-up fall between them. He also looked very good on the bases for he scored twice after walking. The first run resulted from stealing home which he did so well that the pitcher's throw to the catcher was considered wasted.

Jerry Brandon pitched with excellent poise considering the five errors made behind him during his five-inning stay in the box. His six strikeouts show hope for future effectiveness on the Voltmen pitching staff.

It was not John Orphal's night. He relieved Brandon in the sixth to have four Globetrotters send ringing hits to right field before Charlie Shipman came in to quell the uprising with two strikeouts. He followed with four more in his last three innings to match Brandon's. He allowed only three hits and one run during his stay.

Hugh Orphan replaced Shargey in the batting order, when he had to retire. He was hurt when he was taken out of a double play then was aggravated when he hit his home run. Runge played short, with Miasek moving over to center and Orphan played left field.

Ed Hamman, clown extraordinary, entertained the crowd before and during the game. Umpire Kowalski probably had the worst trouble with him, as he was offered a rubber handled broom to clean the plate, also he had signs hung on him.

Box score:

Harlem	AB	R	H
Fishback,2	4	2	2
Smith,lf	5	3	2
Strong,3	5	1	3
Simpson,1	4	1	1
Meyers,rf	5	0	0
Wheeler,cf	3	1	1
Lewis,ss	4	0	2
Brooks,c	5	0	0
Kateree,p	2	0	0
Moore,p	3	1	2
Totals	40	9	13

Voltmen	AB	R	H
Hormann,rf	3	0	0
Donica,2	4	1	1
Shargey,ss	3	1	2
Smith,1	3	0	0
Bobilya,3	3	0	1
Miasek,lf	5	0	0
Runge,cf	2	2	0
Sutphin,c	2	1	0
Brandon,p	0	0	0
Orphal,p	0	0	0
Shipman,p	2	1	0
*Orphan	1	0	1
Totals	28	6	5

Harlem ..... 110 033 010—9
Voltmen ..... 011 103 000—6

LAB NOSES OUT SQUARES, 1-0

Main Office Wins Over Fractional

Interdivision softball got underway last week with some startling results. Paul Beltz, pitching for the Lab, threw a two-hitter against the Squares. The final tally was 1-0, in favor of the Lab.

Carl Reiter, Main Office pitcher, showed that he can win in this league just as easily as in the Ham League. His team won over Fractional, 19-6.

The Apprentice men started slow, but at the end of the game had a comfortable margin over Winter St., winning 11-5. The Firemen drew a bye.

Box scores:

Fractional	AB	R	H
Surface,c	2	1	1
Schmitt,1b	4	1	4
Thomas,2b	4	0	2
Gerardot,lf	4	1	2
Solga,ss	4	1	2
Markey,rf	2	0	1
Crahill,cf	3	1	1
Wickliff,3b	3	1	1
West'b'sen,p	3	0	0
Neuman,c	2	0	1
Au'baugh,rf	2	0	0
Totals	33	6	15

Main Office	AB	R	H
Hensick,1b	5	2	2
[illegible]ry,2b	5	3	2
[illegible]oughan,c	5	5	4
A.Konow,lf	5	2	2
V.Konow,ss	5	1	1
Miller,3b	5	1	3
Michals,rf	3	1	1
Rossberg,cf	2	0	1
Guttner,rf	2	0	0
Swertart,cf	4	2	2
Reiter,p	4	2	1
Totals	45	19	19

	R	H	E
Fractional ..... 301 002 0—	6	15	6
Main Office ..... 202 801 6—19	19	2	

Apprentice	AB	R	H
Berkh'ser,ss	4	2	2
Lefers,c	4	2	2
Rasor,lf	4	1	1
Taylor,1b	4	0	1
Lahrman,3b	4	1	2
Goeglein,2b	3	1	1
Birk'heul,cf	1	0	0
Davis,cf	1	1	1
Junk,rf	4	1	2
Zurbuch,p	3	2	1
Totals	32	11	13

Winter St.	AB	R	H
Todd,rf	1	1	0
Borcherg,rf	3	0	1
Jencke,c	2	1	1
Gettys,3b	2	0	0
Dumfrey,1b	0	0	0
Lash,1b	3	0	1
Frazer,p	3	0	0
Walburn,2b	3	0	0
Wuttke,cf	3	1	0
Handley,lf	3	1	1
Zimmerlee,ss	3	1	2
Totals	26	5	8

	R	H	E
Apprentice ..... 101 117—11	13	4	
Winter St. ..... 200 300— 5	8	5	

Squares	AB	R	H
Naslund,2b	4	0	0
O'Keefe,cf	4	0	0
Rogers,c	3	0	0
Emling,3b	3	0	1
Eaton,lf	3	0	1
Kimball,rf	3	0	0
Robertson,1b	3	0	0
DeCrappeo,ss	3	0	0
Blackwood,p	3	0	0
Totals	29	0	2

Lab	AB	R	H
Warwick,c	3	0	1
Hunt,cf	1	0	0
Simmons,lf	3	0	0
Hanna,3b	3	1	2
Beltz,p	3	0	1
Trott,2b	3	0	1
Hemmeter,ss	3	0	1
Perverda,1b	2	0	1
Thompson,rf	2	0	0
Totals	23	1	7

	R	H	E
Squares ..... 000 000 0—0	2	1	
Works Lab ..... 000 001 0—1	7	0	

STANDINGS

	W	L
Works Lab	1	0
Apprentice	1	0
Main Office	1	0
Winter St.	0	1
Squares	0	1
Fractional	0	1
Firemen	0	0

Majors Down Fruehauf, 3-2

The Majors softball team won their second straight game in league play from Fruehauf, 3-2.

Baals led off in the fourth with a double to left eenter and scored on Morkoetter's hit that went for three bases. That ended the scoring until the last of the seventh when Somers, batting for Garman, grounded to second. Then Lawson crossed them up with a bunt in front of the plate without a play being made on him.

Following that play, Bucher drove a hit against the left centerfield fence for three bases to tie the score. Ewing popped to the pitcher for the second out. Waltke, the pitcher, then drove a hit to right scoring Bucher with the winning run.

The Majors lost their first game Tuesday night, May 31, to the Legion Post 330. The score was 5-1. Stanski led the hitting with two hits in three times up.

Line scores:

Fruehauf ..... 000 002 0—2	6	2	
G-E ..... 000 100 2—3	5	2	

Kuencke, Auer; Waltke, Baals.

G-E ..... 100 000—1	3	3
330 ..... 200 21x—5	7	3

Hower, Feltheiser, Somers, Baals; Gick, Hanefelt.

Voltmen Rebuild Team

OWL GOLF

By Earl D. Stauffer

The torrid pace that the Owl Golf league set the first two weeks of league play cooled off abruptly in their last outing. Until the rains came the fairways were lightning fast, but this was another day. Instead of rolling, the little white pill usually got stuck in the heavy turf.

The only forty-buster of the day was Johnny Starke of Team No. 1, who toured the front nine in a snazzy 38. He really put on a show of putter magic, as he needed only 10 puts for the nine holes. Johnny and the rest of his mates downed Bernie English (who is captain, not Gus Ormsby) Pequignot, Fosnaugh, and Ormsby by 20 points.

Those Hot Shots, who are on this this scribe's neck for calling Bldg. 19 their place of labor, say that I should include the annex to 19, Bldg. 27. No wonder they are so tough, they picked a team out of a dozen acres of floor space or more. They took the Jolly Boys into camp to the tune of nine points. Jim Sternberger was low for both teams with 43.

Team No. 3 and Team No. 5 had quite a tussel with Team No. 1; Shanahan, Bierbaum, Uhrick, and Merchant picked up a one point vietory from Goller, Hamilton, Pook, and Suelzer.

This week we shall not divulge the names of those two 66 shooters, but as the season goes on we intend to give them some publicity.

Team No. 1 leads the Odd side of the league with a plus 31. No. 3 has a plus 16. No. 5 has a minus 32.

Team No. 6, the Hot Shots, lead the Evens with plus 46. No. 2 has a minus 21, and No. 4 has a minus 38.

G-E GOLF

By Hugh Dubdit

After a week layoff caused by high water, the leagues are again in full swing. The Mashies of the Winter St. group seem to be serving notice on the rest of the teams that they are the ones to beat. Led by V. Foulks shooting a 40, the Mashies totaled 179 to beat the Brassies by 22 points.

In a belated report from the Monday evening group, we find that after the first night of play, the Turf-Toppers lead with a point total of four. Oman and Sunier turned in the best scores of the evening with 38 and 39 respectively.

P. Lecoque of the Tuesday night Optimists fired a 38 to help in a four-point win over the Nineteenth Holers. The Optimists lead the group with 17 points with the Nineteenth Holers in second place and a total of three points.

It is said that G. Baker of the Tuesday office group can throw a club farther than he can hit the ball.

Braden Announces Team Replacements

As most loyal Voltmen fans know there are few familiar faces left from the 1948 national championship team. Only Olin Smith, first baseman, and Hugh Orphan, pitcher, remain on the active roster with Manager Braden and Coach Hamilton left to do the rebuilding.

The new team this year was set until about a week ago when Lefty Hazel reported that his job in Indianapolis would not allow him to make the trip to Fort Wayne when he was needed. He will be with Lafayette from now on.

Bill Hardy decided that he was not helping the Voltmen anymore, so is hanging up his spikes. Roy Kilby was used in the infield some, but did not fill Manager Braden's bill. He was released, as was catcher John Burkhart. Catcher Sutphin and seeond baseman Donica were tried out and found wanting, so were also released. Jerry Brandon, the 20-year-old southpaw, needed more experience and was released.

Hire West Michigan Stars

Francis Green, 5 ft. 11 in., 170 pound, speed merchant from Western Michigan College, Kalamazoo and St. Joe of the M-I league last year, will be playing outfield for the Voltmen this season. He hit .298 for St. Joe last year. During the game at Benton Harbor Monday, he hit two doubles plus stealing second base on a left handed pitcher. He bats and throws right and covers the outfield like a blanket.

Walt Southworth, fiery shortstop for Kalamazoo and Lafayette, last year hit the double with the bases loaded that defeated the Voltmen in the M-I league playoffs. He is 5 ft. 9 in. and weighs 175 pounds, bats and throws right handed, and is a senior at Western Michigan College as is Fran Green.

Bolster Reserve Strength

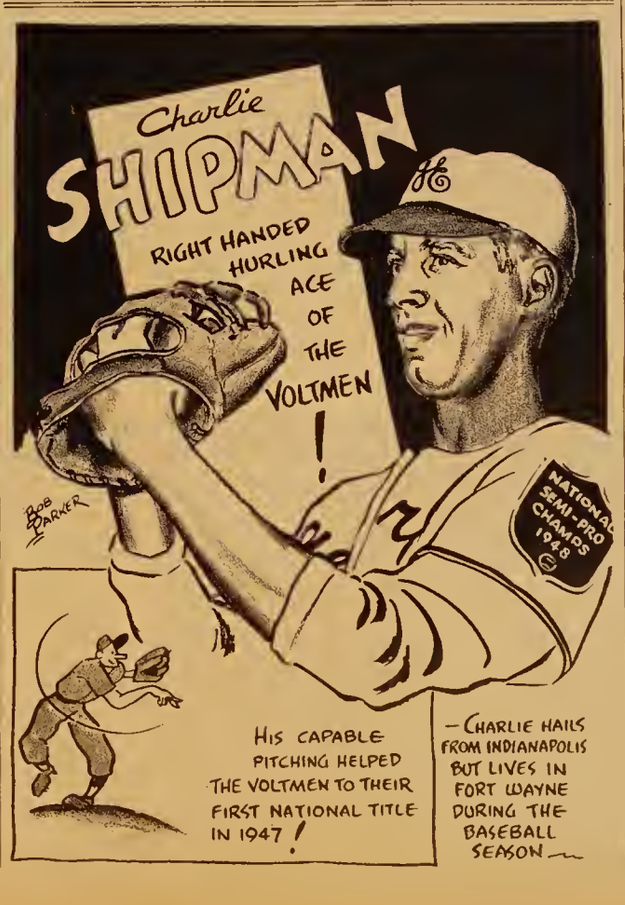
Ralph Harwood, Jr., an infielder, bats and throws right, is 5 ft. 9 in., weighs 165 lbs. He had a contract with Pittsburg, Kan., of the Cub Chain, but injured his leg so was released. His leg is still a bit weak, but he should be of increasing help as it strengthens. He hit a double and single at both the Lafayette and Benton Harbor games last week-end.

Jerry Hisner, brother to fireballer Parnell Hisner who pitched for the Voltmen a couple of years back, eatches and hits a long ball. He is 5 ft. 11 in. and weighs 210 lbs. He bats and throws right. Benton Harbor has been his home team for the past two seasons.

The probable lineup is as follows:

Smith, First base; Harwood, Second base; Southworth, Shortstop; Dudick, Third Base; Miasek, Outfield; Runge, Outfield; Green, Outfield; Horman, Hisner, Catchers; Cary, left; Shipman, right; Orphan, right; Pitchers.

Manager Braden also has some more pitchers and at least another infielder in mind.



Too many light heads are behind headlights.



Is Mama in a "Speed-Up" too?

A LOT OF PEOPLE are getting hot and bothered about labor-saving machinery—about equipment and methods that take the work *out* of work. Some of them get so mixed up about increased production that they fall for the old tried and proven "three-alarm" rallying cry of "speed-up." Maybe "speed-up" *is* the name for such benefits—if so, it is indeed strange.

For the last 25 years General Electric and lots of other good manufacturers have been making labor-saving devices for the home. Right now 35 million homes are wired for electricity, 24 million have washing machines, 25 million have refrigerators, and 37 million have radios. Practically all of them have electric clocks, toasters, electric irons, and everything but an electric baby sitter. Maybe the women folks don't like this, but money talks and their dollars have said they *do*.

But the fear that is too frequently built up about labor-saving machinery is that it kills jobs.

Down at the factory we may be a little confused about this. But Mama certainly isn't. So let's go out home and ask her if she has lost *her* job.

We expect the answer will be kind of positive that she has just as big a job as ever—is doing just as much—but she is doing more interesting and productive things. She has shifted the physical labor over on to the appliance, and is using her mind instead of using her muscles. She is getting to be a "manager of machines." And the time saved by the machines enables her to give more attention to the education of the children, give more time to learning about more attractive food and better bargains. Also she has time for those rewarding trips to the beauty parlor that keep her looking surely like the bride she was five, ten, or forty years ago.

It's evident she just could not be doing these added useful things if she still had to hand-pump the water, wash the clothes over a scrub board, and heat the heavy old "sad iron" on the stove. Or if she had to go out and split the kindling for the range and put the milk down cellar in a half-way cool place. If Mama tried to run the new kind of home by old hand methods, there would have to be five or six of her. The new way of getting so much house-work done—and getting it done with only one wife—*may* be a "speed-up." But if it is, Mama is certainly for it—and more of it—and we guess papa is for it too.

Incidentally, it's a little interesting to see what this "speed-up" in American homes—this using of machinery by mama to get more results from her efforts—has done at General Electric. General Electric's business has always been simply that of making labor-saving devices. Since entering the home appliance field, General Electric has gradually created thousands of new jobs to make these labor-saving devices for the home. Today, 25% of our business is directly in labor-saving equipment for the home. And a lot of the rest of General Electric's output of turbines and generators and transmission equipment is used to get electricity to the home—in order to make the labor-saving devices save the labor there.

It's a peculiar thing about labor-saving devices: The more of them we make, the *more* jobs *and the better jobs* we have on the whole—whether these labor-saving devices are made for the factory, the farm, the store, or the home. And in the bargain, labor-saving machinery makes our whole lives better—both at work and after work.

And even in periods of declining sales and jobs, improvements in labor-saving machines and methods make more and better jobs than would otherwise be possible—make layoffs less than they would otherwise be—bring the return of full employment sooner. Because these improvements provide the better products at the more attractive prices that enable the hard-hitting advertising and the enthusiastic salesmen to bring in more of the sales that make the jobs.

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Corson Receives $300 Suggestion Award

87 Employees Receive Cash For New Ideas

Alton B. Corson, Wire and Insulation Div., received the largest suggestion award, $300, this week. He led a list of 87 employees who earned a total of $1,175 in awards.

The next highest award went to Raymond B. Schuckel, Bldg. 4-4, who received $85 for his idea on packing Repair and Return dishwasher motors. Durand R. Graybill, Bldg. 6-2, was awarded $45 for his suggestion pertaining to Linedex files.

Twenty-five dollar awards went to the following: Cecil E. Tarney, FHP Motor Div. 14; Arthur E. Hubler, FHP Motor Div. 17; and Grover F. Rhodes, Transformer Div. 91.

Those receiving awards ranging in various amounts from $5 to $20 are listed below:

FHP Motor Div. 1: L. A. Hubbartt, Esther Pape, Eleanor Kohrman, Arthur McNamara, Walter P. Starke and Jay H. Michael.

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Alton Corson (at the right, above) explains the suggestion which brought him $300 to R. J. Cordiner, Executive Vice President and a director of the General Electric Company. Mr. Cordiner visited the Fort Wayne Works last week to review the operations of the Works Service and product divisions located here. During his tour, Mr. Cordiner praised the work of the suggestion system and noted some of the improvements thot had resulted through the active participation of Fort Wayne's employees.

ARBITRATOR MAKES AWARD IN DISPUTE AT TIFFIN PLANT

Ruling States:- Company Did Not Violate Agreement

Following several months of discussion at the local and national levels of negotiations which failed to settle a dispute concerning rates on a new cord lacing and tying operation at the General Electric Plant in Tiffin, O., the case was referred to arbitration. Arbitration proceedings were conducted April 20, 21 and 22. Following the filing of briefs, the arbitrator's report and award were released last week.

According to his official report, the arbitrator ruled that in keeping with the contention of Company officials, the cord lacing and tying operation was a new job and the setting of temporary rates was not in violation of the National Agreement with the UE-CIO. Quoting from the award, "We (arbitrator) find that the Company has not violated the National Agreement by setting temporary prices of the tiers (employees of the Company's Tiffin, O., plant) when it instituted the cord method of lacing because the job in question is a new job and thus is subject to temporary rates as expressed in VIII/5 of the Agreement."

Standards May or May Not be Correct

In regard to the disputed standards, the arbitrator observed in his report that "the standards set by the Company (temporary and permanent) may or may not be

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New Bus Schedule Announced

The revised schedules of special buses for the Broadway and Taylor St. plants were announced today by the Fort Wayne Transit, Inc.

The following schedule becomes effective Monday, June 13, and is subject to change without notice:

7 A.M.

EAST SIDE From	Ar. G-E		WEST SIDE From	Ar. G-E	
Paulding Rd. & Oxford	6:10A	6:35A	Third & Runnion	6:18A	6:39A
Broadway & Foster Park	6:33	6:42	Pittsburgh & Roy	6:21	6:40
S. Wayne & Sherwood	6:30	6:42	E. State & Carew	6:20	6:42
Pontiac Harvester	6:24	6:44	Third & Runnion	6:25	6:46
S. Calhoun & Sherwood	6:28	6:44	Columbia & Kensington	6:30	6:47
Oxford & Anthony	6:23	6:45	Lewis Harvester	6:20	6:47
Broadway & Foster Park	6:40	6:48	E. Creighton & Anthony	6:25	6:49
Sherwood Heights	6:25	6:50			

8 A.M.

Oxford & Anthony	7:25A	7:45A	Lewis Harvester	7:18A	7:46A
Pontiac Harvester	7:25	7:46	Third & Runnion	7:27	7:47
S. Wayne & Sherwood	7:35	7:48	E. State & Carew	7:25	7:47
Calhoun & Sherwood	7:35	7:48	Pittsburgh & Roy	7:26	7:44
Paulding Rd. & Sherwood	7:09	7:48	Columbia & Kensington	7:33	7:49

12 Noon

Lv. G-E	Destination	Lv. G-E	Destination
11:58A	S. Wayne	12:05P	Pontiac Harvester
12:05P	Baker St.	12:06P	S. Wayne
12:05P	Lakeside	12:06P	Broadway - Sher. Hts.
12:05P	Boker St.		

1:15 P.M.

From	Ar. G-E		From	Ar. G-E	
Broadway & Foster Park	12:58P	1:06P	Main & Colhoun	12:37P	12:44P
Pontiac Harvester	12:45	1:08	Baker St.	12:44	12:57
Sherwood Heights	12:48	1:07	Columbia & Kensingt'n	12:51	1:08
S. Wayne & Sherwood	12:55	1:08	Main & Calhoun	1:00	1:07

3:30 P.M.

EAST SIDE Lv. G-E	Destination	WEST SIDE Lv. G-E	Destination
3:30P	Main & Calhoun	3:33P	Broadway & Foster Park
3:31	S. Wayne	3:35	Oxford & Anthony
3:33	Oxford	3:35	Pontiac Harvester
3:34	Lewis Harvester	3:35	S. Wayne & Sherwood
3:35	Third & Runnion	3:35	Sherwood Heights
3:35	E. State & Carew	3:35	S. Colhoun & Sherwood
3:37	E. Creighton & Anthony	3:40	Broadway & Foster Park
3:37	S. Wayne		

4 P.M.

Lv. G-E	Destination	Lv. G-E	Destination
4:06P	S. Wayne	4:07P	Broadway & Foster Park
4:09	S. Wayne		

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Veterans To Hold Picnic Saturday

The annual picnic of the G-E World War Veterans' Association will be held from 1 to 8 p.m. tomorrow, June 11, at the Log Cabin, off the Bass road.

The committees in charge of arrangements are headed by Walter Whonsetler, Bldg. 4-6, tickets; George Ellison, Bldg. 4-4, food, and

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Change In Plans For Cafeterias Monday, June 13

In order to render service to those working Monday, June 13, the cafeteria at Taylor St. and the cafeteria in Bldg. 16-1, Broadway, will be open as usual.

Food wagons will serve the second shift at Broadway.

The cafeteria in Bldg. 16-2 and the restaurant in Bldg. 16-2 will be closed as announced. The Employees' stores will also be closed.

Medical service on June 13 for both first and second shifts will be provided at the main dispensary at Broadway.

The dispensaries at Winter St., Taylor St., and Bldg. 8-1 at Broadway will not be open.

Company Provides Emergency Service In Assisting To Save Child's Life



"I am very grateful for everything G-E did to help me during this crisis," Mrs. LeCoque tello Marian Davies, of the WORKS NEWS.

Industry is not made up entirely of bricks and steel, but it also has a "heart" as Iva LeCoque, at Taylor St., discovered recently when tragedy nearly struck her family. If it had not been for the fast thinking of her foreman in making transportation arrangements, Mrs. LeCoque's granddaughter might not be alive today.

Mrs. LeCoque was at work when she was notified that Monica Louise, her granddaughter, had swallowed some of her mother's pills. She told her foreman, Clarence Gardt, that she was going to run home for her car to hurry to the hospital. He asked her to wait until he could make other arrange-

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Ford Motor Company Experiences A Strike That No One Won

The strike of 106,000 workers in the Ford Motor Company, in progress for 24 days, has now finally been terminated.

Was the company the victor? It was certainly not victorious in a material sense, for the shut-down has cost it an estimated output of 80,000 cars and trucks, valued at more than $160,000,000. Some of this production will no doubt be made up in future. In cases where would-be purchasers have switched to other makes of cars, however, the loss could be compounded under the industry's own proverb that "a sale today means possible resale tomorrow." Nor is there of course, any way by which the company can recover the $20,000,000 that it has spent over the past three weeks on the maintenance of its 51 plants, white-collar payrolls and other non-productive expenditures.

Was labor, then, the winner in this 24-day endurance test? The answer here is an even more unequivocal no. It is estimated that each of the 106,000 Ford production workers will have lost an average of better than $200 in pay by the time the country-wide Ford system is again back fully in operation. That means a total financial loss of $2,000,000. Moreover, by the terms under which the workers have agreed to return to their jobs, the union appears to have lost on nearly every major point.

But even that is not the full extent of the cost to the union. This walkout could prove a body blow to the latter's strategy with respect to the vastly more important matter of its "fourth-round" demands. Its contract with Ford expires July 15. Walter Reuther, president of the United Automobile Workers, had hoped to signalize that occasion by achieving one of his major ambitions, an old-age pension plan. His time-table called for an opening drive against Ford, to be followed by similar campaigns, later and separately, with General Motors and Chrysler. Ford was regarded as the logical starting point because that company, as the union saw it, had more or less committed itself to the pension principle at the time of the "second round," in 1947. At that time it offered 8 cents an hour for a pension fund, but the proposal was rejected by the workers in favor of a straight pay increase.

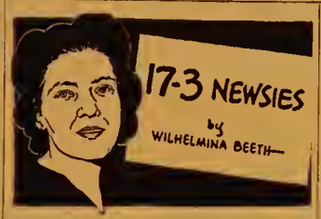
That was the situation when the recent issue of an alleged "speed-up" in the Ford plant arose. There seems to be good reason to believe that most of the agitation over this question, and the demand for a walk-out, came from a minority left-wing group in the union. Mr. Reuther, according to reports, did his utmost to avert the strike until forced to go along against his better judgment in the interest of union harmony. And now, in consequence, he and his followers find themselves facing the important "fourth-round" battle with their strongest weapon—the strike weapon—blunted by four wageless weeks on the picket line. It stands to reason that it isn't going to be easy to work up enthusiasm for another strike in the weeks immediately ahead among these 100,000 workers who were persuaded to walk out so recently over an issue which involved only 3,000 of their members directly and which was the product of the demands of a minority, many of whom were motivated by considerations of union politics.

At the present time the nation is in the descending phase of the post-war business boom. We are backing away from the inflation which until recently was the chief threat to economic stability. There is reason to hope, as Dr. Nourse, the President's chief economic adviser notes, that this retreat can be carried out in an orderly fashion. But orderly disinflation is a delicate operation at best. From our experience in 1946 and 1947 we know what chaos widespread labor disturbances can create when inflation is in the air. It should not be necessary to point out that such disturbances could be counted upon to accelerate the pace and add to the disorder of disinflation just as seriously. This places a heavy responsibility on both labor and management to keep the peace in the months ahead. Certainly it should be obvious that this is no time for a repetition of such unnecessary and pointless instances of disemployment and crippled production as we have just witnessed in the case of the Ford strike.

—NEW YORK TIMES

LIKE A SPRING TONIC





Better start oiling up the fan; it looks like warm weather ahead. . . . Alice Tolliver must have gone to the show and seen the Tom and Jerry cartoon, "Polka Dot Puss." Monday she went home with the measles. . . . Some days you can't save a nickel, while other days you can't save five cents. Ask Jess Hahn. He walked out of the restaurant and forgot to pay for his pie. The next day, the proprietor was waiting for him. . . . Josephine Motter is a new grandma. That accounts for the big smile, but did it have anything to do with her going overboard? Or was she just taking the "fishing and bathing" sign seriously and doing both at once? . . . Margaret Monnot had her first week of vacation this week. Only it really wasn't a vacation. Lassie, her dog, presented her with nine puppies. Lassie didn't make the grade and Margaret took over the job of feeding the orphans. Imagine having to feed that many puppies. . . . Helen Biddle has been having dog troubles too. Her dog, Bing, has rheumatism. . . . Did you notice Joe Meehan walking down the aisle wearing one black and one brown shoe? . . . Speaking of shoes reminds us of feet—muddy feet. Floetta Zartman really had them last week. Doris Ryan and Floetta had the gas buggy all shined up to go to Ohio. They got on the wrong road and became stuck in the mud. Floetta removed her shoes and stockings to help push. . . . We are glad to see Louise Melvin back from Taylor St. and Esther Fox after being ill. . . . Newcomers to the early bird shift are Peggy Cook and Robert Mosshammer. . . . Sorry to hear Florence Kowal is on our sick list. . . . Last week Bill Mills put away his tools and bid Div. 16 goodbye. We hope you enjoy your retirement. Have the best of health, so that you can catch up on that fishing and all the other things that have been put off in years past. . . . We always wondered why baby chicks would squeek when they ate, now we know. Harold Bowker says it is because they haven't enough cod liver oil in their gizzards. . . . A hobby is something you like to do, but it doesn't make you a living. Ann Robinson's hobby is flowers. Her place looks like a flower garden, and it's very pretty. . . . Francis Eckrote doesn't like strawberries—much, that is. After eating a quart, she thought that would do until the next meal. . . . Hedy Harrison was chief cook and bottle washer over Memorial Day. Her mother was in Indianapolis. How about a plate of burned beans? . . . Lowella Koogle made a trip to Bloomington, Ind., to see about her future home. . . . FOR WOMEN ONLY: I don't think the men should read this. They might get ideas. The Delbert Thomas's have a new hammock. Delbert rests in the shade all day, while Marcille works. (Hope my husband doesn't see this). . . . Leona Hollis had to take time out Wednesday to help Garrett celebrate its Diamond Jubilee of the B. & O. railroad. . . . Saw where our floor was well represented in the pictures taken at the last square dance. How those people love to "swing on the corner."



Paul Ginder probably got too much sun because of the fish story he tells. He went fishing and got the limit of bluegills in an hour. A likely story but seeing is believing. . . . Congratulations to Ginger Zeig, who became a proud mother last Saturday. She named her new son Frank Barger. . . . Any June bride need a corsage see the Rohrbauh sisters as they are tops in making them especially of rhubarb, garlic, radishes and other vegetables. They made one for Freda Knoche for her birthday. . . . Eleanor Whitehouse, Helen Engle and Bernadine McCune took a trip to Indianapolis to see the Olsen and Johnson show. Who should walk off with a gift but Eleanor. She got a big washtub and a portable G-E radio. . . . Birthday greetings to Vera Healy, Maude Erhardt and John Ormiston and belated greetings to Marion Miller. . . . Welcome back to Polly Selking, who has been on a sick leave, and welcome to Grace Bedsworth in 1x29 and to William Widdifield to Commutator section. . . . Fred Couture is spending his vacation next week at Big Lake to catch some "little" fish! . . . There are a lot of sunburns floating around up here today, but they all say the fishing wasn't any good. . . . What have you got to say about the first two weeks in August, Waldemar Schmidt? Going on a long trip? We suggest that you keep an eye on that back end of your car. . . . Carl Harmon, why so many new pipes? Don't any of them fit? Take a tip from me and don't smoke so fast. . . . If anybody wants a nice chicken to eat, see Herb Brown. You sure have to know your chickens and they are plenty nice. . . . Congratulations to Alva Foulks who walked off with the prize for being the youngest father at the Elex Father and Daughter party for the third time. . . . It is too bad that Les Hubbartt is such a poor baby sitter that his wife can't go to a party one night a month. I should think that by this time you would know how to handle girls. . . . A surprise dinner was held at the cafeteria yesterday in honor of Martha Scherzinger, who observed her 40th anniversary with the G-E. She received a beautiful corsage and a gift from her co-workers. It was good to see Ella Hartnett, Cora Graham and Bea Helms at the dinner. They are former co-workers who have retired. . . . The foremen were all at a dinner in her honor Tuesday noon at the cafeteria. Better watch all these dinners, Martha, they are hard on the figure! No fooling we of Div. 1 give you our heartiest congratulations.



CORRECTION: My apologies to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hiles. It seems that I married them off a week too early. I'm sorry. . . . "IT WAS A LONG CHEW THROUGH," said the new car bug to the moths, "but I finally made it." Denton Manecke finally succumbed to the fever so prevalent during the last few years. Result: a new shining Pontiac. . . . MISSION ACCOMPLISHED: The FHP Engineering outing at Clear Lake was a huge success. It has developed into a tradition for Bob Loveland to fall into the water by some means or in some fashion. This year it looked as if this was not going to come to pass, so some of the fellows took the situation in their hands and threw him in. Carl McKay and Ray Hupp brought their shortwave sending and receiving stations and contacted various people in Fort Wayne through local amateur operators. . . . STORK TIDINGS: A wee bundle of happiness arrived in the James Capps' home last week. Her name is Barbara Leigh. Congratulations, Mary Jo and Jim! . . . PENITENT SOUL? For everyone's information, Gil Baker was not proposing to Teddy Neds on bended knee in the hall last week. He was begging her for a 50 cent piece which he had fumbled and she had recovered. . . . ATTEN-SHUN! An unknown source of information revealed that Bob Winchester, test engineer, in the Developmental Section, who is an Ensign in the Naval Reserve attended the commissioning of the Armory last week-end. It seems that numerous social gatherings before and after PLUS a date with the Commander's niece proved to be quite enjoyable, huh, Bob? . . . CAN HE, WILL HE? RAY HUPP DISCOVERED A MOUSE IN HIS DESK LAST WEEK and after the mouse scurried away he cut off the end of a funnel and placed it near the spot through which he thinks the mouse entered his desk. He doesn't think that the mouse can overcome the obstacle.

Company Provides

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ments. He then called Ceal Romary of the Personnel division.

Miss Romary met Mrs. LeCoque at the gate and rushed her home. Then she waited to make certain Mrs. LeCoque was on her way.

Upon arrival at the hospital, Mrs. LeCoque learned that the medicine was absorbed in the child's system. The next step was to keep her from lapsing into a coma. To do this, Mrs. LeCoque, her son, daughter, and daughter-in-law tossed Monica back and forth. They also "pounded" her and gave her black coffee injections. They managed to keep her awake for 25 minutes at a time, when she was permitted to sleep for 15 minutes.

The LeCoques continued this back-breaking "treatment" for six and one-half hours before the crisis passed.

Monica, who is over a year old, is now home and nearing recovery.

Mrs. LeCoque feels it was only through the quick action of Mr. Gardt and Miss Romary that she was enabled to help save her granddaughter's life.

Schuckel Earns $85 For Suggestion



Raymond Schuckel, Bldg. 4-4, recently received $85 for suggesting that instead of shipping motors individually from here, they be put on pallets and forwarded to Decatur to be included in carload shipments. The picture was taken at the time of presentation of the award check. Left to right are Arnold Bienz, Charles Griffith, Foreman; W. H. Franke, FHP Motor Divisions 19 and 20 Supt.; Mr. Schuckel, Dallas Smith and Clarence Roth. Included in the picture are four men (Schuckel, Bienz, Smith and Roth) who were selected to form the nucleus of the Repair and Return section 10 years ago.

Arbitrator Makes

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correct, but regardless of whether they are or are not, they cannot stand as now set."

In his award he stated, "We find that the permanent standard of 119-125 is not valid. To correct this situation, the parties are to proceed as follows: The Compuny will make a series of four to eight hour studies on one or more tiers who have become experienced on the cord lace method. The tiers selected will cooperate with the Company through its time study man who in turn should, if at all practicable, have had experience in making similar studies on the tape method of lacing. The final computation must reflect the proper allowances. The new permanent standard must be set within one month after receipt of this award."

In his discussion of the Company's charge made during the dispute that a "slow-down" existed, the arbitrator stated that there was evidenee of suеh a "slow-down." In connection with the union charge of "speed-up" he observed, "The Company's refusal to set a permanent standard on a study made on an operator who has not yet mastered the cycle is sound practice and has nothing whatsoever to do with the alleged attempt to increase the amount of work required under the heading of 'normal output.' For one, the operator who is unaccustomed to the new cycle is not an average operator, does not work with average skill regardless of her effort; for another, as indicated earlier in this discussion, orthodox time study practice based on such elements as speed rating, effort rating, etc., is unable to translate green skill into normal skill. Since, therefore, we do not accept the 119-125 standard set in any event, the problem of speed up as argued by the union does not concern us in this arbitration."

The dispute in question resulted in a two and a half week strike during February and March involving approximately 800 workers at the Tiffin plant.

25 To Compete In Truck Roadeo At Baer Field

Twenty-five contestants have been entered by local firms in the first annual Truck Roadeo, which will be held Sunday afternoon at Baer Field.

Melvin Beucler will represent the General Electric Company's truck fleet. Mr. Beucler has driven 30 years without a chargeable traffic accident.

The public is invited to attend and seating arrangements have been made.

132 To Leave On Elex Trip To Niagara Falls Tomorrow

A group of 132 Elex members and their friends will leave at 2:45 a.m. tomorow for a trip to Niagara Falls. They will go via the Nickel Plate Railroad to Buffalo and then by bus for the remainder of the trip.

Charles G. Moore, manager of the G-E District Office at Niagara Falls, will be at the hotel to greet them when they arrive. A conducted tour of the Falls and a ride on the "Maid of the Mist" boat have been arranged for Sunday afternoon. The group will leave at 4:45 p.m. Sunday for the return trip. They will arrive in Fort Wayne early Monday morning.

All are requested to bring sunglasses and raincoats.

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FHP Motor Div. 13: Anna E. Griebel, Clarence M. Myers, John Wood, Lindsay E. Eastes, Kenneth O. Ross, Edna Hardisty, Florence E. Clum, Christian DeLagrange, George K. Robb and Albert H. Timme.

FHP Motor Div. 14: Herbert F. Seslar.

FHP Motor Div. 15: Harold Anspach, Helen Tescula, Van B. Nelson and Francis F. Fann.

FHP Motor Div. 16: Dorothy Johnson, Archie Evans, Herbert Langer, Charles Grim and Betty Yarger.

FHP Motor Div. 17: Charles G. Price, Howard D. Householder, Troy Long, Charles Arnett, Clarence F. Myers, Herb Fuhrman, Fred E. House, Kenneth Brown, Doris Moon, Richard Pemberton, Melvin W. Bertsch, Ruby Stucky and June E. Hines.

FHP Motor Div. 19: Henry J. Wichern, George Felts, John R. Miles, Theodore F. Brockmeyer and Francis L. Bennett (two awards).

FHP Motor Div. 10: Herbert F. L. Koch, Katherine Richter and Paul W. Lange.

Decatur Plant: Jerome J. Coffe, Linda Bultemeier, Madge Jones and Lyle Voorhees.

Tiffin Plant: Donald F. Boehler, Addie F. Wenner, Ross Stover and Hugh W. Hinsman.

Specialty Transformer Div. 91: Henry E. Lantz, John D. McMaken, Robert A. Bunyan (two awards), Doyle D. Miller and Mildred A. Strickler.

Specialty Transformer Div. 93: Edna F. DeLeury, Robert W. Knoll, James T. Keller, James G. Witzigreuter, Robert L. Richardson, Alfred E. Coxon and Paul E. Black.

Specialty Transformer Div. 94 and 95: Russell W. James, Bertha Bruber, Morris M. Mastin, Phillip Shulze, Noel A. Smith, Ernest A. Kern, Helen L. Eger, Murray J. Sherman and Betty Jean Sapp (two awards).

Danville Plant: Marvin G. Weller and Wilson D. Halls.

Wire and Insulation Div.: Carl M. Junk and Richard D. Hensler.

Miscellaneous: Anna R. Clements.

Partizan Chapter Announces Outing

The Partizan Chapter of Elex will hold an outing Tuesday, June 21, at Clara Cooper's cottage on Lake James. The event is open to members and their children.

A potluck luncheon will be served and those attending are requested to bring their table service.

Members going on the outing are to meet at the corner of State Blvd. and Spy Run Ave. at 9 a.m. Rides will be provided for those without transportation.

Veterans' Picnic

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Jimmie James, Bldg. 17-4, refreshments and entertainment.

Tickets are available for 75 cents from the following contact men:

Erwin Zollinger, Bldg. 17-4; Val Miller, Bldg. 18-4; Guy Miller, Bldg. 19-1; Bill Kaiser, Bldg. 19-1; Leo Christle, Bldg. 19-3; Joe Hartman, Bldg. 19-4; John Ebert, Bldg. 19-5; Carl Rehling, Bldg. 20-2; William Slater, Bldg. 26-3; Al Adams, Bldg. 27; O. J. Lacerte, Bldg. 28-2; Charles Thompson, Bldg. 31-2; R. J. Bangert, Taylor St.; Harold Rahe, Winter St.; Bill Walt, Bldg. 2-1; Andrew Nichter, Bldg. 4-2; John Pumphrey, Bldg. 4-3; Andrew Lee, Bldg. 4-5; Glenn Seabold, Bldg. 4-6; Carl Click, Bldg. 6-2; Ken Michael, Bldg. 8-2; Ed Holocher, Bldg. 10-2; Richard Gebert, Bldg. 12-2, and Ed Martin, Bldg. 17-1.

Meet the President



Suggests Idea For Linedex Files



Durand Graybill, Bldg. 6-2, recently received $45 for a suggestion pertaining to Linedex files. His idea was to set up a Linedex file to list freight rates of towns to which the Fort Wayne Works makes frequent shipments. He is shown in the picture pointing out some features of his suggestion to C. L. Saurbaugh (right).

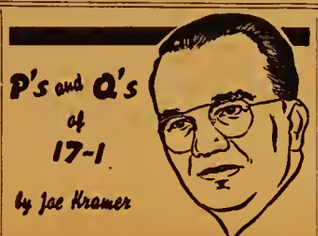


Last week we were paid a visit by William Law, now retired. . . . I have been asked if I ever noticed Frank Phillip's buggy shaft binoculars. Must confess I have but never thought of them in just that descriptive fashion. . . . If any machine men need any bench advice just see Marc Junk or Gene Werling. . . . Jess Batchelder came up with a new set of instructions for repairing tail pipes for cars and ruining tires. To install a new tail pipe, cut in two parts, so division comes under spare tire well, then put clamp (loosely) at division. After loosening half of tail pipe let heat put blister on spare tire, then put another tire in spare well, continue until all tires have blisters. This kind of repair will net tire man $80 in a short time. . . . Ward Staley, Sr., likes to hurry those ahead of him past the change dispenser in the cafeteria so he can pick out the missed change. . . . Last week the local sports writers were paying tribute to a deserving sportsman in our own group, William Buuck, who made a hole-in-one while playing golf. Bill has been active in bowling many years and always fell short of a 300 score, coming within 19 pins on one occasion, so it is with pleasure that we learn of Bill's honor on the golf course. . . . I suppose you have all heard stories of the short-handled broom. Now comes Gene Werling and Bob Repine with a two-handled broom, which they used successfully to clean up the welding booth. . . . John Driver was crossing the street with thoughts far off when he was suddenly awakened by a blasting car horn. He was giving some thorough lip service when he looked up to see Ray Bowers sitting behind the wheel of his car with a big grin for John. . . . Russ Deveny is back with us after being in Bldg. 4-2 for several weeks where he picked up a new title, "Hot Rod." So far I haven't been able to get all the details but will let you know more later. . . . Bob Maggart has gone to shipping; Merritt Myers has gone to the laboratory; Ardell Hambrock to the big Matson surface grinder back in the high hay; Bob Hendrickson is on second shift and Marc Junk is returning to the Apprentice School. We will miss all of you, but wish you good luck, and to David Bartle of the machinist group and Justin Heaston on the surface grinder our welcome mat is out. . . . Monday was Bill Buuck's 65th birthday. Since he had gone on his vacation we were unable to personally wish that happy birthday, but from the gang I'll say it here, Bill. . . . Henry Guenther is spending several days in the tool crib checking tools. Glad to have you with us.

Two Honored At Retirement



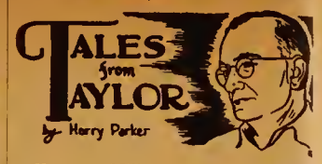
Several friends of Olga Hart and Ella Staver are shown wishing them luck on their retirement recently. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Laura Krauskopf, Ed Sonday, General Foreman; Olga Hart, Joan Meyer, Ella Staver, Millicent McHenry, Wava Aughenbaugh and Paul Hapner, foreman.



A new enterprise has been started in the south end of Bldg. 17-1. The new endeavor to be known as Garden Enterprise, Inc. Frank Martin has been elected engineer of the group because he is the only one who can do a weekend's work without sitting in the shade of the apple tree. George Mosshammer and Charlie Niblick, the other two members of the organization, seem to spend the biggest share of the time under the apple tree partaking of liquid refreshments instead of weeding the garden. George says, "Don't forget what shade does to the coffee bean." . . . Jim Daley and Orval Haver were off work last Friday and Frank Gitter had to carry the complete load of the fire department while his brother firemen were enjoying themselves. . . . Cliff Coombes and Curly Sprague were substituting for Harry Kessler and Art Brockmeyer on the countersinking machine last Friday. . . . Ruby McBride was a recent winner on the "Keep the Music" program. She won a dozen pair of those sheer nylon hose. Congratulations, Ruby. . . . Ray Epperson, sandy-haired dispatcher in the south end of Bldg. 17-1, has some rye hay for sale. When he first planted it, he intended to let it grow until it went to seed, but due to the high powered fertilizer, he used, the hay grew so fast the neighborhood children would get lost. In case you are interested, see Ray for prices and arrangements. . . . Red Braden is glad to see Jack Lewis back from his vacation. Jack is going to help Red with some of his work so that Braden can spend more time getting the Voltmen in shape. . . . We were sorry to see Mike Fuelling leave us last week, but Bldg. 27's gain is our loss. Good luck on your new job, Mike. . . . John Quinn is looking for a portable sorting bench. He would like to have one that he could take from machine to machine. . . . Congratulations to Argend Denney for the recent increase at his farm home—weight was 80 pounds, as yet, Denney hasn't decided, he is still looking for a name. Send in your suggestions for a name to Denney. As yet, Denney doesn't know whether it is a boy or girl—watch this column for further developments. . . . The hot rod craze has hit the office. Of course, Charlie Lauer said the car was for his boy Chuckie hut he wouldn't want to have to get two more subscriptions because that is really a job. At last reports, Charlie is a full fledged hot rod operator.



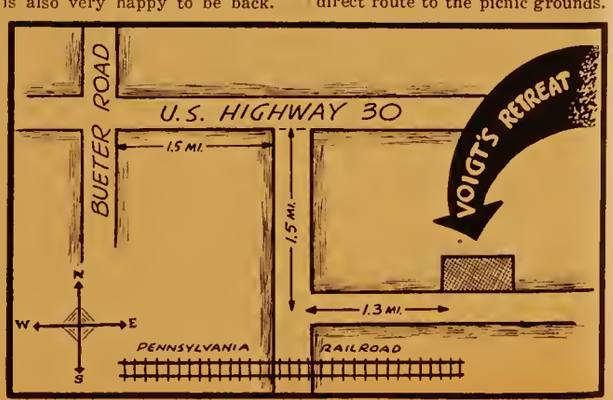
Charles Sheets has been selected to represent Elmhurst High School at Hoosier Boys State. This educational program of government and its functions will be held June 11 to 18 at Indianapolis, Ind. Charles is being sponsored by the Waynedale American Legion. He is the son of Vaughn Sheets, foreman in the Wire Division. . . . Why is it that every time Bill Rohe catches a few fish he has his picture taken with them? Is it because he wants to show off the fish or just plain Bill or must he have proof before his co-workers will believe his fish stories? . . . Your Division Editor had a very nice vacation, but is also very happy to be back.



Kenny Miller, our Arkansas traveler, accepted an invitation to accompany his brother on a mad dash to Texas over the Decoration Day holiday. Since it was a long trip to take in three days, they had to travel pretty fast. They tore into Kansas at a high rate of speed, and in crossing the plains they raised so much dust that the natives thought a dust storm was on its way and made preparations to combat same. They finally reached Ft. Smith, Ark., but time was running out, so they did an about face and headed north without ever seeing Texas. They plan to do it or bust next year. . . . The regatta held at Big Long Lake Decoration Day was a huge success in which Art Brandeherger seemed to be the star performer. The way he swished that boat around, at the same time emitting loud whoops and hollers, was something scandalous. At times his speed was so terrific that the swell caused by the boat revealed the lake bottom to the spectators. . . . For a long time Herb Saurer was opposed to the raising of any farm animals on his place, hut he has done a turnabout and is going in for the raising of swine. At the present time he has a goodly numher of young pigs on his place and is delighted with the results of this venture. His plans call for the establishing of the largest and most complete hoggery in northern Indiana. . . . When coming into work recently we observed the new posters on display at the gatehouse advertising United States Savings Bonds. On this poster is a picture of a covered wagon, and someone in the crowd exclaimed, "Oh, look at the covered wagon." Mable Miller then began looking out over the parking lot expecting to see one of these vehicles come driving in. Perhaps she thought some of our modern '49'ers had reverted to this mode of transportation. . . . Over the past week-end Ted Reed went on a fishing trip at a nearhy lake and came home with a goodly catch, but minus his glasses. It seems that an extra large fish took his hait, and in the fight and excitement that ensued his glasses flew off and sank gently to the lake bottom. He tells us that the next time he goes fishing, he is going to wear a net over his head as a precautionary measure.

Supervisors' Club To Hold Picnic At Voigt's Retreat

The Supervisors' Club will hold its annual picnic tomorrow, June 11, from 1 to 9 p.m. at Voigt's Retreat. Below is a map showing a direct route to the picnic grounds.



New Bus Schedule Announced

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5:15 P.M.

5:18P	S. Wayne	5:15P	Broadway & Foster Park
5:20	Third & Runnion	5:21	Broadway & Foster Park
5:20	Lakeside	5:23	Calhoun & Sherwood
5:20	E. State & Carew	5:23	S. Wayne & Sherwood
5:23	S. Wayne	5:23	Oxford & Anthony
		5:23	Pontiac Fruehauf
		5:23	Sherwood Heights

11:48 P.M.

11:55P	Main & Calhoun	11:57P	Broadway & Foster Park
12:02A	S. Wayne	11:58P	Oxford & Anthony

TAYLOR ST. SCHEDULE

6:48 A.M.

From	Ar. G-E	
Washington & Calhoun	6:16A	6:27A
E. Creighton, Via S. Belt	6:10	6:34
Washington & Calhoun	6:24	6:35
Main & Calhoun	6:21	6:37
Washington & Calhoun	6:25	6:38
Pontiac Fruehauf	6:15	6:38
Paulding Rd. & Oxford	6:08	6:40
Pittsburgh & Roy	6:21	6:45
Washington & Calhoun	6:33	6:45
Sherwood Heights	6:25	6:55

8 A.M.

From	Ar. G-E	
Washington & Calhoun	7:17A	7:28A
Washington & Calhoun	7:26	7:37
Washington & Calhoun	7:34	7:45
Paulding Rd. & Sherwood Hts.	7:08	7:50
E. State & Carew	7:25	7:51
Calhoun & Rudisill	7:37	7:51
Pontiac Harvester	7:25	7:51
Washington & Calhoun	7:43	7:54

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Inbound Lv. G-E	Destination	Outbound From	Ar. G-E
12:05P	Pittsburgh & Roy	Washington & Calhoun	12:55P 1:08P

3:18 P.M.

Outbound From	Ar. G-E		Inbound Lv. G-E	Destination
Washington & Calhoun	2:28P	2:38P	3:23P	Pittsburgh & Roy
Washington & Calhoun	2:40	2:52	3:25	Broadway & Taylor N. to Main & Calhoun
Washington & Calhoun	2:44	2:54		
Washington & Calhoun	2:54	3:06	3:25	Jefferson & Calhoun
Main & Calhoun	2:51	3:09	3:25	Pontiac Harvester
Main & Calhoun So. Belt	2:47	3:09	3:26	Oxford & Anthony
Washington & Calhoun	3:06	3:16	3:26	Pittsburgh & Roy

4:30 P.M. Inbound

Lv. G-E	Destination
4:33	Pittsburgh & Roy
4:35	Broadway & Taylor To So. Belt

5:15 P.M. Inbound

Lv. G-E	Destination
5:20P	Pittsburgh & Roy

11:48 Inbound

11:55P	Pittsburgh & Roy

G-E Technicolor Film Has Premiere Showing



The new G-E technicolor film, "By Their Works," had its first public showing in Decatur Thursday night, June 2, and was shown in Fort Wayne at the G-E Club auditorium Tuesday evening and Wednesday afternoon and evening. General Electric's Aeolian Choir and employees of the Decatur plant are featured in the movie, which was produced by the Raphael G. Wolff Studios of Hollywood, Calif.

The photograph at the top, above, shows a scene at the dinner given Thursday evening for present and former members of the choir at the Decatur plant. J. F. Welch, Assistant Plant Manager, is shown at the center, left, welcoming the audience, which is shown at the right. In the picture at the bottom, the choir is shown during a concert given as a part of the premiere program.



Everyone has eaten creamed tomatoes, but to grow them that way is something new. It seems as though Alma Witte heard that watering tomato plants with milk was good so she is trying it on her one plant. Gordon Smith is always on the lookout for something new so he is trying a little milk, too, besides he says he always did like creamed tomatoes. . . . What has happened to Hugh Neely's golf game? Everytime he plays a game he gets more disgusted. He has been given advice by all the experts in the office, but it just dosn't seem to do him any good. . . . Happy birthday to Eddie Andrews June 16. Hope you have a nice day. . . . Kenny Sheehan says the fish are really biting good now on his lake. All we can do is take his word for it; we have never seen any evidence of them. . . . We were sorry to see Ben Fleek leave the office last week. Dorothy Vetter has also left the Division to become a full time housewife and Cora Graves has gone to Div. 14. We wish the best of luck to all of them. . . . Charlie Gable made a trip to the Bridgeport Works last week. He said that after seeing their plant he decided Fort Wayne was a pretty good place to work after all.



We welcome to our division Doris Kennedy, Augusta Gallmeyer, Lois Springer, Bertha Holmes, Pat Fritcha, Albert Clark, Merritt Meyers, Neva Chamness, Frances Funderburg. . . . We've often heard of puppy love, but it must be a case of kitty love that prompts Irene Bowman to slip Lottie McFarland a package of catnip for Lottie's tommy-cat Spud. . . . Danny Daniels has lost a lot of weight since he left Div. 14, and the gang is wondering if he shouldn't purchase a pair of suspenders. . . . After 30 years of service with the G-E, the Company has finally caught up with Walter Niemeyer. He received a "blank" check last week. . . . Theron (I-get-'em-big-enough-to-keep) Kitchen claims the biggest bluegills come from Atwood Lake. How about a mess of five inch specials, Kich? . . . Si Alspaugh says he finally found a feeding schedule whereby he can sleep again at night. What's the matter, Si, did she get her days and nights mixed? . . . Robert Till insisted he had fan belt trouble on his Ford which accounted for his tardiness. Some of the fellows thought from appearances he had repaired the tractor before coming to work. . . . Ask Maurice Vonder Haar why he always takes someone with him when he goes fishing. This week it happens to be his small daughter Doris. Does someone have to catch them for you, Vondy, or do you need a witness for some of your tall stories? . . . We understand Madge Thompson ate pressed ham sandwiches at the races last week. It seems her husband accidentally sat on them. . . . Bob Kissinger, Fritz Vogt, and Virgil Snyder asked Ed Sarrazine to play golf with them. Ed, not being an experienced golfer, was told he didn't have to play for so much a hole. However, when the game was over Ed had taken not only Fritz but Bob as well. . . . Johnny Wilson bought a new lawn hose to wash his brand new Chevy, but when he got home there wasn't any threads on the hose. Now he is looking for a plumber. . . . Since Fritz Vogt is only working four days a week he is looking for new golfing companions so he won't have to drive his car. . . Why is Cleon Oyer singing "California Here I Come", surely he isn't driving that "slow" Buick to California. . . . Clarence Seslar was on his vacation last week and the fellows are wondering if his Hudson made the trip. Clarence Schroeder offered him his Oldsmobile but Seslar insisted upon taking his own car. . . . When yours truly, asked Harold Amstutz if he had anything for the WORKS NEWS he replied, "I just wish it was 3:18." Harold is such a happy boy. . . . Louise Roberts and Madge Thompson had such a wonderful time at the races that Louise has her tickets ordered for next year. . . . Happy birthdays for June are wished to Ann Johnson, La Vern Wonderly, Catherine Auker, Iva Etter, Marie Wicklman, Gay Huey, Flossie Troutner, Elva Hake, Helen Miller and Henry Stegman.

Daughters Dine and Dance with Dads

Nearly 50 fathers were entertained by their daughters at the Elex day girls' party Friday evening, June 3, in Kreis Stolzenau hall. Joe Taylor and his band provided music for dancing. The program also included a Dutch dinner and the presentation of gifts to all the fathers, as well as several special awards.

The youngest father award is presented by Charlotte Stanford to Alva Foulks, Bldg. 4-3. At the right is his daughter, Mary Louise Foulks, Bldg. 31-1.





Irene Meyers poses with her father, William Meyers.



Hilda Hoeltje, Bldg. 18-5, stands beside her father, Henry C. Hoeltje, as he receives a gift from Irene Meyers, adviser to the club. Mr. Hoeltje, 82, was the oldest father at the party.



The fathers line up to receive their gifts from the club.

An award for coming the greatest distance is presented by Charlotte Stanford, Elex president, to August Kessler, who is shown with his daughter, Avenell Stanton, Bldg. 26-2. Mr. Kessler traveled 70 miles to attend the party.





Everyone was well fed, according to the picture above.



Irene Meyers presents an award to the oldest grandfather at the party, Russell Linn. Gloria Harris, his daughter, is with him. Mr. Linn is 73 years old.



The band must be playing "Poppa Won't You Dance With Me" or "Dancing Cheek to Cheek" for this couple.

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BY MABEL ODEL

NOTICE TO EVERYONE: We need a snappy title for our column, so we are running a contest and the winner of the title selected shall receive $5. Don Poland, Bob Hunt and Bret Young are elected to pick the winner. All entries must be on Bob Hunt's desk or given to Mabel Odel by June 18. You may turn in more than one entry, but only one entry to a slip of paper with your name, please. Come on, folks, let's go. . . . Lorraine Von Behren has been appointed as your news reporter. Please give her you news items daily, so that we may have a news column weekly. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gary Miller, who have welcomed a little newcomer, but all is not well with the father. Although he is looking at the world through rose-colored glasses, they call it pink-eye and he was barred from the rest of the little family. . . . Belated birthday wishes are in store for Wendall Harshman. Sorry we are late, Wendall, but you fooled us. You don't look a year older. . . . Evidently Dorothy Paxson and Virginia Wilson didn't pay their rent. They were evicted Friday, but both are settled in new locations and everything is in smooth order again. . . . Since the price of milk has gone up, Dale Stuckey has decided it would be cheaper to buy a herd of cattle. Have you stopped to think how many quarts of milk it will take to pay for those cows, Dale, and remember you just can't pull a cap to get it. . . . Levi Carpenter has undergone an operation and is in the St. Joseph hospital. His telephone number is 465. If you can't pay a visit, a cheery hello would do him a world of good. We all wish you a speedy recovery, Levi. . . . Cora Karnes, Maxine Hathaway, Edna Mapes, Hazel Scott and Almetta Smith have been transferred to second shift. Almetta, through no fault of her own, is now known as "Smitty Old Boy." . . . We also say farewell to Ray Loveless. He has been transferred to Bldg. 26-5. Good luck, folks. . . . Martha Hamilton is one person who appreciates this humid weather. She locked herself out of the house and had to wait until her husband came home from work. The sad part is that he works at night and she had to get her rest on the front porch. . . . Ernie Clark is the guy with all of the answers, or most of them. But when they sent him to Danville to solve their problems, it really worked a hardship on Robert Wiehe. He was left behind to take care of Ernie's problems while he was gone. . . . Charles Wrisk would like to borrow a hair net to keep the wind from blowing his hair in his eyes. . . . Levona Porter went fishing and all day there was only one fish on the pole, and that was, we are told, on the wrong end. . . . Veronica Cook spent her holiday vacation getting her cottage in order for the summer. . . . Carolyn White had a lovely time in Chicago. . . . Wade Bowman would catch bigger fish if he had longer arms to tell about them. When he and Mr. Habig from Bldg. 26-1 get together the old question arises: Can you become a liar by listening to two fishermen? My, my what they do tell. . . . Lois Shaw is happy again. Reason—She is on second shift. . . . They ought to pass a law that would not permit an old maid to work on second shift. (This was overheard.)

Office Offerings

Jim Voirol talked himself out of a week's supply of groceries. He was called on the dinner-winner program but didn't want anyone to know what he had for dinner, so he said hello. We know now that he has had wieners and coffee. . . . Bret Young and his wife have two ideas about their vacation. He wants to go to Colorado and she Glacier National Park. Something like that can just wear a guy out before it's time to go. . . . The treat was on Al Coxson this week. Thanks for the drumsticks, Al.

HERE and THERE in BUILDING 17-4

by Maxine Baker

Summer is really here from the looks of some of these tans. Even Charlie Schild stopped in to say hello, with a swell new tan. . . . Homer Murphy has now applied for the job of driving Cy's "Parlor on Wheels" and even agreed to drive his Chevy to and from the job. . . . Are we embarrassed? We wanted to tell you that Clara was presented with a roaster as a wedding gift but in print it came out rooster. We are very sorry about this and can only hope Clara can find a rooster for her roaster. . . . Mike Lowe, our genial conservationist, has his troubles also in doing his best to help the worthy cause of conservation. Mike attended a convention along with two other delegates in Anderson Saturday and Sunday. Since the convention did not adjourn until after midnight, Mike graciously offered to help drive back to Fort Wayne. The car happened to be a new Ford which was rather a new experience for Mike as he was not accustomed to driving these new models. After driving about ten miles at 60 miles per, Mike thought the car was making too much noise. The owner was asleep in the back seat, so Mike woke him up to inform him that his Ford was ready to fall apart. Can you imagine Mike's embarrassment when he found out he had not shifted in high yet and had been driving in second gear all the time! . . . We extend our sincere sympathy to Harold Knepp in the death of his father. . . . Bill Turner only wanted to be helpful when he tore a month off the calendar only to discover someone else had already done that. Now he is trying to stick June back on the calendar. Guess he was trying to hurry vacation. . . . Say, folks, did you know we had a baseball team? You didn't—well, here is a list of the players: Art (Strechie) Schmidt, Ralph (Chin-Stop) Thomas, Melvin (Short Throw) Miller, Don (Slugger) Gerardot, Norb (Glass-eyes) Lose, Roger (Sure-Foot) Crabill, Frank (Tender-feet) Magers, Frank (Old Goat) Surface, Ned (Lippy) Neuman, John (Fire-ball) Westerhausen, Pitch Markey, Hit-Away Wickliffe (the above three fellows are from Bldg. 17-3), Larry (Base Coach) Aughinbaugh, Ray (Grumpy) Solga. These brave (?) and gallant (?) boys struggle for the glory of Bldg. 17-4 every Wednesday night at McMillen Park. So far our backing has been lacking—let's help our team trim the opposition by going to the games. See you there at 6:15. . . . Our South End gang gave a pot-luck for Ewald Monday, in honor of his retirement. The gang ate heartily and had a wonderful lunch hour. They also gifted Ewald with a smoking stand. Lots of luck and many years of health and contentment from the gang.

It's okay for a doctor to add 10 years to your life if the bill for it doesn't take away 20.

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SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER and BALLAST SALES

By Harry Dolson

It never ceases to amaze me how people spend their so-called leisure moments in an unleisurely manner. For example, let's take some of the men in the commercial division. When it comes to truck gardening on a rather large scale, Frank Ondrovik and his wife, Jane, are seasoned hands for they cultivate more than an acre of all kinds of vegetables. They are now branching out to include strawberries as a regular item and doing it mighty successfully! Combine this with mowing an acre of lawn, raising some chickens, tending flowers, and rearing two children and there is little time remaining to be concerned about how to spend one's leisure time. . . . Bop Tripplett and family moved into a new apartment and have set about to re-decorate it to their satisfaction. Bob's chief avocation is photography, and he has the equipment to convince one that he knows what he is doing. He has had considerable experience in theatrical work and you may hear him frequently at 8:30 p.m. on station WOWO in a program entitled "Written for Radio." . . . Joe Coughlin is one of those fellows from the big city (New York) who has finally succumbed to the nostalgia of the farm. He has established himself as a gentleman farmer on a modest scale on the outskirts of Roanoke. If you spot Joe flying low in his new Ford along Route 24 about 7 p.m. Tuesday night you will know that he has just finished teaching a class in public speaking and is rushing home to dinner. He also instructs a class in salesmanship. . . . Anytime you want pointers on how to build a summer camp just drop in to see Bob Eaddie, the newest member of our sales group. Bob has a problem which may confront many of us when television finally comes to Fort Wayne. At his home in Indianapolis, he has a television set (the only one in the neighborhood) and his problem is to determine a way by which he can enjoy some of the better performances without locking the door to the neighbors. . . . Wendell Hughes might be called a jack-of-all-trades and well he might be for he manages two apartment buildings and is called upon to perform all sorts of miracles. He and his wife are redecorating their apartment and if you ever need instructions on how to stitch slipcovers—by all means, see Wendell! . . . West of the Fort Wayne Country Club you will see a new gray colored two-story house with attached garage which Morey Robertson, his wife and father erected. It's a beauty! In bis spare time, prior to working on the house, Morey repaired radios. When he has completed the interior finish work, television should be in Fort Wayne and Morey will presumably switch from radio to television repair work. . . . George Hoopingarner's after hours time is well spent with his new child. Recently, however, be turned interior decorator, par excellence, and plastered, papered, and painted the apartment to the complete satisfaction of his wife, child, and landlady. George is keenly interested in golfing as evidenced by the acquisition of a new set of irons. . . . When anyone around here thinks of civic affairs they immediately think of Andy O'Dwyer, for he spends much of his time in this manner. He is very active in the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the Civic Theater and similar organizations. . . . Art Rowe has been one of our golfers and bridge players in the semi-professional class. To maintain this proficiency takes plenty of time. Add to this the time spent in purchasing a new house and trying to sell another, coupled with being a good father to a couple of kids, trying to avoid a severe sunburn, and looking after an "ask-the-man-who-owns-one" automobile and you have one busy man. Of course, you have seen his photograph frequently in the newspapers as an active member of the Jaycees. . . . George Culp devotes much of his spare time to music, particularly singing. You'll hear him every morning at 6:45 on station WGL if you are an early riser. No, George doesn't rush down to the station each morning to perform—he does a "Bing Crosby" and has his voice transcribed. . . . George Parent is a sports enthusiast and enjoys card playing. As a sideline he delves into cabinet making and is now at work trying to design a house to his satisfaction. . . . Ray Rogers is one of those newly-married men, nuff said! . . . Reece Gwillim rather recently acquired a brand new Dodge, and from the experiences he has had "taming" it, I judge that he must spend considerable time dreaming up alibis for the police. . . . The manager of the Squares softball team is Paul Ward. In order to make the deadline, I did not have time to interview him properly.

Given Gift At Retirement



When Chancy Newhard, Bldg. 26-4, left for retirement, a group of his friends presented him with a gift. Shown at the presentation, (l. to r.) are: First row—Oral Hyser, Ralph Braden, Rolland Mennewisch, John St. Clair, Raymond Horstman, Benjamin Keller, Mr. Newhard, Thomas Hildehrand, Gerald Norwalt, Myron Racine, Alfred Topp, Arthur Gallogly and George Harmeyer. Back row—Ralph Bultmeyer, Doyle Johnson, W. H. Crouse, Transformer Div. 94 Supt.; Arthur Vachon, Norval Banter, Ned Greulach, Thomas Freeman, Leland Gambrell, Zeno Fox, Archie Rian, Fred Bender, Charles Jennings, Henry Muller, Leo Vachon and Orville Smith.

ROSS IS ELECTED TO SIGMA PI SIGMA

In recognition of high scholastic standing in physics, Keith E. Ross, Bldg. 4-6, has been elected a member of Sigma Pi Sigma, national physics honor society.

Trey To Retire



C. E. Trey

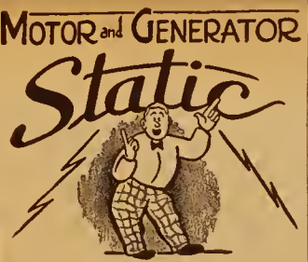
Charles E. Trey, Bldg. 4-5, retired Wednesday, June 1, after 40 years of service with the Company.

He was first employed in 1909 as a laboratory inspector, and later became an assembler. He has worked on assembly since 1911, except for a short period in 1917 when he did winding work.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Irene Schafer, Eugene Simonton, Lizetta Worthman, Arnold Schieferstein, Robert Johnson, Henrietta Deck, Mary DeVries, William Jamison, Raymond Lahrman and Ted Waggoner.

MOTOR and GENERATOR Static



Thought for the Week: "See America First"

DOCTOR: S. Stanley Marquardt, known as friend, brother, captain, and several other names, has added a new cognomen to his prodigious precedents. He now becomes known as "Doc." He is a past master of animal care, common folks say veterinarian. Doctor Marquardt is now giving evening classes at the Center on such exciting subjects as, "How to take a cow's pulse," "What to do until the (horse) doctor comes," "The cow bride," and various other subjects. Anyone interested in one or more of these thrilling subjects, contact Doctor Marquardt, Bldg. 31-1. . . . ODDS AND ENDS: Do you remember when Broadway was paved with cedar blocks? . . . Bob Kite, Bldg. 19-1, is making great progress with his class in bronco busting. . . . Helen Staley, Bldg. 19-1, is conducting a class in how to make bubbles with bubble gum. . . . MORE ODDS AND ENDS: Mary Ellen Nies, Bldg. 19-1 test office, celebrated her birthday June 6. Congratulations, Mary Ellen. . . . Ed Hormann, Bldg. 31-1, has started a photographic gallery—further news later. . . . Your reporter and family, including both granddaughters, had the pleasure of visiting the Toledo (Ohio) Zoo Sunday, June 5. This is an interesting place to visit, just a vacation hint. . . . Your Roving Reporter.



Carry-over from last week, I am sorry, I seem to have written Saturday when I meant Sunday for the Garringer-Hilc wedding. Anyway, Sunday was a perfect day for a beautiful wedding. . . . Did you know that in Bldg. 18-1 we have a wild animal cage? At least Arnold Hensick was a little wild awaiting the arrival of some kind soul to let him out of the locked vault. Sid Johnson came to the rescue—sorry I can not repeat the conversation, it was good. . . . Betty Jean Rose returned to work in Bldg. 18-1 Monday following an absence of two weeks due to illness.

18-5 in the News

Believe it or not! They wish to thank Ed Hagadorn for showering them with beautiful roses—really brightened up the blue-print room. . . . Anyone wanting Mary Ann Van Ryn to work doubly hard should mention the name of John and she seems to come to life. He happens to be the "man of the hour." . . . Pat Beebe and Pat Waterman have acquired a beautiful tan much to the envy of all. . . . Bldg. 18-5 was recently well represented in Chicago, i.e., Ginny Bradtmiller, Eloise Kartholl and Opal Cook. . . . Dudley Snyder and his better half recently visited Niagara Falls and Buffalo. Too bad, though, Dudley did not get to go over the Falls in a barrel.

18-4 Activities

Welcome to C. Tuerschman who recently transferred from Bldg. 6. . . . This floor has taken on a rosy glow from all the peeled noses and sunburns. . . . If anyone wonders where the bass voice comes from, it's Karl Brandt, who has to let loose once in a while. . . . Congratulations to Al Tharp on his 28th wedding anniversary. . . . Happy birthday to Florence Badger. We enjoyed the ice cream and cake. . . . We are sorry that Clarice Craighead has left us. We will miss her cheery presence, but wish her luck in her homemaking duties. . . . Ralph Bailey will leave Bldg. 18-1 today to resume his work at Ohio State. We have enjoyed having you with us, and hope that someday you will return to G-E. . . . By the way, have you ever visited all of Indiana's state parks? If not you have missed a very pleasant time. Why not drive down to Madison, Ind., and spend some time at Clifty Falls? The grounds are beautiful, and it is a pleasure to sit on the porch of the hotel and watch the old river boat wind down the river. The view over on the Kentucky side of the river is nice, too. Even if you can't go, it is nice to dream about it. . . . Lee Strasser, Bldg. 18-1, was absent last week recovering from an automobile accident. . . . It seems that in addition to getting himself locked in the vault, Arnold Hensick, Bldg. 18-1, recently made himself famous when he made a brilliantly executed home run for the Works Service baseball team. . . . We are sorry to learn that Gladys Forst's mother has a broken hip and is in the Wabash County Hospital. . . . Mary Cooper, Bldg. 18-2, and Edna Neiber, Bldg. 16-3, have been enjoying a vacation in our national capital. They did not indicate that they planned to visit Harry, but are spending some time with Mary's brother.



The boys and gals of Distribution did considerable galloping about the country over the holiday week-end. . . . "Dutch" Wilson made the most brilliant show when he appeared Tuesday just radiating heat from his sunburn. The amazing part is that he didn't get the bright coloring from fishing. . . . Betty Millhouse took in some of that really lovely scenery in southern Indiana. . . . Your Ed tramped up and down through Mammoth Cave, while Eileen Fitch visited that famous city on the shores of Lake Michigan, Chicago. . . . This is slightly belated, but none the less we'd like to announce the arrival of a new nephew for Dorothy Fletter. . . . Another newcomer is little Stephen Fulton whose proud mama was one of our former colleagues Floy Fulton. Congratulations to Momma and Pappa Fulton. . . . There is a gentleman in our midst whom all have decided must have been born under a lucky star, or possibly he carries a horseshoe in his pocket. Regardless of where this magic power originates it is certain that Ed David's power of conversation (that's talking people out of things) afforded him a tidy sum. Philanthropist Lloyd Platt can whole heartily confirm this fact. . . . Today we say farewell to smiling Kay Kirwin. The gang wishes for you and your hubby the very best of everything, Kay. The doors are always open for a visit. . . . We also said farewell to Sherm Welch last week. We hope the luggage comes in real handy, Sherm. Come in and see all the gang anytime.



June, the month of roses and brides, has arrived. Alta Bishop recently announced her engagement and approaching marriage to Lou Mayle. The wedding is to take place July 30. . . . Minnie Fryback has as house guests, her brother-in-law and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Max Fryback of Eldorado, Kan., who have been vacationing here. . . . Lyle Rupert will be celebrating another birthday June 15. Here are wishes for many more such occasions. . . . The medical section will be represented when Elex has their trip to Niagara Falls. Kathleen Walsh (formerly of Taylor St.), Berneta Welbaum and Mary Heymann are planning to go. Watch the local papers for any spectacular stunts, such as tight rope walking, barrel acrobatics, etc. . . . Veda Orff has been spending some time with her niece, Anne Ehinger, who underwent a tonsillectomy at Kendallville Hospital Saturday. . . . Showers are in the air—bridal showers, that is! Imo Jean Schwartz, Bldg. 21 Dispensary, and Florence Hoevel, Employment Office, were hostesses at a shower given last Saturday evening for Ruth Duell, former employee of the G-E Company. We also hear that they are to be her attendants at the wedding tomorrow! Wonder which which one is going to catch the bride's bouquet?

Red Corpuscles

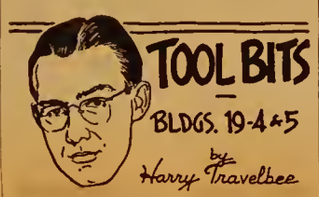
Time was when portly Doctor Lance
Could spot anemia at a glance;
But his most fertile source of tips
Is blocked since woman paints her lips.

So be a finger tip must probe in
To estimate her hemoglobin,
And finds oft times ruddy paint
Makes a woman look like what she ain't.

Retires Under Pension Plan



When Henry Schwartz, Bldg. 4-1, retired, a number of his friends gathered to say "goodbye" to him. In the picture are: (l. to r.) J. W. LaVine, Adam Flager, Jesse Moore, Mr. Schwartz, Raymond Holmes, Raymond Dotzer and Raymond Cluts.



We understand that the Jones Street parking lot is to be relocated on Swinney Ave. for the convenience of Bill Trumbower. This is an effort to correct the difficulty he has finding his car after work. . . . We have information that Carl Ahlersmeyer used to sing in many foreign languages in many well-known places. His operatic ability was supposed to have been unsurpassed. We suggest that John Hensler and Dewayne Schele give him a tryout for their barbershop quartet. . . . Paul Weaver thinks the time box is a mail box for he's been mailing all his letters there lately. . . . Jim Pugh had just left the insurance company where he was getting an adjustment on a bent fender, when, you guessed it, he ran into another car and dented up another fender. . . . Congratulations to Jerry Widner on his wedding May 29. We wish Mr. and Mrs. Widner all the happiness that can come their way. . . . Johnny Marks, our Willys-Overland expert, left recently for the Taylor Street plant. . . . Joe Mettler is beginning to think that television is becoming very realistic since that piece of lead pipe dropped off his television antenna and hit him on the head. . . . Cal Bear thinks since he has his Pontiac torn down and so many Pontiac owners are asking questions he could charge 10 cents admission to see the inside of a Pontiac. . . . Louis Paluszak says he can't figure why his wife changed her wash day from Monday to Friday. Could be the fact that you're home on Friday, Louis. . . . Don't say "hello" when you answer your phone is the advice of Bill Wedler. He should know because when he answered his phone be said beans or steak or something he had for supper that evening and won a nice basket of groceries on the radio program "Dinner Winner." . . . Don Alcott is looking for a ten or 15 gallon pickle barrel. If any of you fellows have one for sale please contact Don as the pickle season will soon be here. . . . Gus Rodenburg, with his face blushing like a red rose, says you can call him "old butter fingers" since he dropped the door keys to the Tool Division down the elevator shaft. . . . John Roebel says the surest way to get your dirty aprons home for laundry is to wear them home, so he was telling us on the elevator, apron and all. . . . Ralph Steward was visiting the tornado area around Terre Haute recently. He claims he missed the storm by 20 minutes. . . . Elmer Sauerwein was recently voted the champion back seat driver of Bldg. 19-4. Most fellows say it's better to have him in the back seat than driving in the front seat. . . . Al Stecker evidently hasn't heard that old saying that a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush. He accidentally turned his billfold upside down and his money rolled to the four corners of the cafeteria. All we needed was a camera to get a picture of Al crawling under the tables.



Dee Confer has been proudly displaying some of the giant strawberries he's producing on his vines. Not to be outdone Paul Monroe says he's growing bigger ones than that—his are now as big as tomatoes and still green. Time will tell, he'll have to bring some in to prove his story. . . . Laurene Kraus was visited over the week-end by her daughter and daughter-in-law from Iowa. They brought along little Lynn, who is only five and one-half months old, to see grandma for the first time. Needless to say, Laurene thinks she is just tops. . . . Talk about taking candy from a kid, how about taking the kid's bicycle! That's what Herschel O'Dier did one morning when he found himself a little late and pedaled his way to work on son Lynn's bicycle. Oh yes, he made it on time. . . . They say Ralph Reinking has been combing the junk yards to find a lock for his Chevrolet. He seems to be tired of using pliers in lieu of a key. . . . Believe it or not, Bill Shuler was seen in a downtown drugstore on Saturday, in the company of two charming women drinking, of all things, a plain coke. . . . Marie Thornhill put on her prettiest smile when the roving photographer snapped her picture on Calhoun street last Saturday. All we can do now is wait and see what develops. . . . Justin Heaston has been transferred from tool maintenance to Taylor Street. Although we hate to see him leave here, we hope he will be happy in his new work. . . . Willie Mertens and his brother-in-law go to Waynedale for their recreation Wednesday nights. . . . Betty Williams and Erna Mann spent Saturday in Chicago where they attended the races at Washington Park.



The old straw hat is back on the peg
Still doing its work, though on its last leg
Its brim is bent, its band grown thin
But still proclaiming to the office that Vern Castle is in.

Fishing always makes a good topic for conversation and at this time of year we have plenty of conversation, especially since Harold Boles, Fred Fenner and Jack Bendure came back from the East. They make that trip at least once a year, and we'll bet that the trout spend the rest of that year teaching their children how to avoid those three fishermen. . . . They say that June is the month of brides and roses. We have no brides this year, but plenty of roses on the various desks. Hope no one in here has rose fever. . . . Hugh Reynolds is having to get up a half hour earlier now because of detours on the highway. One of these days the highway will be fixed, and Hugh will forget and get up too early. Will he be mad!



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Monday Noon, June 13, 1949

FOR SALE

9x12 ALL WOOL RUG—With pad; floor lamp. A-75502.

PART FOX TERRIER PUPS — $3. H-60026.

TWO ALMOST NEW WHITE UNIFORMS—Size 34-36; Girl Scout uniform, size 14, reasonable, $2.60. 175 W. Third, A-16964.

WOODED SUBURBAN LOT—77 x 140, Briarwood addition, located just off S. Calhoun extended, has city lights, water, gas, etc. H-9565.

LILIES-OF-THE-VALLEY—Free or what have you. 331 Madison.

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USED TOILET—A-70961 Monday-Friday.

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CARAGE-HOUSE—One large room, on Elmrow drive. H-89119 after 6 p.m.

LAKE COTTAGE—By week, at Randall Lake. Orville Smith, R.R. 2, Convoy, Ohio.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Nina Andress, from Big Long Lake or within that area. Works in Bldg. 4-6, from 8-6:10. Extension 784.

WANTS RIDE—LaVern Ferguson, from Waynedale to Taylor St. Plant. Works for Bowley, Taylor St., Div. 13, from 6:48-3:13. H-24198.

CORRECTION

LAST WEEK'S ISSUE — Incorrectly stated that Lt. Edwin Koch celebrated his 30th anniversary at G-E. This should have been 35 years.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

Some of the gang in Bldg. 19-3 came back to work from the Memorial Day week-end with fancy sunburns. Art Keller, Charlie McCormick and Wilber Ayres, were a few. . . . George Wolfe is back from a vacation. He spent most of it working on his cottage. . . . Rudy Rastenburg is taking a week's vacation, and he certainly picked a swell week. . . . Jim McClain, one of Sheriff Zeis' newly formed body of light cavalry, participated in a couple of parades in Fort Wayne and Waynedale over the week-end. . . . N. G. (Pete) Prince was seen in the Employees' Store last week. He looks in better health than ever. . . . Frank Enderle (remember?) spent the Memorial Day week-end in Pierceton as house guest of a certain young lady. Things must be coming to a head in this romance. Perhaps we can congratulate Frankie soon. . . . Notice to the public: Bill Irmscher is the proud owner of a new Chevrolet. Up to now it has not been used to drive in, but only for a decoration in Bill's front yard. . . . So Pete Prince was seen at the Employees' Store! Bldg. 19-2 did not behold his resplendent countenance at all. What goes, Pete, have you outgrown the old place? Don't we rate anymore?

COUNT OFF — Taylor Street DIVISION 17

10-20-30 by Dorothy Hangelmann

The boys in test and inspection were entertained by their foreman, Charles Penn, at his home recently. They played ping pong and Doyle Sheets showed Charlie how to throw darts. Then Charlie was given some pointers on how to play cards. After the game Charlie served refreshments. It was a lunch fit for a king; all kinds of sandwiches and fresh doughnuts. Ed Fiedler ate his weight in doughnuts and here at work he says he never eats much. The boys kept Mrs. Penn busy making coffee for an hour. You'd think they never ate before but it was very delicious. Charlie, we all thank you for the swell party. . . . George Ryan drove his Buick to the party and while the boys were standing outside they saw a big Buick coming down the street with a big hat behind the wheel. When it parked the door opened and out came our little friend, George, the hat was bigger than he was. We laughed, so he took the hat off, threw it in the car and wouldn't wear it again all day. Sorry, George, but it does go nice with the car and why don't you get a pillow while driving so the pedestrians can see that it isn't a driverless car. . . . Ducky Drake put Charlie on the pan. He asked him if he knew what the governor of North Carolina said to the governor of South Carolina. Of course, Charlie said, no, and Ducky said it's a long time between drinks. Was Charlie's face red but he took care of the situation right away as he is the perfect host. . . . Walter Golchin's son lost his billfold at the 500-mile races and this week it was returned to him with a letter from the finder. She explained why there wasn't any money in it. The story goes that her two friends found it. It contained 12 dollars and a two-dollar bill. Two of the women wanted to take the money out of the billfold and throw it away, but the writer said that wasn't right, they should split it and then send the billfold to the owner. They split the money and the writer returned the billfold; in it was the two-dollar bill. That just goes to show that one out of three is honest. The only thing we can't understand is why they didn't keep the two-dollar bill unless they thought it was bad luck. . . . We hear Ralph Dennison doesn't appreciate art. He was seen taking some pin-up pictures down. . . . Andy Anderson and Ed Brockall are beginning to look like two Indians. They have been doing quite a bit of fishing and are getting tan. . . . Bill Pappert was transferred to Div. 14 last week, but you're still close enough to drop in and see us, Bill. Good luck on the new job. . . . Mary Shreve started to Chicago last Friday to spend the week-end with her husband. She was rushing around home getting ready when she noticed she had to hurry to catch the train. She rushed to the station and to the ticket window to get her ticket when she discovered she had no purse. She didn't even have a nickel to call home for it. After awhile she got up nerve enough to ask the ticket agent if she could use the phone. She called home and asked her nephew to bring it right down. She met him at the door, they bought the ticket only to see the train pull out. Mary said, "They can't do this to me," and took off after the train, caught up with it and jumped on. We never learned how far she had to run, but we heard she just had caught her breath when the train reached Chicago. . . . Louise Sinn had the scare of her life last week. After being in bed awhile she heard a noise and looked up to see a man standing before the dresser. She tried to scream but no sound, but after quieting she said, "Hey, what do you want," but no answer. After another question she turned on the light and the fellow said, "turn that light off," and she discovered it was her nephew walking in his sleep. . . . Andy Anderson, Bill Pappert, Hugh Neely, Frank Beatty and Moe are going on a fishing trip to Lake Erie this Friday evening and Saturday on Frank's brother-in-law's fishing boat. Frank has made all the arrangements and the fellows are waiting patiently for Friday. Blow-by-blow account upon their return. . . . Welcome to Janice Sollberger and James Feiereisen, hope you both like the crew.

SHORTS and SNORTS from GENERAL SERVICE

by Katie Steinman

When Fred Altekruse went to New London, Conn., Bill Doehrman was afraid he wouldn't make it in his Ford and graciously offered Fred his Chrysler to make the trip. (Knowing very well Fred wouldn't be able to walk if he did get there after a trip like that in his Ford.) However, Fred declined the offer and took a plane to New London for his son's graduation. . . . Bob Such in Standardizing will be glad to give you the details on this little ditty about himself and "Tin Can Annie," the barber shop and the pumpkin pie. Sorry we can't get the whole story on this. We do know it happened in Chicago and Bob gets pretty red when quizzed about it. . . . The boys waited just so long last Saturday at the firemen's picnic for Jay Greer and when he didn't show up, started their demonstration. Little did they know he was running all over the country, ending up at the Beverly Gardens, trying to convince people that a firemen's picnic was to be in progress there at that very moment. Jeepers, was he surprised to learn from Mrs. Hanauer that the picnic was being held at the Log Cabin. That just "shows to go ya'" folks, how confused a person can really get (P.S. Ernie says he couldn't understand it—and after those explicit directions, too.) . . . When Ray Quinn goes out to the country to water his garden, he starts out with a huge can of water deposited in the rear of his super duper deluxe Pontiac, but by the time he gets out there the water has all splashed out leaving about two inches of water in the bottom of the can. Honestly now, Ray, isn't there an easier way to get that garden watered, besides making a beast of burden of yourself and that broken-down jalopy of yours? . . . We are sorry to have Bernie Kain and Bob Hughes leave us and wish them luck on their new assignments. . . . We're sure "Boodles" Bendel will enjoy his vacation next week, visiting his mother in Pittsburgh, Pa. . . . Harold Canfield has been seriously ill, and is at the St. Joseph hospital. We sincerely hope he is better by this time. . . . Birthday greetings to Jim Leeper and Bob Kelker. . . . Whitie Van-Auken told Cliff Nail about a swell place to eat lunch and Cliff, partial to good food, decided to try it. What Cliff forgot was that Whitie's wife had been gone for several weeks and that anything would taste good to Whitie, or in other words. If you want a good place to eat, find it yourself. How about that, Cliff? . . .

Apprentice BROADCAST

by MILDRED ELLIS

The best news that any apprentice heard last week were those wonderful words: It is the last week of classes. . . . Since the hot weather, all the boys have had that drowsy look, but who could sleep with a guy like Leffers around annoying everyone. . . . Most of the gang have to depend on either the alarm clock or their wife to awaken them, not everyone rates the special attention of their supervisor. If you want to know, ask Joe (for details). . . . There are many excuses for missing work due to illness, and Wayne Bergman really came up with a good one. He was sick from breathing alcohol fumes while refinishing a boat. Most of us believed the part about the alcohol fumes, but not the part about the boat. . . . If you don't enjoy the hot sunshine, why not try for a moon-burn. The effects seem to agree with Meads. . . . How to help combat inflation: Wait until 30 minutes have elapsed; then ring in to work. That's the way Homer Carson does it. . . . The Zurbuch family moved into their newly acquired home over the week-end. Kenny says that most of their things are still in the boxes, but he knows what's in each box. He should—as many times as he's had to dig through every one of them. . . . If the draftsmen don't get to play a game of ball soon, they will be burned out before the season starts. . . . Have you noticed that southern drawl acquired by Konow and Reinking. That's the effects of just one week-end in Louisville. Wonder what we would hear after a week spent in the deep south? . . . The draftsmen are all getting back into shape after their big week-end at the lake. . . . They say work and grow thin, so the fellows are wondering if Fremion is working every week-end. Whitie claims he hasn't gained a pound — just looks bigger. It must be the effects of that lake air. . . . Our apprentice ball club has added another win to their credit, after defeating the Grace Lutheran Church team last week. . . . Jack Kirlin had all the boys in class admiring his new hot rod which he claims he got for his son, Mike. We just wonder if Mike will ever get to play with the hot rod. . . . For our fish story this week: Wagner and Aughinbaugh claim they caught 38 fish Thursday night. . . . Schmidt has a remedy for steam cured siding. First, let perspiration drip on the board, then nail it up on the sunny side of the house. . . . Brownie will start building his house as soon as he can find a suitable harness for his wife. He intends to have her dig the basement. She's nearly rested up from plowing that back forty.

FRACTIONAL FICTION — BLDG. 4-5

by LEOLA CARRIER

Greetings go to Evelyn Johnson and Joe Howard who had birthdays recently. . . . Congratulations to Walter Rehling who is a proud grandpa of a grandson named Bruce Allen. . . . We all wish the best of luck to Ella Staver and Olga Hart who retired May 31. . . . We are glad to see Forest Bunner back with us. He has been on the sick list for some time. . . . We're also glad to see Nera Scott, who is back with us. . . . We see some new faces around the aireraft section. They are Boyce Lambert and Ralph Rosenberry.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHO DO YOU THINK IS THE MOST OUTSTANDING PERSON IN THE UNITED STATES TODAY?



FLORENCE E. CLUM

Taylor St.

"I feel Dean Acheson is the most outstanding man today because the future of the United States largely depends upon his ability to secure a workable self-sustaining future for European countries, especially Germany."



QUENTIN FREIBURGER

Bldg. 26-5

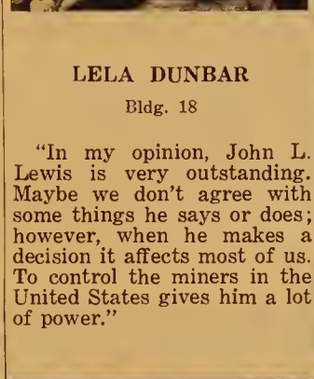
"General Lucius Clay, for his outstanding job of occupation in Western Germany, is my choice for the outstanding person in the United States. I think he has instilled in the people the democratic way of life."



RAY ANKENBRUCK

Taylor St.

"I would pick Herbert Hoover for the outstanding person in the United States because of his government reorganization and welfare work."



LELA DUNBAR

Bldg. 18

"In my opinion, John L. Lewis is very outstanding. Maybe we don't agree with some things he says or does; however, when he makes a decision it affects most of us. To control the miners in the United States gives him a lot of power."



ARTHUR W. THOMPSON

Bldg. 22

"Herbert Hoover is my choice because he is outstanding in his thinking and accomplishments for the welfare of this country and others. He is developing a plan whereby the government may save millions of dollars yearly, if adopted."



Voltmen Score 7-5 Victory Over Auscos

Chicago American Giants Hand G-E A 12-6 Setback

By Bill Hunt

Charley Shipman showed a strong throwing arm last Saturday night as he pitched and hit the Voltmen to a hard fought victory over the St. Joseph Auscos, 7-5, at Dwenger Park. Dark Horse Chuck Bobilya also showed some power as he tripled to right, to send Shipman and Green home with the tieing and winning runs.

The Voltmen started early as Horman reached first on an error, was sacrificed to second by Green, stole third and then scored on Shargey's long fly to right. In the second, St. Joe scored when Jones went all the way to third on Runge's error then scored when Shargey bobbled Kennedy's grounder. Olin Smith reached first on second baseman Shilling's error. He went to third on Miasek's single, then scored when Runge went to second on Schultz' boot. Shipman followed Harwood's walk with a double to left to score Runge and Miasek.

The Auscos scored two in the third on three singles and an error. They then went ahead in the fifth, as they scored twice more on a single, two errors, and a long fly ball. The Voltmen were held by Flanagan until the eighth, when they scored three with the help of Bobilya.

Giants Beat Voltmen, 12-6

Most of the Voltmen were somewhat less than sensational as they lost a messy ball game on errors and the inability to retire cleanup man Summers for the visitors. He hit in seven of the 12 runs, which in itself would have beaten the Voltmen without their crowd-pleasing bobbles.

Gabby Horman had a big night with a home run, double and a single with Green having a triple and double. Hank Doehrman did a creditable job as he relieved in the sixth and allowed only one run.

Box scores:

St. Joseph	AB	R	H	Voltmen	AB	R	H
Schultz,ss	5	1	2	Horman,c	4	1	0
Logan,1	4	2	2	Green,rf	4	1	1
Winters,lf	4	1	1	Shargey,ss	3	0	0
Shilling,2	4	0	0	Dudick,3	4	0	1
Jones,3	4	1	1	Smith,1	4	1	1
Kennedy,cf	4	0	0	Miasek,lf	3	1	1
Fore,rf	4	0	0	Runge,cf	3	1	0
Wes'camp,c	4	0	0	Harwood,2	3	0	0
Katz,p	3	0	0	Shipman,p	4	1	2
Flanagan,p	0	0	0	Bobilya,ss	1	1	1
xHolland	1	0	0				
Totals	37	5	6	Totals	33	7	7

xBatted for Flanagan 9th.

St. Joe ..... 012 020 000—5
Voltmen ..... 130 000 30x—7

Chicago	AB	R	H	Voltmen	AB	R	H
Douglas,3	5	3	2	Horman,c	4	2	3
Dav'port,cf	5	3	3	Green,rf	5	1	2
Bostock,1	4	2	1	Shargey,ss	4	1	1
Summers,c	5	1	4	Dudick,3	4	0	1
M'Laurin,lf	5	0	1	Smith,1	3	0	0
Pe'nington,2	5	0	1	Miasek,lf	4	0	1
Hill,rf	5	1	2	Runge,cf	4	1	1
McNeal,ss	5	2	2	Kilby,2	1	0	0
Smith,p	2	0	0	Orphal,p	2	1	1
Grove	2	0	1	Adams	4	0	0
				Doermon	2	0	0
				Heisner	1	0	1
				Bobilya	1	0	0
Totals	43	12	17	Totals	39	6	11

Giants ..... 302 114 100—12
Voltmen ..... 201 210 000— 6

Zollner Pistons Win Over G-E Owls

The G-E Owls of the City Owl softhall league lost to Zollner Pistons at McMillen park Wednesday, June 1. The final score was 6-3.

G-E GOLF

By Hugh Dubdit

Paced by John Skevington, who turned in the best score reported this season, a 34, the Brassies of the Wednesday night group picked up 15 points to move into second place. The Mashies lead the group with a point total of plus 35. Glenn Schimmele shot a good 38 count and W. S. Kirke came in with 41.

The Apprentice team of the Monday night group moved into first place with plus 16 to lead the Lost Balls by only two points. Walter Sunier shot a 39, Don Dimke and Ralph Wickliffe came in with a 40, and Mert Edgar turned in a 41 for the low rounds. The evening's play was featured by Bob Rowe's eagle three on the 462 yard 18th hole.

Tuesday night the Nineteenth Holers went into first place with 17 points. The Optimists are in second with three points behind. Best scores of the evening were shot by Red Braden, 37; Paul LeCoque, 40; and B. Kayser and Dick Tobias with 41. Don Stoneman shot a nice 47, ten strokes under average.

This is not a paid advertisement, but anyone who has a putter for sale, please contact Paul LeCoque and C. A. Anderberg.

OWL GOLF

By Earl D. Stauffer

The weather came back to normal and so did the scores in the Owl Golf League. Those Hotshots blasted their way back into the headlines after a week of quiet. Jimmy Sternberger with a 37 and Warren Wickliffe with a 38 got back into the 40-blasting class. The Hotshots picked up nine points at the expense of Bernie English's boys.

John Shanahan, the Bierbaums and Merchant put a kink in the plus column of Team No. 1 to the tune of two points. Merchant with a 48 was low for the winners, while Lou (and he was killing snakes this time) Barney paced the losers with a 44.

Goller took over in place of Suelzer on Walt Pook's team and carded a 41 (14 strokes under his average), thus helping Team No. 5 to thump Team No. 2, the Jolly Boys, by 18 points. Ray Stanger was low for the J. B.'s with 47.

Winter St. Drops Game To Firemen

Winter St. lost its second game of the Interdivision Softball season, dropping a 6-1 decision to the Firemen. The winners are managed by Ivan Parrish.

The Squares fattened their batting averages at the expense of Main Office. Rogers and Emling led the 18-hit attack, getting four each. The final score was Squares, 14; Main Office, 0.

Works Lab took the league lead by winning from Fractional, 9-4.

Box Scores:

Works Lab	AB	R	H	Fractional	AB	R	H
Warwick,c	3	1	1	Schmitt,1b	4	1	0
Hunt,cf	2	1	1	Surface,2b	3	0	0
Hemmeler,ss	3	0	1	Miller,3b	3	1	1
Beltz,p	3	0	2	Gerardat,ss	3	1	2
Trolt,2b	3	0	0	Auginb'gh,rf	2	0	0
Hanna, 3b	3	2	2	Crabill,cf	3	0	0
Eggeman,lf	3	1	1	Magers,lf	3	0	1
Simmons,rf	1	0	0	Markey,p	2	0	0
Ferverda,1b	3	1	1	Lose,c	3	0	0
Thompson,cf	1	0	0	Thomas,2b	1	0	0
O'Connor,lf	0	0	0	Solga,rf	1	0	0
Irey,rf	1	0	0	Nesterh'ser,p	1	0	0
Totals	26	6	9	Totals	29	3	4

Works Lab ..... 120 021x—26 6 9
Fractional ..... 000 0030—29 3 4

Squares	AB	R	H	Main Office	AB	R	H
Naslund,c	4	2	1	Hensick,1b	3	0	0
O'Keefe,cf	3	3	2	Waurow,ss	1	0	0
Rogers,rf	5	3	4	Redstuart,ss	2	0	0
Emling,1b	5	3	4	A. Konow,lf	3	0	0
Eaton,lf	3	0	2	Fry,2b	3	0	2
Kimball,2b	4	0	2	Miller,3b	2	0	0
Reynolds,3b	3	0	0	Mossburgh,c	2	0	0
Decrappio,ss	4	1	0	Michaels,rf	1	0	0
Rowe,p	4	0	1	Miller,cf	1	0	0
Sellars,c	1	0	0	Reiter,p	2	0	0
Kershenko,cf	2	1	1	Wauro, c	0	0	0
Parent,lf	2	0	0	W. Konow,rf	1	0	0
Robertson,3b	1	0	1	Wilderm'1b,cf	1	0	0
Totals	41	14	18	Totals	22	0	2

Squares ..... 240 4022—41 14 18
Main Office ..... 000 0000—22 0 2

Firemen	AB	R	H	Winter St.	AB	R	H
Holman,3b	4	2	3	A. Benecke,c	4	0	0
Etter,ss	3	1	0	R. Wuttke,cf	3	0	2
Plattny,c	3	1	3	H. Fraser,p	2	0	0
Vance,2b	2	1	1	B. Hanley,lf	3	0	0
Webber,cf	3	0	0	Getty,3b	3	0	0
Crosley,lf	3	1	1	Zimmerlee,ss	3	0	1
Meyer,rf	3	0	0	Todd,rf	3	0	0
Long,1b	3	0	0	Umphery,1b	3	0	1
Hazelett,p	3	0	0	Walburn,2b	3	1	1
Totals	27	6	8	Totals	27	1	5

Firemen ..... 102 030x—27 6 8
Winter St. ..... 000 0100—27 1 5

STANDINGS

	Won	Lost
Works Lab	2	0
Apprentice School	1	0
Firemen	1	0
Main Office	1	1
Squares	1	1
Fractional	0	2
Winter St.	0	2

Supervisors, Foremen Attend G-E Ball Game

A dinner party for the supervisors and foremen of the Production Service divisions, under the supervision of A. E. Leider, was held Thursday evening, June 2, at Cutters Catering in the Purdue Center Bldg. After a steak dinner, they attended the ball game between the Voltmen and Chicago American Giants.

The committee in charge of arrangements consisted of Frank J. Goetz, chairman; H. C. Grueb, H. S. Shields, and Gilhert Bond.

The game was of special interest because of a pool set up by the group. The highlight of the game was the rooting by Ed David for the Chicago team in the sixth inning.

Ed bought Lloyd Platt's ticket when Lloyd gave up any chance of winning the pot. Lloyd, in desperation and cursing his bad luck, offered his ticket for sale for two dollars. Ed told him he would be good to him and take it off his hands for one dollar, the price he had paid for it. Glad to have his money back, Lloyd nearly collapsed when Ed won the $10 pot with his ticket.

TOUCHING THE BASES

by Walter Histed





Last week's play in the league saw a general tightening up of the standings with the high flying, gold-plated Auscos cut down to size twice over the week-end as they lost to Fort Wayne, 7 to 5, and at home to Michigan City, 11 to 10.

Big feature of the week was the abrupt come-back of the Lafayette Red Sox who, after dropping five straight, three of them by one run —came back to win their next four games. The other feature of the league play has been the erratic play in the field of the Fort Wayne VOLTMEN, whose antics in the field have been enough to turn any pitcher's hair gray.

Red Sox, 8; Cubs 5

The Lafayette Red Sox avenged an earlier defeat by trimming the Michigan City Cubs, 8 to 5, at Columbia Park. The Red Sox sluggers gave Slim DeLion a seven-run working margin in the first three innings and the slender right-hander coasted to an easy victory. Felix Mackiewicz paced the Lafayette attack with a single, triple and home run.

Line score:

Michigan City ..... 000 002 003—5 8 1
Lafayette ..... 304 000 10x—8 10 2
Smola, Alamo and Hofferth. DeLion and Hixson. Loser Smola.

Buds, 3; Cubs, 1

The Buds rallied for three runs in the ninth to nip the Cubs at Ames field in Michigan City. Jim Kilbane had held the Buds to four hits in eight innings. He was working on a slender 1 to 0 lead when the Buds rallied with five hits, including a pinch double by Ververka good for three runs and the ball game. Barney Morris, giant Negro star of the Buds, held Michigan City to a single, unearned tally.

Line score:

Benton Harbor ..... 000 000 003—3 9 3
Michigan City ..... 000 001 000—1 7 1
Morris, Ververka and Kovach, Young. Kilbane and Hofferth. Winner Morris.

Cubs, 6; Studebakers, 4

The Cubs got back on the winning trail by defeating the Studebakers at Lippincott park, 6 to 4. Steve Smola held the losers to one earned run while pitching the distance for the Cubs. Billy Fuchs rapped out three hits for the Cubs, while Bohanna got three for South Bend. Lefty Roy Lee pitched all the way for the losers.

Line score:

Michigan City ..... 200 100 030—6 9 3
South Bend ..... 010 001 020—4 12 3
Smola and Hofferth. Lee and Morgan.

Cubs, 11; Auscos, 10

The Cubs and the Auscos went through two and a half hours of toil at Edgewater park before the Cubs came out on top, 11 to 10, in a wild and wooly game. Carl Kennedy and Tommy Thomas, with four blows each, paced the sluggers in this free-hitting affair.

Line score:

Michigan City ..... 000 431 210—11 12 1
St. Joseph ..... 320 010 220—10 16 2
Albosto, Alamo, Cary, Meyers and Hofferth. Winner Alamo. Holland, Alexander, Flanigan and Westerkamp. Loser: Holland.

Red Sox, 12-6; Buds, 1-3

The resurgent Red Sox trounced the Benton Harbor Buds in games played over the week-end. At Benton Harbor Saturday, the Red Sox sluggers, paced by Cannizo's four hits, hit the offerings of the Bud's ace Lefty Frank Ververka to all fields for a total of 19 hits. Lefty Al Hazel won his second game for the Red Sox.

In the Sunday game at Lafayette, Art Herring outpitched Kimmett and Rossi to win 6 to 3. Felix Mackiewicz had four hits for Lafayette and Kovach drove out three safeties for the losing Buds.

Line scores:

Lafayette ..... 210 100 251—12 19 1
Benton Harbor ..... 000 000 001— 1 4 6
Hozel and Hixson. Ververka and Kovach.
Benton Harbor ..... 001 200 000—3 8 1
Lafayette ..... 001 010 10x—6 8 2
Kimmett, Rossi and Kovach. Herring and Hixson. Loser: Kimmett.

M-I LEAGUE STANDINGS
(Includes Games of June 5)

	W	L	Pct.
St. Joesph	6	3	.667
Michigan City	5	1	.556
VOLTMEN	4	5	.444
Lafayette	4	5	.444
Benton Harbor	3	4	.429
South Rend	3	4	.429

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Lafayette, 8; Michigan City, 5.
Benton Harbor, 3; Michigan City, 1.
St. Joseph, 8; VOLTMEN, 1.
VOLTMEN, 7; St. Joseph, 5.
Michigan City, 6; South Bend, 4.
Michigan City, 11; St. Joseph, 10.
Lafayette, 12; Benton Harbor, 1.
South Bend, 18; VOLTMEN, 4.
Lafayette, 6; Benton Harbor, 3.

G-E Majors Lose To Zollners, Beat Harvester

The Majors lost their second game to the Zollner Reserve Club Thursday night, June 4, by a score of 4-2. The losers' runs came in the first of the fourth as Stanski led off with a double and Baals was safe on an error that went for three bases and scored Stanski. Baals scored on Yarman's fly to left.

The winners' runs all came in the last of the fourth on three hits and an error. All of the hits were high bounders to the infield that were beat out.

The Majors won their game from Harvester Tuesday, June 7, by a score of 7-2. Yarman led the hitting with a home run and a single in three times at the bat.

Esterline hit a home run in his only time up, while Fieldheiser, the pitcher, had two singles in both times at bat. Doubles were also hit by Stanski and Baals.

Line Scores:

G-E ..... 000 200 0—2 3 1
Zollner ..... 000 400 x—4 5 2
Walike, Baals; Lundquist, Ramage.
G-E ..... 220 102—7 7 1
Harvester ..... 010 001—2 4 0
Fieldheiser, Raals; Rebber, Leffers, Bobay.

G-E Hams Down Foresters, 7-3

In scoring all their runs in two innings, the G-E Club Hams defeated the Foresters, 7-3, at Packard park Wednesday evening, June 1. The G-E team started the fireworks with a four run rally in the second inning and then bounced back again in the sixth with a three run barrage.

The team played error-less ball behind the pitching of Lefty Musser, who allowed eight hits but kept them well scattered. A large crowd was kept well amused with the proceedings of the game.

12 Bowling Teams Emerge As League Champions

The pictures on this page show the championship teams for the past season in the various bowling leagues of the G-E Club.

Trophies went to the highest scorers, who are shown at the right: (l. to r.) Les Shroyer, for a high three-game total of 694; Helen Wagner, three-game total of 594; Tommie Williams, for the high single game, 247; Stanley Giese, high single game, 290, and Walt Mertz, for the highest average of the season, 189.





LADIES' MONDAY LEAGUE: Emma Vaughn, Addie Masbaum, Barbara Vaughn, Virginia Buesching and Pauline Hartman.



LADIES' TUESDAY LEAGUE: Luella Ternet, Eva Fisher, June Getty, Tommie Williams and Charlotte Stanford.



LADIES' FRIDAY LEAGUE: Bessie Potts, Virginia Mollet, Marjorie Rall, Virginia Bowman and Ruth Henline.



BROUWERS' of the INTERDIVISION LEAGUE: Walt Mertz, Leo Elward, George Luedeman, Frank Matthews and Les Shroyer.



KSP of the SPECIALTY FHP MOTOR LEAGUE: Clarence Nahrwald, Bill Pappert, Kenneth Bainbridge, Rudy Zelt and Hugh Neely.



PRODUCTION of the TAYLOR ST. LEAGUE: Bill Dunmire, Paul Frey, Moe Satterwaite, Ray Hills and Frank Beatty.



TOOL'S of the SMALL MOTOR LEAGUE: Paul Boedecker, Ray Matthews, Leo Reffelt, Wilbur Hinton and Henry Vance.



No. 2 of the APPARATUS LEAGUE: Donald Alcott, Wayne Boester, Clifford Dunten, Edward Bienz and George Horner.



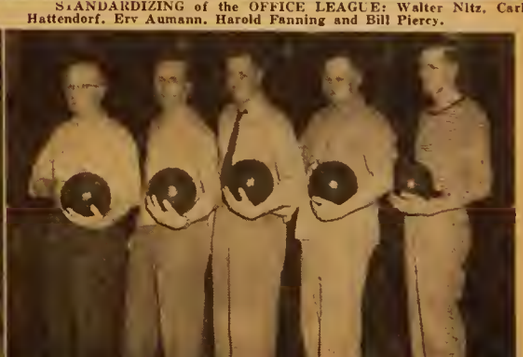
STANDARDIZING of the OFFICE LEAGUE: Walter Nitz, Carl Hattendorf, Erv Aumann, Harold Fanning and Bill Piercy.



FLANGES of the FHP DIV. 14 LEAGUE: Waldo Martin, Herb Habig, John DeWald, Bruce Rohn and Theron Kitchen.



IONICS of the MASONIC LEAGUE: Howard Hickman, Harry Braden, Walt Altevogt, Robert Chevelier and Ben J. Smith.



INSPECTORS of the WINTER ST. LEAGUE: John Meyers, Stanley Green, Merrill Patrick, Virgil Lomiller and Roger Grant.

INVENTORIES Get in the Way of JOBS

Despite our best efforts to make sales, customers' orders for General Electric products have fallen off steadily for the last 60 days. As a result, we have had some substantial layoffs. We may have to make some more, but we are trying our best to have these as few as possible.

The number so far laid off has been different in different plants, depending on how the demands of customers differed for each particular product. Some operations are temporarily on short-time. Some few are continuing on overtime. But in the Company, as a whole, employment is still about 93% of our all-time high reached last December.

In the last few weeks, thoughtful employees have asked if we could not go on running our plants at the previous rate, and put the surplus products in stock in the hope of better business soon.

The fact is that much of the present lay-off problem at General Electric and elsewhere is actually the result of these stocks of materials being already too large. Too many producers of raw materials have too much on hand. There is too much material in process of manufacture. There is too much of finished goods in factories. And wholesalers and retailers have too much in stock and on the floor.

For the past 3 years, everybody has been buying faster than normal—has been eagerly replacing things worn out during the period of wartime shortages. And to meet this extra demand, manufacturers had to produce even faster than goods were sold to the final user. They had to do this because materials for proper operation in the recent flush times were scarce and uncertain. So everybody was not only trying to get out an unusual volume of sales but was also at the same time trying to build up to the high inventory required for steady operation at such a high rate.

And just about the time each raw material producer got his inventory up to suit his high production requirements . . . and just about the time the manufacturer did so too . . . and just when the distributors and dealers had gotten their stocks up to meet their high rates of sales — just *then* the customers all seemed suddenly not to be in such a rush any more. This meant that suddenly there was a far greater supply of goods than necessary all along the pipe-line between raw material sources and finished goods users.

For instance, at General Electric we still have on hand an inventory costing over $500,000,000. To some this might seem due to poor planning on our part. Since we're only human, perhaps we could have done a little better. But actually our big problem has resulted from the sudden and unexpected nature of the drop-off in the case of each product. And the extent of the drop-off varied so widely by individual products that what was once a normal inventory for the period has now become a one-month, or a six month — or even up to a twelve month — supply of individual materials. How dangerous and expensive it is to hold such huge stocks is shown by the fact that in the last few weeks the value of the copper we have on hand has dropped some $7,000,000 below what we paid for it. In addition there are large stocks of finished products in the hands of our dealers and others.

So, while we are trying to bring these inventories down, we are at the same time doing all within our power not only to sell enough to keep employment from falling further but to start increasing the number of jobs again at the earliest possible moment.

We are introducing new and better models of popular products, intensifying sales and advertising efforts, reducing prices. For example, refrigerators have been reduced up to 18%, with the greatest reductions in the most popular models; freezers and ranges up to more than 8%; water heaters more than 15%; radio receivers up to 32%; phonograph-combinations up to 35%; television picture tubes up to 16%. It will take some time for the full effect of what we are doing to be felt in the response of customers.

But we have got more to do than just liquidate these high-cost inventories through price reductions and extraordinary selling effort; we have got, meanwhile, to be learning how to begin producing again at the lower costs that will make soundly possible the better values required to make the sales for a long time to come. So General Electric will continue trying harder than ever to become able to supply the better values that will attract the sales that make the jobs.

In and out of General Electric, things may get some worse before they get better. But eventually we will all—working together—win the battle of inventory reduction, of product improvement, of price attraction, of sales appeal. Meanwhile, we will give you the facts as fast as we know them for sure, since we believe your informed, calm, and intelligent understanding of the situation is needed by all.

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

L. R. Boulware

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Aim at perfection in everything, though in most things it is unattainable; however, they who aim at it, and persevere, will come much nearer to it, than those whose laziness and despondency make them give it up as unattainable.

—*Chesterfield*

WAGE NEGOTIATIONS BEGIN WITH UE

Forelady Honored On 40th Anniversary



Martha Scherzinger, the only forelady in the Fort Wayne Works, was honored on her 40th anniversary with the General Electric Company recently at a luncheon in Bldg. 16-2. Attending the dinner were: (l. to r.) K. W. Michael, Ross Strodel, Ed Robin, William Wickliffe, Ted Bain, Otto Roehm, Fred Castor, Miss Scherzinger, Robert Blee, Florian Korte, Mardo Tobias, O. J. Mettler, Superintendent of FHP Div. 1, and George Prince. Miss Scherzinger works in Bldg. 4-3.

G-E Rejects Union Demand For Fourth Round Increase

Company Points To Bold Program To Attract Buyers Of G-E Products

Representatives of the General Electric Company and UE-CIO met in New York Tuesday at the request of the union to discuss demands of the UE for a "package" increase of $500 per worker. In rejecting the union proposal which included combinations of higher wages, pension improvements, shorter hours, health programs and other benefits, George H. Pfeif, Manager of Union Relations, said the Company has "been able to find no reason why any increase in wages and cost at this time would be warranted."

"Any general wage increase across the country or across an industry would simply be a general increase in costs and prices, certainly the exactly wrong direction to take when trying to get costs down to attract able but reluctant buyers," Mr. Pfeif said.

On the second day, the union made clear to the Company one point which had not been understood before which was that the UE was not asking for an alternate of a shorter work week with the same take-home pay, but was asking for a shorter work week with more take-home pay. One of the UE bargaining committee mentioned a 30-hour week as desirable,

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G-E Pension Credits Case Decided In Favor Of Company

On June 8 the five justices of the Appellate Division, New York Supreme Court unanimously upheld the Company position in the pension credits arbitration case.

This case arose out of a dispute between the UE and the Company with respect to pension credits available to union officers. Under the contract the Company pays union representatives for time spent on union activities within specified limits; and with respect to such payments, the Company grants the representatives pension credits.

In the 1948 negotiations the UE asked that pension credits also be given to such officers for time spent on union activities in excess of the time for which such employees are compensated by the Company. The Company refused to do so, pointing out that all employees receive pension credits on exactly the same basis; that is, based on total compensation paid to them by the Company. Subsequent to the 1948 settlement of collective bargaining issues, the union sought to raise the question again and asserted that it was a proper subject for arbitration, alleging that the refusal to extend additional pension credits discriminated against union representatives in violation of the contract.

The Company petitioned the court to rule against arbitration of this question, taking the position that it should not be compelled to arbitrate merely because the union charged "discrimination" where it clearly appeared that there could not possibly be any discrimination. Further, it was pointed out that the contract expressly prohibits the union from raising economic issues, such as extra pension credits, until April 1, 1950.

The Company charged that the

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Boulware To Discuss Management Manners Tonight Over WANE

Quincy Howe will interview L. R. Boulware, G-E Vice President in charge of Employee, Community and Union Relations, on management manners under the title, "The Boss's Boss" over Station WANE, of the CBS radio network, tonight from 5:15 to 5:30 p. m.

WINTER ST. PLANT TO CLOSE DOWN FOR ONE MONTH

Manufacturing operations of the Winter St. plant will be shut down from July 29 through August 28.

The shutdown period, which will affect more than 700 employees, will include the annual two-week vacation period. A skeleton force will be maintained during the shutdown period for certain necessary operations, along with the shipping section so that all customer requirements can be serviced promptly.

The additional two-week shut-

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Independence Day

On Monday, July 4, the Broadway and Taylor Street plants, in general, will be closed in observance of Independence Day.

C. R. Matson

Works Manager

Irene Meyers Is Named 'Citizen Of The Week'



Irene Meyers is shown, above, being interviewed by Glen Smith.

Irene Meyers, Supervisor of Women's Activities, has been named "Citizen of the Week" by Mayor Henry E. Branning, Jr., and the City of Fort Wayne.

Tribute will be paid Miss Meyers during a transcribed radio program at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, June 23, on Station WGL.

Miss Meyers was selected for the honor by a panel of three judges, including Rabbi Frederic A. Doppelt, the Reverend Father Gilbert Wirtz, and Pastor Erwin Kurth.

An interview with Miss Meyers was transcribed this week in her

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What Kind Of Services Can One Get From The Community Chest?

NONE AT ALL

Shocked? Yes, you would be since you've been shelling out for it every October. But that's because Mr. and Mrs. Citizen sometimes don't understand that the Allen County Community Chest and Social Planning Council doesn't give service to individuals, ITS RED FEATHER AGENCIES DO!

The Chest itself is a money-gathering organization. It doesn't do any charitable or social work, but it makes those services possible by distributing the money it collects to the proper agencies on a fair budgetary basis, so that they can serve the community.

But that doesn't mean that the Chest-Council isn't serving people in the Fort Wayne area. Besides its money-getting job at campaign time it does several other things.

Its "money-planning" activities assure all contributors that there will be no waste of dollars collected.

Its "social-planning" job assures you that overlapping in the programs of the agencies receiving its support will be avoided, and that thinking and planning for the well-being of everyone in the community will be encouraged. It also provides a central organization where all the health and social service agencies of the county, whether they are supported by taxes, by gifts to the Chest, or by other private gifts, can work toegther to meet as well as possible all the health and welfare needs of the people of Allen County. This is a year round job. Planning goes on continuously.

Somebody has to check the need for the money each agency requests before it can be given to them. Somebody has to organize the thousands of volunteers who raise the money. Somebody has to collect, budget and distribute the money. Somebody has to keep track of the payment of pledges and make an accounting to the public. Somebody has to act as a central clearing house where all the agencies service health and welfare needs can coordinate and work, and share their experiences to help each other do a better job. Last, but not least, somebody has to interpret the Red Feather services so they can be well used and supported by the public.

The Community Chest and Social Planning Council is all of those somebodies rolled into one. It is the HEART of our community. The services its agencies provide are fed through the arteries that lead from it. It is a strong heart and a willing heart because its life blood is supplied by the thousands of people who call this community Home. It's your heart, because it supplies your Red Feather services—for you.

FIVE POLIO PRECAUTIONS ARE LISTED FOR PARENTS

Warning that the 1949 polio season is "just around the corner," the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis today issued a list of precautionary measures to be observed hy those in charge of children during the epidemic danger period which usually runs from May through October, reaching its peak during the hot, mid-summer months. The five easy-to-follow health rules for children are:



1. Avoid crowds and places where close contact with other persons is likely.

2. Avoid over-fatigue caused by too active play or exercise, or irregular hours.

3. Avoid swimming in polluted water. Use only heaches or public pools declared safe by local health authorities.

4. Avoid sudden chilling. Remove wet shoes and clothing at once and keep extra blankets and heavier clothing handy for sudden weather changes.

5. Observe the golden rule of personal cleanliness. Keep food tightly covered and safe from flies or other insects. Garbage should be tightly covered and, if other disposal facilities are lacking, it should be buried or burned.

The National Foundation also listed the following symptoms of infantile paralysis: headache, nausea or upset stomach, muscle soreness or stiffness, and unexplained fever. Should polio strike in your family, call a doctor immediately. Early diagnosis and prompt treatment by qualified medical personnel often prevent serious crippling, the National Foundation pointed out.

The organization emphasized that fear and anxiety should be held to a minimum. A calm, confident attitude is conducive to health and recovery. Parents, it said, should remember that of all those stricken, 50 per cent or more recover completely, while another 25 per cent are left with only slight after effects.

If polio is actually diagnosed, contact the chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis serving your community. The chapter will pay that part of the cost of care and treatment which patient or family cannot meet.

CUT OUT AND KEEP FOR REFERENCE



HUGH CRANE *discusses* "Plowing Back" Earnings

NEW YORK—I notice a curious contradiction in the platform or official party line of some of the unions nowadays.

On the one hand they want more comprehensive pensions, retirement systems, welfare funds and the like.

On the other hand they favor a revival of the undivided profits tax, or the firmer application of the so-called "Section 102" of the federal revenue laws. Section 102 in effect requires corporations to pay out 70 per cent of their earnings or show the Bureau of Internal Revenue good reason why they don't.

Where Is The Conflict?

Now these two may not seem to have much relation—or much contradiction. But here's how they seem to me to conflict.

People want pensions, old age retirement funds and so on—whether from the employer, the government, or both—as part of their general desire for security.

This natural desire for security is one which both Congress and the managements of private industry have been trying to do more and more for in the last few years.

What Is "Undivided Profit?"

Now an "undivided profit" is that portion of a company's earnings which is not divided among the shareholders but is kept in the business.

(The word "dividends" means a dividing up or division of shares in the earnings among the shareholders or stockholders.)

And the "undivided profits tax" of 1936, now repealed, and Section 102 of the revenue laws, aimed at penalizing or discouraging this hold-back of earnings in the business. They would encourage the paying out of larger dividends.

Why do companies leave a part of the earnings in the business instead of dividing up all the earnings among the owners?

Essentially for the same reason that a player leaves some of his winnings in the game. To stay in the game. To stay in business.

It is a fact not very well known outside the business world, that companies or individuals that do not keep putting back earnings into the business do not stay in business very long. They fall behind in the competitive race. Accident or obsolescence trips them up, their products get out of date or competitors who do keep plowing back earnings, cut costs and then prices and take their markets away.

It sometimes seems to me that the major purpose of most company executives is not so much to make bigger and bigger profits, or to pay bigger and bigger dividends, but to make sure that the company will stay in business, indefinitely.

How Money Is Used

These undivided profits, plowed back to make sure the company stays in business, may go only in very small part into cash-in-the-bank. Only enough is held that way to give reasonable protection against hard times. There are other ways it is used to make sure that the company will stay in business. One is the development of new products (so tbat the company won't have all its product eggs in one basket) or the improvement of present products. Another is research, to find new products. Another is in buying new equipment to lower costs so that the company can afford to lower prices when or before its competitors lower them.

Now do you get the connection? The company's reinvestment of earnings in the business is the company's old-age security plan.

Where Is the Safest Job?

If you were looking for a job again, would you rather go to work for a company whose shareholders divided up all the profits as fast as they showed up, or for a company whose policies made it seem likely that the company would be doing business, and paying wages and pensions, as long as you expected to be living on this earth?

SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q. What is pasteurization?

A. It is a process, most familiar from its use by dairies, by which milk is heated for a short time to a temperature a little below the boiling point. This kills undesirable bacteria and yeasts, which would cause it to spoil quickly. The process was developed by Louis Pasteur, originally for the brewers and wine growers of France.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS





Here we are once more. Memorial Day is over. Lots of us attended the races, some enjoyed the sunshine at the lakes, and the other lot stayed at home. . . . Anyway, folks, how was the balanced egg trick? Be careful of those eggs—the price has gone up since last week. Here is a new one—a paper snake. It is formed from the outer wrapping of drinking straws (thin paper which comes in envelope form and keeps the straws clean). This covering is broken at one end, and then it is slid down the straws, telescoping as it goes along, until it froms a short pleated tube about two inehes long. When the short tube is laid upon a plate, it begins to act in a snake-like fashion, twisting and turning, raising its head, and becoming very wiggly. To make the "snake" act you first pour a few drops of water on the plate. When the paper tube is set upon a water-drop it begins to absorb water and immediately comes to life. That's all there is to it and now for some news. . . . We overheard of the traffic salvation system Doris Resh uses. She even outsmarted the sheriff in cutting square corners. Emma Goldner wasn't quite so lucky in her traffic jam. If it wasn't for the fire we believe you'd have made it, Emma. . . . The inside walls of Plant 2 are right pretty. It is some sort of a pea green, quite a change. The brush is being wielded by Mills; he looks like an old hand at it. Nice job, Bob. . . . Ralph Stanley and family visited in Peru over the week end. Did you visit the Bunker Hill navy base, Ralph? . . . The folks of Berniece Miller, who live close to Chicago, enjoyed her company. . . . Talking about Tocsin, you ought to see Amos Byrd's potato-onion crop. They sure are a sight to see. Amos retired a few weeks ago. Hez Cochran visited Amos over the week end, or was it the strawberries that you were interested in, Hez? . . . On the KH Line we have Ethel Myers resuming her soldering job after a several months absence. . . .Alton Railing's funeral was held Thursday. Joe and Gordon Railing are brothers to the G. I. veteran who died in action. We extend our sympathy to you and your family. . . . Girls, let's give Dwight Little a little more credit for those thoughtful sayings. Some of them tickle us pink. . . . Talking about horsepower you got a built-in-equine-power in Jerry Ross. Is it the rolled oats you have been eating that develops this extraordinary energy or the iron from your garden lettuce? . . . The "Convoy Mayor" visited the plant last week. He is none other than Art Denig. He is using his skill on painting houses. Art, watch those high altitudes. . . . The girls from the office had a picnic and swimming party at Pine Lake. It was rather "cooold" but the girls enjoyed their swim. And when it came to building a fire it seems the girls had a little trouble and had to ask for some help. The following reported a wonderful time: Alice McBride, Dort Schnepf, Mary Ann Laurent, Eloise Noll, Harriett Haines, Barbara Roop, Earleen Steffen, Dort Schumm, and Florence Schultz. . . . We see Charles Langston is driving a different car, too. He is now the owner of a Pontiac and from all reports is very much pleased with it. . . . A new way to paint your car is with a powder puff. If you don't believe it ask Henry Krueckeberg and he can give you all the information you want to know.

Mary Hoffman To Retire



A potluck dinner was held recently for Mary Hoffman, Bldg. 4-2, to honor her before she retires. She is shown receiving a gift from her foreman, True Sheets. Looking on are: (l. to r.) Lillian Sharpton, Estell Pettibone, Alice Klingel, Florence Offerle, Hilda Walda, Gladys Elliott, Virginia Gebhart, Irma Miller, Fern Roe and Mary Stewart.

Irene Meyers

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office in Bldg. 8-2 by Glen Smith.

In accepting an engraved certificate in appreciation of the untiring service she has rendered to the community and to her fellow men, Miss Meyers stated:

"This is a very happy moment for me—one that I shall cherish through the years. I can't tell you how proud and grateful I am; so I shall simply say, 'Thank you'; and, I would like to share this honor with all the wonderful girls at the General Electric Company, and the General Electric Company."

Miss Meyers was first employed by the Company in 1919 as a filing and time clerk in Bldg. 19-4. The next year, at her own request, she was transferred to work in the shop and for seven years operated small drill and punch presses. In 1928 she became a Company welfare worker. Then she served as a clerk in Bldgs. 19-4 and 4-6 from 1932 to 1934, when she started her career as a personnel worker for women. Miss Meyers was named Supervisor of Women's Activities on Dec. 2, 1946.



Paul Kennerk, expecting to go into the business, bought two rabbits, then awaited the results but none developed. Looks like he may have to send them back to school to learn arithmetic. . . . Edna Mowery didn't have to wait until Christmas to ask Santa for her new front tooth. . . . Oliver Bowman, who should know better, was trying to palm off some baby dogfish as tropical fish. Next time, Oliver, pick on someone who doesn't live at a lake. . . . If the rose Fred Bailey was displaying is a sample of his gardening, he must have a beautiful yard. . . . Tag wire is a good strong substitute for thread, especially when it comes to mending torn trousers. Arnie Johnson can attest to that.



Ladonna Durbin was complaining that she didn't get her money's worth at the carnival, but we hear she attended every night. What was the attraction, Ladonna, or were you just looking for a chance to get even? . . . Happy birthday to Audrey Oberley and thanks for the candy. It was delicious. . . . As far as Earl Bartling is concerned, when it once gets warm enough to put your coat in moth balls, it stays there regardless of the change in weather. He came in one morning last week looking like a blue baby. To most of us it looked like he was fighting a losing battle in making himself believe that summer was here to stay. . . . Practice paid off for Morris Felger. He entered two of the races in the recent regatta on the St. Joe River and came in seeond place in one and third in the other. Congratulations, Morris. . . . Betty Rider has her troubles. She blushes so easily that her co-workers who know this have her walking around in a rosy glow most of the time. . . . Wedding bells rang out for Bertha Thimlar, a former winder. Lots of luck, Bertha. . . . We wonder why Lola Brunner stops at the drug store after work for a drumstick, then peeks out to see if anyone is coming before she walks out eating it. Could it be that she doesn't want someone to know she is breaking her diet? . . . The confusion that was heard in the west-end last week was caused by the warm reception that was given to Ruth Freeland with a board as a birthday gift. If we counted the strokes, we would have known how old she was. . . . Every noon you can see Art Pequignot go out the door with his lunch and a chair. He's trying to acquire a suntan. If he comes up missing someday, you'll probably find him on the roof. We hear he is quite determined. . . . If you want a good recipe on how to make coffee, see Dan Reuille. We hear it is just about letter perfect. . . . Ernie Clark had his face sunburned so badly that it would glow in the dark. The look in his eyes read, "Don't pat me on the cheek." . . . Lavona Porter was really strutting her stuff, not only with a new dress but with shoes to match. . . . Wanted: An alarm clock with an attachment that will roll you out of bed when it rings. It has gotten to the point where Lonnie Rochstroh needs help in getting up in the mornings and this, it seems, is the only solution. . . . We wonder what Wanda Grim is referring to when she tells us that she talks to the refrigerator.

Office Offerings

I'm sure you all remember the accident that George Finkbeiner had on his wedding day. That was two weeks ago and he tells us that to date he has lost 16 pounds, just a mere shadow. . . . Sometime ago Edith Schmidt related a trip to us that she took and we are still wondering which one is wrong—her or the map. She tells us that she took Route 30 to Chicago and stopped in East Chicago for breakfast. As nearly as we can figure it out she has her suburbs mixed, and we are sure they serve breakfast in Chicago Heights, too.

Taylor St. Store Is Redecorated



The Taylor St. employees' store has been redecorated to provide a better display for merchandise. The change will now make it possible for the store to be closed off from the rest of the gate house when not in operation and will provide more storage space. Don Stroebel, clerk, is shown behind the new display counter serving Maxine Luker.

Winter St. Plant

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down period is necessary because of the large inventories in excess of customer demands resulting from a general reduction of orders received during the current readjustment period.

Other plants in the Air Conditioning Department which will be affected include the Bloomfield, N. J., plant, whieh will be shut down from Aug. 5 through Sept. 5; and the Bowling Green, Ky., plant, which will be closed from today through July 4 and from Aug. 5 through Sept. 5.

G-E Pension

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union was attempting to secure under the guise of arbitration what it did not get through collective bargaining, and that this was in clear violation of the GE-UE national agreement.

A lower court decision was rendered in which the judge held that the matter was arbitrable but that the union had not properly phrased the issues. The Company appealed this decision and the Company's position was unanimously sustained by the Appellate Division.

Employees' Stores Close For Inventory

The Employees' stores at the Broadway and Taylor St. plants will be closed Wednesday, June 29; Thursday, June 30, and Friday, July 1, for inventory. Both stores will be open for business, as usual, Tuesday, July 5.

Two Teachers Are Presented G-E Fellowships

Fred R. Gideon, Waynedale, and Francis M. Horne, R.R. 6, have been awarded General Electric science fellowships.

The fellowships are to be used for a special course to be offered June 27 to Aug. 5 at Case Institute of Technology, Cleveland.

Mr. Gideon teaches science at Hoagland high school and Mr. Horn is a science teacher at Lake Township high school.

Only 50 of the fellowships have been awarded, each carrying with it all expenses of the six-week course, including tuition, board, lodging, travel expense and book costs.

G-E Magazine Is Distributed To Teenagers

The May-June issue of **Adventures Ahead,** General Electric's bi-monthly magazine for teenagers, is being mailed this week to subscribers.

"It's America For Me," is the title of one of the lead stories in the latest edition of the magazine. The story relates the experiences of an American youth whose parents moved to Yugoslavia when he was three years old. He returned to the United States in the midst of the war and finally joined General Electric's apprentice training course at the Bridgeport, Conn., plant.

Adventures Ahead is distributed free to children of employees in most departments of the General Electric Company, several affiliated companies, and to more than 12,000 high school science teachers for classroom use. Each issue contains exciting stories of new things in the world of science, tells how to perform laboratory experiments at home, and in pictures and stories keeps teenagers posted on the interesting and startling advances in living today.

All those desiring to subscribe to the magazine, should fill in the subscription blank below. The sponsor, the subscriber's parent or near relative, should then give it to a supervisor, who will forward the blanks to Irene Sprunger, Bldg. 8-2.

Friends Present Gifts To Charles Trey

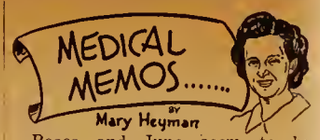


Charles Trey, Bldg. 4-5, left the Company recently for retirement. On his last day, his co-workers gave him several gifts. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Wilbur Tibbitts, Jesse Haffner, Ed Sonday, General Foreman; C. J. LeGras, foreman; Mr. Trey, Walter Rehling, Lynn Crawford and Ernest Kromm.



Dear Ann:

Sorry to hear that you are in the hospital. I'll bet the doctor left you in stitches. Thought I'd write and tell you the happenings on the floor. . . . Lucille Miller and Sarah Meagher have returned after being ill. Ruth Emerson has returned to our floor to work. . . . Saturday night a couple of the girls promised the Bill Martins a fish fry. They went fishing all right, but didn't show up at the Martins until 10:30. Bill says they must have caught all little ones and were waiting for them to grow. . . . Nellie Bellamy celebrated her birthday Thursday. I don't know how she does it, but she looks younger every day. . . . Some people have all the luck. Clara Dixon has gone to Nebraska for 10 days. . . . Marie Dunfee went to the commencement at Franklin last week-end. Her daughter, Ruthie, and also Ruthie's husband graduated. That is unusual, isn't it? . . . By the way, Pop Castle won't wear a rose in the lapel of his coat, especially if Erma Landis is around. She took it and was pulling out the petals. Bet she thought it was a daisy. . . . Irene Blank and her husband took first in the casting doubles. Remember Jack Tourney who used to work on the press? He took first in the singles. . . . They tell me that Alberta Foulks really likes papers. . . . You should have seen the shower bath that Harold Kiel received when Erve Lange showed him his new ring. It squirts, but good. . . . Louise O'Connell picked up a lunch sack, thinking it was her lunch. When she opened it, it was just a bunch of old scraps. Her lunch was still out by the coat rack, which proved to be a lifesaver for Louise. . . . Mary O'Shaughnessy really has the answers when Charlie Rice asks her about someone. . . . Sorry to tell you that our sincerest sympathy was with Laura Antrup when her father died. . . . Well, Ann, take it easy now, so that you'll be back soon.



Roses and June seem to be synonomous terms. The different varieties of roses are in full bloom now. By the way, have you been out to Lakeside Park lately? It really is a beautiful spectacle. . . . Even brides-to-be have birthdays! Alta Bishop will be celebrating her birthday June 22. Speaking of weddings, you might ask Imo Jean Schwartz who caught the bride's bouquet at the wedding she attended as maid of honor Saturday. I hear she claims it was a frame-up. . . . At this time, I would like to thank the ones who have kindly contributed items to our column, also Minnie Fryback who graciously types the material (and adds interesting bits of news also). . . . Has Berneta Welbaum been reluctant about telling about her talents and abilities? It has been told that she had been asked to compete in the "Powder Puff Derby" at the recent boat races. Maybe we have a lady "Gar Wood" in our midst and fail to recognize her. . . . Father's Day will be marked on calendars June 19. This will be a good opportunity to pay tribute to the Dads who have been so liberal and unselfish. Whether you honor your Dad or his memory, make a special effort on HIS day. . . .

Here's to Dad on Father's Day—
He really is a honey!
We hope and pray he likes those gifts,
For they're going to cost him money!

Fred Barve Dies

Fred H. Barve, 63, died at his home, 2325 Miner St., Tuesday, at 6:30 p. m.

He had been an employee of General Electric since 1916. When he left for illness last March, Mr. Barve was working in Bldg. 27. He was a member of the Quarter Century Club.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. D. L. Monahan officiated at the funeral services held yesterday at the Klaehn Funeral Home. Burial was in Lindenwood Cemetery.

Completes 30 Years Of Service



Henry Guenther, Bldg. 8-1, recently completed 30 years of service with the Company. He was presented a letter congratulating him on his anniversary. Shown in the picture are: (l. to r.) Melba Kelly, Florence Casey, Catherine Hirschman, Kenneth Redding, Marie Kettering, Dorothy McCoy, Doyal White, Ward Staley, Faye Jordan, Vera Kruge, Mr. Guenther, E. J. O'Neill, A. E. Leider, Karl Soest, George Welker, Frank Treece, Frank Martin, Lloyd Platt and Herb Jesse.

Adventures Ahead

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Log Cabin Is Scene Of Vets' Picnic









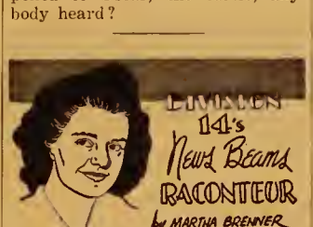
The annual picnic of the G-E World War Veterans' Association was attended by approximately 100 members Saturday, June 11, at the Log Cabin off the Bass Road. The pictures above show some of the activities, although the rain prevented the group from enjoying many outdoor sports.

The two pictures at the top reveal the most typical scenes of the day—the first pictures one of the many card games, while the other shows a popular place at the picnic, the lunch counter. The ancient car from American Legion Post 47 again made its appearance, as shown in the picture at the left.



"You don't need reference in order to borrow trouble."

A large group gathered around Bill Mills June 9 to bid him farewell as he left the Company on pension. Bill has 22 years of continuous service and spent the entire time in Div. 16. He was presented an electric drill press and a billfold and with them wishes for good health and happiness through the coming years. So long, Bill, and come back and visit us sometime. . . . You often hear of one getting "stung" on an automobile, but Bob Rehrer was stung inside of his the other day. He preferred standing to sitting for a couple of days. . . . If you see a chubby rascal with a hungry look in his eyes looking longingly at anyone who is eating, that's Fred Fenner. He is now on a diet of shredded wheat, bread, wieners and potato salad (without potatoes). . . . Poor Jim Kavanaugh and his car, he had to tear it down again. . . . Mrs. Clarence Weimer sent some beautiful white roses to work with her husband. They were certainly appreciated and made the place cheery. . . . Joe Haas is a very good reporter, but ye writer misses the deadline every so often. Please keep up the good work, Joe. . . . Paul Bender had the flu last week. He's almost as good as new now. . . . Paul Koldewey brought in pictures of his family and very nice looking family it is. His son is eight months old and is a husky fellow. . . . Mary Beaman had the pleasure of being chauffeur for a couple over Memorial Day. She was permitted to select any point she wanted as long as they could make it in three days. Mary chose Washington, D. C., taking two routes. That's a good job if you can get it. . . . Say, what's happened to Oscar, the turtle, anybody heard?



Every Friday, when the eight o'clock whistle blows, Cleon Oyer grabs his helmet and plays fireman. However, last Friday someone filled the helmet with water and Oyer really got a bath. We understand he has "retired" as fireman. . . . Elmer Buuck recently had a hole in the heel of his sock and was quite embarassed, so the boys painted his heel black. . . . It seems Robert Warnement has cautioned his wife several times about being careful when they go fishing not to lose his rod and reel. However, last week it seems Bob had propped his pole on the bank of the lake and when he returned it was gone. . . . Johnny Wilson was a very unhappy guy last week when someone ran into his new Chevy. . . . Charlie Hoffert was promised a chicken dinner at the O'Gradys sometime ago, and now he learns Mike has sold all his chickens. . . . Wilbur Huhn has been an excited father the past week. We know his daughter has reasons to be, but papa, we believe, is the most excited of the two. . . . Mildred Orr's daughter had a baby girl June 9, and Mildred is a very happy grandmother. . . . We will have to retrack a statement we made earlier about Ed Rodenbeck. We have been told that after two years of buying paint he has finally started to paint his house. . . . There is a very good reason for the morale being so high in 14x4. Walt Neimeyer and Cleon Oyer have really brought several beautiful bouquets of flowers to the girls in that section. . . . What was the nice compliment that was paid to Less Richter? . . . Will somebody give Herman Lepper a road map? Seems he got to Times Corner, turned around and somehow found himself back in Huntington. . . . Mac is really mixed up. He rented a cottage for the week before his vacation. . . . Lucky Alice Rodgers hit the jackpot at the Grand Theater in Bluffton. . . . We would like to welcome Lydia Doehrman to our division.

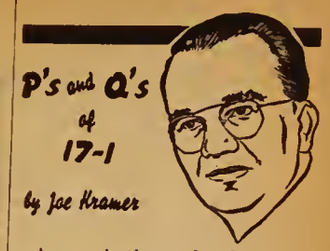
4-1 Floorage

By Marie Lantz

Unlike the weather last week, we're not exactly cool and collected—as witness what few facts we've found for Floorage. . . . It seems Ted Schelper doesn't believe in Lady Luck. He accused Howard Koehl of having his number "fixed" because Howard won the checkpool on two alternate pay days. Tch-Tch, Ted. . . . George Hahn is another one who missed the train. George never had a train ride—but at one time he traveled to California and back—by bus. . . . Spaak and Bill Tennyson are tops in teasing; they tried to have Paul Madden a little mad on—them, of course. . . . It is apparent we have few dry pipes here—most of our air guns also give forth a misty spray. . . . One can usually follow Bill Oberlin's mind these days. Back from week-ends at Pogakon we find him "Cruising down the river on (other) afternoons." . . . We extend sympathy to Ruth Nordyke who was absent last Friday to attend her aunt's funeral near Indianapolis.

A fan asks why movie stars have such long holidays. The pity is that some don't have one lasting 365 days each year.

Some people will believe anything if it is whispered to them.



Anyone in the market for a good set of golf clubs should contact Robert Dent. Bob is ready to throw in the towel. There is a story circulating around Bldg. 17-1 that it required 11 strokes for Bob to complete the 16th hole last Tuesday night. In case you are interested, Bob has a map in detail showing the flight of the ball. . . . Andy Degler brought a Canadian thistle into work one day last week for George Mosshammer. George had it on display in the tool crib for quite sometime thinking it was a new type oriental poppy. . . . Cliff (Fireman) Coombes jumped into a new role last week. In the future please refer to Cliff as "Hero Coombes." It seems Cliff was on a ladder when he heard a shout for help. Doing his famous steeple jack descent, Cliff rescued a boy who had got his feet tangled in the spokes of his bicycle. Cliff is taking his place among the other unsung heroes of Bldg. 17-1. The hero medal has been turned over to Cliff by Ralph Beerman. . . . Belated congratulations to Fernando Crick on the occasion of his birthday and wedding anniversary June 7. Fernando wore a big smile all day. . . . "Cupcake" Ed Martin has gone into the dogfish business. He was seen carrying a bucket of dogfish home. Ed said he couldn't have a dog, so he was going to have a pond full of dogfish. We wonder if Ed has to buy dog licenses for the dogfish. . . . Belated birthday congratulations to Everett Kelley, jig bore operator in the tool room. . . . The trip to Colorado is on again. Addie Masbaum, Helene Evenoff, and a former co-worker Jo Hansen have gotten together and completed their plans for the trip. They promise to send some pictures back of sights they see. . . . We are sorry we are a week late but we still want to extend our congratulations to Mary Gerhard on her anniversary (her first) last Sunday. . . . With the fishing season in full swing, Cliff Coombes promised to deliver a dozen nice bluegills to my house Tuesday. I sure hope he keeps that promise. Ray Rodenbeck was a witness to the statement. . . . A sight seeing trip to Indianapolis was made last Monday by Helene Evanoff, Addie Masbaum, and Mary Gerhard. . . . Tavie Popa attended Vickie Bickis' wedding in East Chicago last Sunday. Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Baciu. . . . The last reports Argend Denney has not told us whether the new arrival at his house was a boy or girl. Still undecided, Denney? . . . We told you we had champions in Bldg. 17-1 office. Addie Masbaum was a member of the team winning the bowling championship of the Ladies' Monday League. . . . Hildegarde Brandenburg was seen running down the aisle Friday afternoon. Hildegarde says that with being off Monday, she had to run to get a drink and run back to get her work out. . . . New styles for women are constantly coming out. Danelda Dotterer recently set a new trend for the wearing of silk or nylon bobby socks. When your hose get full of holes and runs, just cut them off at the ankles and you have the best pair of bobby socks on the market. . . . Agnes (Just call me lucky) Cordes parlayed her luck with a little help from Mary Gerhard in a pool and won $10.

Wage Negotiations

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but at the close of negotiations for this week the union's demand as to the exact length of the shorter work week was still indefinite.

In response to UE's urging that the Company take positive action in the present somewhat slack sales and employment situation, the Company claimed that it had been and was taking a bold aggressive and constructive course toward offering the public what it wants and what is necessary to get the public most quickly back to buying the G-E products that make the jobs. General Electric is taking aggressive action in introducing new and better models of products and working ceaselessly to create still more attractive products for the future. The Company is intensifying its sales and advertising efforts. The Company is reducing prices in most cases far faster than any reduction in costs can be accomplished. The Company is not only doing all within its power, thus to move its old high cost inventory at these lower prices, but it is trying meanwhile to be learning how to produce in the future at the still lower costs that will make soundly possible the better values required to make high volume sales for a long time to come.

The Company maintained the Union's proposal to try to increase purchasing power by a general wage increase with no more production resulting from increased interest, care, skill or effort from those getting general wage increases, was exactly the wrong type of approach to the present somewhat depressed sales and employment situation. The Company insisted the only solution is in getting costs and prices down to where those who already have the money, but are reluctant to spend it, can be attracted back into the market.

The Company feels keenly that there must be no failure in relief being available for all unemployed in need, but pointed out that this was a matter for public administration. The total cost of such public relief is already being borne largely by employers under most state laws. Ample buying power to start reversing the present trend is possessed by that 93 to 95 per cent of the public who are now employed, who still have some old savings, and who in the main are now putting away new savings at a surprising rate. These people will start buying and increasing employment when they have used up or worn out their present supply of things, or when they can meanwhile be attracted into the market to purchase new and better products at new and sufficiently more attractive prices.

The Company feels strongly that there should be no raising of costs, no diluting of the value of money through general wage increases, or through any of the other pump-priming types of expedients which attempt to raise buying power by increasing the supply of money with no corresponding increase in the supply of goods.

Word was received as this issue went to press that negotiations were adjourned at the end of the second day until Wednesday, June 22.

Celebrates 30th Anniversary



Neal McNamara, Bldg. 4-4, recently celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric and at that time received a congratulatory letter for his long service. Attending the presentation were George Selby, Charles Griffith, foreman; Clarence Hewes, Mr. McNamara, W. H. Franke, Supt, of FHP Div. 19 and 20; Leon Rademaker, and Jack Payton.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

June the future month. Many of you may ask why I call June, "the future month." It is the time of the year when many people start looking toward the future, maybe for just a vacation or maybe for a lifetime. We have many young people who are graduating from high school and college planning their profession or vacation. We also have many couples who get married in the month of June, planning their whole life. And many people are planning but a week or two vacations. It is also a month when many people are on vacations and there are many cars on the streets and highways, and small children are home for their summer vacation. Drive carefully while traveling and let our children grow up to enjoy another future month. . . . Mary Kieler finally got a mouse in her trap. Good trapping, Mary. . . . BIG FIGHT TOMORROW: Paul Noffze will take on Gus Kuhn in the main fight of the evening which will consist of 15 rounds. Fred Mennewisch will challenge Glen Robinett in the semi-finals which will last 10 rounds and Gerald Schafer will take on Lawrence Hosack in the opener which will consist of five rounds. The referee will be none other than Virgil Howell. Let's all hope he does a better job of refereeing than he does of taking care of his wallet. It so happened that Virgil lost his wallet twice in one week and was found by Lorenzo Smith. . . . We are all glad to see that Jim Stauffer is up and around again. . . . Paul Conrad is the only fellow in the world who can drive a Ford 180,000 miles and not use any oil except his oil changes. He must change oil every 100 miles. . . . We are all wondering if Robert Mennewisch just forgot to come in Monday or if his children put his shoes in the wife's wash water again.

Sample Shop News, 26-2

We would like to congratulate Ralph Van Osdale in winning the boat races recently. He won the race with a 22 h.p. Johnson motor. . . . Bldg. 26-2 had a welcome visit from "Duke" Dafforn, who has been off work with a broken arm. We're glad to hear that the arm is healing all right and hope to see him back at work pretty soon. . . . Browning is in a big stew over the fact that she was out to the carnival and didn't get any cotton candy. She said that she was going back to get some before they leave (wonder if she got it?) . . . Dean Smith is going around telling people that he is going to have mushrooms for Christmas. Now, Dean, if you want to you can pass those mushrooms out for our Christmas presents.



Kurt Martin found a swell place to eat steaks in Chicago. The only catch was the $3.50 price tag. Henry Frey was also in Chicago. He claims he never saw any $3.50 steaks. . . . Why does Bob Branning always have saw dust scattered around his machine? . . . Swede Moser and his son Carl caught their limit in bluegills from a canoe on Little Hawk Lake last Saturday. Glen Ramsey and his boy were up to Little Barbee Lake and all they could snag was some little old seven and eight inch bluegills not even worth keeping. . . . Jim Ehresman claims the cement mixer fell on his toes. But reliable sources tell us that since the twins, Jean and Jim, have been walking it's mighty dangerous around the Ehresman house. . . Bob Truelove has learned his lesson about hauling clothes in a trailer. He had the family clothes loaded on the trailer headed for his new home when they hit a bumpy spot in the road. If it hadn't been for the cars following Bob, he would have lost the shirt that was meant for his back tomorrow. . . . Congratulations, Don Alcott, George Horner, Cliff Dunten, Eddie Bienz, and Wayne Boester, for winning the championship of your bowling league. . . . At Carl Kleemeyer's recent retirement celebration, Lowell Welker found out what it is to have stage or mike fright. . . . John Roebel says that even the waiters in the local eating house must think he should go on a diet. He ordered a hamburger and all he got was two slices of bread and a slice of onion. Save your pop bottles and old beer cans for umpire-in-chief Eddie Kammeyer. He was calling them for the Voltmen-Chicago Giants game. He claims he couldn't call the low ones right because everyone had the cuffs of their players' pants pulled down to their ankles. . . . Glen Ramsey is helping Woody Hursh pick his strawberries this week. Glen says the pickin' is pretty good. He was finding quart boxes already filled all over the patch. . . . Cliff Clapesattle, the fellow who claims he never touches cake, was caught in the act by one of his fellow-workers. However, Alibi Ike said he was obligated to indulge because it was his wife's birthday cake. . . . Gus Wiedleman and his wife both believe in sharing and sharing alike, but Gus carries it to extremes. The other evening when they were eating in a restaurant, the waitress, among other things, brought a side dish of potato salad, but only his wife got a fork with which to eat it. Gus immediately complained to the waitress. If looks would kill, Gus would be under the sod instead of at work these days. . . . Seems that John Ebert isn't satisfied with the shape of the wrenches that came with his machine and was trying to put a nice curve in one of the larger ones. Somehow, it just wouldn't bend and John came out of the deal minus a couple apron pockets and a six-inch scale to say nothing of the terrific racket he caused. John says he is going to try a different way of bending wrenches from now on. Good idea, John. . . . Dick White and Myron Auer had a very pleasant fishing trip at Jimmerson Lake Friday. In fact, we heard that they even caught some fish. Myron claims that he is the best fisherman, but had a hard time proving it, as Dick caught thirty-six of the thirty-eight they caught. Auer says he isn't too fond of fish, but just ask him if he is going to a fish supper Monday night?



"Judging others is a dangerous thing; not so much because you may make a mistake about them, but because you may be telling the truth about yourself." . . . Monday, June 6, our loyal co-worker, Henry Guenther, better known as "Heiny," celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric, having spent the entire 30 years in Tool Supply. A. E. Leider, Doyal White, along with the General Stores gang were on hand to offer their congratulations and best wishes. We're all proud of you, Heiny, and hope you're still with us 30 years from now. . . . The other night at the Production Service Supervisors' banquet Lloyd Platt found out what can happen when one becomes an "Eager Beaver." I bet the next time there's a baseball pool, Lloyd won't be so anxious to sell his ticket half way through the game. He sold his ticket to Ed David, at the sixth inning, for a dollar; and at the end of the game the winning ticket was the one Lloyd sold to Ed. Result: Ed went home $10 richer than when he came and Lloyd went home with one of those "why-did-I-ever-sell-that-ticket" look on his face. Better luck, Lloyd, next time. . . . We're all glad to hear that Blaine Webster has returned home from the hospital and is recuperating at his home in Huntington. Good luck, Blaine, and hurry back. . . . Birthday greetings to Vern Amons and Herb Jesse. By the way, Herb, have you learned to play pinochle yet? . . . When is a horse not a horse? It seems that our division editor was out at the farm not long ago and had her picture taken riding on a horse. She was so proud of the horse and herself that she brought the picture to the office to show her friends, who immediately told her it was not a horse but a pony. Now, Marie can't decide if it was a horse, a pony, or it might even be a donkey. She is not sure.



With fishing season already begun, the stories will be rolling in any day now. We'll try to keep you posted. . . . Rumor has it that Alice Pflueger is getting absent-minded. She was well on her way home by bus before she rememberd she had left her car in the parking lot. Some fun! . . . Now that nearly all the girls have "cropped" their hair, they aren't worried about warm weather. That's what they think! . . . Sol Andorfer and Mike Lowe are having a contest to see who could bring in the most beautiful roses. It's a shame the rose season is so short. . . . We discovered that this motor contest has Mike Lowe in a dither, in fact, he even draws diagrams about it in his job folders. Next thing we know, he will be talking about it in his sleep. . . . Herb Buck looked real sharp in his new apron, all that was missing was a little lace on the bottom and he would have had a formal apron. . . . We extend our sympathy to Charlie Crankshaw whose father died last week. . . . The welcome mat is out for all our new people, we hope you like us and to our folks who are leaving, don't forget the gang. . . . Did you remember to go to the baseball game? Better try to get there next week.

NEGOTIATIONS Begin with UE

Some weeks ago, UE announced that it would demand of General Electric, Westinghouse, RCA and others a 4th round increase—amounting to $500 per employee per year. This proposed increase could be distributed among actual wages, fringe economic benefits, or a shorter work week with the same weekly take-home pay as now. Whether or not the employees got any more pay, the cost to the employer of the proposed UE package would be the same —an additional 25¢ per hour per employee.

We do not see how the UE could expect to get this $500 increase, and we rather suspect that this big amount is asked now in the hope that—as in former years—the union would be able to make a willing compromise later and thereby look extremely "reasonable" in its bargaining.

ODDS ARE AGAINST AN INCREASE

Actually such "reasonable" compromises have simply converted so-called collective bargaining into a "one-way street" toward a sure thing. Ever since UE published this $500 demand, many people have urged General Electric to demand a wage cut exactly equal to the increase demanded by the union. Then, they point out, if the bargaining winds up with no increase, as we confidently expect, the Company would appear to have given in to the extent of 25¢ per hour over its original position.

But we don't think such shadow-boxing is becoming to us. We have said what we mean right from the beginning—that we have been able to find no reason why any general increase at this time would be warranted or desirable in the interests of employees or the public.

EFFECT OF HIGH PRICES AND INVENTORIES

There are other reasons why UE knows the odds are very much against getting the increase demanded, or in fact getting any increase at all. One is that employers not only cannot include in their prices the whole of any wage-cost increase but they cannot pass on any part of it. In fact, employers are now making one price cut after another.

A second reason is that the leading employers—whom the unions have heretofore approached first as the pattern-setters—have, in general, this year such large inventories in the hands of dealers and customers that the whole union strategy of striking one of these employers while letting his competitors continue operating and taking away his business just will not work.

Incidentally, in view of the claim that employees need and must have extra take-home pay, it was particularly confusing to note in the union proposal the suggestion for a shorter work week with the present take-home pay as a substitute for a pay increase. While this would, of course, boost pay *rates*, it would actually put no more in the employee's pocket.

THREE CONFLICTING ARGUMENTS

Yet, despite all these facts, when the UE made its formal 4th round package demand on General Electric this week, it presented three conflicting arguments for the increase, while specifying that it must be paid out of profits. Let's look these "sales" points over.

1 . . . the Cost of Living

Appeals made to General Electric—or to industry in general—for a 4th round of wage increases on the basis of need to catch up with the increase in the cost of living are misleading in the extreme and futile.

The decline in the cost of living index from 175 to 169 at present is substantial and impressive. Careful observers—in and out of government, business and unions—estimate a further gradual decline of some 12 to 15 points. Such a healthy reduction in prices from last November's high would benefit industrial workers by better than 10%—or 15¢ an hour—in real wages.

Further, General Electric's hourly rated employees are continuing to enjoy wage rates some 90% above the last pre-war year of 1940, and thus a good 20 points above the increase in the cost of living for the whole of the war and post-war period. We can see nothing in the "cost-of-living argument" to justify a 4th round increase and we are sure most union members and the public can't either.

2 . . . Pump-Priming

The second claim is that more "buying power" in the form of general wage increases or other benefits would bolster up sagging sales and employment for the whole country. We explained to the UE that the trouble isn't any general lack of money to buy with, as people have got plenty of buying power already.

About 93% of the country's peak work force is still employed at good wages. Those at work not only have old savings but for the past few months have been making new savings at a surprising rate. They aren't buying in total as much as before because many of them have satisfied their most urgent needs and are making their old things "do"

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while waiting for better values to tempt their purchase of the millions of additional things they need or want.

Any general wage increase across the country or across an industry would simply be a general increase in costs and prices—certainly the wrong direction to take when trying to attract able but reluctant buyers.

If prices should try to rise in the current situation—sales will continue to go down and layoffs will mount. If general wage raises should be attempted while at the same time holding prices down, all but a very few of the most efficient companies would go broke and unemployment then would really mount.

The pump-priming theory applied to *wages* is just like the pump-priming idea now being advocated all over again that our present *unemployment* can be cured by pump-priming in the form of deficit financing, government spending, giving things away abroad beyond actual necessity, and using other of the old familiar economic pain-killers. But the memory is still fresh in our minds of several years' effort to cure unemployment of 10 to 12 million with government spending. Right now the government is already operating at a deficit and spending four times what it did in the pre-war period. Yet this vast spending is apparently having no effect on the currently much lower unemployment figures of 4 or 5 million.

We told the UE negotiators their claim that a 4th round would be pump-priming really contradicts their suggestion that the increase demanded of us could take the form of a shorter work week with the same take-home pay as now. Individual worker take-home pay would not be increased. Only costs, and hence prices, would be raised. There would be an inevitable cutting down of sales and jobs.

3 . . . "Ability-to-Pay"

The third UE claim was about our "ability-to-pay"—to pay out of profits or what a UE negotiator described as a "sock under the pillow." Obviously, the UE is thinking of our earnings last year and in the first quarter of this year—before the drop-off in sales had affected us. But, in good times or bad, General Electric always will try to make a sound profit—have *something* left after paying all expenses—even from the very low market prices available on the smaller production of bad years.

We think such an accomplishment will be *good*—good for the job security of our employees and their neighbors, good for our customers and the whole country. It will be good for our stockholders whose savings we want to protect and make productive so the return on their investment will be attractive enough to make them or others want to continue to risk their savings with us.

The theory of "ability-to-pay" has been advanced before. It has even been tried. It has never worked—it cannot work—because it is based on ideas that are unsound. It wouldn't be fair to employees, even if it could work.

HAS NEVER WORKED . . . AND CANNOT WORK

UE knows that there is no uniformity of profits among companies on which to base any demand for a uniform wage increase. Many are even now operating at a loss.

UE officials know they could not seriously propose that union members in the same community doing similar work should get *different* pay because of any irregularity—between companies—of profits and losses.

What actually occurs is this: Every effort is made to get a prominent and successful employer to "break-over" because of his own particular "ability-to-pay"; then the settlement is announced as a *national* pattern to be met by *all* employers regardless of their "ability-to-pay."

Remembering that the UE demands there be no price increases along with these proposed wage increases, what happens to employees of a company so inefficient, or so unlucky as to not show much of a profit, or even any profit? What happens to these employees if others, doing similar work, get more pay? We think, and we guess *they* would believe, that all employees of similar skill on similar work under similar conditions in the same community *should get* similar pay, regardless of the difference in profits between companies.

The idea that wages in any company should be geared to company profits so as to go up—and down—as profits rise and fall, will not appeal to thinking employees. We should not forget that we have a *profit and loss* system; half of our business enterprises fail; there is always a wide variation in the amount of profit made by various companies in an industry or a neighborhood; and even in the good years not all companies make profits. It will be most interesting to see—in the second quarter reports of earnings—just what *can* happen even to previously good profit-makers when a real buyer's market sets in.

General Electric's position is that profits—and losses—cannot be sound or fair bases for wages, even if wages could be set by them. And wages can't be set by them as has been learned by experience.

Included here has been some mention of "fringe" economic benefits. In the actual negotiations, of course, we reminded UE of its agreement last year that only wages—and not other matters—would be open for negotiation this year.

Negotiations with UE continue as we go to press. General Electric will keep trying to have an open mind—especially toward any new disclosures or developments. We are eager for any mutually satisfactory conclusions compatible with today's facts of life and tomorrow's promise of more and better jobs through lower costs, greater productivity and higher sales.

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY



VICE PRESIDENT—EMPLOYEE RELATIONS



At the party for Martha Scherzinger who was observing her 40th year with the Company she was presented with a cameo pin. After the dinner a group took in the carnival and a good time was had by all. . . . Mr. Mettler told the gang at the party that he has an extra-curricula activity. He is doing the family washing and is quite adept at it. . . . Not all the faces were red due to blushes, Esther Madden spent the week-end at the lake which is the reason her face is red. . . . Grace Ober spent the week-end in Toledo and Detroit. When in Toledo she put a little on the "bang-tails" and came home on the short end. . . . Louie Clark is spending his week's vacation in Michigan fishing. . . . Michigan is where Frank Burr went on his vacation. Yes, he is fishing, too. . . . Lillie Benz said that everything in California was just grand, and the flowers were beautiful. She is feeling a little better, but she doesn't like the damp nights. Glad to hear from you, Lillie, drop us another card sometime. . . . Winifred Ostheimer is welcomed to 1x29. Hope you stay a long time. . . . Ivan Parrish is being transferred to the Regional Warehouse. Sorry to see you go, but hope you like it. . . . We hear that Ray Snyder has a new name, he answers to the name of "Rohert Williams" now. We are anxious to see his picture, but are wondering if he broke the camera when they took the picture. . . . Congratulations to Bill Wickliffe, who observed his 30th anniversary with the Company. That was a pretty tie he wore when he had his picture taken! . . . Birthday greetings to Lee Raver, Elbert Niswonger and Mary Nute. . . . Lee Raver is very happy. Her daughter is home from Florida for the summer. . . . A group of girls who have been getting together every so often had a picnic at Foster Park the other night. "Slipperyfinger" Frieda Knoche really caused a riot when she knocked the coffee cream on Irma Huhn and Luella Hockemeyer. They were celebrating Frieda Knoche, Edna Rohrbach and Edith Schriener's birthdays. A gay time was had. . . . Here are a few things we would like to see: Ray Snyder when he is not talking about his Oldsmobile; Ray O'Brien when he is bashful; Louie Sauers grinding the valves on that Chevy. "Hank" Shirley in the cabbage patch; Al Rebber carrying the "hod" and Rudy Zelt riding that horse.

Mills Receives Retirement Present



William Mills, Bldg. 17-2, is shown opening a going-away present from his friends and co-workers. The drill press was given him on the occasion of his retirement. Looking on are: (l. to r.) Paul Koldewey, Dave Slater, Archie Evans, Lee Shanabarger, Verne Castle, Gene Rosswurm, Ansel Feighner, Pres Slack, Noble Dinger, Bill Straub, Melvin Kiessling, Jack Dobson, Belle Buchan, Dick Lare and Jeanette Blough.



Our deepest sympathy to Ed Lipp in the death of his wife and to Joe Mattes in the death of his brother. . . . We're just a little late extending congratulations to the Carl Banks who have a brand new baby boy, born on Decoration Day. . . . Ray Quinn certainly has every right to be proud of his son Bill of Chicago. Bill was recently initiated into Phi Eta Sigma national scholastic honor society at Northwestern university. This fraternity is open to men who have maintained approximately an "A" average. What we are a little dubious about is the fact that Ray says the boy takes after his pappy. . . . If you get a whiff of Chanel No. 5 perfume, to the tune of "Shuffle Off To Buffalo," you will probably find Butch Vegalues within close range. Since he made that trip to Niagara Falls with the Elex girls he's a changed man. Hope you did enjoy the song fest that was being held at Buffalo, though, Butch. . . . Jay Greer didn't look too beat up this week after serving as judge last Sunday at the truck roadeo. We understand he was pretty well fortified, including a tin hat, just in case somebody got a little reckless with brickbats, etc. . . . The fellows in the shop at Taylor St. say they know for a fact that Charlie Hartman had a little trouble when he first got his power lawn mower. The first time he used it, his wife saw him going down the yard hanging on for dear life with his feet completely off the ground. Must be a powerful mower, Charlie. . . . Skin McGary says he has the most valuable dog in the states. If he is going squirrel hunting he picks up his rifle and the dog hunts squirrels; if he picks up his muzzle loading shot gun the dog hunts rabbits; if he goes fishing, he shows the dog a pole and the dog digs his bait and when he is an official at a ball game the dog is his bodyguard. . . . Does everyone at Taylor St. know "I'll see one more" Fritz? . . . "Lobster" Kilcoin they call him after one day at the lake. . . . We think it's pretty nice of Mart Macke to take time out every week to send his daughter Marjorie a copy of the WORKS NEWS. Marjorie, a former employee here, and her husband are now living in Ohio.

G-E Cartoonist Commended For Bond Drive Services

Veteran G-E cartoonist, Jim Barstow, has received a U. S. Treasury Department's "thank you" for his recent contribution of cartoon talent to the Opportunity Bond Drive.

Jim, a member of the National Cartoonists Society, created three original cartoons with a Savings Bonds slant which are being used in promotion of the current drive.



Clyde Grant told us this one on his wife. It seems that the vine on the front porch was getting rather heavy and in need of thinning. She got out the pruning shears and proceeded to operate on said vine. Some of it was entwined around the spouting and in removing this she also snipped off the telephone wires. . . . Willard Hull likes to help his wife do the dishes. Last Sunday morning he was helping with the breakfast dishes before going to church, when suddenly the dish towel was missing. Being unable to find same, he got a fresh one to finish the job with. After a while they went to church. While sitting there Bill became warm and went into his pocket for his hanky, but pulled out the missing towel instead. . . . Fred Keil, a Div. 14 worker who propels this columnist west on Taylor St. every morning in his "Hot Rod Flyer," came to grief the other evening, that is his car did. It seems that he was out putting the flyer through its paces when the drive shaft came loose and wrapped itself around the rear axle. It required a major operation to extricate it and replace it with a new one. . . . We notice by the daily press and heard over the radio that Frank Blotkamp was the winner of the careful driving award given by a local beverage manufacturer. We can readily understand this and thought that eventually he would make the grade as the crate he drives is in such a deplorable condition that he would not dare drive fast or get the least bit reckless. If he did the old boy might decide to disintegrate and spill Frank all over the highway. . . . Now that a lot of the boys have obtained high speed outboard motors for their boats, Quentin Romy thought he would get into the swim. So he purchased from Ralph Dunlap an old worn out two horse job which he took to the lake and proceeded to putt-putt-putt all day long at a speed of about five miles per hour. Much to the delight of those owning high powered jobs, they passed Quentin so fast that it looked as if he were standing still, and the way they circled him put him in a highly nervous state of mind. . . . Newton Poland has just returned to work after a week's vacation. He is bronzed like a veteran of the range due to the fact that he worked diligently putting his raspberry plantation for the berry harvest which would take place the early part of next month.

Five Complete Quarter Century Of Service



Myron F. Evans
Bldg. 4-4



Guy T. Peckhart
Taylor St.



Laura R. Black
Bldg. 12-B



Donald J. Long
Taylor St.



Arnold C. Bienz
Bldg. 4-4

Supervisors Hold Annual Picnic



The annual stag picnic of the Supervisors' Club was held Saturday, June 11, at Voigt's Retreat. A full day of fun and fellowship was enjoyed, although intermittent rain handicapped the horseshoe, volleyball and softball games. A few scenes taken during several card games are shown in the montage above.

Included are: C. D. Uncapher, F. J. Goetz, E. F. Waldschmidt, C. E. Slater, R. W. Kent, G. R Lindemuth, P. G. Dannecker, C. R. Olson, R. C. Meyer, Walter Konow, E. M. Hanauer, R. L. Mann, B. L. Shuler, Harold Kroeger, W. E. Holmes, Bob Dent, E. W. Witte and R L. Kierspe.

Apprentice BROADCAST



by MILDRED ELLIS

Now that school is out, all the apprentices are busy scurrying about trying to get enrolled in some of those deep Summer classes. You have just read a VERY UNTRUE statement. . . . Our absent-minded professor (Gebert) has mislaid his list of war vets. . . . Society Note: For information on the use of a "Powder Room" see Joe Rowan. . . . It has been reported that Gus did an excellent job of putting his boat in dry dock at the boat regatta. Of course, we all understand that it was all that "little kid's" fault. . . . It cost Professor Gebert four cigars to advertise that anyone making over 95 on the final trig test could "light one up" on him. Dick says next time anyone who gets all the problems right will have six points taken off for neatness, and everyone who gets below 80 has to buy him a cigar. . . . Fremion and Frede play a new game in FHP drafting. It's called "Joe Rowan," and you play it by folding your arms and resting your head on them. . . . Dick Wagner is the proud owner of a new two-tone car. (It wasn't two-toned when he bought it last week). . . . Several ball fans were out to watch the apprentice team beat the Main Office team 12-0. FLASH! ! ! "Whiftsen" Birkenbeul got a hit and made it clear around to first base without coaching help. . . . Some of the draftsmen had another outing at Fremion's cottage and on the way back Birkenbeul was elected for the job of holding the fish poles on the car. As they passed a group of young kids, one of them threw a cream puff right in Bob's face. They stopped the car to clean up the mess and Bob told them (censored). . . . On the last day of class, Rasor's classmates presented him with a gift in their appreciation of his musical ability, 10 Easy Lessons on how to Play the Harmonica. The only hitch was that Art had to find someone versed in "Der Deutsch" in order to take his lessons. . . . The doctor called it infection, but Macke thinks it's an allergy—he's allergic to housecleaning. . . . It's guys like Smith and Konow who caused the price of haircuts to be increased. For what you wanted, wouldn't a shave have been cheaper? . . . John Leffers demonstrates his new cracking process in metallurgy class by cracking together two metallurgy books. Half of the class jumps, Rowan the highest of all. Brownie concentrates so intensely on his work that when someone snaps him on the head with a paper clip, he barely stirs. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Frede in the death of their infant daughter.

SLEUTHING in 4-6



by JOAN POOS

Misunderstanding: Bertha McCague, of Payroll, blushed "like mad" after she agreed when someone told her that she looked cute. Bertha thought that "cute" was "cool"—or so she says.

The Month of June Brings: Wedding bells and birthdays. Bill Dripps, Developmental, will be walking down the primrose path July 1. Congratulations, Bill. We hope that you will live happily ever after. . . . Happy birthday to Dick Killian, June 18, and to "Forrie" Carlson, June 13. Forrie received a beautiful yellow and black "YoYo" from a secret pal. He seemed thrilled and said that he was going to practice until he could perfect the art.

"Seafood—Mama": R. F. (Roby) Robinson, Service Engineering, attended a seafood dinner not too long ago. It seems that the effects upon his digestive tract were not good. He finally came to work the following noon. Hope you've recovered, Roby.

Ah—To Be Great: We have a celebrity in our midst, "the brain" of the AC Section—R. G. Dobbin, who went to school with Shirley Temple's husband, John Agar.

Belated: Best wishes to Jay Strong, DC Section, upon the arrival of a son, Alan Reed. You've never seen a prouder papa.

Transfers: Fond farewells to Mike Davich, who left for DeKalb, and to R. V. Huffman, who left for Decatur. Welcome back to L. Z. Gossman, who is back in the AC Section, and to W. C. Hopkins, who has transferred from Taylor St. . . . Judy Clark appeared in the latest —one day last week—polka dot shoes.

Joke? Why does a moron put his feet in the oven? To pop his corn. . . .Hazel Rowe attended her son's graduation from Indiana University last week-end. Congratulations, Hazel.

Elex: Donna Bauermeister, Gertrude Koldewey, Marge Murphy, Thelma Barbeau, Marilyn Franke, Mildred Blievernicht, Betty Garber and Lois Tritch were among the 140 girls who made the excursion to Niagara Falls last week-end. They all arrived safe and sound but a wee bit sleepy.

Meal Ticket: Harold Poyser shot a 39 on nine holes of the Auburn golf course, over the weekend. We understand that he collected a free meal for the feat.

He Who Laughs First: Adolph Strasser was making fun of Ed Whipple one day for making such funny gestures while having a 'phone conversation. But it seems that Adolph caused a larger group to marvel at him, for a similar act, last week. The audiencc wondered whether he was giving directions or practicing fly casting. How about it, Adolph?

AD-LETS



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 10 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE

Monday Noon, June 20, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—White glove with bows on it.

LOST—Lady's Bulova gold wrist watch with gold stretch band.

LOST—An earring with a large rhinestone set in the center and eight sets around it.

FOUND—Two pairs of glasses in Bldg. 27. One pair was left on the drinking fountain, and one in the wash room.

FOUND—Pair lady's amber shell-rimmed glasses. Found in front of the Credit Union office.

FOR SALE

FIVE-ROOM MODERN HOUSE and garage, with or without furniture, located southeast. H-76443.

KEROSENE STOVE and two-burner hot plate. H-66332.

DINING ROOM SUITE—Eight pieces, 12x16 blue Axminster rug, electric fireplace, log and irons. A-99232.

HORTON TABLE MODEL IRONER—Excellent condition. A-1022.

STUDIO COUCH—Good condition, suitable for lake cottage. Reasonable. A-87133.

DROPLEAF KITCHEN TABLE and four chairs, white enamel. H-82344.

50-POUND ICE BOX—Like new, $15. 130 ft. ¾-in. hay rope. Fred D. Blum, 2 miles northeast on State Road 37.

ICER 75-LB. BOX—Good condition, white finish, $12. H-67076.

1½ HP. UNIVERSAL GARDEN TRACTOR and cultivating attachments. A-88512.

12-BASS HOHNER PIANO-ACCORDION and case; Kay guitar and case. H-68811.

PUPPIES, PART BOXER—Eight weeks old, good watch dogs, nice pets. H-0735. 323 Burns Blvd.

SANDY FLEMISH GIANT RABBITS—Four pedigreed bucks, $8.50 and $5 each. H-24723, 1340 Park Ave.

WANTED

4-5 ROOM HOUSE OR APARTMENT—Unfurnished, best of references. H-68013.

USED SINK—With fixtures. E-1345.

TWO OLD BOX CAR OR BUS BODIES —H-37925.

FOR RENT

COTTAGE—Accommodates seven, located at Lake James. H-28226 or H-4184.

MODERN COTTAGE—Located at Sylvan Lake; bottle gas refrigerator, innersprings, sleeps seven. Available June 25-July 9, July 30-August 27. E-5988.

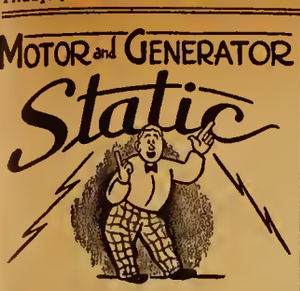
TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDERS OR RIDE—Ralph E. Jacobs, from Bluffton. Works from 8-5:15, Bldg. 31-1. Extension 2183.

WANTS RIDE—Lydia Doehrman, from New Haven, to Taylor St. Works for Holloway, Div. 14, from 3:18-11:48.

Michael To Handle Pension Activities For Several Weeks

While George Waldschmidt is recuperating from a recent operation, K. W. Michael, Assistant to the Supervisor of Personnel, will handle all pension and insurance activities for the next several weeks.



Thought of the Week: "Visit Your Indiana State Parks."

Perplexed: Don (Poison Pen) Shultz is a very perplexed man. He doesn't know whether he has been flattered or insulted. The Inquiring Reporter cornered him the other day and propounded her current weekly question. When Don had brilliantly replied, she asked, "You are Jim Mitchell, aren't you?" Poor Don is wandering around the office in a daze. . . . Art Voelker's new address is as follows: 4th Replacement Co., 4th Infantry Div., Fort Ord, Calif.

Captain Of The Ship

If any one is interested in boat driving lessons, see Art Druce. . . . When the boating season opened at Lake Gage and all the captains, mates and seafaring men got their boats out, installed their motors, and made ready for action, Art Druce was among them. Mrs. Druce, knowing Art as she does, suggested he better go to the boat livery and hire the work done. But, not Art—he completed the preparations and made ready to take off. Again, Mrs. Druce cautioned that, if nothing else, he had better have their neighbor cottager, Mr. Dougherty, check things before the voyage. This only angered Art more. After all, didn't he know as much of seafaring and mechanics as Dougherty?

The mere fact that Mrs. Druce and Mrs. Dougherty had to put the pier in and launch the boat didn't mean that Art had no knowledge of this sort of thing. When he got the boat under way, he found that he had the steering apparatus hooked up backwards but this didn't discourage Druce for, after all, wasn't he a left-handed Irishman (an Englishman, that is). He could and usually did do things backwards anyway.

When he got ready to re-enter port, Druce became slightly confused and thought it was the gas and not the steering apparatus which was hooked up backwards. He opened the gas wide and, instead of pulling alongside, he headed squarely head-on into the retaining wall. Needless to say, Art flew out of the boat and into the water. As usual, Mrs. Druce was there to look after him and, along with Mrs. Dougherty, they managed to hold Art's head out of the water until he got his bearings.

Art doesn't give up so easily. He jumped back into the boat and started guiding it as the motor was still running. The big trouble was that the pin was sheared and the boat wouldn't go.

Art said it "ain't bad enough" that Mrs. Druce and Mrs. Dougherty had to pull him out of the lake but they went down and got his old arch enemy to come and put in a new shear pin, hook up the steering apparatus and put everything ship-shape. Art says any Irishman would have been bad enough but of all the guys they could have gotten, they had to get that guy Dougherty to fix things up.

When the repairs were made and Mrs. Druce told Art to thank Mr. Dougherty, all Art would say was: "I didn't ask him to fix it. He just butted in and I ain't thanking him."

Creatures Of Habit

We take pride in the accomplishments of our synthetic cowboy, "Creep Along" Jack Hively, an equestrian of note who has been tossed off some of the finest nags in this country. Mr. Hively has two horses of his own, trained to run to the stable and enter their stalls upon hearing his whistle. Creep Along, like many of us, is a creature of habit. His unvarying routine is go to the stable, open door, enter, close door, place oats in feed troughs, open door and whistle. The horses grazing in a near-by field, hearing the whistle come on the gallop. One evening last week Jack went through his act a little later than usual and the horses being hungry came and stood outside the door after he entered the stable. The arranging completed, Creep Along opened the door, whistled and the horses came in but quick. So quick in fact that Jack could not get out of the way. They hit him once, spun him around, hit him again, and knocked him head first into the oats or what have you. When Mr. Hively cleared his eyes and looked around, both horses were in their stalls contentedly munching oats. The language Jack used was so outstanding we figured there would have to be another war before such terms could be developed. But the horses, also being creatures of habit, didn't seem to mind, just went on eating.

Ramblings 31-2

Ruth Maher transferred from the Drafting Section to Engineering. She is taking Carol Pond's place. We have two new draftsmen: Bernard S. Kain is replacing Ruth and Robert D. Hughes is replacing Bob Hirschmann, who returned to the General Tool Div. Bernard and Robert were transferred from 20-2. . . . Since Olsen and Johnson are just waiting to give Mark Smith a contract, Mark doesn't worry about getting laid off. Friends of the Johnsons, the Olsens and the Smiths recently got Mr. and Mrs. Smith some special seats at the Olsen and Johnson show in Indianapolis. During one of the dancing numbers, the chorus girls danced up the aisles to pick men from the audience for dancing partners. What do you know! One picked Mark Smith. She put a baby bonnet on him, made up his face, and rolled up his pants legs. Then they danced back down the aisle on to the stage. After a one, two, three, kick with all the chorus girls and their partners, they asked Smithy to do the Russian Bear Dance. Smithy was given support under his arms as he proceeded in a squat position to kick out first one leg and then the other. Mark was outdoing the Don Cossacks when all of a sudden his support gave way. KER-PLOP, Mark was flat on the floor. Later Olsen said, "Say, you were pretty good." Mark says, "I thought so." . . . Juanita Vanderford, who used to work in the drafting section, paid us a visit recently. Juanita has been living in Burbank, Calif., since she quit here. . . . Your Roving Reporter.

Crankshaw Dies

James B. Crankshaw, 80, former Manager of the Fort Wayne sales office, died at 5:20 a. m. Thursday, June 9, at his home, 3128 Fairfield avenue.

A Fort Wayne resident for 41 years, he retired from General Electric in 1932 after 24 years service. He was a graduate of Cornell University and a member of the Trinity Episcopal Church.

Services were held at 3 p. m. Friday at the Klaehn Funeral Home, the Rev. George B. Wood officiating. Scottish Rite services were held following the regular services. A requiem mass was celebrated by Fr. Wood at the church at 8:30 a. m. Friday. Burial was in Lindenwood Cemetery.



Hi, Dad, congratulations to you on Father's Day. You're really a swell guy, especially when we are really in need. You always come through. We suppose you will be getting some of those ties and socks as usual. Do you suppose that they are sort of reminders? For instance, the tie to remind you how tied down you are and the socks to remind you to keep on your toes and bring home the bacon, only to have it taken away from you when you get there. (Of course, we are just kidding.) All is given with the very best intentions and good wishes from you and yours. Anyway you asked for it and she said, yes. After all it was your idea and you're just the kind of a guy that will stick to a bargain. Have a happy Fathers' Day, Dad. . . . Fritz Ramseier has the car of the age. It's a Pontiac, and it absolutely refuses to run with the tank full of gas. Fritz has tried it a number of times and each time he had to syphon the gas back out. Now he carries two 5-gallon cans around just in case it deeides to run without gas. Pontiac dealers, please note. . . . Herb Thompson has a brand new green Ford. You're no Irishman, Herb; we know from some of the deals you make. . . . Congratulations, Alton Corson, on your splendid suggestion award.



You are on a 36-hour schedule! What to do with the four hours that is the question. I am told that gardening is both wonderful exercise as well as profitable. Golf is good exercise, but not so profitable. Cleaning house will pay off in satisfaction, but how wonderful it is to just relax, sleep, read your favorite book. That pays off too for you are better prepared for the next 36 hours. (Of course, we are hoping it will keep the other fellow working). . . . We are told that "Life Begins at 40" now we know they mean 40 hours, we always thought it was 40 years. . . . News like the work week seems to be shortened. The item of the week is our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. G. Doyal White on their 25th wedding anniversary. We understand they took a trip to southern Indiana. Also, to Larry Simonis, formerly of the Data Bureau, who has announced the birth of a baby girl, Chery Ann, June 3. . . . Carnival time is fun time. Jeanette Burkhardt, Bldg. 18-4, had to take her small daughter Charnette, but it is a question as to which enjoyed it the most. . . . Vacation suggestion: It may be a little warm, but who cares! Why not visit New Orleans? It would be impossible to name all of the interesting spots in the Old French Quarters. One in particular is the old, old Coffee Bar (you may supply the French, I cannot). It is a small spot down in the wholesale district that is open 24 hours a day. They serve coffee and the most delicious doughnuts you have ever tasted. It is interesting to watch the crowds, as they represent the crossroads of America. Besides, the coffee is wonderful!

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT IS THE MOST UNFORGETTABLE MOMENT OF YOUR LIFE?



RUBY STOOPS

Taylor St.

"The most unforgetful moments in my life are those spent with my family and during trips I have taken with them through the West."



EDWIN E. HILSMIER

Bldg. 6-B

"One of the most unforgetful moments of my life was the sight of the Golden Gate bridge as we flew home from Guam. It meant home, my family, and my old job. My last mission was over—I was happy."



EVELYN E. DAUGHERTY

Bldg. 4-2

"The most unforgetful moments I've had are meeting cheerful people with a kind and thoughtful disposition, generous appreciation of others, and a modest opinion of self. For its been written that we need chronically to keep the corners of the mouth turned up, not down."



CLARENCE SCHROEDER

Taylor St.

"I'll never forget the day we made final plans and let the contract for our new suburban home."



LEROY COOK

Bldg. 27

"My unforgetful moment occurred in South Dakota at Red Lake, where I saw a farmer catching catfish by the bag full."

VOLTMEN WIN FROM BUDS, 5-4

Charley Shipman was the winning pitcher Sunday night, when the Voltmen nosed out the Benton Harbor Buds, 5-4, at Benton Harbor, Mich.

Shipman was hit hard in the first inning when the Buds piled up three runs, but he settled down and held the home team to a single run the rest of the way. Meanwhile, the Voltmen got to two Bud pitchers for a pair in the fifth and seventh to knot the count.

The winning run came in the ninth on a single by John Dudick and a double by Olin Smith.

Box score:

VOLTMEN	AB	H	O	BENTON HARBOR	AB	H	O
Stramm,ss	3	1	0	Podhunter,2b	5	1	2
Green,cf	5	0	4	Kovach,3b	4	2	2
Horman,c	4	1	8	Phipps,lf	2	0	1
Dudich,3b	3	2	1	Snyder,rf	4	3	0
Smith,1b	4	2	8	Richel,cf	4	2	3
Bobilya,rf	5	1	1	Leach,ss	4	0	2
Miasek,lf	3	1	1	Tabb,1b	4	0	7
Harwood,2b	4	0	4	Young,c	4	0	10
Shipman,p	4	1	0	Morris,p	3	0	0
				Ververka,p	1	0	0
				Rossi	0	0	0
Totals	35	9	27	Totals	35	8	27

*Ran for Kovach in 9th.

Score by innings:

Voltmen ..... 000 021 101—5

Benton Harbor ..... 300 010 000—4

OWL GOLF

By Earl D. Stauffer

For all-around fun and good golf, this Owl Golf league is hard to beat. We play when those wide open spaces aren't crowded with the masses and are never in danger of time running out on us.

At the end of the fifth week of league play, we find those two perennial "Hot Shots" Warren Wickliffe and Jimmy Sternberger with 40-breaking averages. Warren has an average of 38.4 and Jim carries a 39.4 average. Johnny Stark is in third place with a 41.7.

The results of last week are as follows: Team No. 5 tripped Team No. 1 for five points, thanks to a fine round by "Butch" Junk.

The Jolly Boys dumped Team No. 4 to the tune of eight points. Warren Wickliffe led the Hot Shots to a seven point victory over Team No. 3.

The standings:

Odd		Even	
Team No. 1	+24	Team No. 6	+62
Team No. 3	+9	Team No. 2	—31
Team No. 5	—9	Team No. 4	—55

Safety Engineer Named To Indiana Advisory Council

Herschel L. Smith, Safety Engineer for the Fort Wayne Works, has been appointed a member of the Indiana General Advisory Council for Safety by Gov. Henry F. Schricker. The council has as its purpose to study and promulgate codes and rules for safety and health in all places of employment.

Ham Team Breaks Even In Two Games Last Week

The G-E Club ham softball team broke even in two games played last week. They lost to Turners in an unofficial game by score of 5-3. This game was lost through errors and the inability to get hits when needed.

The Club defeated the Eagles Wednesday, June 8, on a score of 16-4. The Eagles were without their star pitcher and the Club was able to hit their sub-pitcher's throws all over the lot.

For an evening of entertainment, see the Hams play softball at Packard park.

G-E GOLF

By Hugh Dubdit

The Drivers, led by a 37 score by Don Lynch, downed the Mashies by three points last Wednesday. The Mashies still lead the group with a total of 32 points, with Brassies in second at 17 points. Dick Szink carded a 38 and E. Becker came in with 39 for the low scores of the evening.

The Tuesday night group suspended operations this week, because of rain.

On Monday night—to show the spirit of our golfers—play started in the rain. When the foursomes came home, Walter Sunier, Herb Koch and Louis Davis had cards of 41 and A. E. Rowe a 42. The Lost Balls now are in first place with 18 points, just two better than the Apprentice team. The Dark Horses are third, with eight.

It helps when you stop and think that there are a lot more troubles you haven't than troubles you have.

Industrial Owls Score Wins Over Rod-Wire, Police

The G-E Industrial Owls enhanced their record with two wins in the past week. Last Wednesday the victim was Indiana Rod and Wire. The score was 7-2 in favor of G-E.

In a make-up game, the Owls thumped their old Nemesis, the Police softball team. This score was a convincing 14-3. Blauvelt and Blattner formed the batteries for G-E.

These two wins make an even break for the season, two wins and two losses.

Tickets Go On Sale Monday For Voltmen-White Sox Game

Tickets for the Voltmen's exhibition game Tuesday, July 12, against the Chicago White Sox, of the American League, will be placed on sale Monday morning, June 20. Orders will be taken at the G-E Club or over the phone by C. W. Wilt, Ext. 742, or W. W. Allen, Ext. 419.

Firemen Witness Fire-Fighting Demonstration



Members of the Volunteer Firemen's Association held their annual picnic Saturday, June 4, at the Log Cabin. Highlighting the day's program were demonstrations of various fire-fighting methods. The above pictures show scenes taken during the day.

(1) Ed Mueller, Assistant City Fire Chief; Cy Uebelhoer, City Fire Chief, and Robert Gaskill, Supt. of the City Signal Dept., take time out for a chat. (2) Another group includes Jerry Duryee, J. H. Bradtmiller, Harry Zimmerman and Fred Duryee, former head of Plant Protection and now retired. (3) The boys who "dished out the food" are shown behind the lunch counter. They are Ray Soughan, Earl Stauffer, Walter Lydy and Ora Martin.

The next three pictures show the demonstration of incorrect ways of extinguishing magnesium fires. The correct method of using G-1 powder was later demonstrated. (4) This picture shows the effect of water on magnesium fires. (5) Robert Gebhart is shown using carbon-tetrachloride on the fire. (6) Walter Siedel demonstrates the use of CO_2 on the fire.

(7) This photo shows an explosion of a pound of Benzyol-Proxide. (8) L. J. Wiechers, of the Ansul Chemical Co., and Robert Gebhart demonstrate the use of a 20-pound extinguisher in putting out a propane gas fire. (9) Walter Siedel is shown extinguishing a gasoline-flow fire with dry chemicals. (10) Robert Gebhart puts out a naphtha pan fire with dry chemicals.

TOUCHING THE BASES

by Walter Histed



The Red Sox stretched their winning streak to seven and the Auscos their losses to four in a game at Columbian park in Lafayette last Sunday. The score was 5 to 4.

The Auscos out hit the Red Sox, 13 to 10, but sensational fielding in the pinches allowed Lefty Hazel and his relief, Art Herring, to survive the storm. Nowak paced the Ausco hitters in a losing cause with three hits, while Ritter had a perfect night at the plate for the winners with two singles, a double, and a triple in four tries.

Line score:

St. Joseph	001 000 300	4	13	2
Lafayette	011 110 10x	5	10	2

Katz, Stewart and Westerkamp; loser—Katz
Hazel, Herring and Hixson; winner—Hazel.

Studebakers, 6; Cubs, 4

The Studebakers rallied for three runs in the seventh to tie the score and two more in the eighth inning to down the Cubs at Michigan City last Sunday. Feature of the seventh inning rally was a tremendous home run from the bat of George Bohanna with two mates on the bases.

Line score:

South Bend	000 100 320	6	11	0
Michigan City	003 100 000	4	11	4

Lee and Morgan
Kilbane, Smola and Hofferth; loser—Smola.

Buds, 5; Auscos, 2

In a thrill packed 10-inning struggle, the Benton Harbor Buds downed the St. Joseph Auscos at Edgewater park, 5 to 2. The game was a thrilling pitching duel between Lefty Frank Ververka for the Buds and Mack Stewart for the Auscos, with Ververka returned the winner. The Buds tallied single runs in the first two innings to gain a 2 to 0 lead which prevailed until the home ninth. Having been held to four hits in eight innings, the Auscos came to life in the ninth. Winters singled, Shilling popped out and Jones singled to set the stage for Carl Fiore, who blasted out a long triple to tie the score and put the winning run on third. Ververka walked Nowak and Westerkamp loading the bases, after which Stewart popped out and Schultz grounded out to end the threat. In the tenth the Buds quickly settled matters on Todhunter's triple with one out and Kovach's single. Geras singled and Leach drove out a safety good for two insurance runs. This game marked Stewart's first defeat in five starts.

Line score:

Benton Harbor	110 000 000 3	5	13	0
St. Joseph	000 000 002 0	2	8	3

Ververka and Young
Stewart and Westerkamp.

Red Sox, 8; Studebakers, 6

The Red Sox rallied in the seventh for three runs, to run their league winning streak to five, as they defeated the Studebakers at Lafayette, 8 to 6. Slim DeLion, while hit for ten safeties, was the victim of fielding misplays by his mates which were responsible for five of the six Studebaker runs. Hixson, for the Red Sox, and DeMark, for the losers, each had three hits.

Line score:

South Bend	050 001 000	6	10	3
Lafayette	310 000 31x	8	12	4

Lee and Morgan
DeLion and Hixson.

Buds, 4; Cubs, 3

Pitching his second game in three days, Lefty Ververka pitched the Buds to victory over Michigan City, 4 to 3, at House of David park. Eddie Jabb's home run, with a man on, in the eighth inning provided the margin of victory.

Line score:

Michigan City	000 100 002	3	9	0
Benton Harbor	002 000 02x	4	10	2

Wallace and Hofferth
Ververka and Young.

Red Sox, 10; Studebakers, 5

The Red Sox chalked up their sixth consecutive vietory in beating the Studebakers, 10 to 5, at Lippincott field.

Anderson, Studebaker hurler, walked the bases full in the first inning. The Red Sox drove through this opening for three runs and from then on held command of the game. In all, the Red Sox blasted out 17 hits, with Ritter collecting four and Desiderato, Cannizo and Bestudik racking up three each.

Line score:

Lafayette	312 003 100	10	17	0
South Bend	000 021 020	5	6	3

Clifton, Herring and Hixson—winner Clifton
Anderson and Morgan.

Rambling Notes

The slumping Auscos had their first shakeup of the season last week when Tom Brown, utility infielder, was given his release. Perhaps more shaking up will follow when Waldo gets home from Arizona and finds his charges out of first place. Waldo demands a winner, is willing to pay for it and brooks no alibis as to why his team doesn't win. Incidentally, Brown is the same player Manager Carl Kennedy was trying to peddle to the Voltmen to fulfill his obligation to turn over a player (to be chosen by the Voltmen) in return for Winter's contract.

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Tho Auscos have so many players who once played with Dayton or Oklahoma City that their cross-town rivals, the Benton Harbor Buds, have dubbed them the Indians.

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Jerry Kuhn, in his column "Just Browsin' Around," still thinks the Auscos have the best team in the league and can't understand why they don't win every game. He referred to the Buds as strictly a bush-league outfit, which ought to add fuel to the already red hot, twin-city rivalry.

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Gordon Graham suggests that the name of the Michigan-Indiana league ought to be changed to the "500 League" before long, in view of the closeness of all the teams to an even won and lost mark.

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The Red Sox continued to set a fast pace. They ran their string of consecutive wins to seven last Sunday, as they defeated the Auscos. The win also enabled the Red Sox to take over first place in the league, a half game ahead of the Auscos and Voltmen.

G-E Majors Blast Waynedale Legion To 15-2 Victory

The G-E Major softball team won a game Friday night, June 10, from Waynedale Legion by a score of 15-2 in nine innings.

Stanski led off with a double. Bucher struck out, followed by a homc run by Yarman, scoring Stanski. Morkoetter followed with a home run in the left center field. Thc plays ended the scoring until the fifth, when Bucher was safe on an error and Yarman hit his second home run for two more runs.

The big sixth inning found 11 men batting. Lawson was safe on an error, and Anderson hit a double. Then came a home run to right center. Waltke was next up and hit a double. Then Stanski walked. Bucher and Yarman were safe on errors with the bases loaded. Morkoetter hit his second home run, followed by eight men up, each scoring.

In the seventh, two more runs were scored on three singles and an infield out. The losers scored a run in the first on three singles. They ended their scoring until the eighth inning, when Meyers hit a slow ball down the left field line for three bases. He scored on a bad throw that got past the catcher.

Line score:

G-E	300 028 002	15	14	1
Waynedale	100 000 010	2	5	6

Hower, Waltke, Fieldheiser and Sowers, Baals; Scherer, Baker and Clausen.

The Voltmen, who have given their followers so many headaches as they have stumbled around in the field, are showing signs of getting under way with a more steady brand of ball. With Shipman and Cary pitching good ball and Orphan showing signs of rounding into form, the Volts are beginning to roll. The addition of Stramm at short has placed a greater degree of steadiness in the infield than was present in earlier games.

M-I LEAGUE STANDINGS

(Includes Games of June 12)

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
Lafayette	7	5	.583	—
St. Joseph	6	5	.545	½
VOLTMEN	7	6	.538	½
Michigan City	6	7	.462	1½
Benton Harbor	5	6	.455	1½
South Bend	4	6	.400	2

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Benton Harbor, 5; St. Joseph, 2 (10 innings).
Michigan City, 5; VOLTMEN, 4.
Lafayette, 8; South Bend, 6.
VOLTMEN, 7; Michigan City, 2.
Benton Harbor, 4; Michigan City, 3.
Lafayette, 10; South Bend, 5.
VOLTMEN, 13; Benton Harbor, 8.
Lafayette, 5; St. Joseph, 4.
South Bend, 6; Michigan City, 4.
VOLTMEN, 5; Benton Harbor, 4.

VOLTMEN Home Schedule

Friday, June 17—
St. Joseph Auseos

Wednesday, June 22—
Homestead Grays

Thursday, June 23—
Philadelphia Stars

All games are scheduled for 8 p.m. in Dwenger park.

Voltmen Halt Cubs, 7-2; Hand Buds 13-8 Setback

By BILL HUNT

The G-E Voltmen whipped the Michigan City Cubs, 7-2, Thursday night and then came back Saturday night to trim the Benton Harbor Buds, 13-8, in Michigan-Indiana League games played last week at Dwenger park.

John Braden's boys arc really beginning to look like a ball team. The sloppy fielding, which has plagued the rebuilding effort, has been licked we believe. In Thursday's game there were four errors, but only one was eostly in allowing a run. In Saturday's game, one error came on a bad throw after Stramm had fallen when fielding a ground ball near second; the other was near the end of the game and was totally unimportant.

The spirit of the team has changed; they are confident of their own ability and trust the ability of the man next to them. They have a eombination that is working good and needs possibly only another outfielder, somebody to relieve Harwood if the leg fails, and possibly a little more pitching to make a team that will look as good or better than last year's champs.

Charlie Shipman pitched a masterpiece Thursday. He allowed only four singles and a double, while fanning four and walking none. The new shortstop, Henry Stramm, made good his first home appearance. He beat out two bunts and drove another single to center; he scored twice and played good ball in the field.

John Dudick hit a long homer over the center field fence in the fourth to score Stramm, plus a single in the five run first inning. He is playing a beautiful game at third; Thursday he cut in front of Stramm to throw a Cub out on a slow roller and Saturday went behind third to get his man on what looked like a sure hit.

Stan Miasek got two doubles and drove in two runs besides doing well in the field. Gabby Hormann played center field in the absence of Green. He saved a line drive single and doubled a man off first in the seventh. He got a single and double in four at the plate. Jerry Hisner did an excellent job relief-catching for Hormann.

Snow Buds Under, 13-8

Scott Cary looked like he was ready for an early shower as the first batter tripled, the second singled, the third walked, the fourth doubled and the fifth singled; but they finally got the side out. He held them to two hits until the sixth, when they got two hits and two runs. Then in the ninth, when they scored twice on one hit. Five Buds swung twice at his offerings and walked back to the dugout to sit.

The Voltmen got to three Benton Harbor pitchers for 18 hits of which Stramm got a single; Green, three singles and a double; Hormann, a single and double; Dudiek, two singles and a double; Smith, three singles; Bobilya, a double and single; Miasek, a single; Harwood, two singles, and Cary, a double.

A strange play occurred in the seventh inning which demonstrates how the Voltmen are hustling and playing heads-up ball. Bobilya caught Hank Richel's line drive and threw to Smith to double Jim Phipps off first, but the ball got by Smith. Gabby Hormann was backing him up, like a good catcher should, and flipped it back the necessary three feet or so to get the man.

BENTON HARBOR	AB	R	H
Todhunter,2	5	2	2
Kovach,3	4	1	2
Phipps,lf	4	1	1
Snyder,rf	5	1	1
Richel,cf	5	0	2
Leach,ss	5	1	1
Jabbs,1	3	1	0
Young,c	4	0	0
Morris,p	1	0	1
Kimmett,p	0	0	0
Rossi,p	2	0	1
xGeras	0	1	0
Totals	37	8	11

VOLTMEN	AB	R	H
Stramm,ss	5	1	1
Green,cf	5	3	4
Hormann,c	5	3	2
Dudick,3	6	2	3
Smith,1	4	2	3
Bobilya,rf	6	0	2
Miasek,lf	4	0	1
Harwood,2	5	1	2
Cary,p	5	1	1
Totals	45	13	19

xWalked for Rossi in 9th.

Benton Harbor	400 002 002	—	8
Voltmen	245 002 00x	—	13

MICH. CITY	AB	R	H
Yohe,3	4	0	1
Sunday,2	4	0	0
Fuchs,cf	4	2	1
Hofferth,c	4	0	1
Thomas,lf	4	0	1
Dotlich,1	3	0	0
Decker,rf	3	0	1
Meyers,ss	3	0	0
Smola,p	3	0	0
Totals	32	2	5

VOLTMEN	AB	R	H
Stramm,ss	5	2	3
Dudick,3	4	2	2
Hormann,cf	4	1	2
Smith,1	4	1	0
Bobilya,rf	4	1	1
Miasek,lf	4	0	2
Hisner,c	4	0	0
Harwood,2	4	0	0
Shipman,p	4	0	0
Totals	37	7	10

Michigan City	001 010 000	—	2
Voltmen	500 200 00x	—	7

Works Lab Beats Firemen, 19-14, To Retain Lead

The Works Lab held the lead in the Interdivision Softball league as Paul Beltz pitched his third winning game, beating the Firemen 19-14. The Firemen used three pitchers, but were unable to hold the Lab's heavy hitters.

The Apprentice men shut out Main Office, 12-0, on some good pitching by Leffers and Zurbuch. The Apprentices made everyone of their hits count by getting 12 runs out of 12 hits.

Everything in the book happened to Fractional as the Squares ran over them 23-1.

Box scores:

MAIN OFFICE	AB	R	H
Konow,W,3b	3	0	1
Kuttner,cf	3	0	0
Konow,A,lf	3	0	0
Fry,ss	3	0	0
Hensick,1b	2	0	1
Swertart,2b	1	0	0
Mossberg,2b	2	0	0
Sougban,c	3	0	0
Miller,c,p	1	0	0
Michals,rf	2	0	0
Miller,c,p	2	0	1
Totals	25	0	3

APPRENTICE	AB	R	H
Berkheiser,ss	4	3	1
Geeglein,2b	3	1	2
Rasor,cf	2	1	1
Davis,cf,2b	3	2	1
Junk,c	4	0	1
Wagner,1b	2	1	1
Taylor,1b	2	0	0
Lahrman,3b	4	2	1
Leffers,p	3	1	1
Zurbuch,p	1	0	0
Butcher,rf	3	1	2
Aughin'gb,rf	1	0	0
Birkenbeul,lf	4	0	1
Totals	36	12	12

		R	H	E
Main Office	000 000 0	0	3	9
Apprentice	060 150 x	12	12	3

WORKS LAB.	AB	R	H
Warwick,c	3	2	0
Thompson,cf	3	2	2
Hemeter,ss	3	2	1
Hanna,3b	4	1	1
Beltz,p	2	2	1
Trott,2b	3	3	1
Ferverda,1b	4	3	2
Simmons,lf	5	1	1
Irey,rf	1	1	1
Hunt,rf	1	2	1
Totals	29	19	11

FIREMEN	AB	R	H
Holman,3b	5	0	0
Meyer,2b	5	3	4
Stemmler,cf	5	1	3
Weber,ss	5	3	2
Crosley,lf	3	2	1
Vance,p	3	3	0
Etter,c	4	1	2
Hazelette,rf	4	0	1
Long,1b	3	1	2
Totals	37	14	15

		R	H	E
Works Lab.	060 0(12)1 x	19	11	4
Firemen	721 0 1 2 1	14	15	6

STANDINGS

	Won	Lost
Works Lab.	3	0
Apprentice School	2	0
Squares	2	1
Firemen	1	1
Main Office	1	2
Winter St.	0	2
Fractional	0	3

Let's Understand This Atomic Energy! . . . by Harry A. Winne

The basic physical facts underlying the release of atomic energy are really no more difficult to understand than the basic facts involved in ordinary combustion.

It is essential that people in general realize that atomic energy is as readily understandable as combustion, or as electricity. I am inclined to think that if the wonders and dangers of fire had burst upon our adult consciousness as suddenly, we should have been just as startled and confused as we are by atomic energy.

Our scientists tell us, and have proved, that mass can be converted into energy. Actually, when we burn coal, by causing it to combine with the oxygen of the air, we convert an infinitesimal part of the mass of the coal and air into energy. I say infinitesimal because is we consider the total weight of carbon and oxygen used in the burning process, we actually convert only about one eleven-billionth of the mass into energy.

Chain Reaction

We do not know how to convert total mass to energy, but we have, within the past few years, learned how—under very special conditions—to convert to energy one one-thousandth of the mass of a unique substance, a special type of uranium through the process known as chain-reacting atomic, or nuclear fission.

It is because this process occurs only under special conditions, that man did not discover how to utilize atomic energy long ago.

There is only one natural element, uranium, which will sustain a fission chain reaction; that is, only one natural element is a "nuclear fuel." More than that, only one special type of that element, a type called uranium 235 which constitutes only 1/140th part of all natural uranium, is usable in this way. Furthermore, the chain reaction will take place with this element only with a considerable amount of uranium arranged on a peculiar assembly, which is termed an atomic pile, or a nucelar reactor.

Though this sounds complicated and strange, a description of a coal-burning furnace, in which certain special materials burn under proper conditions, with a continuous supply of oxygen when heated to the requisite conditions, would sound equally complex to one not already familiar with the process. Then too, the burning coal gives off dangerous radiations, in the form of heat, and so the fire must be surrounded by a shield of brick and iron; just as the reactor must be shielded for protection from its radiations.

Though the one rare type of uranium is the only material found in nature which will support a fission chain reaction, it is possible in the chain reactor to convert the more common kind of uranium to the artficial element plutonium. In addition it is also possible to convert the still more abundant element thorium to an artificial element, uranium 233, which is fissionable. These artificial elements can be made to release atomic energy in essentially the same way as uranium 235.

This production of new fuel elements is truly amazing, but remember that for years ordinary illuminating gas has been made by feeding steam through a bed of white hot coal. It is true that this is not a conversion of atoms, but of molecules, but it too is strange and startling to one who has never before heard of it.

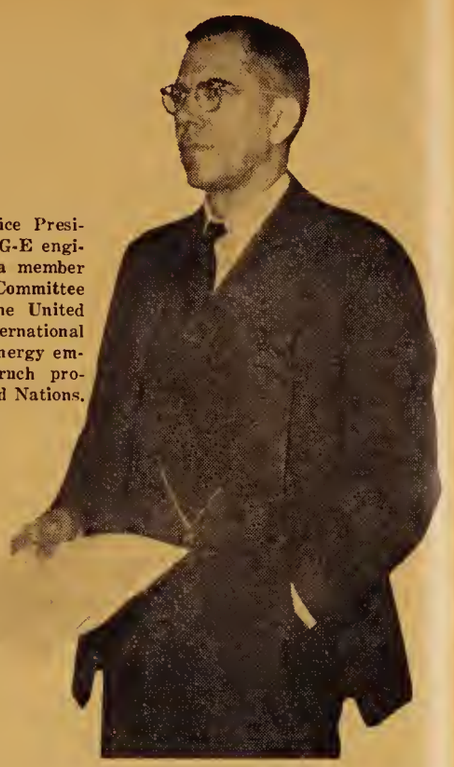
Uses For Atom Power

Atomic energy is not likely to cause any revolutionary reduction in power cost in areas where electric power is now readily available at reasonable cost.

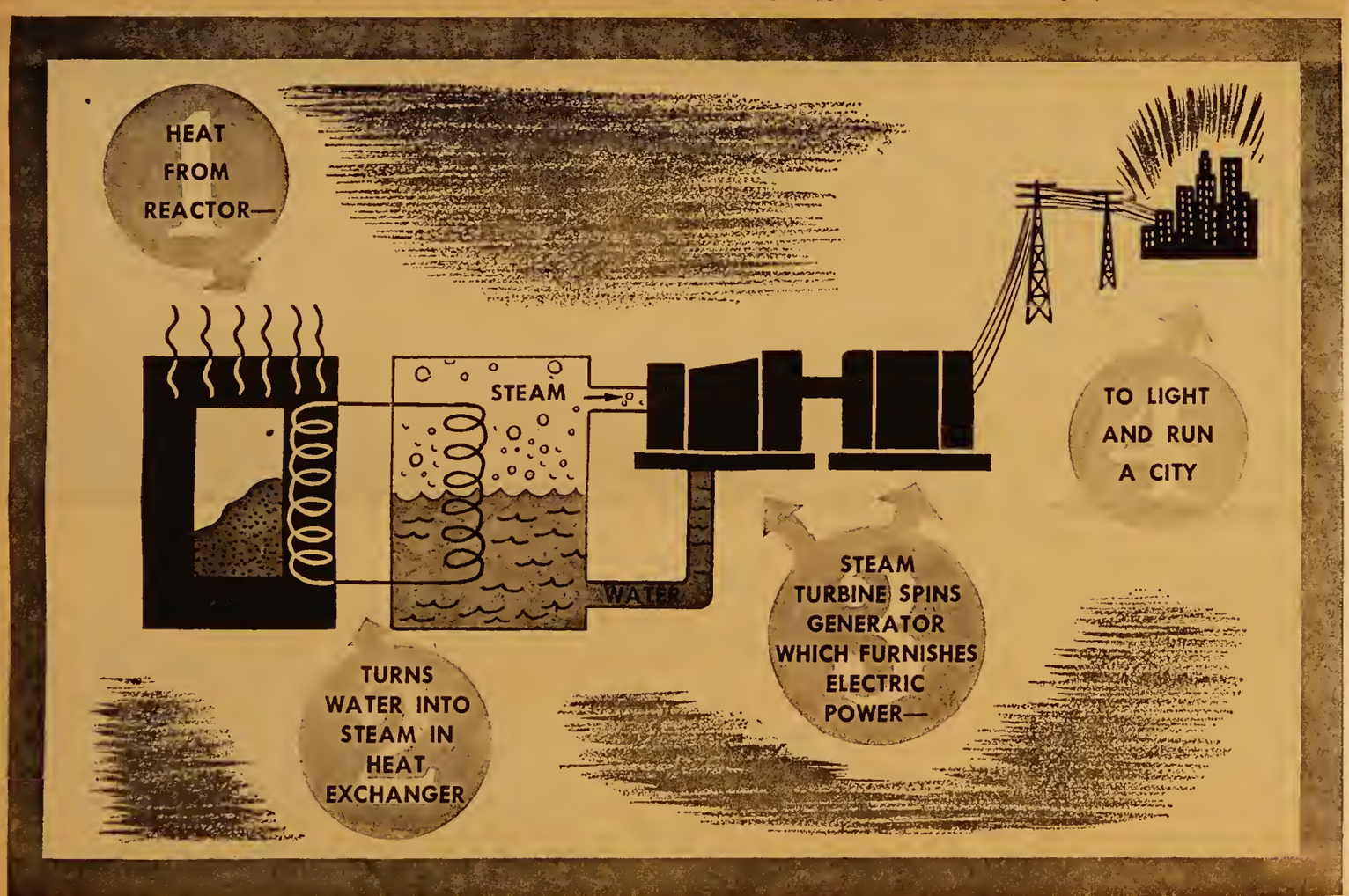
On the average, the cost of fuel accounts for only 20 per cent or 25 per cent of the total price paid by the consumer for fuel-generated power today, so even if we got nuclear fuel free we could expect only 20 or 25 per cent reduction in power costs. On the other hand, because nuclear fuel is such an extremely concentrated source of energy, there is the very definite possibility that atomic energy may bring economical electric power to areas where the transportation costs of conventional fuel are extremely high.

However, I do not visualize small atomic power plants springing up in every isolated area. To be efficient and economical, I think an atomic power plant will necessarily be of large capacity, perhaps at least a hundred thousand kilowatts, and it may require a supporting chemical plant to reprocess partly used fuel.

I think it quite probable that the first specific-purpose atomic power plant may be for shipboard use. There is little doubt in my mind that in the course of time we can build such plants for shipboard service. An atomic-powered ship could conceivably run for months without refueling, as far as the power plant is concerned. This possibility is especially intriguing to our Navy people, and the thought of an atomic-powered submarine, a real underwater ship which could make transocean cruises without need to surface, really gets them excited.



Mr. Winne, Vice President in charge of G-E engineering policy, is a member of the Lilienthal Committee that formulated the United States plan for international control of atomic energy embodied in the Baruch proposals to the United Nations.



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Mere family never made a man great.—Thought and deed, not pedigree, are the passports to enduring fame.

—*Skobeleff*

Business Conditions Are Outlined In Employee-Management Series

MANAGERS MEET WITH ALL EMPLOYEES IN INFORMATIVE CONFERENCES THIS WEEK

With the aim of keeping local General Electric Company employees fully informed on business conditions as they affect the Company's operations here in Fort Wayne and branch plants, a series of employee-management meetings reaching every employee were held during the past week.

The meetings were conducted by C. H. Matson, Manager of the Fort Wayne Works; M. E. Lord, Manager of the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions; W. C. Wichman, Manager of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, and J. M. Crawford, Manager of the Motor Generator divisions.

Commenting on the program, Mr. Matson said, "We feel that it is extremely important to tell all employees just what the situation is nationally and locally to allay any unnecessary uneasiness they may feel about the future of their jobs. Fear for the future and the resulting lack of confidence in the stability of our own business and the rightness of our industrial system

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Employees' Stores Close For Inventory

The Employees' stores at the Broadway and Taylor St. plants will be closed Wednesday, June 29; Thursday, June 30, and Friday, July 1, for inventory. Both stores will be open for business, as usual, Tuesday, July 5.

G-E Displays Motors, Transformers At Oil-Heat Exposition In Boston



The Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions and Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions combined personnel and equipment to present the interesting and effective display shown above at the 1949 National Oil-Heat Exposition in Boston, Mass.

With "Standardization" the theme, the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions and Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions joined interests in presenting a unified sales effort at the 26th annual Oil-Heat Conference and Exposition in Mechanics hall, Boston, from May 16 to May 20.

Sponsored by the Oil-Heat Institute of America, the show was open to the general public and approximately 25,000 public admissions were reported. Official trade registration exceeded 4,500.

Products exhibited by the Apparatus Department were fractional horsepower motors, ignition transformers and control transformers.

Attractive Display Made

Attention was achieved by a turntable display on which chrome-

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Independence Day

On Monday, July 4, the Broadway and Taylor Street plants, in general, will be closed in observance of Independence Day.

C. H. Matson

Works Manager

The General Electric Company and the United Electrical Workers—CIO resumed negotiations Wednesday. There were no significant developments up to press time last night, but a report of further developments will appear in the next issue of the WORKS NEWS.

Q-C Club President Announces Chairmen For Annual Meeting

Chairmen of arrangements for the annual meeting of the Quarter Century Club were announced today by F. L. Schafenacker, president.

The meeting will be held Saturday, Sept. 10, at Limberlost Camp, Oliver Lake.

The following were appointed to handle arrangements for the outing:

George Waldschmidt, transportation; James V. Johnson, entertainment; Edward Kock, traffic and parking; Harry Zimmerman, refreshments and playing cards; Irene Meyers, women's activities; Lloyd Platt, program; F. L. Schafenacker and A. C. Hartman, prizes; Joe Grosjean, food; Carl Reynolds, athletics; Harry Rohrbach, public address system, and Walter Sunier, publicity.

Melvin Beucler Places First In Truck Roadeo

G-E Driver Wins Safety Trophy In Event To Test Driving Skill

Melvin Beucler, G-E truck driver, took top place in the trailer and semi-trailer class of the Fort Wayne Truck Roadeo Wednesday evening at Baer field.

A trophy was presented to him by the Fleet Safety Committee of the Chamber of Commerce Safety Council, sponsors of the event.

Mr. Beucler has driven 30 years without a chargeable traffic accident.

He competed against seven other drivers in driving his truck through

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ELEX MEMBERS PLAN PICNIC FOR CHILDREN

Children under 12 years old will be entertained by the Elex Club at a picnic Wednesday, July 13, in West Swinney park.

Each member should bring a child to the dinner, which will be served from 5 to 6 p.m. Tickets for the outing will be one dollar per member and will include the expense of the young guests. More than one child may be invited per member.

Reservations must be made with contact girls on or before Thursday, July 7.

Plan Announced For G-E Services Monday, June 27

In order to render service to those working Monday, June 27, the cafeteria at Taylor St. and the cafeteria in Bldg. 16-1, Broadway, will be open as usual, it was announced today.

Food wagons will serve the second shift at Broadway.

The cafeteria and the restaurant in Bldg. 16-2 and the Employees' stores will be closed.

Medical service for both first and second shifts will be provided at the main dispensary at Broadway.

The dispensaries at Taylor St. and Winter St. will be open for the first shift only. The dispensary in Bldg. 8-1 at Broadway will not be open on this day.

38 Education Fund Awards Are Presented By Company

Helen J. Gorrell and Virgil I. Hagy, both of Fort Wayne, have been named as recipients of education loans by the General Electric Company, according to an announcement by William W. Trench, Secretary of the Company and chairman of the G-E Education Committee.

Helen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Granville C. Gorrell, 2548 Reed St. Mr. Gorrell works in Bldg. 19-5.

Virgil is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alva A. Hagy, 346 Dalgren Ave. Mr. Hagy has been employed at the Winter St. plant.

Thirty-eight scholarships and loans totaling $10,400 have been granted by the Company to its employees and children of its employees for undergraduate study in the 1949-50 school year.

Twenty-two of the winners are from the Schenectady area, two are from the Lynn, Mass., area, two are from Erie, Pa., and two are from Danville, Ill. Others are from Pittsfield, Mass., Bridgeport, Conn., Chicago, Detroit, and Philadelphia.

Recipients of the scholarships and loans were selected on a competitive basis from applications submitted to the G-E Educational Committee. Some 180 applications

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Petunias Herald Warm Weather



Everyone knows summer is really here when they see Jerry Scott of the Powerhouse, Bldg. 9, weeding his petunias. These flower boxes have brightened the Powerhouse windows for many years. The plants were first started by Bill VerBryck, who is now retired.

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Don Campbell ..... Editor

Work Makes Wealth . . . . . Profits Make Jobs

When a group of men use their brains, hands and modern machines to build a bridge, a bicycle or a screwdriver, they have created wealth. Wealth is not dollars. Wealth is only a useful, seeable, practical thing that does something for ourselves or a neighbor.

Now when there is a slight gain between what it costs to make an article and what it is sold for, everybody knows it's a profit. Is that bad? The thing is, a profit is always good.

Here's why. A profit must either be spent, reinvested or paid out in taxes. It cannot disappear. If it is spent for other goods, that means more work for somebody else—helps them earn more so they can buy more of what we make. If it is reinvested in the business it is used to finance new machinery or new plants—and that in turn creates more jobs . . . and helps reduce prices that make our earnings worth more in terms of what we can buy. Profits spent this way always come back with a profit to the workers who help earn them.

Our Communist enemies tell us to work less, to produce less, to let the government take everything including the profits. We know why they tell us that. They have been predicting to all the world that the capitalist system will fail. They want to make it fail by undermining the confidence of all of us who benefit by it.

And we can see why a Profit is the greatest protection we American workers have.

—Lamp Department

We All Have Something To Learn From Animals

You know that beavers always have one of their number on guard at every tree-cutting job that the colony undertakes, to warn the "choppers" when the tree is about to fall; that a woodchuck always has one or more extra exits from his home in the ground, just in case an enemy should creep in at the front door and try to pen him in; that alert "scouts" fly out from the V-shaped ranks of ducks on tour, to investigate a possible source of danger; that a wren will not build its nest in a bird house with an entrance large enough for other birds; that a horse will not cross a bridge that seems unsafe, and that one reason why it is difficult to get within shooting range of crows is that sharp-eyed crow sentinels warn of anyone's approach.

All of which shows that even animals, birds and waterfowl instinctively recognize the value of safety. Yet they say that 17 persons are disabled by some kind of injury every minute of the day and night, week in and week out.

Life Demands That We All Be Experts In Something

Men become expert at the things they do most often. That's only another way of saying, practice makes perfect. When we don't stop to think, we're apt to wonder at the skill of the top bowler in the shop league, the swift fingers of the assembler, the studied brilliance of the accomplished pianist. But on second thought we don't wonder. We know that the skill of every master grows from his constant practice.

Sir Francis Bacon, great English writer who lived along about the time Shakespeare was writing his plays, once tried to write a book containing all the facts in the world. He quit, because he found out that one man couldn't possibly know everything and so he wrote a book on, "How to Collect Facts." Men may be expert in one or two things: they may get skill in a few things but they never become expert in a great many things.

On the job and off, no one gets very far who doesn't work, study and practice. Life itself demands constant living, constant study and constant practice to make it the success it can be.

FROM ONE WHO KNOWS



HUGH CRANE discusses The Coal Mining Industry

NEW YORK—Soon we'll be in July, which was named after Julius Caesar, if memory serves me right, but which it seems might come to be called John Lewis month. For this is getting to be the month in which the country sits on the sidelines and watches the annual classic between the coal miners and the coal operators.

Every time this annual battle come up again I'm reminded of a machine I saw some years ago in a number of coal mines in Western Pennsylvania.

Before I describe this machine I'd like to point out that in the last 10 years or so, coal mining wages have been advanced from about $25 a week to about $75 a week.

This is about tops in wage gains in the last decade, except perhaps for farm hands, who, curiously enough, aren't organized at all.

Faces Serious Competition

But the odd thing is that the coal miners' wage gains are in an industry which is in a severe competitive jam. Other fuels, beginning with petroleum heating oil and now with natural gas, are putting a sharp bite on the market for coal. And wages are 65 per cent of the cost of producing coal.

How can the industry afford it?

This machine I'm reminded of is a coal loading machine. It is about the weirdest machine I ever saw. It is low, narrow, and about 15 feet long, with 20 different buttons and levers at the side where the operator rides it.

The machine caterpillars up to the working face of the coal, after the coal has been blasted down. And then, with two wild-swinging arms in front of it like the claws of a hysterical lobster, it gathers up the coal and heaves it over its back onto a conveyor which drops it into a waiting mine-car.

70% Mined By Machine

In 1939, say the coal mine operators proudly, only about 20 per cent of all soft coal mined in this country was loaded by machine; but now the percentage is 70.

But now comes a new machine called the Coal Miner, or Coal-Mole, which the operators are installing as fast as they can get them, which dwarfs this coal loader, outmodes a whole series of coal-mining operations, and bids fair to nearly revolutionize coal mine operation.

The best coal-mining today means this. First comes a cutting machine and slices under the coal seam. Then the drillers drill holes. Then the "shot-man" fills the holes with explosives, calls out, runs around a corner and explodes them. Then the lobster-like loader.

But the new Coal Miner will wipe out all these operations—and all these jobs. Low and narrow, but 25 feet long, it moves up to the face of the coal, and bearing in its head a band of revolving teeth tipped with cemented tungsten carbide, it rips two tons of coal a minute off the face and tosses it back into waiting cars. A little job that costs around $50,000 per machine.

It will destroy the jobs of the crew of cutters, of the drill-men, the shotman, and the loaders.

But it will also greatly lower the cost of producing coal.

Lower Costs Help Make Jobs

The lower cost will enable the mine operators to stay in business and keep hiring miners.

If it wasn't for the fact that the operators have been spending every nickel they could spare for a decade on such new, labor-saving machines, John Lewis with his exorbitant wage-demands would have priced bituminous coal right out of the market. People would have stopped buying coal for reasons of price and hundreds of thousands of miners would have been out of a job.

The pay-off?

Lewis and the UMW have, as a matter of policy, encouraged and never discouraged the adoption of new labor-saving coal-mining machinery.

SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

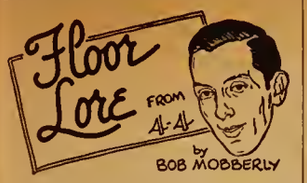
Q: What is the correct scientific answer to the old problem as to what would happen when an irresistible force meets an immovable body?

A: There really is no correct answer, because the question involves a contradiction. If there were an irresistible force, then by definition nothing could stop it and an immovable body could not exist at the same time. Conversely, if there were such a thing as a truly immovable body, there could not be an irresistible force.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS





News around the Repair and Return section is about as scarce as was the sunshine last week! . . . The very latest "Hot-Rod" enthusiast is none other than our Dorothea Swank. The girls presented Dot with a Hot Rod racer as a birthday gift last week. A belated happy birthday, Dorothea. . . . Leon Rodemaker nearly lost his trousers last week! Rod was on his way to work when he noticed his trousers sagging dangerously. Upon closer observation he found: three pipes, two cans of tobacco, a cigarette case and lighter and his wallet. What, no wooden Indian, Leon? . . . We bid farewell to Marie Hummel this week who joins the ranks of the G-E pensioners. We all join in wishing you many happy hours of relaxation that you so richly deserve. . . . Apparently Lloyd Runyon hasn't a keen sense of observation after we learned of a group of motors he rejected because of defects in the capacitor covers. At least they could send a memo to the testers, couldn't they, Lloyd, when new designs come out? . . . Nena Foster is an avid fisherman, or should we have said fisherwoman? Nevertheless, Nena was describing her method of catching night crawlers to use as bait. She merely dons a pair of gloves and proceeds to pick them up! Nena, do you wear gloves when you bait the hook? . . . What price service? After witnessing the numerous photographs with facial alterations of two of our newest members of the Quarter Century Club, Myron Evans and Arnold Bienz, that mysteriously appeared over the section, we wonder if joining the club is worth it all.

Retires After 43 Years



Elenore Plock, Bldg. 12-3, left Thursday, June 16, for retirement after 43 years of service in the Wire and Insulation division. She is shown in the foreground with Earl Gebert, her foreman, and H. E. Hire, Wire and Insulation Div. Supt. Gathered around Miss Plock are her friends and co-workers. Left to right are: (front row) Lester Faus, Lawrence Gardt, James Norris, Ralph Grider, Lora Black, Joe Balsamo, Estella Morrolf, Agnes Bensman, Dave Happel, Dorothy Baumgartner, Dorothy Lebrecht and Agnes Ryan; (Back row) Joe Kramer, Bob Martin, Chester Steinbarger, Ray Sink, George Wirges, William Wright, Jim Ward, Marie Behle, Francis Isenbarger, Ray Fisher, Adolph Schultz, Lazern Hopkins, Cleon Noyes, William Hattendorf, Russell LeBeau and Fred Zehendner.

Education Fund

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for financial aid were received, 123 from boys and 57 from girls.

Three Scholarships Granted

The awards include three scholarships of $300 each and 16 loans of $250 each under the Employees Education Foundation, five scholarships of $400 each under the Charles P. Steinmetz Memorial Scholarship, and 14 loans under the Gerard Swope Loan Fund.

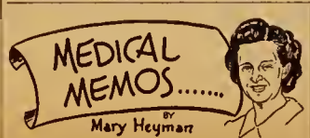
The Employees Education Foundation and the various special scholarships and loans are part of the $1,000,000 G-E Education Fund.

Winners of the three scholarships under the G-E Employee Education Foundation are James E. Martin, Schenectady; Donald M. Fien, Erie, and Joan C. Quinn, Lynn.

16 Receive Loans

Along with Miss Gorrell and Mr. Hagy, other recipients of Employee Education Foundation loans are: Clement L. Boyjian, Francis L. Conway, George J. Shartrand, Jean M. Smith, Willis S. Rice, all of the Schenectady area; Carol Fulk and William T. Henderson, both of Danville; Ralph E. Brock, Niles, O.; Gordon G. DerManuel, Erie; Frances M. Kelley, Pittsfield; James A. McGill, Detroit, George H. Parker, Lynn; Robert E. Varnum, Ft. Edward, N.Y.; and Dale G. Williams, Chicago.

Gerard Swope Loans were made to: William C. Broeffle, Robert A. Clendinning, Joseph E. Czaban, William M. Ernest, James A. Gray, Robert W. Hickin, Robert W. Kelly, Robert W. Kline, John H. Matern, Carl S. Monz, Michael J. Ryan, Richard J. Sullivan, Lloyd Francis Meanor, all of the Schenectady area; and Stephen T. Engquist, West Lynn.



It would be a difficult task to search for new words to describe the beauty and grandeur of Niagara Falls. The members and friends of Elex who enjoyed the trip recently, all thought it was a wonderful week-end. The weather was perfect and the trip well-planned. What glamorous creatures we were wearing boots, raincoats and hoods, on the trip through the tunnels under the Horseshoe Falls! Our yellow outfits were colorful while we carefully inched our way on the slippery catwalks at The Cave of the Winds. "The Surrey With the Fringe on Top" became a reality and provided some transportation for a novel sightseeing tour. All those who visited the Burning Springs have a new method of washing dishes. It was quite a sight watching the glasses being sterilized with flaming water! There were some weary and bedraggled-looking individuals leaving the train at 3:25 a.m., but everyone reported a grand time. . . . Most of the people honored Fathers June 19, but Mae Mulvane. She was a trifle confused and proceeded to give Lawrence his package a week ahead of time. I'll bet he will have a grand time blinking "Gee and Haw" with the new lights. . . . Imo Jean Schwartz attended a surprise birthday party for her Grandpa Schwartz Monday night. It was his 77th birthday. . . . Bertha Schrader visited at the home of her daughter, Dorothy Parker Sunday. . . . The bass law has arrived officially in Indiana now, and Michigan fishermen are anxiously waiting for June 25. Mary Ward wrote this little poem about the Mighty Angler:

The Fisherman

Behold the fisherman; his creel,
His eight-ounce rod, his three-spool reel.
His nine pound line, his gallon flask,
His quite immeasurable task!
His eight foot boat, the four mile lake,
His dollar thirst, the penny stake,
His two-mile row, his 10 ton wish,
His 12 yard cast—and his two inch fish!

G-E Drivers Rank Fourth In Contest

With a record of .827 accidents for 100,000 miles driven, the Fort Wayne G-E fleet of truck drivers are in fourth place in its section of the 1948-49 Fleet Safety Contest.

Sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, the contest will end next month.

The General Electric fleet is topped only by the Bellmont Trucking Company and Peter Eckrich & Sons, Inc., who have reported no accidents, and the Coder Trucking Service with .179 accidents.

Trailing the G-E drivers, nine other firms have reported accident rates ranging from 1.060 to 6.015.

Adventures Ahead

NAME..... AGE.....
(Please Print)

HOME ADDRESS.....

CITY..... ZONE..... STATE.....

SIGNATURE OF SPONSORING G-E EMPLOYEE

RELATION TO SUBSCRIBER

DEPT..... DATE.....

Fill in and give to a supervisor, who will forward it to Irene Sprunger, Bldg. 8-2.

Celebrates 40th Anniversary



Harl Bradley, Bldg. 4-6, recently celebrated his 40th anniversary with the Company, at which time he was presented a 40-year certificate. In the picture, Mr. Bradley is being congratulated on his long G-E service. Left to right are: J. J. Clarkson, Asst. Mgr. of Engineering, FHP Motor Div.; Mr. Bradley; J. H. Behm, Asst. Div. Engineer of the AC Motor Div.; and Harold Carter, Div. Engineer.

Business Conditions

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could cause a serious 'chain reaction' not justified by current business conditions."

In the various meetings conducted by the Works Manager and the Managers of the Fort Wayne product lines, general business trends, company-wide, were discussed and related to the local production and employment situation. It was explained to all persons attending the meetings that Fort Wayne G-E product lines have been forced to cut back further than average levels of production and employment for the Company during the current re-adjustment period. It was stated that this is largely due to the meeting of the abnormally high demand created by the war and immediate post-war periods for Fort Wayne motors and transformers and, in some instances, the existence of heavy inventories in the hands of other manufacturers using these products which must be converted into sales before additional new business can be anticipated. It was suggested, concerning the general business situation, that the present industrial decline in production may continue until the second quarter of 1950, but business may again reach the high level of 1948 by the end of 1951. This prediction was based on continued confidence in the industry and in the economic system on which the maintenance of high production and employment levels may well depend.

In all of the meetings conducted during the past week, all persons were urged to cooperate personally in the various cost reduction programs and other activities aimed at keeping production costs at the lowest possible level and encouraging additional sales.

Getts To Retire July 1



Charles Getts is shown receiving a send-off by John Lare, Assistant Superintendent of the General Service division. Mr. Getts, who formerly worked in Bldg. 10-1, left last week for a three-weeks vacation before retiring July 1.



Our "We wish you happiness" mat is out for Marge Kennel who will say "I do" tomorrow. . . . We should have a housewarming coming up. Jeanette Brianfalk and her husband moved in their new home last week. . . . While waiting for one of the fairer sex of our floor to hunt for a misplaced telephone bill, one of the fellows thought of something to invent. It is going to be a small gadget with a dial system. Whatever you are looking for, just twist the dial and the lost item will be tracked down for you. No fuss, no worry, nice, isn't it girls? . . . If you can't get Hershel Case to look your way when you need him, give a wolf whistle. He looks every time. . . . Did you hear a loud rumbling like the punch press section going at full speed? It was just Harold Kiel trying to think. He still doesn't know who has to pay the bet. . . . Our sympathy was with Harold Hohman when we heard he nearly passed out in a meeting. We could very well understand when we heard he was sitting next to Harry Chism smoking one of those two-for-five-cents cigars, the kind that smell like lightning hitting the glue factory. . . . Was Velma Seibt mad. She went to the phone and said, "eggs." It wasn't the Dinner-Winner program at all. . . . Mary Jane Redding tried to stop a winding steel with her forehead. We still don't know if she asked for a dispensary pass or a new tool order. . . . From all reports the girls had a fine time at Niagara Falls. Ann Robinson took her husband along for a belated honeymoon. . . . Hedy Harrison is recovering from a big blister she received from all the hiking. . . . Esther Fox is grandma again. She has a right to be all smiles. . . . We noticed Lorena Buuck with a new short hair cut—bangs and everything. . . . Reports have it that George Soule walks around with mice in his pockets. New pastime? . . . Marge Ireland must be getting absentminded. She took the wrong bus and had to have Verda Deal tell her the one to take so that she would get home. . . . We hope Ella Arn enjoyed her vacation last week. . . . Grace Jones is on our sick list this week. . . . The 562 line was a bunch of grunts and groans last week. Leona Hollis' corns told her we'd have rain. (We seemed to have plenty, too). Lowella Koogle had a toothache and didn't open her mouth all day. And Ann Kensill is still on the sick list. . . . We welcome Ruth Schmidt and Eulalia Zuber back to our floor, also Velma Smith a newcomer. . . . We're sorry to lose Vivian Tucker. She has gone back to Taylor St. . . . Several of the girls went to Waterloo to see Helen Weigle Schiffli. She said to tell everyone, "hello." . . . Let's go see Hallie Hosler. I'll bet that new 10-foot refrigerator is filled to the top. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Larry Huffman and his wife in the death of their son.

It's possible for a man to live 200 years on vegetables alone, says a doctor. And it would seem like a thousand.

G-E Displays

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plated ignition transformers, mounted on black velvet, revolved. A three-dimensional panel dramatizing custom-built qualities of G-E control transformers added sales impact.

Representative units of G-E oil burner motors and furnace fan and blower motors were shown in the display. Unit bearing motors were also given a prominent position. Motors shown ranged from a low of 1/500 hp for the unit bearing design through ¾ hp for the belt drive, fan motors.

G-E motors and transformers were in numerous evidence on oil-burner equipment throughout the hall.

Exhibits Boost Sales

The exhibit enabled heating and air conditioning manufacturers, distributors, and dealers to get "on the spot" inspection of General Electric motors applicable to their needs. The general public also had an opportunity to inspect and ask questions about the motors they receive when buying automatic heating and ventilating equipment.

This trade show is also one of our best means of boosting sales of ignition transformers, since it puts us in direct contact with many of the oil-heating equipment manufacturers who are hunting components to be incorporated in the fall models.

M. W. Edgar and R. A. Thompson, both of Taylor St., represented the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions at the exhibit; J. P. Coughlin and Frank Ondrovik, both of Bldg. 26-2, represented the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions.



Our congratulations to George Seibold who recently received first prize for his rose garden. George, at the time of his retirement, said he intended to devote much of his time to raising roses, so that award proves it has been well spent. . . . We are happy to welcome Helen Hine Guillaume back to white armature test. . . . Ray Lepper reports a catch of 10 bass and one pike as the season opens. Can you top this? . . . The boys suggest having Paul Kennerk's grinder mounted on a turntable. They say this would eliminate the wear and tear on his neck and still keep him in position where little can escape his observation. . . . Whenever you see a couple of men engaged in serious conversation you can depend on its being either fishing or gardening. Seeing Harry Anderson and Floyd (worry-me-sick) Saylor so engaged, bystanders weren't surprised to overhear their gardening problems. Harry's trouble is his youngsters' pet rabbit which he has been unable to catch. The pet keeps the cabbage plants trimmed to the ground. Saylor's complaint is the super-abundance of potato bugs. Ed Glusenkamp had no solution for Anderson's problem, but he did suggest paris green for the bugs, although he says it's hard on goats in case there are any on the loose. At least that is what brought the one his family owned to an early grave when Ed was just a kid of a boy. . . . Al Kissinger was fortunate enough over the week-end to catch those two bass somebody planted in Adams Lake. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Thyral (Bud) Neu who became parents of a baby daughter, Barbara, last week. Mrs. Neu, formerly Genevieve Figel, was employed in white armature test and Bud, until his recent transfer, worked at the annealing oven.

A good provider is a person who produces the bacon and also brings home Savings Bonds.

Melvin Beucler

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a difficult obstacle course.

An interview with Mr. Beucler and pictures will appear in next week's paper.

Fish Contest Is Announced For Children

The third annual Allen County Kid Fishing Contest, sponsored by the county conservation clubs, opened Thursday, June 16 and will continue until Labor Day. All children under 16 years old are eligible to enter the contest.

Prizes for the biggest fish caught and landed in Indiana by the contestant will be made in the following classes: Large and small mouth bass, bluegill, and sunfish, perch, northern pike, crappie and rock bass, catfish, carp and suckers, the largest fish entered, and turtle (by weight).

The fish may be registered at any of the following places: K and D Sports Shop and Wildwood Hardware and Sporting Goods in Fort Wayne; Umber Hardware, Waynedale, Huntertown Auto Sales, Huntertown; Gumpf Hardware, Inc., Woodburn; Dean Lawrence Restaurant, Monroeville; Roth Firestone Service, Grabill; Leo Hardware Store, Leo; Michael Garage, Cedarville; Don and Jack Service, Harlan and Schnelker Hardware, New Haven.

Mike Lowe, Bldg. 17-4, and Al Olson, Taylor St., are on the contest committee.

PURDUE OFFERS SUMMER SESSION

A six-weeks summer session beginning July 11 and ending Aug. 20 will be offered in the Purdue Technical Institute Dr. R. M. Bateman, center maanger, announced today.

This program includes courses leading to Associate Technical Aide diplomas in Building Construction Technology, Electrical Technology, Drafting and Mechanical Technology, and Industrial Technology.

Courses available are technical report writing, technical drawing, machine drawing, advanced machine drawing, and fundamentals of practical speaking.

The summer program is scheduled for evenings in order to allow students to obtain practical work experience while attending school.

Registration for the summer session will be held July 7 and 8 at the Purdue Center, Jefferson at Barr.

Veterans who wish to attend should make application for the Veterans Administration certificate of eligibility and entitlement at the nearest Veterans Administration office prior to registration dates in order to avoid needless confusion.

Final Meeting of Production Training Course Is Held Here



The final meeting of the Production Supervisors and Assistants course was held last week in Bldg. 16-2. These meetings which have been held each month at Schenectady, Pittsfield, River Works and Fort Wayne were open to production managers, supervisors, purchasing agents and their assistants.

The course consisted of planned discussions on proved production routines and procedures. Lectures on shop operations, supervision, personnel work, methods, material control and purchasing were given.

Those taking the course were: (l. to r., in the picture) D. A. Bartle, Fort Wayne; G. A. Mirate, Schenectady; G. T. McCarthy, Elmira; W. J. Barber, River Works; G. C. Holden, Pittsfield; P. G. Singleton, guest speaker from Fort Wayne; R. A. Woehr, Fort Wayne; A. L. Miorin, Schenectady; P. W. Sweeney, River Works; D. E. Broderick, Schenectady; William F. Newmaker, Pittsfield; Harry Grossman, River Works, and Al Swift, Fort Wayne.



Congratulations to Russell Frey. Last week was Russ's vacation and he was planning on painting his lake cottage. . . . Cleon Oyer, much to everyone's dismay, refused to make his "fire run" last Friday. . . . Mrs. Vogts has had additional duties this past week, as a housewife. She now has to clean and polish the car every night as Fritz has been driving it to work. . . . Finally Louie Botteron has his "hot rod" (a brand new 1935 Pontiac). He has overcome the high price of gasoline by adding one gallon of water. This way he has enough steam to last all day. Walt Neimeyer has offered Louie $1.50 for a tire. . . . Ora Grossman has been all smiles this week. He does have a new Pontiac. . . . Walt Neimeyer has been getting 10 miles to a gallon of gasoline, instead of nine, since he has learned to drive in high. . . . Walter Holloway (our big game hunter) did an unbelievable job when he killed a mouse last week. . . . Jim Batters is removing the paint on his house with a hose. We are now wondering if he'll paint it with a broom? . . . Anyone having any puppies that howl see Louie Hinen. . . . Summer is officially here. Luke Shorter is wearing his ice cream pants. . . . Esther Elizabeth Pauline Waldo Watson has clocks and more clocks but still comes to work late. . . . Grace Wall had an awful time getting off the bus until she heard the familiar, "step down, please." . . . Bea Hans learned you can't look elsewhere and pour coffee at the same time. She started to drink hers from an ash tray. . . . Waldo Martin likes weak coffee. How about it, Waldo? Does it keep you awake at work? . . . Alice Rogers always keeps her word. Last week when she flew to see her new nephew she told the doctor she would give her eye tooth to hold him. To her surprise the wish was granted. The doctor asked her for the eye tooth, and promptly she handed them to him (store teeth). . . . The Daisies will have a good excuse now if they lose a game. Their loyal rooter, Helen Miller, is now working second trick. . . . Stella Strong went to Bloomington to attend the graduation of her son. . . . Just a tip to our single girls. If you want the inside track with Kenny Rupp, talk midget races with him. . . . Louise Roberts was advised by Mac that her arbor would turn over if she'd turn the switch on. . . . We want to welcome Bob Hartman to our division. . . . The last report is Mike O'Grady has the situation well under control. He is now getting the normal amount of milk from Bossy.



Some of the boys would like to remonstrate against Ray Heck using company towels to wipe off his Model T Ford. Every lunch period he takes out a half dozen or so with which to wipe off the car, then brings them back into the plant. The big complaint is that some of the fellows pick up these towels to wipe off their hands and get scratched with the cotter keys and other parts that come off during the wiping process. . . . We were very pleasantly surprised one day last week when a visit was paid us by our Field Marshal Conrad Hohnholz. After an absence of more than two years, all of us were glad to see him. He is looking good and tells us that he is in fine fettle. We sincerely hope that he will not wait another decade before coming to see us again. If he does not put in an appearance within a reasonable time we will have to resort to calling him some more pet names in order to bring him to the fore. . . . Alfred "Red Snapper" Renz has just completed a course of instructions in the National School of Clowning. Being a natural in this respect he expects to join one of our major circuses within the next few weeks. Also a contract is being negotiated which calls for his appearance with indoor circuses this coming winter. . . . Clarence Stove and his son have purchased a plot of ground at Big Turkey Lake in that section known as the "Big Bog" or "Mosquito Run." They plan to have an airplane spray this swampy land with DDT to destroy the mosquito larve, then fill it in. When it settles sufficiently, they plan on erecting a year-round ranch type home of goodly proportions. Clarence said that eventually this will be the show place of northern Indiana and not only that, it will insure him of permanent winter fishing grounds. . . . Charles Sherland is truly the "strawberry king." He has a patch on his place with plants producing berries of extraordinary size. Some of them measure more than six inches in circumference. They are the most beautiful ones we have ever seen. Charley bought four of these plants several years ago, paying $2 each for them. They have multiplied until now he has a patch of goodly size. . . . We are happy to announce that Richard Braun is now the proud father of a seven pound baby boy, born this past week. Thomas Duwane is his name. From all reports mother and son are doing fine, and we take this opportunity to extend to them our heartiest congratulations. Herman Braun, Dick's dad, is also celebrating the event as it is his first time being a grandpa.

Foreman Honored At Retirement



Leo J. Miller, foreman in Bldg. 10-1, is pictured opening a gift given him by his friends in General Service. Mr. Miller retired June 1. Looking on are: Tunis Leaming, Walter Sorg, Louis Witte, William Walt, Harold Steinbacher, Howard Moore, Sam Henry, Robert Hatfield and George Dunifon.



Hi, Dad, you certainly are the forgotten man. Sorry we did not elaborate a little more in our column last week regarding Father's Day. If you were among those who read the WORKS NEWS thoroughly you no doubt noticed that only one other division editor had anything to say about Father's Day. We were of the opinion that everyone and his brother would have something to say. Especially the married ladies even if their husbands were not fathers they still had fathers of their own, and the single ladies who will some day expect that grand old dad of theirs to march down the center aisle with them to give them away to the mate of their choice. But don't worry, dad, God willing we will not forget you next year, and remember a man is still President of this great USA. Don't let them take that away from you too. . . . Have you all noticed those scratches on Roy May's face? Roy would not tell us, but we got it from good authority that he was stooping low and got kicked in the face by a coon hound. . . . We have many automatic appliances these days such as G-E washers, etc., but have you seen the latest? We mean Wimpy Lemper's automatic and folding comb, P.S. Also removes dandruff while combing the hair. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Truman Buckles, whose father died last week.

Insulation News

For the latest in modern design, see Hans Muller. It seems that now it is considered "the" thing to build the basement after the house is completed. That's not only modern, Hans, but it is also the hard way. . . . This week we say farewell to Elenore Plock, who retired after 43 years service. The gang had a potluck lunch in her honor and presented her with a gift. We wish you all good luck, Elenore, and assure you that we'll be thinking of you often. . . . If you want to know just how delicious Estella Morrolf's cakes can be—see Bill Glenn. . . . Bill Hattendorf is thinking seriously of writing a book. The title of it is to be, "Life in an Elevator." After last Tuesday, Bill considers himself an expert on the subject.

COUNT OFF

Taylor Street DIVISION 17

10-20-30

by Dorothy Hengsteler

The boys who went on a fishing trip to Lake Erie last week-end had a very good time. No one got seasick except the skipper of the boat—the fellows must have been "old salts." They are ready to go back for more but they said $20 for one pickerel is pretty expensive. . . . When George Ryan bought his new Buick he gave his son his old Ford to drive back to the marine base in North Carolina. His son got the car there okay and after he and his buddies had repaired it into tip top shape, someone took a liking to it and stole it. George is all smiles now as they found the stolen Ford and nothing was missing except the battery. . . . Glen Miller returned from his vacation this week. We haven't had a chance to ask what he did, but from the nice tan he has he must have been fishing a couple of days. . . . Dick Graham must have wanted a thrill two weeks ago. The story goes Dick turned his car end over end and when asked what happened he said a nut went loose behind the steering wheel. Dick was the nut. Dick Graham's neighbor is not to be outdone as two days later he went out and rolled his car over sideways. Dick, we hear they pay good money in these "Thrill Driver" shows, why not try for it? . . . Elvin Moser retired last Friday. We'll miss you, Elvin, so drop around from time to time and let us know how it feels to sleep late in the morning. . . . Welcome to the new girls in Ralph Keller's section. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Peggy Bandt on the recent death of her mother. . . . Our twins, Herb Richter and Ed Bandt, celebrated their birthday Friday and very pleasantly surprised us all by treating us to ice cream. Many more happy birthdays, boys. . . . We are glad to have Herman Watters back with us after being ill last week. . . . Marguerite Stahl must have her new percolator; the odor of "air fresh" has died down. . . . The group are anxiously awaiting those raspberries Charlie Engle promised us. . . . Ed Donaghy takes first prize for the biggest strawberries. Charlie gets second because one of the judges was absent at the time.

MAIN OFFICE Contents

by Vivian Bond

"If we rave about beautiful June
It rains when the paper comes out.
If we speak of the changeable weather
The sun will keep shining, no doubt.
If we sing of the wonderful Red Sox
They'll pick up on this week for a slump.
Here's a pox and a curse to the deadline
We never know which way to jump.
Oh, the woes of a rhymer are many,
Who must write a week in advance.
For no matter what subject he uses
He is taking a horrible chance.
Since its summer and the season of the roses
The chips may lie right where they fall.
While we just take a little siesta,
And write about nothing at all!"
(Thanks to E. H. Martin, River Works)

Niagara Falls again withstood an invasion by Elex. Thelma Stone, Bldg. 18-1, Flossie Greek, Bldg. 18-2, and Donna Walters, Bldg. 18-B, were among those watching the "Maid of the Mist" etc. Thelma and Flossie returned without any difficulties but not so with Donna. The story is she and Marge Murphy of Bldg. 4-6 were assigned a room together. Everything went well until they were ready to come home—their luggage was missing from the hotel. They say the bellhop took the luggage by mistake, now I am wondering if the girls just decided to leave their luggage and find the men already for a traditional honeymoon. The luggage was returned to them promptly. . . . **An Experience:** Dick Frey, Works Service Accounting Div., is a little calm after the storm of his experience. Enjoying nothing better than a named brand cigarette he proceeded to indulge. He lighted one in the usual manner and was rewarded with the usual results of a practical joker—he thought it was the cigarette that was loaded. He lighted the second one, this time walking down the aisle in his section, you can well imagine his surprise when the bang repeated. It was then he discovered that the matches were loaded. Was his face red! . . . **Have You Noticed?** We must have a Hollywood star in our midst. At least it would appear so. Ruth Fritz of Bldg. 18-1 has a new pair of sun glasses, but she wears them in the shade. We thought she might be hiding, but it develops she has an eye infection and for that we are sorry. . . . You will not need to wait until vacation for a trip to Spring Mill State Park. It is located near Mitchell, Ind., and offers all the lures of nature. The surroundings are beautiful, the hotel exceptionally nice, and, of course, the meals perfect. The old village they have reproduced is interesting from the old postoffice, apothecary and millinery stores to the grist mill that grinds out bushels of corn meal every day. The loft of the mill is a fortune to those interested in antiques, but they are not for sale! You may hike, swim, or ride to your heart's content or you may just sit and enjoy the trees. Better get your reservations in early though, lots of other people have the same idea. . . . Our congratulations to Opal Burns, Bldg. 18-1, on her birthday June 17 and to Mr. and Mrs. William Spahr on their sixth wedding anniversary. . . . We were sorry to have Agnes Fischbaugh leave Bldg. 18-1 Accounting last week. . . . **Reunion:** Saturday, June 17, was a happy day for Juanita Spice, Bldg. 18-1, because her sister-in-law, Mrs. Harry Foster, arrived from Sittingborne, England. This is her first visit in 37 years and the reunion was a happy one. . . . **Bldg. 18-4:** It is said "no news, good news," so everything must be good around this place for there seems to be very little, if any news. . . . Anyhow, if you are interested in curiosities, make a visit to the Data Bureau and see floors that react with the weather. Just now there is a hump in the center. No optical illusion, either. . . . We did not hear much about the supervisors' picnic. Understand, though, that they had six-man ball teams, which is quite rare. The lightning struck the pinball machine—putting it out of commission so there was nothing left but the card tables for amusement, thanks to an uncooperative weather man. . . . Al Tharp has some sharp camera studies of his pet dog playing with a mole. They justify merit.

When a girl's face is her fortune it usually leads into a nice figure.

John Hengsteler Retires



John Hengsteler, Bldg. 19-4, left the Company recently for retirement. On his last day, Mr. Hengsteler's friends on second shift gave him several presents. In the foreground of the picture are: Maurice Sordelet, Foreman; Mr. Hengsteler and John Fleischer. Gathered around Mr. Hengsteler in the background are: (l. to r.) Robert Palmer, Paul Gemmell, Robert Green, C. L. Schnepp, Ronald Zimmerman, Kenneth Fosnaugh, Ned Tarney, Frank Armstrong, Dorwin Stanley, Argus Ormsby, William Speith, Harrison VanDiver, Dan Knepper, Robert Pequignot, Foreman; Bob Kahlenbeck, James Harris, Howard Demsey, Herbert Meyer, Arnold Kiefer, Franklin Lebrecht, Henry Kruse, Louis Pieper, Harold Richardson, Charles Munson, Robert Reardon and Ralph Reed.

HERE and THERE in BUILDING 17-4

by Maxine Baker

"Famous Upset" — or — "The Hammock That Wasn't There." Our story concerns one Harold Moore who was enjoying lake life to the full. It seems he snagged a hammock and was all stretched out to appreciate the cool breeze and the sun on the water, when one of the other guests asked Harold for the hammock. Now Harold wasn't giving up this life of ease and remarked that he couldn't be budged, maybe not, but imagine his surprise when he discovered himself skimming over the grass without benefit of the hammock. Moral of the story: Be sure you can back up your statements or you too may be upset in life. . . . Already the first week of the fishing season has come and gone with the usual tales. Normally it takes one week after the fishing trip to get the whole truth and nothing but the truth. Here are the results as given to us and you can let your conscience guide you as to the truth of these statements. "Nature Boy" Solga got seven bass during three trips to Storey Lake. They ranged from 11 to 17 inches. He evidently is getting a discount on boat rent as he always goes to Storey Lake. "Neptune" Miller, "Pikey" Ebersole and "The big one got away" Smith went on an overnight fishing trip to Snow Lake. Results: one pike and nine bass. None of them were monsters. Miller and Ebersole didn't coach Smith very well in the fine art of landing a pike so Smitty lost the big one by trying to wind him up in a knot before landing him! . . . Gerry "Daredevil" Holdgreve proved to be the gentleman and took his family fishing. Results were five bass. All of them shared in the catching but we were told Gerry made Edna row the boat most of the time while he and his son did the casting. . . . The hard one to believe is that Don Thomas and Don Kruse never even went fishing. They really must be henpecked or something! . . . For a Father's Day present, Mr. Hanson's daughters let him take them to the lake! . . . The happy beam on Howard Brooks' face Monday morning is the result of a new Chevy in the family.

Shoaff Completes 35 Years



Ralph F. Shosff, Bldg. 4-6, has completed 35 years with General Electric. At the time of his anniversary, he received a 35-year certificate. Present when he received the certificate were: (l. to r.) James H. Oman, Asst. to FHP Motors Production Manager; Mr. Shoaff and A. J. Rose, Production Manager.

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DUAL ROLE . . . Mrs. Sadie Scullary has been named 1949 Mother by the Chemical Department NEWS, as best representing the qualities of motherhood while contributing to industry. Mother of four children, she has been with G.E. for 16 years, does all her own house work in addition to baking, canning, raising vegetables and chickens. She is an ardent movie fan to boot. Above, she's at her job in the Pittsfield finishing section and, below, baby-sitting with four of her five grandchildren.





GAME GALS . . . With warm weather in full swing, the girls at Hanford Works prepare for keen competition ahead in softball, summer's top spectator sport at Richland, Washington. It's better luck next time for Nancy Mandell, above, as "ump" Barbara Gammon calls a strike. Catcher is Iva Tucker.



OPEN WIDE . . . Frank Ashley, of General Office, eyes his recent catch, a 5¼-pound, 25½-inch brown trout, which is the leading entry in its class in the Fishing Contest, sponsored by the General Office Recreation Council.

FIRST BIRTHDAY PARTY . . . The Electronettes, woman's club at Electronics Park, Syracuse, entertained President Wilson recently when he appeared as guest speaker at their first birthday dinner. Hester Smith, Ruthann Stubbs, Barbara Widmann, Marie Tyler and Mary Church admire gold fountain pen which the Electronettes presented to Mr. Wilson in honor of his 50th year of service with General Electric.

G-E Salesmen G



At G.E's Nela Pork a sales representative gives a lighting technique demonstration to store lamp dealers as a part of the educotional promotion. One of the most modern of lighting institutes, Nela Park provides instruction on lighting arrangements for eye oppeal to inside store displays, window trims, back wall displays, etc.



Sales Engineer F. S. Bunce, right, gives two-way radio demonstration to New Rochelle, N. Y. Police Chief Walter L. Kirchoff, left, and City Manoger R. D. Klebes.



Typical G-E salesman travels hundreds of miles Monday through Friday, labors nights on book work and orders in hotel room as shown here by W. A. Raines, Sales Engineer.



Many sales procedures demand the advice and counsel by technical men. Here a wiring detail is explained by Clarence Van Etten, left, G-E Supply Corporation wiring representative, to Leon Silberstein, President, and Richard Silbert, both of Jameson Construction Co., and Frank Hughes, construction superintendent on job.

Wherever the far-flung General Electric sales organization is operating today, our salesmen are going after the business as they never have before. For today, the first time since 1941, we find ourselves in a buyers' market and the buyer is back in the "driver's seat." The country is fast getting over the shortages of one kind and another which have for several years kept people clamoring for all the products our factories could turn out. Today we are finding it necessary to go to work to please customers, and to offer them every possible incentive to buy the things we make.

This year, General Electric is spending more money and putting forth more effort on advertising and selling than in any previous period. Our sales force, our distributors, and our dealers are out, as never before, to make the sales that make the jobs, to create that necessary business which will keep our factories and employees busy. To further help them in promoting this effort, the Company has reduced prices on product after product. Some G-E products have been reduced a second time since the first of this year. Others are almost back to the 1940 price level.

All of us can help in this effort, by turning out products of better quality, of greater reliability, and products which are more attractive to the customer. We can improve efficiency and eliminate waste so that costs and prices can be reduced even more.

Here on these pages are shown a few of the G-E men who are out after the customers' orders —the sales that make the jobs.

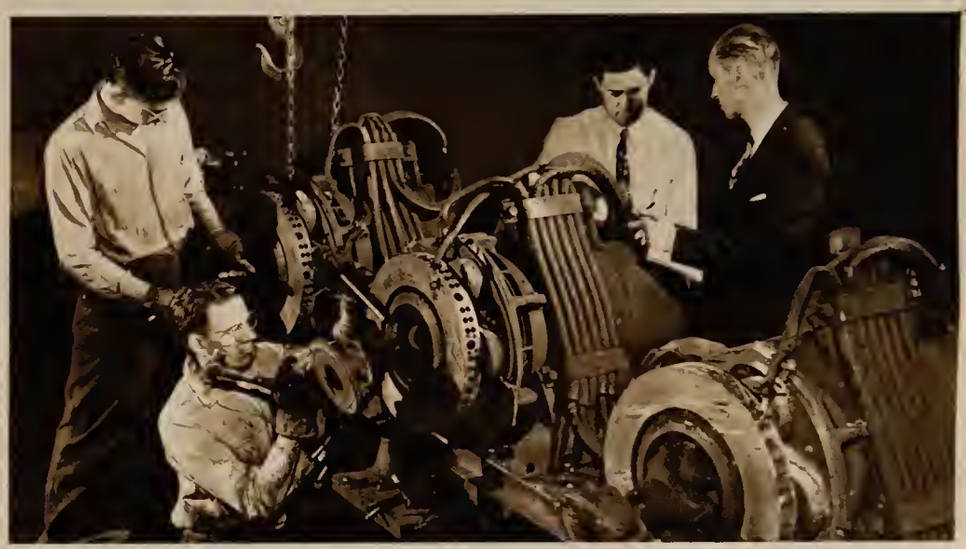


To promote G-E and dealer good-will, salesmen take a Saturday to trim dealer's window, as was done here by J. Abrahams, District Appliance Traffic Specialist.

o Out After the Business Which Makes the Jobs



L. H. Kirschbach, air conditioning sales representative, demanstrates the HDH miniature model air conditianing unit to J. R. Gistedt, Schwerin Air Conditianing Carp. engineer.



Service Engineers contact railroads, subways and air lines for motor repair wark, give estimates, send jobs in. At G.E.'s Lang Island City repair shop preparing complete overhaul on subway drive motors are from left: machinists G. Carba and J. Ryan, shop foreman Wm. Heim and Service Engineer W. T. Nickerson.



Sales depend on market research as shown here with ladies' plastic heels by C. M. Miller, left, market research analyst for the Chemical Dept. and shoe manufacturer's designer.



G-E Credit Carp. finances from factory to whalesaler ta dealer. Solving dealer's problem fram left: D. M. Whiting, G-E Credit Corp., Ed Hoffman of Hoffman Electric Co., Jack Lubash, wholesaler, and Clayton Dunning, G-E District Sales Representative.



Advertising sparks sales. Here G. A. Bradford, right, and H. W. Leland, Advertising and Sales Pramatian Divisians, discuss campaign for new line of G-E matars.



Fram plant praduction thraugh distributar, wholesaler and dealer, ultimate goal af all sales is placing af merchandise in the consumer's home. Waiting with expectancy af new ownership are Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Underwaod, 1449 Balltawn Rd., Schenectady, with sans, Eric, left, and Mark, painting, as Allen's G-E Appliance stare truck delivers refrigerator.

Candid Camera



LOOKING AT INDUSTRY . . . Richard Keyser, above, Assistant to the Manager, Danville, Ill. Plant, explains plant planning schedule to a group of teachers visiting the General Electric plant recently during Danville's Business-Industry Education Day, sponsored by local Chamber of Commerce.



CHOCOLATE SONGBIRDS . . . With rendition of "Rufus Rastus Johnson Brown," Herb Eatan, left, and George Hoopingarner, Fort Wayne Works, added spark ta G-E Squares Club minstrel show which played to a capacity audience.



HITS HALF-CENTURY MARK . . . At dinner welcaming more than 150 employees into Schenectady's Quarter Century Club, honored guest was Simon V. P. Stevens, left, wha has just completed 50 years of service with G.E. Walter C. Heckman, manager of G.E.'s Aeronautic and Ordnance Systems Divisions, presents him with a 50-yeor Club button and service certificate.



SHARPSHOOTERS . . . Milton Hawe, left, captain of the Rifle Club at Pittsfield Works, is the first winner of the Alden P. Healey Memarial Trophy for highest individual score in Eastern New Yark Rifle League. Jahn A. Groves, also of the Pittsfield Warks, halds plaque which local team wan far highest team scare in this year's competitian.



HOW TO BEAT THE HEAT . . . Although not designed for this purpase, a G-E hame freezer is ideal far cooling off an a hat day. At Erie Works, where G-E refrigerators and home freezers are made, Elaine Dunlovey, Susan Blackwood and Natalie Krainski danned sweaters to avaid "ovei-chilling."

Given Gifts At Retirement



Carl Kleemier, Bldg. 19-4, is pictured looking at the outboard motor he received from his friends at the time of his recent retirement. He also received a gasoline tank for the motor and a box of cigars.

Grouped around Mr. Kleemier are: (l. to r.) E. J. Schafenacher, foreman; Bill Hoel, Milo Rauner, Don Martz, Eugene Dennie, Arthur Dicke, William Jefferies, John Roebel, John Hensler, Nolan Lowden, William Wedler, Scott Click, Ed Bashop, Martin Walsh, Louis Palueszak, Lloyd Welbaum, Rufus Niblick, and Gerald Widner.

SLEUTHING in 4-6

by JOAN POOS

Odds and Ends: L. N. Nelson has been ill three days with a cold. Hope you're feeling better now. . . . H. C. Bradley has been here 40 years. Ah—that I could live so long. . . . Do you think it will ever rain? During the siege of rain I heard a radio announcer say that we needn't give the weather report, as it was just a mimeographed copy of the preceding day. . . . Last week Dick Richards was on vacation (third week, lucky guy). Dick planned on painting his house, but didn't receive any cooperation from the weather man. It seems that the week wasn't a total loss, as Dick is now driving a Buick to work. . . . Sympathy: We all extend our sympathy to Betty Puff, Developmental Section whose mother died recently. . . . Something New: Did you notice those "huddles" in various portions of the D.C. Section last week? They weren't getting ready for the kick off, only discussing how different people tie their shoestrings. About six sub-normal methods employed by human beings were discovered. The honors went to none other than Richard Heard for having the most "Out-of-the-way-method." Dick goes by way of New Haven. Other methods given honorable mention were illustrated by Wade Tyler, Ray Jones, and Ed Whipple. . . . Visitor: We all had a pleasant surprise last week when Byron Case paid us a short visit. . . . As you may have noticed this column has been quite a bit shorter lately. If you have any news I would appreciate it if you would send or bring it in to me. . . . Surprise: Juanita Schrecongost surprised the girls from payroll as she met the Elex train in Buffalo. She is a former employee of the payroll section who now resides in Buffalo. . . . Big bang: That wasn't a fire cracker you heard the other morning; it was Millie Blievernicht trying to light a cigarette. . . . Question of the Week: For what reason does Dora Holycross, payroll, want to know what time the horses get up?

TOP FLOOR TOPICS BLDG. 26-5

by WALT POHLER

As usual each Friday we hear comments from all sides, such as, do we have a column this week? And one individual remarked that he was of the opinion that they didn't want us to have any news. I wonder how many of our co-workers read Cliff Ward's column in the "News-Sentinel" several days ago in which he explained how his mind refused to come up with anything constructive occasionally and that the same thing happens to all people who write professionally. Now your editor made a statement one time that he was sure he was in the same league with Winchell and Pearson. Therefore, like all great writers his mind plays tricks on him and refuses to work. So the only way to insure a news column each week is for each individual on the floor to make an effort to contribute some news item at least every two weeks. Someone will say, "well I turned in an item and it wasn't printed." That is true in one or two instances, and the reason it wasn't printed was because it was the only item received and one item doesn't make a column. . . . We wish to take this opportunity to welcome the many new people to Bldg. 26-5 and to advise them that we will be anxious to print any item of interest they may have. Just ask any of the older people who the floor editor is and give him the item. . . . A short time ago Orval Langhor installed some peach colored tile in his bathroom. It was then decided that the remainder of the room should be painted, so, Orval mixed the paint at night and completed the job. The result is a pink bathroom. It has been suggested Orval that this room would make a fine nursery. . . . With the advent of good weather our fishermen are out in full force. However, it seems that the most they catch is a good sunburn. Not to cast any reflections on the fishing ability of any individuals, we would like to mention that Loretta Bloom came in several days ago with a sunburn which resembled a fried egg. We didn't hear how many fish were caught. . . . Some of the boys are enjoying a little game of golf after work. The first time out Mertz and Pohler collected a few pennies from Winters and Pierce. We are expecting this movement to grow as several of the other fellows have expressed a desire to play also. . . . Recently an airplane which the Navy Department is proclaiming as the largest transport plane in existence visited our city. All the Navy boys on our floor were sure throwing their chests out. However, we Air Corps fellows will have the last laugh. The Navy plane carries 182 passengers. A recent issue of the Army Navy Journal contained an article stating that the transport version of of the B-36 Bomber had just been released to the Air Corps for acceptance and that the capacity of this plane is 400 fully equipped soldiers. . . . Now remember, folks, give us the news items and our column will continue.

A Florida thief robbed a man, then gave him a ducking in a river. As if his spirits hadn't been dampened enough.

2-2 TALES

by BELLE BUCHAN

Audrey Hickernell has joined the new car club of the office and is putting the miles on the speedometer getting ready for vacation and those far away places. . . . Lucile Werling says that it was the hot weather that caused the new up-sweep hairdo. Whatever it was we hope it continues. . . . I sure am in sack cloth and ashes this week, last week I said we had no June brides. How wrong I was, and I am apologizing to Joan Seery or rather Mrs. Guy Bailey. Joan went right out and got herself a husband. The young couple are living in Hicksville where Guy is employed. . . . Pres Slack and Vance Burnau are both on vacation this week but as neither one of them are fishermen, our finny friends have nothing to worry about. . . . No that isn't a new glamour gal across the aisle; it is Laurel Weaver with her new glasses. . . . And if you don't bear from me for a while it will be because I am on vacation, good old vacation.

Apprentice BROADCAST

by MILDRED ELLIS

Some of our apprentices really get around since we have three day week-ends. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Zollinger spent last week-end in Washington, D.C. . . . Butcher is busy fashioning a rudder for himself. He explained that witb all this rain he wanted some means of control when his size 12 gunboats float him. . . . We have a "new look" in the bench section. Rasor must have been Central's star track man, with the speed he used in beating all the fellows to the nicest bench. . . . Incidentally our draftsmen caugbt some nice fish last week-end. Bait? Cream puffs, of course. . . . Our apprentice ball team was defeated 2-0 by St. Andrews in a practice game Sunday, but it wasn't because "roughneck" Berkheiser didn't try. He knocked the wind out of a guy trying to make first base. . . . Quoted: Bob Barnes is not talking this week (?) . . . Miller put a new top on his convertible, now he doesn't need his wife to hold the umbrella while he drives. Boots are still needed though. . . . We welcome Ecenbarger and Pugh back. . . . Frede has found a quick way of getting a job. In the middle of the afternoon a loudly broadcasted "I've got my job finished for today"—no sooner said—than a supervisor appears at your elbow with a rush job. . . . Smitty's melons are growing fast. This column will keep all melon snatchers posted on their development. . . . 'Tis the middle of June and still no report on the completion of Jack and Carl's boat. But if all this rain keeps up they should be able to float it right out of Carl's basement. . . . Since report cards have been passed out McNulty has been seen looking over the stock of brooms.

Receives Congratulatory Letter



William Wickliffe, Foreman in Bldg. 4-3, recently completed 30 years with the Company, and at that time he received a congratulatory letter. Attending the presentation are: (l. to r.) Otto Roehm, Elmer Sible, Ted Bain, William Winner, Robert Blee, Arthur Knoll, Fred Castor, Mardo Tobias, Carl Rietdorf, Ross Strodel, Martha Scherzinger, O. J. Mettler, FHP Div. 1 Supt.; Mr. Wickliffe, George Prince, Glenn Thomas, Florlan Korte and Ed Robin.

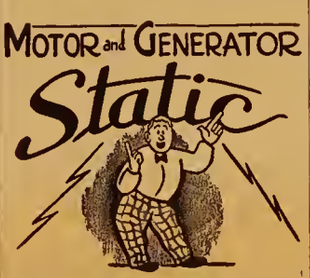


A farewell party was held in Bldg. 19-4 in honor of Carl "Doc" Kleemier who is retiring. The party started out with a bang with McFeely acting as toastmaster. Everyone was present but Doc so McFeely, who stood on the platform tearing his hair, threatened to ask someone to sing. Doc saved the day by then appearing. McFeely gave some of the highlights of Doc's career with the Company, then called on Ed Schafenacker to saw a few words. His words were few. Lowell Welker forgot his speech and could offer only a few words when he presented Doc with gifts to remember his fellow workers by. Doc invited everyone up to his cottage at Lake Gage. When the pictures were taken Ross Cohagan got so close to the camera that Walter Greiner almost broke his arm pulling Ross out of the way. . . . John Hengsteler of the second shift heat treat section retired also. He was presented with several nice remembrances by his co-workers. Among these was a wallet, a clock and a portable radio. John was appropriately impressed with this show of good will, but he was afraid that each successive package was the cigar-box with the spring in it. However, this item failed to show up, and after a few short speeches the party broke up. . . . Is John Roemer afraid to clean catfish or is he just plain mad at them 'cause they ate his nightcrawlers. He was overheard telling that his crawlers looked good enough to eat. John thinks those fins are plenty sharp so he just gave the catfish (uncleaned, that is) to a friend. . . . One thing about Bldg. 19-5 there is never a dull moment on this floor and if you doubt that statement just ask Ray Mutton. He will tell you that things really started off with a bang last Monday morning. Good thing you are calm, Ray, a nervous man probably would have jumped right over that machine. . . . We are not quite sure whether Jim Pugh was affected by the heat and was trying to use his lathe as a fan or whether he was just playing airplane but he surely gave us a thrill. Don't feel bad, Jim, that happens to most lathe men sooner or later. . . . We hear that Russell Sage would like to go fishing, but he is either afraid that he might get into the habit and couldn't get his work done or his wife has the same thought, because he has been trying to talk John Neukam into catching a mess of bluegills for him. If you can do that, Russell, more power to you. . . . Don Alcott looked as if he needed a few hours more sleep when he came dragging in Monday morning but he had a ready alibi as usual which was that he had a bad cold. It looked a lot like he had been eating too many dill pickles over the week-end and forgot to wear glasses to keep the pickle juice out of his eyes.

Receives Congratulations For Service



Earl Brandon, Bldg. 19-4, recently completed 30 years service with General Electric. He received a letter congratulating him on his long career at G-E. Attending the presentation of the letter are: (l. to r.) C. A. Brenner, General Tool Div. Supt.; Kenneth Sefton; Ed Steward, Foreman; Henry Gerdom; Jack Schemehorn; Mr. Brandon; Russell Dunten and Paul Weaver.



Thought for the Week: Never believe that you are perfect. When a man imagines, even after years of striving, that he has attained perfection, his decline begins.

The new mystery melody sounds like "The Emperor Waltz" by Strauss.

Water

The rain fell hard, the wind blew strong,
As down the aisle she tripped along.
Alas, did ne'er the fair maid think
The price she'd pay for just a drink.
She stooped to quaff the water sweet,
She pushed the pedal with her feet.
The wind increased. An aftermath
Poor Esther Dahlman got a bath.

By Jim Mitchell

HELP: The other day Jim Mitchell came to my desk, "Say I've got a gripe," he remarked. "You've got a gripe," I replied, "how about me? Last week the Inquiring Reporter called me 'Jim Mitchell' and I can't think of anything worse than that." "But don't you remember a few weeks ago through the medium of the NEWS I invited all you folks up to my emporium on Blue Lake to enjoy free movie shows Sunday evenings," Jim queried. "Yep," we answered, "so what?" "Well, you chiselers have not been coming," was his reply, "and I feel I am losing about 200 bucks a week because you don't. I am becoming despondent and morose, losing my sweet personality. Fact is I feel awful low and neglected." We squeezed out a few sympathetic tears. "James, old pal," we said in a voice choking with emotion, "we agree you are low, but we'll see what we can do for you." So, folks, it's up to you. Do you want to help drag Jim up from the depths of despair? Don't you think enjoying a free (it says here) movie on the cool shores of Blue Lake would be pretty nice? If so, come one, come all, Jim will welcome you with open arms, even dares you to come. . . . HERO: Alex Makriz, second vice president of Ed Foley's American Greeks, proved to be man of the hour recently. When a burglar attempted to gain entrance to the gun shop, Alex, hearing the breaking glass seized his trusty rifle and fired into the air, frightened the prowler away. Sez Frank Sites, "We have all kinds of burglar alarms and traps around the place, so please ask the robber not to try another break-in for a few weeks, or Alex will be a nervous wreck. P.S. Big John slept through the whole thing. . . . IT PAYS: It pays to be notorious. The publicity Art Druce gained in last week's news paid big dividends. The family appreciating his nautical trend of mind, presented him a captain's cap, complete with gold braid and trimmings for Father's Day. May your sailing be smooth, Art, and may Mrs. Druce and Mr. and Mrs. Daugherty be present to rescue you every time your ship hits a reef. . . . Your Roving Reporter.

Rounds Out 30 Years Here



Harry Kessler, Bldg. 17-1, recently rounded out 30 years of service at General Electric. At the time of his anniversary, he received a congratulatory letter on his long-time service. Attending the presentation of the letter are: (l. to r.) Marion Sprague; Frank Quinn, Foreman; Ed Kronmiller, Foreman; Mr. Kessler; Norman Bender, General Foreman; Cliff Combs, and Art Brockmeyer.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, June 27, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Package containing dress shoulder pads and foot pads. Lost in Fairfield parking lot.

FOR SALE

NINE DOE RABBITS—Four pedigreed; two pedigreed bucks. H-02314.

SIX-FOOT ELECTRICAL UNIVERSAL COOLER—H-46543.

DROPLEAF KITCHEN TABLE — And four chairs, white enamel. H-82355.

GIRL'S BICYCLE—Good condition, reasonable. 2517 Chestnut St., A-58424.

STUDIO BED — Blanket compartment, good condition, reasonable, suitable for cottage. A-50754.

NINE NEW FULL LENGTH WINDOW SCREENS—Size 55x36, never used, $2 each. H-03174.

QUART FRUIT JARS—Cheap. A-70012 after 4 p.m.

OZITE PADS—Wilton velvet rug, 9x12; table lamp. A-75442.

1940 SPECIAL DELUXE TWO-DOOR CHEVROLET—Black. Churubusco, phone 4391.

DINETTE SET—Tapestry seats, good condition, reasonable. H-90745.

SIMMONS METAL BED—And springs. A-66494.

ROLLAWAY BED—And mattress, excellent condition, sleeps two, $20. H-37924.

GIRL'S BICYCLE—H-76804.

FOR RENT

BY SEASON OR FOR SALE, COTTAGE — On south shore, Shriner Lake. Columbia City 541-L or 498.

WANTED

UMBRELLA TENT—Size 7x7. A-98212.

TO BUY OR RENT, 12x14 TENT—H-58441.

14-FOOT CARTOP BOAT—Not Plywood. A-55145.

Hodell Addresses Tech Convocation

Lisle D. Hodell, Manager of FHP Manufacturing, presented a talk at the first convocation for the summer term of Indiana Technical College Tuesday morning at the Palace Theater. His topic was "Manufacturing Engineering."



Like the old cow's tail, it seems we're always behind in our birthday wishes. This week's belated greetings are for Eileen Fitch whose birthday was June 12. . . . It's been quite some time since we've had out the old welcome mat, but comes now the time to say welcome to Barbara Meyers who is replacing cheerful Beverly Springer at the duplicator. Beverly is going to join the telegraph girls just across the hall, so we'll still be seeing her around. . . . The Elex gals who took Niagara Falls by storm two weeks ago have been displaying some brilliant camera art since most of them have their pictures back from the camera shops. The waterfall girls are Teresa Arend, Hilda Krause and Betty Millhouse. . . . Ah, with the vacation season fast approaching the age old question is beginning to arise at dinner tables and armchairs all over the country side. "Where shall we go this year, to the seashore, the mountains, or shall we just stay home and relax?" To arrive at any solution usually involves many hours of pouring over travel folders, time tables and arguments but finally everyone, sometimes everyone, agrees on just the proper spot. Then comes the waiting period, but finally the time arrives and you're off. Let's all try and make this a perfect vacation for everyone this year and remember to drive carefully and avoid leaving a tattered body or a burned forest due to our carelessness at the wheel or with a match.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

Ted Schlup according to some of his fellow co-workers is a fence builder of great ability and as a hunter he has no peer. Just recently, after building 40 rods of crooked rail fence, Ted stopped to catch his breath. While resting he spied a rabbit at the other end of the fence sitting at the foot of an old beech tree. Ted seized his gun (he always carries a gun while working in the fields to fight off hostile Indians) aimed and fired. The rabbit toppled over and as our hero ran up to the tree he noticed honey flowing from the old beech from the hole the bullet had made in the tree after completely going through the rabbit. Ted reached down to get a handful of grass to stop the flow of honey but seized the rabbit instead. This so startled him that he flung the dead animal into some bushes nearby with such force that he killed four pheasants and seven quail that had been hiding there. The best of it was that he got the honey in the tree and a new swarm to add to his other bees along with a new queen bee which incidentally he found out later, hails from Columbus, O. . . . Will Irmscher attended a big song fest in Chicago a couple of weeks ago. He states that there were at least 3000 singers competing in the contest and about 20,000 people were in the listening audience. Bill says that, despite what Frank Elder may say, he did not sing because he can't carry a tune even in a bucket. . . . Leroy Cook, for certain reasons, did not put out a garden this year. . . . Glenn Goshorn had an unfortunate experience the other Friday. He was to meet another scoutmaster from New Haven at Brouwer's station on Broadway right after work and go to the Boy Scout camparee in Kendallville. He changed into his field marshal's uniform in the afternoon and paraded around looking like a four-star general. Shortly after 3:30 he was seen waiting on Broadway. He waited there an hour until he found that the man he was waiting for couldn't go, so Glenn didn't go either. But he gave the boys in the west end of Bldg. 19-3 a treat. . . . Some people play bridge or poker in the evening for entertainment, others go to the movies, etc., but what would you think of a man who goes in for the lusty athletic sport of chasing cows? That's what Shorty Buchan does to kill the evening hours. A bit strenuous for a man of his years, but a man is only as old as he feels and maybe he feels a lot younger than we think. The truth is that a herd of cows belonging to a neighboring farmer broke a fence and invaded the premises of the Buchan garden disturbing Shorty's tranquil evening and raising the dickens with the vegetables. Mr. Buchan, in his house slippers and armed with only a flashlight, sprang to attack and led a desperate attempt to get rid of the intruding bovines. Finally after Shorty and the cows had done equal damage to the yard and garden, the farmer who owned the cattle got them out at 11:30 p.m. We imagine Buck hadn't had such an active evening in many years.



In reply to the last item in last Friday's column, it was not your division editor who didn't have her mind made up whether she was riding a horse or a pony. She knows it was a horse, and with her agrees Florence Casey and Dorothy McCoy. The persons really in doubt are Herb Jesse (and he lives on a farm, too), Chris Reiz and Frank Treece. Frank even took a poll among his neighbors and as yet we haven't heard the results, which evidently proves again that the so-called "weaker sex" is right. With Dorothy and Casey backing me up, how could I be wrong? . . . We wish speedy recoveries to George Earl, a patient in the St. Joseph hospital and to Jim Laisure, a patient in the Lutheran Hospital. . . . Birthday greetings to Ben Kissel, Al McCullough, Dallas Broxon and William Herring. Say, Vera, what happened to that paddle that you have been reserving just for birthdays? It hasn't been in evidence much these past few weeks. You aren't by any chance, saving it for a super-duper job on Fred Divelbiss who will be celebrating his birthday in the near future? . . . We in Bldg. 8-1 would like to offer our congratulations to Irene Meyers on being chosen "Citizen of the Week". . . . E. J. O'Neill, who served the past two years as Deputy Grand Knight of the K of C lodge, was elected Grand Knight at the annual election recently. . . . We are wondering where Dennis O'Connel got that striped shirt he was wearing last Friday. Just get it out, Whitie, or is that one you wear when refereeing sports? . . . And as Bob Hope said: "Today my heart beat 103,389 times, my blood traveled 168,000,000 miles, I breathed 23,040 times, I inhaled 438 cubic feet of air, I spoke 4,800 words, moved 750 major muscles and I exercised 7,000,000 brain cells. Boy, am I tired."



Carrie Menges has returned from her vacation in Canada where she did a little fishing and a lot of resting. . . . Ivan Parrish got the surprise of his life when he started to drink coffee for lunch—his wife had filled his thermos just half full, he says that she must have been too sleepy. . . . Here is a request—if you have any old umbrellas please see that Florian Korte gets them. It seems that he is collecting them. . . . Hilda Sieler's husband had their car parked the other day when someone crashed it head on and completely wrecked it. . . . Congratulations and best wishes to Wilma Krebs, who is getting married Saturday. Several of the girls are going to the wedding and will give us a full report. . . . Richard Bucher is also getting married to Phyllis Healy, Saturday at Westminster Presbyterian Church. Here's wishing you a lot of happiness, Dick. . . . Louie Clark says that he didn't go fishing last week while on his vacation. When the shop closes down that is the time he is going to Michigan to fish. From the reports he heard he is glad that he didn't go. He might not be with us today but be in jail or have had to pay a big fine like his brother-in-law did. . . . Geneva Worden is on her vacation and has gone to the lake. She will also have a birthday while she is gone, so here's hoping it will be a happy one. . . . Speaking of birthdays, that was a beautiful fishing outfit Mary Nute received for her birthday. It was the latest fashion of a few years ago. . . . Glad to see Henrietta Deck back at work. . . . We welcome Harry Meyer to 1x29. . . . There are so many changes being made in the division that we just can't keep up with them. All we can say is that to those who are leaving we are sorry to see you go but hope you will all be back with us soon. . . . We are wondering why Carl Harmon is so sad. We would like a little smile even if it is a Monday morning. . . . We have a new singer in Test and Inspection. We can hear Frank Brindle going to town, so look out, Pondo, because if you don't you are going to lose out. . . . Ted Bain, why don't you put on a hat when you go fishing and make the sun work harder to get to that spot on your head. . . . Anna Ruth Clements tried her luck at fishing in two different lakes last Sunday and didn't have any luck. I don't think you used the right kind of bait, Anna Ruth, try spitting on the worm next time they say that always brings good luck.

Employees' Store Has Large Supply Of G-E Toasters

The Employees' store has a plentiful supply of toasters despite the fact they are so scarce on the retail market, Ray Fischbach, store manager, stated today. He pointed out that the supply is limited.

There are approximately 70 Class A and 75 Class E toasters on sale in the store. Class A toasters sell for $14.85 and Class E, $13.45. Class E toasters are those that are mechanically perfect but have a slight flaw in the finish. They have the same guarantee as Class A, however.

Inquiring Reporter:

IF YOU HAD YOUR CHOICE, WHAT NEW ITEM WOULD YOU LIKE TO INVENT?

RAY H. SNYDER

Bldg. 4-3

"I would invent something useful for all mankind. I would try to invent a device that would capture and convert the heat rays of the sun in the summer months into a solid material for storage and use for heating in the winter months."





OLIVIA FRANCES PRESTON

Taylor St.

"I can't think of anything new to invent, but I think some things already invented could be improved. One item is to make all material shrink-proof, fast-colors and wrinkle-proof, so that when washed or dry cleaned the garments will not need ironing and will still keep size, shape and color."



ESTELLA M. MORROLF

Bldg. 12-3

"I would like to equip electric ranges with built-in electric toasters."



SALLY BRYAN

Bldg. 26-4

"If I had my choice I would invent a silent air-hammer. There is nothing like an air-hammer to disturb the peace and quiet of the neighborhood."



DONALD K. SHULTZ

Bldg. 31-1

"An invention I would like to make is a mechanical brain to replace the one missing in many automobile drivers."



Little Jimmy Garver,. 11 years old, certainly deserves a big hand and we're mighty proud of him too. Jimmy is Bill Garver's oldest son and we understand he has just undergone an operation on his leg which was necessary due to effects left hy polio. Jimmy has returned from the hospital in a cast and has come through the operation like a real trooper. Our sincere wish today is that the operation proves 100 per cent successful for a fine little fellow. . . . Elton Swank attended graduation exercises at Indiana University last week where his son Harold was graduating this year. . . . Was that Charlie Dunifon waving that red flag out in front of Bldg. 20 the other afternoon to direct the moving of some scrap hoppers? Or were you just trying to get the attention of the ladies that were passing by, Charlie? . . . Elmer Mesing now has a private office—all by himself, but we don't see no sense for gettin' excited about tbat. Probably all this hot weather we're having brought that change on. . . . Henrietta Walburn and Ray Quinn are leaving us today. We will miss you kids, honestly, so let us hear from you both once in a while. . . . Anyone wanting a few hours work see Skin McGary. He says that his rhubarb is getting so big that it is growing out into the road and will have to bc cut down with an ax or saw. . . . Cliff Clauser thinks that Bob Dressel is a super-duper salesman. If you want anything sold, just see Bob.



Talking about the last minute nap, we saw Edna Callow coming in late the other morning. What did you say was the excusc, Edna? . . . It is reported that Alice Lake is recuperating nicely and hopes to be back to work soon. . . . Our glamour girl, Leona Fruechte, is back on her tying job. That vacation sure did you a lot of good, Leona. You're looking mighty fine. . . . Red Morgan claims the new golf course is proving a success. How many putts do you wield, Red? We'll be over someday for a few lessons. . . . We will see Berneice Miller back in three months. She is now on our sick list. Hope you get well soon and feel your tops when you come back on your job, Berneice. . . . Al Schneider, of the tool room, is working in both plants. He's looking much huskier after several wecks off work. . . . Mike Kimble is able to be around some. He's been sick for sometime. . . . To our latest list of sparklers we see Annie Ivetich sporting a beautiful platinum mounted ring. You are a lucky girl, Annie. . . . At last Oscar Teeple did it. He is donating a little for our news. We spotted him heading for the dispensary. He injured his thumb, nothing serious, just a slight concussion of the epidermus. . . . Jokes can backfire but this time Annie Moyer's whistling did likewise. Let this be a lesson to you, Annie. . . . Happy birthday, Cecelia Noonan. How does it feel to be a year older. You're looking younger each year. . . . Warning to Mr. Omlor and Mr. Gillig, slivers are very sharp and may cause painful injuries. Both are going around with the index finger on the left hand bandaged. Both claim to have received said injury at same place and almost same time. . . . Who has more trouble than Dave Embler! It seems he is always falling over something and cutting his leg. And if you are wondering why Dave doesn't wear the corduroy hat to work anymore, the reason is—too small since worn in the rain a couple of times. Owner now, Junior. . . . That's quite some hat Frank Braun has, but we hear when he goes fishing he always forgets it and has to borrow a hat. How about that, Braunie? . . . That was a nice rain we had and by the looks of things George Buckley may lose his bet with Mr. Welch. . . . Take note girls!! The GeCode Club is having a picnic June 29 at Clem's Lake. A good time is planned for all.

Serves Company 35 Years



Herbert Richter, FHP Div. 17 at Taylor St., recently celebrated his 35th anniversary with the Company. At that time a number of his friends gathered to congratulate him. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Clyde Helms, Foreman; Ed Donaghy, Mr. Richter, Harry Todd, Charles Engle, Edward Bandt, Melvin Riley, Hillard Moore, B. B. Gausepohl, General Foreman; and Ralph Hare, Asst. General Foreman.

HANDICAPPED OWL TEAM WALLOPS ECKRICH, 22-10

With only eight men on the field, the G-E Owl softball team won a wild game from Eckrich by the score of 22-10.

Paul Boyer did the chucking for the Owls with Greeno behind the bat. The Owls picked up 11 runs in the first inning and just coasted the rest of the way.

Bob Crosley returned to the second shift and the Owls. He made a couple of dandy catches in left field.

The Owls have won three and lost two games this season.

Boxing Matches Held Every Friday Night

A series of boxing matches are being held by Frank Newport, Bldg. 19-1, every Friday night at the Clinton St. arena. An admission fee has been adopted to cover expenses for the Friday night bouts, in which young boxers of the Fort Wayne area have been invited to take part.

Pick-Ups
FROM 26-3
By Mabel Odel

The winning title was submitted by Lawrence Schuster, and being a big hearted guy he is donating the prize money to charity. I just saw a calling card from the police department, "One head light, no tail light." Congratulations, Lawrence, on the title, I mean. . . . Hollywood may have its "Boy With the Green Hair," but we have our George Brehm with the green ear. The circle was the size of a telephone receiver. . . . Marie Johanns, Mary Wiedman and Helen Wagner went on the Elex party to Niagara Falls. A good time was had by all, but we haven't gotten the lowdown on it all yet. . . . We welcome Homer Huffman and Earl Sweeney. . . . If any stray dog needing a square meal could find its way to Bldg. 26-3, it would be fed by Mary Williamson. . . . Mary Cordell painted her car. She blamed the rains for her having grass of the same color, but we hear she is a wicked wielder with a paint brush. . . . If you see anyone in your backyard with a flashligbt, don't shoot the gal. It's only Martha Hamilton sneaking up on night crawlers. . . . Francis Leach is burning up the highways these days with her new Buick. . . . What a drawing card in this hot weather. LaVonna Porter is still bragging on the fish she caught. Garnet Currie tells LaVonna that they were the size of tbe bait she uses. Could soon find out, LaVonna, by hanging up a bait sign. . . . Dorothy Whan and Vera Hoover are the Campbell twins—it's soup every noon. . . . Lonnie Rockstroh is losing slcep lately. He is making it in to work 20 minutes earlier to avoid the last minute rush. . . . The rains can do the darndest things. That cutc little number under a green umbrella was Les Parrish. . . . Since Ruth Freeland has moved to the country that air has done wonders for her, or could it be she is getting more slecp. . . . Wanted: A cooler system for Nancy McCrea. She is supposed to bake coils, hut she gets to that point first. . . . Congratulations to Bud Miscr. He owns two pairs of shocs, but it did look rather out of place when he wore one of each to work proving it to us. . . . We also congratulate our new grandmother, Martha Doehrman. . . . We wonder if Frank Clibon could repeat word for word what was said the other day when he was making a set-up on a winding machine. . . . A little birdie told us that Johnnie Collins will be married soon. It didn't tell us how soon, and Johnnie won't say. By the dreamy look, we wonder if it will be a June bride? . . . We are sorry that Garnet Currie had her car stolen, and hope that she may soon recover it. . . . We wonder if Joe Wiehe really gets all the easy jobs, or does he just have the knack of making any job look easy? . . . Lola Brunner and Thelma Loveless are both living in new homes and they're giving thanks for this sunny weather. Their stories sound like nothing less than a steam shovel would be able to get you to their front doors. . . . We'll keep this quiet, but Vivian Fleckenstien is fixing her shoes. If a shoe cobbler reads this, we are only fooling. It was an emergency and the tape she used would only last a day. . . . Theoda McCarver says that "Rosie the Riveter" Peggy Reynolds is nearly driving her out of her wits. We wonder if it is the melody or the riveter.

Office Offerings

The poor firemen just don't stand a chance when Chris Starke is near a fire. The story goes like this: A fire alarm was turned in and several units answered the call. Chris heard a woman scream that her house was on fire, and he also answered the alarm. The house was soon surrounded by firemen ready to do their duty, and out came Chris, head high and chest thrown out, to inform them that their services weren't needed that he alone had done the job. . . . Superman Jim Wellman is also a little helper. He was up early one morning and noticed the neighbor boy's little pony standing on the highway. That just wouldn't do, so he went out to get it out of danger. He pulled and tugged, but it wouldn't move. He went to the other end and pushed and shoved. Still it wouldn't move. Now this part we would have to see, but he says he finally picked it up and carried it in. . . . Therese Lindenberg is the only one that gets anything done in her neighborhood on Saturdays, and this is why. She washes windows in her halter and shorts, and all of the neighbors just take time out.



Every Monday morning there are several people that come in to work with a new crop of sunhurn acquired over the week-end. This week the first prize was won by Marg Stodgell. Everytime someone got near her, she made very sure they stayed far, far away from her back. Marge, won't you ever learn! . . . Louie Shattuck looked a little like a cooked lobster Monday. He said the next time he wouldn't let Hugh Neely talk him into that last nine holes of golf. . . . We were all very happy to see Paul Horstmeyer back at his desk last week after being on the sick list for some time. Nice to have you back, Paul, and glad you are feeling better. . . . Have you ever tried to check anything in the bus station for two weeks on one dime? Thelma Stapelton did and it didn't work. She found that when she went to get her umbrella out of hock, the charge was $2.10 and was she surprised. They always say you have to learn the hard way. . . . Happy birthday to Dick Pinkham today. See, Dick, you can't keep a secret from us. . . . I want to apologize to Mr. Neely for not having an item on his recent fishing trip on Lake Erie in the column last week. But, Hughie, I really didn't know what to say, because I didn't know which story to believe. All the boys in the party told a different story and you never gave me the straight of it. Did you really catch anything, or was that lone clam you brought home all you had to show for your trip?

Majors Win 7-4 Victory

The Major softball team beat the Food Machine team, 7-4, in a game played at Memorial park Monday, June 20. This game was originally scheduled for May 19, but was rained out.

G-E did not score until the third when Stanski led off with a walk, while Baals singled. Yarman fouled out to the catcher and Morkoetter hit the circuit for three runs.

In the fifth inning, four more runs were scored on an error, walk, two singles and two doubles. Lawson led the hitting with two doubles, and Fieldheiser with a double and a single.

Food Machine scored all their runs in the first on a single, walk, fielder's choice, error and a double.

Line Score:

	R	H	E
Food Machine ..... 400 000—4	3	2	
G-E ..... 003 04x—7	9	1	

Schild, Brower and Barfell; Waltke, Fieldheiser and Baals.

VOLTMEN
Home Schedule

Tuesday, June 28—
St. Joseph Auscos

All games are scheduled far 8 p.m. in Dwenger park.

TOUCHING THE BASES



by Walter Histed

With Lefty Ververka assuming the hero's role, the Benton Harbor Buds ended the Lafayette winning streak at seven games. The Buds won 5 to 4 at House of David park.

The game, which had been a tight pitcher's duel between DeLion and Morris for six innings with the Red Sox leading 1 to 0 changed complexion in the final three frames. Lafayette picked up a second run in the seventh; but in the home half, Eddie Jabb drove out a long home run with Billy Leach on base to tie the score. In the top of the eighth the Red Sox again drove to a two run lead on Vic Mettler's single, Felix Mackiewicz's double, an infield out, and an outfield fly. In the home eighth, Ververka batted for Morris and drove a home run over the right field fence. With two out, Phipps walked and scored on singles by Norm Snyder and Hank Richel. Herring replaced DeLion on the mound and retired the side with the score tied.

Ververka retired the Red Sox scoreless in the ninth and then in the home ninth with one out he doubled off the screen in right field. Disdaining the strategy of filling the empty base, the Red Sox board of strategy decided to pitch to Todhunter, who had been hitless all evening. Todhunter promptly broke up the game with a clean single to left center field.

Line score:

Lafayette	000 001 120—4	5	2
Benton Harbor	000 000 221—5	8	2

DeLion, Herring and Hixson; loser, Herring.
Morris, Ververka and Young; winner, Ververka.

Auscos Blast Studebakers

The Auscos broke a four game losing streak by whipping the Studebakers at Edgewater Park in St. Joseph, 11 to 3. A seven run, third inning sewed up the ball game and allowed the Auscos to withdraw their ace pitcher, Mack Stewart, at the end of six innings to save him for the Benton Harbor game Saturday night.

Line score:

South Bend	000 100 101— 3	8	2
St. Joseph	107 201 00x—11	11	3

Defeats Benton Harbor

The Cubs, behind the steady pitching of Jim Wallace, stopped the Buds at Ames field in Michigan City last Sunday night, 4 to 2. The Cubs only secured five hits from the offerings of Morris and Ververka, but included in the assortment was a double, triple and home run.

Line score:

Benton Harbor	001 000 010—2	7	0
Michigan City	210 010 00x—4	5	1

Morris, Ververka and Kovach; loser, Morris.
Wallace and Hofferth.

Lose to Auscos by Forfeit

After one of the noisiest and juiciest rhubarbs in the history of the Michigan-Indiana league, the Studebakers stalked off the field at Edgewater park in St. Joseph. The game was forfeited to the Auscos by the umpires.

South Bend was leading at the time of the trouble, 4 to 3, going into the home sixth. Lefty Lee walked Kennedy and Shilling sacrificed. Fiore was safe and Kennedy advanced to third when Scott juggled a grounder, making one out with runners on first and third. With Westerkamp at bat, Kennedy started for the plate on a squeeze play. Lee stepped off the rubber to throw home, but Westerkamp hit the throw and then the fun began. When the argument was at its height, Umpire Lou Nemeth ejected Manager Scott, Pitcher Lee, Catcher Morgan and First Baseman Humay from the game. The Studebakers not having enough replacements, the game was ordered forfeited. Before this point of the argument, Manager Scott had served notice that he was continuing under protest.

Buds Again Clip Auscos

The Benton Harbor Buds, formerly called "Bushers" in St. Joseph, belied the title for the third time this season at House of David park as they defeated the gold-plated Auscos, 6 to 3.

The game had been promised as a stellar-pitching duel between the aces of the respective teams. Lefty Ververka, for the Buds, and Mack Stewart, for the Auscos. While Ververka was not in his usual form, giving up 13 hits, four walks and hitting a batter, he did not have to be in top form after what he and his team mates did to Stewart in the second inning.

The Auscos needed three hits to score a run in the first. Then they wasted two more hits in the second before the Buds stepped up to show their plutocratic rivals how to use hits to good advantage. Joe Mack, a former Ausco, opened the Bud second with a drive over the fence. Richel singled and Bill Leach drove out a long double to score Richel. Eddie Jabb singled to tally Leach; Kovach singled, but Jabb was caught trying for third. Ververka then stepped to the plate and rifled a home run over the right field fence to start Stewart on his way to an early shower.

The Buds scored their final run in the fourth, with Katz pitching for the Auscos. Manager Kennedy dropped Ververka's fly for a two base error, after which Todhunter singled to score the run.

The Auscos scored their final runs in the seventh on Logan's single, a double by Bobby Winters and Ross Jones' single.

The game was enlivened in the eighth when George Logan and Westerkamp were expelled from the game for protesting a decision at first base—some little matter of putting hands on the umpire leading to their being thumbed from the game.

Line score:

St. Joseph	100 000 200—3	13	1
Benton Harbor	050 100 00x—6	11	2

Stewart, Katz and Westerkamp, Shilling; loser, Stewart.
Ververka and Kovach.

Rambling Notes

Jerry Kuhn really started something in his column "Just Browsin' Around" when he referred to the Benton Harbor Buds as a team of "bushers". Bud Shiveley did not waste any time in getting his answer into print. He has now dubbed the Auscos as the aristocracy of the M-I league, the self-styled princes of the circuit, and the blue-bloods. He wonders if the Buds are bushers, just what shrub is small enough to describe the Auscos who have now gone down under the bats of the Buds eight times in 10 tries in the last two seasons.

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The Buds have acquired strength since appearing in Fort Wayne. They signed Joe Mack who played so ably for the Auscos last season. Joe responded by driving out a home run in his first time at the plate against his old mates. The Buds have also plugged the glaring weakness at short stop by signing Emil Nascak, who appeared here last year with the Kenosha Red Sox. This has allowed Bill Leach to return to third base, Kovach to resume his back stopping duties, and Eddie Jabb to go back to right field.

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The rhubarb at St. Joseph on Sunday night just serves to show again that the quality of umpiring in the league this season is way below what it has been other years. Hardly a club in the league is satisfied with the calling of the arbiters. A prime example was shown here last Friday night when the Ausco right fielder dug under a fence and pushed the ball under to rob Stramm of a triple or possible home run. He freely admitted the act after the game, having correctly figured that the umpires were not on their toes enough to detect him in the act.

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A careful look at the Voltmen will disclose that of the team that finished the season last year as national champions today only Olin Smith and Hugh Orphan are still present. Charlie Shipman and Hank Doehrman also played some with the Voltmen last year. Orphan has been a big disappointment to Voltmen followers this year at this writing, having failed to win a single decision and also showing poorly in relief roles.

Chicago White Sox To Meet Voltmen In Exhibition Game

The Voltmen have been assured that the complete squad of the Chicago White Sox, except for one player, will be on hand for the game to be played Tuesday night, July 12, at Dwenger park, C. W. Wilt, G-E Club president, announced today.

The only player not likely to appear here is Cass Michaels, who is leading in the All-Star Poll to play in that game.

Tickets for the exhibition game here are available at the G-E Club. Orders may also be placed by phoning C. W. Wilt, Ext. 742, or W. W. Allen, Ext. 419.

M-I LEAGUE STANDINGS

(Includes Games of June 19)

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
St. Joseph	9	6	.600	—
Lafayette	8	6	.571	½
VOLTMEN	8	8	.500	1½
Michigan City	7	7	.500	1½
Benton Harbor	7	7	.500	1½
South Bend	4	9	.308	4

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Benton Harbor, 5; Lafayette, 4.
St. Joseph, 11; South Bend, 3.
St. Joseph, 12; VOLTMEN, 11.
Benton Harbor, 6; St. Joseph, 3.
VOLTMEN, 8; South Bend, 1.
Lafayette, 6; VOLTMEN, 4.
Michigan City, 4; Benton Harbor, 2.
St. Joseph, 9; South Bend, 0, (forfeit)

St. Joseph Auscos Down Voltmen, 12-11

Relief Pitcher Hits Two Homers In Thrill-Packed Game Last Week

By Walter Histed

The St. Joseph Auscos nosed out the G-E Voltmen, 12-11, in a high-scoring, see-saw thriller last Friday night at Dwenger park.

Relief Pitcher Flanagan, of the St. Joseph Auscos, broke the Voltmen's hearts. He hit his second home run of the evening to score what turned out to be the winning run, with two men out in the top of the ninth.

The Voltmen went into the ninth with a three run lead and Charley Shipman pitching good ball. Then, after Charley walked Winters and Kennedy, Manager Braden saw fit to take him out and put Hugh Orphan in. Hugh got Jones and Schilling, but pitched too carefully to Nowak and lost him. Then Westerkamp singled to send Kennedy home.

Even then we were not too worried inasmuch as Flanagan had struck out the previous time at bat. Who ever heard of a pitcher hitting again after already hitting a home run? But he did, and the Voltmen trailed 12-10, after retiring Schultz second to first.

Bobilya led off with a single in the ninth, followed by a SO by Miasek and a flyout by Southworth. Then Cary worked Flanagan for a walk to keep it going. Henry Stramm then stuck out his jaw and hit the ball he liked over second to score Bobilya. Carl Kennedy then decided that Flanagan had lost his touch so called his ace, Mac Stewart, in to quell the uprising. Fran Green hit the ball hard, but Stewart snared it and tossed him out to end it all.

Stramm's long two base hit to the right field corner was one of the prize manipulations of the game. Wally Nowak of the Auscos chased the ball to the corner, then started hunting wildly for the ball as Stramm rounded third and started home. The umpire went out and looked, then declared it a ground rule double. Spectators in right field say Nowak went after the ball in such a way that they were not sure whether he was hunting it or hiding it.

It should be noted that the Voltmen played errorless ball. Particularly notable was Olin Smith's great stretch to retire Schilling on his drive to deep short which Henry Stramm fielded sensationally. Our new shortstop's play cannot be praised too highly; he goes after everything and gets more than his share of balls tagged for hits. He has got the rest of the infield playing his kind of ball too.

Box score:

St. Joe	AB	R	H	Voltmen	AB	R	H
Schultz,ss	5	0	1	Stramm,ss	5	3	3
Logan,1	5	1	1	Green,cf	5	1	3
Winters,lf	4	2	2	Hormann,c	5	1	2
Kennedy,cf	4	1	0	Dudick,3	3	2	2
Jones,2	5	1	3	Smith,1	5	1	1
Fiore,3	4	0	0	Bobilya,rf	5	1	3
Nowak,rf	3	2	1	Miasek,lf	5	0	1
West'camp,c	3	2	2	Southworth,2	4	0	0
Holland,p	2	1	1	Shipman,p	3	2	1
Flanagan,p	3	2	2	Orphan,p	0	0	0
Schilling,2	1	0	0	xCary	1	0	0
Totals	39	12	13	Totals	41	11	16

xBatted for Orphan in 9th.

St. Joe	000	133	005—12
Voltmen	101	142	011—11

M-I League Officials Reprimand Owner of Michigan City Cubs

The Michigan City Cubs owner, R. D. Austin, was reprimanded for infractions of several rules in the Michigan-Indiana league, when officials of the league met in a special session Saturday at South Bend.

League President Gordon Graham of Lafayette, after listing the charges, warned Mr. Austin that while no immediate action would be taken, a heavy fine would be levied if the infractions continued.

M-I officials were also notified of the uncertain financial status of the South Bend Studebaker team. The Studebakers, in reviewing their case, stated that they may have to disband if financial help wasn't given. The league adopted a motion that if the South Bend team should withdraw from the league, it should give seven days notice. With seven days' notice the $1,000 forfeit fee would be returnable.

G-E GOLF

By Hugh Dubdit

The casualty rate on first place teams in the Monday evening group is rather high. In four nights of play there have been four different teams lead the group. After Monday's play, the Dark Horses took the lead with 18 points. The Lost Balls are second with 16 and Apprentice third with six. The last place team is only 33 points out of first place. Nick Smoley chipped out of sand traps into the cup on two holes to card a 39. Bob Hanna turned in a 40 and Mauri Cox shot 41.

Since Brookwood is laid out to favor right-handed golfers and all the tees have downhill lies for left-handers (according to George Hoopingarner) anyone knowing of a good left-handed golf course, please contact George.

In spite of what looked like bad weather Tuesday night, the game went on and the Nineteenth Holers got a better hold on first place by picking up seven points from the Forty-niners. The leaders now have 24 points. Optimists are second with 12 points and Divot Diggers are third with seven. Red Braden, Bill Kayser and Carl Anderberg came in with 40 and Dick Tobias shot 42.

The Winter St. group lost to Old Man Weather last week.

Cause and Cure

Two Conflicting Theories of Recession and Indicated Course of Action Outlined

By LAWRENCE FERTIG
Writer on Economic Affairs
New York World Telegram

There are two conflicting diagnoses about our present economic ailment. The prescription we take will depend upon which doctors we follow If we follow the wrong doctors, we may wind up in a much worse state than we are today or will be during the next year.

The first diagnosis is well represented by the President's favorite economic adviser, Leon Keyserling. He is one of the foremost followers, in this country, of the British economist, Lord Keynes. Keyserling and the Keynesians think that the present recession is caused by lack of "purchasing power."

They think this recession is basically concerned with the subject of money They want the government to see to it that the total volume of money flowing into the hands of consumers is increased. Their analysis doesn't concern the question of prices being out of line or production being inefficient or values offered to the consumer being bad. Keynesians always think of solving every problem in terms of money. They are natural inflationists.

Pump Out More Money

In recent speeches before the CIO and AFL, Mr. Keyserling advised the unions to be "militant" in pressing for higher wages. Despite the fact that the public refuses to buy more shoes, more textiles, more rubber goods, more electrical appliances now, because their cost is too high, Mr. Keyserling advised the cost of production should be increased by raising wages.

In the second place, he advised "stabilizing prices." In other words, he doesn't want to see the necessary adjustments take place in the economic structure. Even the public is balking at high prices, but Mr Keyserling wants to keep them there.

Also Keyserling suggests that it would be "upside down" economy to cut government spending now. As a matter of fact, he wants to increase government expenditures for many new government benefits to certain groups of our population.

In effect, Mr. Keyserling wants to pump more money into the system despite the fact that personal income, at the rate of 213 billion dollars annually, is not far from the average of 1948, and despite the fact that a recent Federal Reserve Board survey indicates that it is not lack of money in consumers' hands, but unwillingness to pay excessive prices that is affecting business.

Mr. Keyserling also said recently that when business orders fall off, that is no cause "for concern or . . . for reducing employment and production." According to him, business ought to go on producing goods which the public doesn't want in order to keep employment high.

So the Keynesians want to increase the flow of money, increase wages, increase the cost of production, increase government spending, and thus, to get us out of recession. They close their eyes to the fact that such a policy would bring us to the brink of a new inflationary disaster.

A very large and responsible group of economic doctors advise the opposite course of action. Their point is that this recession is mainly one that concerns prices and the cost of production. Due to the recent inflation, when the total supply of money was tripled, economic factors got out of gear.

Cut Budget, Taxes, Costs

During the shortage period no price was too high. Now business must adjust itself Management must throw off its slothful ways and become more efficient. Workers must produce more during the same working hours. Corners must be cut in every way and prices must be brought down or the consumer will not put up his money. The volume of business will increase as the values offered to the public improve.

Government can aid by reducing its budget so as to decrease the load upon taxpayers. The tax system should be revised, doing away with the double taxation of dividends and liberalizing the depreciation schedule. Thus more money will flow into profitable industry and increased production. In other words, we must improve the methods of production, decrease the cost of production and induce investments in increased production.

The above New York World Telegram article has been substituted for the message usually appearing here, because Mr. Fertig has so clearly presented the two conflicting views of the current difficulties.

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Voltman Game To Feature Aerial Fireworks Display

A gigantic display of aerial fireworks has been arranged by the G-E Club for Saturday night, July 2, at Dwenger park immediately following the Voltmen vs. Lafayette game, C. W. Wilt, G-E Club president, announced today.

The aerial pyrotechnical exhibition will feature colored aerial sprays, roman type candles, sky rockets and aerial bombs.

G-E Club officials are expecting one of the largest crowds of the season.

The game promises plenty of fireworks, as the Fort Wayne-Lafayette feud is one of the hottest in the M-I League. Al Hazel, former hurling ace for the Voltmen, and Chuck Bobilya, former Red Sox baseman and now playing right field for the Voltmen, will add more fuel to the already flaming rivalry.

Elex Second Shift Schedules Outing

Second shift members of Elex will go to Pokagon State Park Saturday, July 9, for an outing. They are to meet at the Indiana bus station, corner of Jefferson and Harrison streets at 9:30 a.m., and will return to Fort Wayne about 6 p.m.

The girls are requested to bring their own lunch and table service. With the morning free, the afternoon will be spent playing games.

A 25-cent reservation fee must be paid by Wednesday, July 6.

Sales Manager Stresses Need For More Orders

Marketing Conferences Point Out Relationship Of Sales To Employment

"Keeping our factories busy and the maximum number of people possible on our payroll is one of the main objectives of the Department's field sales force," C. H. Lang, Vice-President and Manager of Sales for the Apparatus Department, said recently in a discussion of the Marketing Conferences which were held at New London, Conn., June 6-8 and 9-11.

"At the Marketing Conferences, managers of our 135 sales offices, together with key sales engineers from every part of the country, were told of the need for more and more orders and what we all have to do to get them," Mr. Lang continued. "The reaction of our sales office managers and sales engineers to this need for increased sales activity was gratifying. They

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Survey Of Employees Reveals Favorable Reactions To Informative Conferences

NEGOTIATIONS RECESSED

A request by the UE-CIO that negotiations between the Union and G-E be recessed until July 12 was agreed to by the Company.

The employee-management conferences held last week were well received, according to results of an informal survey conducted among employees in all divisions of the Fort Wayne Works.

The general feeling was that these meetings helped considerably in creating better employee-management relations and in bringing about better understanding of the production and employment problems facing industry. Very frequent comment was to the effect that more conferences should be held.

The few unfavorable comments included: "Too much time was devoted to the over-all Company picture and not enough to local information"; "too many figures made it confusing to the listener," and "not enough stress was placed on the individual's job and his future."

The following are comments selected at random from the various divisions:

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Questionnaire For Readers To Be Included In July-August Issue Of "Adventures Ahead"

Young subscribers to Adventures Ahead, General Electric's bi-monthly magazine for teen-agers, will have an opportunity to tell what they enjoy most, how helpful they find the magazine, and supply the answers to other questions asked in a questionnaire which is part of the July-August issue. That issue will be distributed through the mail soon to children and friends of employees at the Fort Wayne Works.

Because July Fourth is just around the corner, the forthcoming issue of the magazine is devoted to patriotic and historical features. By means of the camera lens, young readers will be taken on a tour of historic spots in Philadelphia, among them Independence Hall where the Liberty Bell is displayed. They'll also read of a young Scotia, N. Y., Girl Scout, Carol Snyder, 16, who presented a flag to the Freedom Train.

Continuing their "how-to-do-it" features, the editors have prepared three such articles for the July-August issue. One tells how to place and make lamps that give you the best possible light for studying. Comic book-type figures illustrate the article and help point out the methods written about by Mary E. Webber, Nela Park home lighting specialist. The second "how-to-do-it" feature is titled "Pleasure and Profit in Plas-

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New Industrial Hygiene Equipment Is Purchased For Medical Section



Duane Stroud and Dr. H. W. Garton are shown examining some of the newly-acquired equipment.

Industrial hygiene equipment amounting to $2,500 has been purchased by the Fort Wayne Works, it was announced today by Dr. H. W. Garton, Works Physician.

Following an Industrial Hygiene survey of the Fort Wayne plant by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, Dr. Garton recommended the purchase of this equipment for follow-up work in this field. Over a period of a year and a half, the equipment shown above has been accumulated for use in the medical section.

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21 Members Of Advanced Engineering Program Receive Diplomas At Commencement Exercises



Members of the Fort Wayne A-Course in the Advanced Engineering program are shown above. Back row: (l. to r.) James H. Capps, James A. Walley, Robert C. Thor, Mitchell Nasser, Glenn Walters, Arthur F. Ordas, Donald P. Spalding, Jr., and M. Wilson Sims, Supervisor of the course.

In the center row (l. to r.) are: William F. Dripps, Robert R. Berghoff, Paul H. Baker, Benjamin G. Walker, James R. Burton, William H. Hoefer, Curtis D. Cockburn, and Frank D. Olney, Jr., Supervisor.

Seated (l. to r.) are: Henry Lehmann, Howard E. Gerlaugh, Thomas D. Turner, Charles E. Strecker, John L. Oldenkamp, Carl E. Paul, Robert L. Winchester, and Robert H. Johnson, Supervisor.

Commencement exercises for the Fort Wayne A-Class of the Advanced Engineering program were held Tuesday afternoon, June 28, in the private dining room, Bldg. 16-2.

K. B. McEachron, Jr., manager of the Technical Education division, presented diplomas to the 21 members of the class.

The main address was given by C. H. Linder, assistant manager of Manufacturing for the Apparatus Department. Gordon E. Walter, Administrator of the Advanced Engineering program, acted as master of ceremonies.

The A-Course, the first of its kind presented in Fort Wayne, was administered by the Technical

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Fred Waring Show To Be Broadcast Half Hour Earlier

Beginning July 7 the Fred Waring Show, sponsored by General Electric, will be heard on Station WGL one-half hour earlier for the summer—9 to 9:30 p.m. C.D.T.

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Don Campbell.....Editor

OUR PROUDEST DAY

United States will celebrate its proudest holiday Monday when citizens of every state and every territory commemorate the founding of a great nation. On this day, American citizens no matter where they are will rejoice that our liberty has been maintained through the years.

Actually the independence of our country was inevitable. Any groups of people possessed of the stamina and courage to carve out an existence in the wilderness of Virginia or on the rocky shores of New England would certainly hand down to their descendants a lasting desire for freedom. Following these original settlers many others who sought to exchange oppression for freedom and religious persecution for tolerance came to our country. In our day and generation the descendants of those early settlers have married the freedom-loving pioneers from all nations, leaving our nation the only one of its kind in the entire world.

In this age when some nations are veering toward socialism and others to communism we may well be thankful that we still enjoy freedoms which have been banished in lands where there is no free enterprise or individual liberty. Each of us has the right to work in the job of his liking; each may improve himself through advanced education; each of us retains the right to vote for the man of his choice; each may worship as he sees fit.

There is every reason to celebrate this Independence Day with parades, fireworks and flag-waving, but during the celebration it might be well to give some thought to our independence and the small group of men who wrote the Constitution at great personal risk so that we might enjoy the freedoms so dear to us today.

Let's Take The Buttons Off All Our Coatsleeves

As we read history, we cannot help but be aware of the fact that man keeps old customs which have lost their significance. Buttons on our coatsleeves for example, placed originally on the coats of soldiers to keep them from wiping their noses on the sleeve. We still keep them, serving no useful purpose except to keep wives and tailors busy sewing them on when they come off.

In our Company we have an institution called the Suggestion System which is a sure way of bringing new ideas to the front, of abolishing old customs which have become useless. The tremendous increase in the number of suggestions made throughout the Company for the first quarter of the year makes it certain that our people do think about their jobs and do suggest better ways of doing them.

We should make increasing use of the System and bring our ideas right out in front to be looked at. True some of them won't be used, but a large share of them will find a place. Let us always keep forging ahead. Let's take the buttons off our coatsleeves and find the Better Way.

A Three Month Vacation Spot Without Leaving Fort Wayne

One of the best ways to spend the hot months of the summer is at a cottage at the lake. If you can't spend the entire summer in a vacation place where you can swim every day, the local YMCA has a good suggestion. Their pool is open every day from 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and you are invited. Their all-tile swimming pool has just received a complete overhauling and the new filters, recently installed, guarantee water of crystal clearness.

There is nothing so refreshing as a shower and a dip in the pool at the end of a day's work or on a week-end. You can swim every day and get some of the advantages of a cottage at the lake while right here at home. Friday nights are family nights at the "Y" pool and many families find this is one of the nights that the whole family looks forward to.

For those who can't swim, competent instruction is provided.



HUGH CRANE discusses Big Business

NEW YORK—The other day President Truman pressed a golden telegraph key in his office, started a new generator at Grand Coulee in the state of Washington, and made that dam the largest single power producer in the world.

And it looks as though Congress is going to let TVA have that big steam generator it has been asking for which will make TVA, as an organization, the biggest generator of power in the country.

Interpretation of Bigness

But there's an odd angle to what government people seem to feel about such bigness.

It wasn't so long ago that the President made a speech in which he said, "I would rather see a hundred steel companies than one United States Steel Corporation, and I would rather see a thousand banks than one National City Bank." (And so presumably he would rather see a hundred "Jonesburg Electric Company's" than one General Electric Company).

Yet the President heads a government which includes the biggest bank in the world (the RCF), the biggest insurance system in the world (Social Security), the biggest ship-owner in the world (the Maritime Commission), and the biggest grain dealer in the world (the Commodity Credit Corporation).

Threatens "Big Business"

But while the government keeps forever getting bigger and bigger (and so do our cities, and our state governments, and our unions, and our power plants, and farms, and so on) you hear all the time on the sound-track out of Washington continual throaty warnings about big business ("greedy, grasping corporations," "dangerous concentrations of economic power," and so on).

(As a matter of fact big corporations aren't getting bigger at as fast a rate as the country is getting bigger nor at any where near the rate at which the government is getting bigger).

And Justice Douglas of the Supreme Court recently made a speech in which he said that "enormous spiritual sacrifices" are made by people who have to go to work for big corporations instead of going into business for themselves.

(He didn't say anything about the sacrifices made by people who have to go to work for big government agencies instead of for themselves).

But while big companies are under a constant political barrage of criticism for being so big, you can also begin to hear another kind of criticism of private business which is quietly becoming fashionable. It is that it isn't **big enough** to handle the new post-war tasks.

"Big Enough" During War

Fortunately, it was big enough to handle such war-time tasks as Oak Ridge and Hanford. But now, the argument runs, private industry isn't **big enough** to handle the country's new needs for hydro power, for additional steel plants, for new synthetic gasoline plants, and so on.

Well, if the idea-men in Washington succeed in what they frankly say they want to do—break the bigger companies down into little ones—this last criticism will be true enough. Private industry sure enough then won't be big enough to handle the next tasks in the country's economic development.

What then? Will the country be saved from "dangerous concentrations of economic power"? Will it be rid of "the curse of bigness"?

No.

The country will have smaller businesses—but still bigger government.

The "dangerous concentrations of economic power" will just be switched into the government.

Agencies Hard to Control

And big government agencies are a lot harder to regulate, a lot harder to keep track of, and a lot harder to get out from under, than big private corporations.

SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q. Is water a food?

A. According to biochemists, water is a food, even though it does not supply energy as do carbohydrates, fats and proteins. Food is considered as including all materials required for growth and repair of body tissue, and water is certainly one of these.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



Sales Manager

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assure me they are prepared to sell like they never sold before to try to get the orders that will help keep the Department's factories humming and the Department's jobs steady and more secure."

The conferences were also attended by representatives from the engineering, manufacturing, financial, law, and employee and community relations organizations. These people were shown what they could do to help the sales force in their order-getting efforts. The salesmen, in turn, were told what these people needed from the field so that maximum cooperation and teamwork could be obtained. Major emphasis was placed on the importance of meeting and serving the customers' needs. And throughout the conferences, there were constant reminders that orders and jobs are closely related.

In keynoting the conferences, H. V. Erben, Vice-President and General Manager of the Department said, "This conference is designed to show us that marketing is our mutual problem and increased sales our mutual goal. The customer again reigns supreme as our real boss and we are really going all out to please him."

In summing up his opening address, Mr. Erben concluded by saying: "Overall I am not discouraged regarding the long-range business outlook. We are certainly in a good position facility-wise, product-wise, and personnel-wise to obtain our share of the business available. As I see it, our need today and for the immediate and forseeable future is orders—first, last, and foremost."

Normal Readjustment

In short talks, President C. E. Wilson and Chairman of the Board Philip D. Reed both emphasized that "this period we're going through now is a period of normal readjustment—not a period for fear or lack of courage."

Vice-President C. H. Lang, in charge of Sales for the Department, delivered the "charge" at the close of the Conferences. He said, "There should be no relenting in asking for and getting the order. Out main problem is to keep our facilities busy and thus keep the maximum number of people possible on the payroll. Let's meet known risks with courage and determination." As a final point Mr. Lang emphasized, "The job we've got to do now is meet the customer's requirements. Give him what he wants!"

Throughout the conferences, the individual presentations emphasized the importance of teamwork and cooperation among all phases of the Department's operations. There were many dramatic illustrations of how our factories can help in the marketing problem and help the salesmen get the orders needed to keep people on the payroll.

Stress Cooperation

The message brought out in these conferences will be spread in whole or in part to many additional employees in G-E Product Divisions and District Offices. Teamwork and cooperation leading to more orders will be stressed. The importance of this activity to maintaining steady work and the greatest number of jobs will also be emphasized.

Efforts will be made to report to all employees the results of this intensified sales activity in the field.

Completes 30 Years Of Service



John A. Craig, Bldg. 4-2, recently completed 30 years of service with the Company. At the time of his anniversary, he received a congratulatory letter for his long service. Attending the presentation are: (seated, l. to r.) Harry Sebold, H. G. Siebold, Div. Supt.; Mr. Craig and E. J. Sonday. Standing are: (l. to r.) J. W. La Vine, G. B. Stripe and Roy Bracht.

ELEX MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO BRING OWN TABLE SERVICE FOR CHILDREN'S PICNIC JULY 13

Elex members attending the children's picnic at West Swinney park, Wednesday, July 13, are requested to bring their own table service.

Each member may invite one or more children under the age of 12 to the dinner, which will be served from 5 to 6 p.m. at the park pavilion. Tickets are one dollar and include the cost of dinner for the young guests.

Reservation must be made with contact girls on or before Thursday, July 7.

Consolidation Of Foundry Divs. For Apparatus Dept. Announced

The creation of the Foundry divisions of the Apparatus Department, General Electric Company, was announced today by H. V. Erben, Vice President and General Manager of the department. Concurrently, Mr. Erben announced the appointment of E. R. Oeschger, of Schenectady, as Manager of the new divisions.

Foundries formerly connected with product businesses of the Department which will comprise the new Foundry divisions include: Elmira (N. Y.) Iron and Pattern Shop; Erie (Pa.) Malleable, Alloy and Pattern Shop; Everett (Mass.) Steel and Pattern Shop; Lynn River Works (Mass.) Iron, Alloy and Pattern Shops; and Schenectady (N. Y.) Iron, Steel, Alloy and Pattern and Forge Shops.

Mr. Oeschger will be in charge of the operation and management of personnel and facilities as well as development, improvement and production of foundry products.

ORDER OF THE DAY



New Industrial

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Duane Stroud, Medical Technologist for the Fort Wayne Works, is developing the technical aspect of the program, under the direction of Dr. Garton. The medical section is working in close cooperation with the safety section, Works Laboratory, and the hazardous materials committee on this program.

The equipment includes the following:

Davis Micro-Gas Analyzer; Davis Vapo-tester, Model Six; Hand pump with filter paper attachment and bubbler system for use with "Methods for the Detection of Toxic Gases in Industry," as developed by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, London, England, (This was designed and built by the Works Laboratory); M.S.A. Micro-projector and accessories for dust counting and particle size determination; Standard Greenberg-Smith Impinger; Rotameters, for calibration of airflow; M.S.A. Carbon Monoxide Indicator, Colorometric type; G-E Mercury Vapor Detector, Selenium, sulfide type; G-E Mercury Vapor Detector, U-V Absorption type; Harrold Fluoride Detector; Smoke tubes, and Alnor velometer with special jets.

In addition to this equipment, a considerable amount of reference material in the form of books, technical magazines, reprints, government and state bulletins dealing with materials and methods has been accumulated by Mr. Stroud and Dr. Garton.

Vacation Information Service Is Available At Works Library



Doug Heckman and Lloyd Brown, both of Bldg. 19-2, are shown receiving assistance from Ceal Romary, librarian, in making plans for their vacation trips.

Vacation information to help employees plan their 1949 vacations is now on file in the Works Library, Bldg. 8-2. Catalogued for quick reference, the new Vacation Information Service includes hundreds of letters, descriptive booklets and pamphlets and maps on vacation spots in the United States, Canada and Mexico.

This information has been supplied by state parks, state promotional organizations and many private enterprises.

The librarian will help employees plan vacations by supplying information on availability and cost of rooms, cottages, meals, equipment, boats and entertainment. The new service also provides many interesting and detailed facts on parks, lakes, rivers, resorts and various cities with pictures and maps.

Employees who want this detailed information are invited to come to the library before or after work, or during the lunch period.

Chairman Philip Reed Heads International Chamber Of Commerce

Philip D. Reed, of New York, has been elected president of the International Chamber of Commerce. He took office recently at the final plenary session of the present Congress.

Mr. Reed is chairman of the Board of Directors for the General Electric Company, and has been a member of the I. C. C. Council.

Questionnaire

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tics" and tells how to make simple articles from plastics at home with few if any tools. The third article is titled "A Start at Woodworking" and is about Bob and Stanley Baker, son and father, who work together with wood at their home in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Other features, besides pictures, tell how Ann Hamlen, 17, won an essay contest and a summer trip to Switzerland; how Tony Sustaric of Cleveland overcame the obstacle of an amputated leg to continue his sports career; how Luther B. Rogers of Erie, Pa., helps set up railroads in far places; and something about uranium, the raw material for atomic energy.

Vincent J. Schaefer, who conducts the Scientific Adventures department, tells about raindrops in the new issue, while Sue's hungry friends gather at her home for supper before a summer dance.

ERIC BAADE GRADUATES WITH YALE HONORS

Eric C. Baade, son of the late Elmer F. Bade who was a former WORKS NEWS editor and nephew of Carrol Elder of Bldg. 17-4, graduated from Yale University last month with highest honors. A member of Phi Beta Kappa, he will teach classical languages at Brooks Preparatory School at North Andover, Mass. He worked as a messenger and mail clerk for F. J. Goetz in 1945.

Receives Retirement Gift



Janes Hargis, FHP Div. 1, is shown opening a gift from his co-workers on the occasion of his recent retirement. O. J. Mettler, Division Superintendent, is looking on.

He left last week after seven years of service with the Company. Mr. Hargis started with G-E at the Winter St. plant. He transferred to Bldg. 4-3 last year.

Survey

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Works Service Divisions

"I liked the meeting because it was very encouraging in regard to the employment situation. Also, more of these meetings would tend to make for better management-employee relations."

"The meeting was probably of more value to the factory worker than the office worker, but I believe it is an excellent idea. It promotes a better feeling between management and employee to have the 'big boss' take time out to tell him what is going on."

"I feel that the recent informative meetings held by Mr. Matson with all employees of the Works Contributing and Service divisions were well received and should be continued at regular intervals or as pertinent information to all employees becomes available. These meetings could become more informal and beneficial to the employees if they would ask more questions."

"It was very informative and gave a clear idea of how the Company is operating as a whole, not just the Fort Wayne Works. Although the speaker did not go into fine detail, he gave some important facts and figures about the Company."

"A well-informed employee is a satisfied employee. Let's have more of these informative meetings."

"In my opinion, the only way to accomplish anything is through cooperation. I think by pulling together, and with a complete knowledge of what faces all of us, this economic situation will work out in the end."

"They should have started something like this a long time ago."

Fractional Horsepower Motor Division

"The meeting was quite informative on the state of the Company. The questions defeated the purpose of the talk, however, as they were concerned with Company policy instead of the subject of the talk. We should have more meetings."

"A good thing. It creates better understanding between management and labor. It was given in good faith and we should have more."

"It is always excellent to inform the employees exactly what is going on and why, so that false rumors might be cleared up. This creates a better relationship between management and employees."

"I thought it was pretty good. He (Mr. Lord) talked about things that hit every-day life. If everybody would let it sink in, we might get a good start."

"We read it in the papers, but I guess it's different when they tell it to you."

Specialty Transformer, Ballast Divisions

"The meeting was well worth the time and should be held more often."

"Not sufficient time was devoted to the question-answer period."

"The meeting was very good in dispelling malicious rumors and increasing confidence. If we know all the facts, we can evaluate them for mutual benefit. It makes us feel like part of the team."

"The meeting was very informative and gave the average employee an insight as to the main objectives of management."

"We need more questions answered; perhaps a review of questions asked in other sessions would be helpful."

"It was the first time I ever attended a meeting of that kind and I think they should continue. It makes for better employee relationship and gives employees a chance to talk personally to the management."

Large Motor, Generator Divisions

"I was very well pleased with Mr. Crawford's meeting. I think we should have more of such meetings in the future. I thought Mr. Crawford put his message over in such a way that everyone in the audience could understand it."

"The meeting was a most profitable means of promoting favorable employee - management relations. Employees must have the feeling that management is interested in them and wants them to know how national economy situations are affecting General Electric production and job security. The management pointed out that we are in a more favorable position than our competitors. They proved through statistics that employment and production are in a healthy state of affairs, though slightly lower now than during an unprecedented peak during the last quarter of 1948."

Wilson Receives Honorary Degree

Charles E. Wilson, President of General Electric, was awarded an honorary degree of doctor of laws at the 117th commencement exercises at Wesleyan University at Middletown, Conn., June 19.

Mr. Wilson was cited for being a man who "through effort, study and the exercise of mind, imagination and Christian idealism has become an industrial leader and public servant of great practical wisdom."

Battrick Reports From England:

Journeying Across Atlantic On Queen Mary; Government Blamed For High Cost Of Living

Editor's Note: The following account is the first in a series of reports on life in England by E. James Battrick, an assembler of master motors in Bldg. 4-5. On leave of absence from the Company, Jim is visiting relatives and will travel throughout the country until he returns to his job in August. In this dispatch, he tells of his journey aboard the Queen Mary and of talks he has had with different people concerning the present government in England. The topic of his next report will be, "What the People Think About Socialized Medicine."

By E. JAMES BATTRICK

We left New York from pier 90 aboard the Queen Mary on Friday, May 20, at 1:40 p.m. It was raining, but we braved the wet to see the ship released from the pier.



The first day we made 480 miles. This was the slowest day on account of going against a 75 mph head-wind. The boat had a slight sway, but this was nothing to some of the other boats I have ridden on. We stayed below most of the first day.

A distance of 657 miles was made the second day. We had an overcast sky which made it quite cool when up on deck. A deck is allotted to a section of the ship. Our deck was right on top, at the front end called, "Sports Deck." The Queen Mary has about seven decks.

Entertainment Is Provided

We made our best mileage the next day, 671 miles. To spend our leisure time, we could enjoy the following entertainment:

Movies, held twice daily; dancing, every night; bingo, and card games. Up on deck, one could play shuffleboard and deck tennis.

The following day was the warmest and the ship made 660 miles. The deck chairs were lined up on deck, so we just took it easy breathing in the fresh air and getting lots of sunshine.

Our meals consisted of three courses. There are two sittings for each meal. We took second, with breakfast at 9:15 a.m., luncheon at 1:15 p.m., and dinner at 7:30 p.m. In the afternoon 4 o'clock tea was furnished; also, sandwiches at 11 o'clock at night.

Stop at Cherbourg

The next day the ship covered 653 miles, which took us to Cherbourg at 3 p.m. They dropped anchor just inside the breakwater. Passengers for France were taken ashore in small tug-boats. We viewed the damage done by the war and also took some snaps. They pulled anchor at 6 o'clock to make our way to Southampton, 77 miles away.

In five more hours we arrived in England. Members of the crew were eager to leave for their homes. Then the stevedores came aboard and started unloading. Passengers stayed on the ship until 9 the next morning.

The crossing of the Atlantic took exactly 4 days, 17 hours, and 3 minutes. There are 3,198 nautical miles across and the average speed was 28.29 knots. A knot equals about 1¼ miles.

Materials Are Scarce

Upon leaving the Southampton docks, damage caused by the war was very evident. Reconstruction seems very slow. Materials are scarce and very high in price. A farmer, if he wants to fix his shed, is allowed only $4 worth of lumber a month.

The people I have talked to are disappointed with the present government. They are now trying to get a general election this fall. One woman said she would "walk 10 miles to vote against the present government," and she hasn't voted before.

The government seems to be inexperienced in handling affairs and spending the people's money. Most of the people are against nationalization for, since the government has taken over, they have been operating at a loss. Clothes and other goods have a purchase tax on them, which makes prices very high. For example, one of our $3.98 shirts cost $8; a 50-cent tie, about $1.50.

21 Members

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C. H. Linder

Education division and consisted of 34 weekly sessions, starting last October. Each session lasted four hours. The course, for graduate engineers, was directed on highly technical, engineering studies.

Men who took the course were selected on the basis of a competitive examination.

Eleven of the 21 class members will complete the three-year program, taking the final two years in Schenectady.

Melvin Beucler Wins First Place In Truck Roadeo













C. E. McBride, chairman of the event, is shown presenting the trophy to Melvin Beucler, in the picture in the top, left corner. In the background are C. S. Kowalski, a representative from General Electric and member of the Chamber of Commerce fleet safety committee, and Herschel L. Smith, Works Safety Engineer and chairman of the Safety Council. In the next picture, Ed David, foreman, is shown with the trophy, as Mr. Beucler shows him and C. D. Uncapher, Superintendent of Distribution, the safe-driving certificate presented him by General Electric last year. Beucler poses by his truck with the trophy, in the next photo.

The bottom row of pictures shows various scenes of Mr. Beucler maneuvering his truck through some of the hazards set up in the course. In the first picture, at the left, Mr. Beucler is shown while parallel parking in a given space. In the next photograph, Mr. Beucler is passing through the diminishing clearance and stop line problem, to determine his ability to steer the truck through a space that becomes progressively narrower and to judge clearance, also to stop at a given line. He is backing down a simulated alley to dock from an adjacent 40 foot roadway, in the next photo. The rear window of his cab was blacked out, so that the backing had to be done by side mirrors.

Melvin Beucler, G-E truck driver, won first place in competition with nine other trailer and semi-trailer truck drivers in the finals of the first annual Truck Roadeo Wednesday evening, June 22, at Baer field.

"As long as I've been working for General Electric I've figured that when they sent me out to do a job that I'd try and do it," Mr. Beucler explained in an interview. "I figured the job was supposed to be done right and I did it that way."

The actual driving problems which were presented in the roadeo course were:

Winding backward and forward between markers to determine driver's ability to steer vehicle in close limits; offset alley; driving straight line between two rows of markers to determine driver's ability to steer a straight path; parallel parking in a given space; backing down alley to dock from adjacent 40 foot roadway; and diminishing clearance and stop line problem, to determine driver's ability to steer vehicle through a space that becomes progressively narrower and to judge clearance, also to stop at given line.

He was the only driver who did not hit a peg despite the fact that in some parts of the obstacle course he had only an inch on either side of the trailer.

"Heck, you have those every day," he commented cooly when asked about some of the hazards.

"I didn't think about anybody being there watching me, so I didn't get nervous," he added.

Receives Safety Trophy

A trophy was presented to him by the Fleet Safety Committee of the Chamber of Commerce Safety Council, sponsors of the event.

After the presentation, Mr. Beucler showed the crowd a certificate he received last year from General Electric for having driven 29 years without a chargeable accident. He also gave credit to a deuce-of-clubs card which he had placed on the front of the truck and explained, "There was a lot of luck involved in my winning, thanks to that card."

Mr. Beucler was elected to represent General Electric by the other truck drivers here.

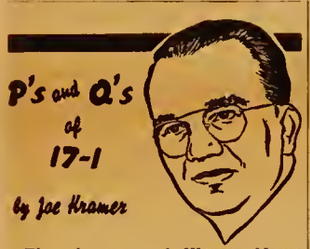
"I did it for the rest of the fellas, as much as for myself," he told friends.

Matson Congratulates Him

A congratulatory letter from C. H. Matson, Works Manager, was presented to Mr. Beucler Friday by C. D. Uncapher, Superintendent of Distribution, and Ed David, Foreman in Bldg. 6-1.

Mr. Beucler started with the Company Aug. 5, 1918, and has been driving a truck since that time. Before the war, he traveled all over the country for General Electric.

As well as his fine record of safety, Mr. Beucler has also been noted in Fort Wayne for his courtesy while driving his truck. Several times he has stopped his truck and held up traffic to help a blind man cross the street. Around the plant, he often stops his truck to move an obstruction that he has avoided but is afraid some other truck might hit.



The shortage of WORKS NEWS copies last Friday was due to the absence of this column. At least that is what Andy Lee, Harold Struver and Dale Peden of Bldg. 4-5 believe. So to conserve material and to disappoint a few people we decided to write a column this week. . . . Addie Mausbaum, so I have heard, is going to have a dye job done. No, not her hair, but her eyebrows. Addie says the eyebrows are so light she can't tell whether she has any or not, and that is the reason for a visit to the beauty parlor. . . . The most reliable sources can sometimes be wrong. That is why in the last column (two weeks ago) we made a statement that Addie Mausbaum, Mary Gerhard, Helene Evanoff and Tavie Popa spent Monday in Indianapolis shopping. Due to some mixup, it was necessary to call off the trip. Anything to make it necessary to print a retraction. . . . We wonder what kind of a mechanic Joe Robinson is supposed to be after seeing the list of items charged to him from the tool crib. Explain yourself, Joe. . . . We reported a set of golf clubs for sale from Bob Dent. Bob wishes to withdraw that offer at this time. Last reports Bob shot an 87. We don't know whether that was for nine holes or 18. But if for nine we will make a full report later and the clubs will probably be for sale again. . . . Ivan Ford certainly surprised and created quite a commotion with his new style hairdo last week. Ivan came back from lunch Tuesday with a short crew cut and from now on is to be known as Curly. . . . Herb Kellermeier must really be working on that lake cottage. He doesn't have much to say except he doesn't have much time for fishing. Now that he has a new G-E refrigerator at home and moved his old G-E to the lake he can save enough fish and have the gang up for a fish fry. . . . Speaking of fish, I distinctly remember a certain milling machine operator offering to deliver a dozen nice bluegills. I would hate to admit Cliff (Steeplejack) Coombs didn't keep a promise, but I haven't seen any bluegills. . . . We have been asked what a person has to do to get his or her name in the WORKS NEWS. One of the fellows said he had a baby boy and we didn't offer congratulations; his sister died and we didn't extend our sympathy; he umpires ball games and we don't call him names. What does he have to do? Well, all he had to do was get a crew cut like Ivan Ford and find his name in print. The other closely cropped head of hair belongs to Vic Leakey.



WEDDING BELLS: Teddy Neds was honored at a luncheon Thursday noon, and given an iron. Teddy will be married tonight at 8 p.m., in the Church of Christ, at Paulding, O., to Scott Wilkens. She will also be leaving the Fort Wayne Works next Friday to live in Schenectady, happily ever after. Best wishes and lots of good luck, Teddy! . . . MULTI WELCOMES AND FAREWELLS: How dee do dee to Ed Pearce, whose home is in New Orleans, new T. E. in the DC Section, and to Richard Jones, a new rotater. You, too, have a lot in common with your temporary boss, Dick, "just one of the Jones boys." Also, welcome to Bernice Fisher, a new member of the Service Engineering File Room. . . Fond farewells to Harold Kestner, who is leaving the DC Section for Bldg. 4-5, and to Don Spaulding, who is leaving for Schenectady. We'll miss you both very much. Good luck! . . . GENUINE CHARITY: We thank the many people in various sections who gave so generously to help make Mrs. Richardson's departure a little more cheerful. . . . VACATION TIME: Harry Balz will spend one week of his vacation at Crooked Lake. He says that he doesn't "go in for" the strenuous forms of fishing such as casting. Instead, he enjoys relaxing in a boat and "still" fishing at dusk. We are expecting some interesting tales after his vacation. . . . TUMMY ACHES: If you notice that Dick Heard is losing weight you can bet he doesn't know how to cook. Dick is suffering the wiles and woes of a single man for a month. His family has departed for a visit to northern Michigan. . . . STORK TIDINGS: Congratulations to Eleanor Nesvig, a former Bldg. 4-6 employee, who gave birth to a son, Bruce Alan, recently. Eleanor now resides in Chicago. . . . Dwight Willits, AC Section, became a proud father of a son, William Frank, 7 lb. 5 oz., June 24, at Lutheran Hospital. Congratulations to you, Dwight! . . . TIDBITS: Carl McKay is sporting a brand new green Kaiser these days. . . . Don't forget to display the best flag in the world Monday. And—have a happy, sane and safe Fourth of July!

G. L. Enyeart Dies

Garrett Lee Enyeart, 52, of 2024 Nelson St., died of a heart attack at 3 p.m. Thursday, June 23, in a North Manchester doctor's office.

A General Electric employee, Mr. Enyeart has been working here since 1943. At the time of his death he was a helper in Bldg. 17-1.



The first glad Fourth (in '76)
The bells rang loud and long and gay
Proclaiming to the whole wide world
Our glorious Independence Day.
All through the intervening years
Our Nation has been blessed that we
Could stand before the world to show
The meaning of true Liberty.
Wonderful word!

The above poem was written by Frances Eckrote. I really think we should pause long enough to reread it. . . . The Bill Martins can now sing, "In My Merry Oldsmobile." But imagine him calling you out of bed to say that a fingerprint was on the car, and he'd like to have it shined? Bill got the answer too—just drive through a frog pond and he'd never know his new car had a fingerprint on it. . . . We thought we heard a peculiar noise last week. Investigating we found that it was Floetta Zartman's arches falling from too much painting. She was offered lots of help, too, with the volunteers all bringing their own paint. (Perfect match not guaranteed.) . . . Luella Stabler and Jerry Snyder gave a surprise shower for Marjorie Kennel who was married last Saturday. Those from Bldg. 17-3 attending were Hedy Harrison, Hilda Jensen, Mildred Schoenlein and Sarah Meagher. . . . Nina Clifton was all smiles last week. She became a brand new grandma, and it's a boy. . . . We are glad to see Pauline Stocks and Larry Huffman back. . . . It's a welcome to the newcomers, Harold Prough, David Bastian, Esther Madden and Max Decker. . . . The early bird shift must get Mary Foster (not the editor's daughter) down. It seems as though Charlie Rice has to call her to come to work. My, my, it really gets early in the morning. . . . It's belated birthday greetings to Delores Wonderly. (I didn't get any candy, that's why I'm behind.) Also happy birthday to Marie Dunfee. . . . Naomi Robinson gets so hungry about 2:30, she doesn't care what she eats. She asked Leona for her chicken bones. . . . Edith Paxson's mother was 87 years old last Friday. Edith was busy preparing a celebration for Sunday. . . . Walter Kryder and Charlie Rice were busy moving the lockers. Walter found some change. Wonder what he did with those two bits? . . . If you missed Pete Heckler last Friday, he was attending the Eagles convention. Did you get the bird, Pete? . . . Lewis Hoffman and Lorena Buuck were having quite a session on who would rethread a machine. From all reports, Lewie won—at least he out-sat Lorena. . . . Erma Landes spent last week-end in Indianapolis. . . . Marie Bowers was really trying something new the other day. She thought sure we could have five pole stators. Did you notice Herschel Case wearing his tee-shirt backwards? Trying to get a suntan, Herschel? . . . Sorry to hear Marge Ireland has left us. Hope you will like your new job. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Mary (Bohnstedt) Thompson in the death of her husband. Mary was a former co-worker.

Frank Fisher Dies

Frank E. Fisher, 56, of 1223 Wilt St., died Tuesday, June 28, at 2:30 p.m. in Methodist hospital after a four-year illness.

Starting in 1927, Mr. Fisher has been employed in the power house 22 years.

FHP Motor Sales Divisions Hold Annual Outing June 18









The FHP Motor Sales divisions held their annual outing at the Bluffton Conservation park Saturday, June 18. About 70 local employees and members of nearby sales offices played golf during the morning, and cards after lunch.

The pictures show typical scenes throughout the day. (1) Mert Edgar, R. C. Hanna, M. E. Lord, H. O. Mellem, of Detroit, and Jack Grafe, of the Chicago office. (l. to r.) are "caught in the act" of doing their favorite pastime.

(2) The out-of-towners were: (Front row, l. to r.) Walt Leifheit, Rockford; Jack Grafe, Chicago; Tony Lomardo, Chicago; W. M. Speth, Chicago; H. O. Mellem, Detroit, and Bob Cummingham. (Back row, l. to r.) H. D. Warning, St. Louis; S. C. Powers, Chicago; D. O. Brooks, South Bend; Paul Salstrom, Cleveland; Barnie Hartough; D. D. Barlow, Detroit; and Bill Dutton, Grand Rapids.

(3) H. D. Warning, Herm Priwer and R. A. Thompson are shown hard at work over a game of cards. Kibitzers were: R. J. Winner, A. W. Bartling, N. E. Griffin, and G. T. Wright.

(4) Taking it easy under the shade are: Nate Horton, H. A. Folsom, U. L. Hearn, Cary Cramer, Frank Stenberg, Bill Brunner, Hal Robertson and Gene Meyer.



Carl Metker is wearing those loud socks at the wrong time. It is too warm now, he should wear them during cold weather. . . . Speaking of the weather, we have a weather-man in our division, none other than Henry Grepke. He says that when it is humid and sticky his hair is curly and when it is dry his hair is straight. From now on we will watch him closely. . . . Hank Shirley is going to be happy on his new job. He says that he will be working with redheads. If he doesn't ever come back here to work we will know the reason why. . . . Jim Hargis and his wife went fishing on the St. Joe river and his wife had all the luck, she caught a seven and one-half pound bass. Jim is retiring soon and he received a new fishing rod and reel —maybe this will help him catch some big fish, too. Sorry you are leaving us, Jim, but know that you will enjoy your retirement. . . . Did anyone notice that loud shirt Alva Foulks wore the other day? He claimed he wore it when he was "second" for Charles the champion heavyweight. . . . That sure was a super-duper, stylish fishing outfit Mary Nute got for her birthday. We didn't know that we had such wonderful designers in our section, . . . Hazel Martz leaves on her vacation next week for Alabama. . . . Ed Glenwith and family are going east to Washington, D. C., and to New York City on his vacation. . . . Al Rebber and Floyd Truelove are going on their vacations next week, too. . . . Birthday greetings to Pauline Selking. . . . Ed Ort had his ear stolen the other day, but he is happy again, he got it back. . . . Elmer Sihle had his hand all bandaged up. According to the story we heard, he was bitten by Osear the turtle. . . . They tell me that during his spare time Ray Snyder is playing in the Decatur band. . . . The employees of Div. 1 are out looking for 12-cent bread. If anyone locates some let us know. . . . Louie Sauers is the only valve grinder left on the floor, and he is very busy. . . . Louie Barrows is really out stepping these days. He was seen in a little restaurant on Broadway the other day with Florian Korte and Lee Cupp. The boys are wondering who picked up the check. Ralph Gilbert was there, too, but he had something in his eye as he kept blinking it all the time. Did you ever get it out of your eye, Ralph?



Louie Botteron's "Hot Rod" has been his downfall. Everyday this week he has had to go to the dispensary for treatments for his arms and shoulders. Due to rolling the windows up and down. . . . Elmer Buuck received a box of cigars for Father's Day and is smoking them as short as possible, using the butts in his pipe and the ashes on his wife's flowers. . . . Johnny Wilson is planning on going to the Smoky mountains during his vacation, to find out whether he bought an automobile or just a car. . . . Fred Kiel has a new way of shaving. He uses a soldering iron and singes the whiskers off. . . . We know why Rosamond Schooley is so gay lately. She had a sample from the fountain of youth. . . . Of all the strange sights we have seen is Albert Bertsch. He has a piece of lettuce in one hand and a carrot in the other. Then later in the day he will have a shredded wheat biscuit and a banana. Just what kind of a diet is that, Al? . . . Anyone desiring information as to how to paint wallpaper see Ed Rodenbeck. (He painted their living room paper and it all fell off.) . . . Congratulations to Harold Somers on his sixth wedding anniversary. (We wish to extend our sympathy to his wife.) . . . We are just wondering who catches all the fish, Les Richter or Danny Daniels? . . . The group of fellows Mike Brayer rides to work with all have new cars and they are equipped with radios. However, when it is Mike's turn to drive the boys do not have all the comforts of home. Last week one day someone brought a music box along so they could be entertained while riding to work. But the guys still had a little trouble. Mike's car makes so much noise they could hardly hear the music. . . . Mac says the fun is all over, the Mrs. is returning home from a week's vacation down South. . . . Myrtle Barfell bought another dog and rushed to town to purchase a dog collar, which seemed to be a mistake. When she returned home somebody had stolen the dog. . . . Welcome to all the new employees in our division and a very happy birthday to all of those having birthdays in the month of June. . . . Maxine Pierson was all smiles when she came into work last week. She has a very pretty sparkler on her left hand. . . . Hank Epple had planned on such fine fishing weather during his vacation, but due to the cloudbursts all he accomplished was sitting home. . . . Ernie Cutter went to Rome City and was casting off the island and caught his line in a tree. We hear he spent the rest of the day trying to untangle it.

G-E GOLF

By Hugh Dubdit

The Monday evening group lived up to all expectations this week, so the lead changed hands again. The Apps took their match from the Lost Balls by 12 points, while the Dark Horses lost their match by three. As a result, the Apps now lead the group with 18 points; Dark Horses in second with 15; and Lost Balls, third with four. The individual scores were not quite as good as usual, with cards of 42 for Bob Hanna and 43 by Walt Sunier, Jim Oman and Louis Davis.

Last Wednesday in the Winter St. group, the Mashies picked up two points and still lead the group with plus 34 points. However, they lost ground when the Brassies won by seven and have plus 24 points. The Drivers gained 21 points for a total of plus 17. Dick Szink shot a nice 38 to take over top spot in individual standings. The other good scores of the evening were 40 by Don Lyneh and John Skevington, and 41 from Glenn Schimmele and Vern Foulks.

It seems that each week the weatherman dampens the spirits of at least one group. This week the Tuesday group was just about ready to go when the storm let fly with plenty of water.

144 Journey To Niagara Falls With Elex Club



One hundred, forty-four Elex members and their friends went to Niagara Falls the week-end of June 11 and 12. They left Fort Wayne at 2:45 a.m. Saturday on the Nickel Plate Railroad to Buffalo, and finished their trip by bus. Staying on the Canadian side of the Falls, they spent the week-end sightseeing and exploring the area. The girls stayed at the General Brock Hotel, and returned to Fort Wayne early Monday morning. Scenes during the trip are shown above.

Motor and Generator Static



Thought of the week: "Be thankful we still celebrate July 4." . . . The mystery melody is "Say Not Love Is a Dream," by Franz Lehar (we think). . . . ODDS AND ENDS: The following really happened one evening last week: Question: Are the Daisies playing tonight? Answer: WKJG, no; WANE, no; WOWO, yes; WGL, no; WFTW, Did it rain? I've been inside all day. Those cars slide when the track's wet; Hotel Van Orman, (first call) not sure, (second call) no; Bob Inn, sure. We stayed home. . . . After being accosted so many times by the question, "What is that loud noise emanating from Bldg. 31-1?" we feel that a public explanation is justified. We have a race in progress. "During working hours?" "Emphatically." "Do the bosses know?" "We feel they do." "Don't they protest?" "We've heard no comment." "Don't the participants get tired?" "No, they're still going strong." "Who are the participants?" "Monroe Bosius, George Murray, and Dick Hobson." "What kind of a race is it?" "To see which can wear the loudest, gaudiest, flashiest ties." . . . DIFFERENT: From time to time someone has been sending religious tracts to Jim Mitchell. Quite naturally when something like this happens, he pays his respects to Pappy Archbold who often engages in this form of missionary work. We feel that Jim must have read the literature because many of the words he used were printed on its pages, although in slightly different sequence. . . . MUST HAVE BEEN: Speaking of Jim Mitchell, he reports that the "ad" we ran for him in last week's column has paid dividends. Sez he, "There must have been 12 more G-E people up to my free movie for when I counted the money I was 50 cents ahead of my usual take." . . . EGO? Art Druce, navigator of Lake Gage, reports that the captain's cap presented him as a Fathers' Day gift does not fit. Remarks Art, "My head is so swollen since I have been making the news that the cap is entirely too small." . . . GUESS NOT: George Momper is an optimist. The other day he approached Ray Wiese with a proposition. "Ray," he said, "I am going up to Wisconsin on a fishing trip next week and will need a place to store my fish when I return. How about you throwing a big party and emptying your locker so that it will be available for my catch when I return?" Ray, not being an optimist, is doubtful. Sez he, "Last time he went fishing and the only thing he caught was his automobile after it ran into the lake. I don't think his Mercury would look good in my deep freezer." . . . Ed Foley and Art Druce announce that they intend to start a class on the proper installation of monogram caps. Each feels that he has so profited from the other's mistakes that they are fitted to instruct. We suggest you contact Art as Ed is a little close-mouthed about the whole thing.

VOLTMEN
Home Schedule

Saturday, July 2
Lafayette Red Sox

Tuesday, July 5
Kansas City Monarchs

All games are scheduled for 8 p.m. in Dwenger park.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

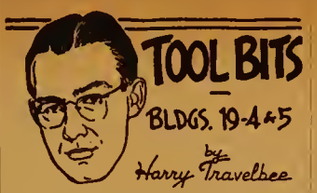
By Johnny McMaken

The end of another week and the start of a three-day vacation is here. Over the Fourth is usually considered one of the most hazardous times of the year. Many people will be swimming, boating, driving, enjoying fireworks, etc., so be careful over the week-end in whatever you do in order you won't be one of the unfortunate ones. . . . All 1949 Plymouth drivers see John Sowers for quick starts and trouble-free motoring. John has had his Plymouth four weeks and has driven 300 miles. He has also made a cover for over the top of his car so when he goes to the lake it won't get wet. . . . Harlan Voltz has a dolly which he has had a lock on for about six months. He went to use it the other day but could not find the key and had to saw the lock off. . . . We have Lavern Shultz back with us again after a short leave. . . . Wilbur Shaffer is running a punch press again, but finds it a bit hard as he cut his finger the first day. . . . Ralph Milligan is starting on a 90 day leave of absence. Have a good rest, Ralph, and also a good time. . . . Fred Theime is really on top of the world this week. He is setting dies as Mike Dauscher is on vacation. . . . Anyone feeling ambitious this week can give ouie Weigman a hand in making hay. . . . A certain party, Russ Krider, who was putting on George Schaefer about not getting in his corn, did not get in his hay. . . . Anyone wishing a job on the shears see Bob Bunyan. He will teach you how to run it. . . . Bob Bunyan got a new car and is having a lot of freeze plug experience, costing $3.50 or $17.50. Bob was wondering if Louie Weigman will have any time to chop up some parts on the shear. . . . Bill Fett and Ray Horstman went fishing and said they caught all the fish they could eat and give away after they got home. I always thought my phone number was in the book.

Ramblings in 31-2

While trying for some fish, Arland Werker hooked a turtle. Arland could smell the turtle soup, as he proceeded to cut the head off of Busco Junior. Junior suddenly turned the tables and snapped Arland's finger first. Arland has been wearing a band-aid to mark the place of contact with the turtle. . . . We are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl to Jack and Maurine Vetter. . . . Glenn Tobias has completed his training period and is now a full-fledged motor specialist in our New York Office. . . . Sunshine and sorrow follow one another. Fred Eisenbiegler left about a month ago to be married in Canada and then to take a new position in Schenectady. We now hear that Fred's father died unexpectedly two weeks ago. We are sorry to hear this.

VOLTMEN
vs.
CHICAGO WHITE SOX
Tuesday Night, July 12
Dwenger Park
TICKETS NOW ON SALE AT G-E CLUB



John Hensler really appreciates any little gift that he receives, but he wishes that the gift would work okay. A fellow worker gave John a new cigarette holder, but when he tried it out he finds that there is no hole in it. Now he plans to have it overhauled. Might just as well buy another one and start from scratch, John. . . . Bills usually come on the first of the month, but in our division they come just any old time. We welcome two Bills from the Apprentice School, Bill Mowery and Bill Jones. . . . Dick Florent has a foolproof way of proving that he catches fish when he goes to the lake. He takes the preacher along To make the day complete he got his limit in bluegills, too! . . . Myron Auer spent the week-end with his folks at Frankfort and made the pleasant discovery that Frankfort has nice blondes as well as classy redheads. Tell us more, Myron. . . . John Roemer had the fans guessing at the Cincinnati-Philadelphia baseball game at Cincinnati, Saturday. He was rooting for first one team and then the other. . . . Herb Thiele has developed a thorough dislike for motor boats for some unknown reason. We think it has something to do with bass fishing at Adams Lake. Might ask him. . . . Myron Auer should be a salesman because he really likes to talk, but he couldn't quite talk the umpire into changing his decision so Myron left the game (by request, that is.) . . . We hear that John Stetler's wife has been on the sick list and we hope she will be okay in a few days. John was a big help around the house while she was in bed. Nice going, John. . . . Art Thieme, die plant foreman, is hereby nominated for the Super-Optimist Club. We have it on good authority that Art is planning a fishing trip after muskies this week and the only lure he intends to use is a lead filled maple shillalah. On the other hand, since Art is the safety representative for the Tool division, perhaps this weapon is for self-defense against those big ones that always jump into the boat after the fisherman. Be careful, Art, there is a law against carrying concealed weapons in Wisconsin, too. Special note, Monday, June 27: Outward evidence makes us think this thing backfired. How about that, Art?

Fractional Fiction 4-5

By Leola Carrier

Birthday wishes of the week go to Gordon Parmalee. . . . Earl Souers, Bldg. 4-5's all-American tackle, has rejected a contract with the Philadelphia Eagles. He insists that the "flying tackle" he demonstrated last week was merely a coincidence. . . . Anyone wanting to join Fort Wayne's exclusive duck and gun club, see Milt Roller. He took his extra week of vacation last week in order to start construction of his "country estate." The rains came and the wild ducks took over the invitable swamp lands, or his basement. . . . Congratulations to Bud Neu on being a proud father of a son. . . . The co-workers wish to express their sympathy to Thurom Cusenberry (Army inspector) in the death of his father.

4-1 Floorage

By Marie Lantz

According to the booming reports around town all week, some people celebrate holidays many days ahead. Early birds are busy; some anfishipating, are getting worms, while others are getting a bang out of crackers. From the first to the fifth our jaunt into July begins with a bang—for the Fourth. . . . How can Dick Polston explain the presence of that drinking glass? When he arrived at the parking lot the morning after he attended the policemen's picnic, said receptacle was parked on the top of his car's radiator. Whether Lick was perfecting a balance act or radiating a little cheer, no one seems to know. . . . Into our midst we welcome Virgil Bobay from Bldg. 4-5. We lose Bill Oberlin to the second shift and Helen Lantz to Bldg. 17-3. We lose Ray Dotzer for just this week—somewhere on vacation. . . . In regards to the discussion period following Mr. Lord's talk, Ruth Nordyke now has a question—which came after. Since when, she asks, does one raise eggs? Seems probable—if one raised a hen he might raise an egg. He would—if one were there. . . . Work is "blooming up" for Harold Roop, our former co-worker who paid us a visit last week. He is now engaged in greenhouse work, the occupation he practiced before working here. To use double-talk, we'd say Harold couldn't keep mum on keeping mums. . . . It wasn't their male vanity — not exactly; Humphrey and Oberlin were merely showing off their colors. While at Pokagon, Dame Nature painted Bill's legs bright red, spot o' sun. And Maurice was merely spotted, he worked the week-end painting walls, supposedly, but he achieved a polka-dot effect on all four limbs.

Apprentice Broadcast

by MILDRED ELLIS



Fireman Ecenbarger donned his crash helmet and came to our rescue Thursday by putting out a small fire alongside Bldg. 12. The fellows claim it was caused by the mill section working so fast that the sparks flew out the window and started the fire. . . . If you have some mending jobs that you would like to have done for a small fee—see Fred Stoup. He's become quite an expert since he has been living the life of a bachelor. . . . Schmidt was swimming with his little cousin, but he paid no attention to the boy's warnings about boats. So the little boy ran toward shore. At the same time a boat hit Schmidt in the back. Schmidt says he will be equipped with a tail light in the near future. These draftsmen are becoming loaded—with accessories. . . . The recent rains played hob with Finton's garden. It left the pickles badly twisted and warped. . . . Whenever "Chubs" Auer is missing from Bldg. 19-5 they should look for him five stories below, because that's where they're going to find him someday if he doesn't quit hanging so far out the window to see the girls who are passing below. . . . Birkenbeul pulled his old Chevy into a junk yard, parked it, pulled the rip cord (made of bailing wire) and left the heap and bought a Plymouth. Now Bob's rich—all car and no money. . . . Marc Junk is back and seems to have survived his two weeks of military reserve training in great shape. . . . Our latest discoverer is Joe Raupfer who has discovered that steel grows. Well anyway, they claim the part was the correct size when it left the lathe section and it was oversize when it got across the aisle to the gear section. It's a good thing Joe didn't have to travel far or he wouldn't have been able to carry all that added weight. . . . We are very sorry to hear that Mr. and Mrs. Gebert's little boy is ill and in the hospital. We hope Kenton will be well and home very soon . . . The apprentice ball club defeated the Firemen 11-3 for their third consecutive win. Kenny Zurbuch pitched a two-hitter and Art Rasor led the attack against the firemen's pitching with three hits. We are sorry to hear that Dick Wagner will not be able to play ball with the boys for the remainder of this season. We hope Dick will be able to get back into the game next season.

To "darn" your luck is not the best way to mend it.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Tuesday Noon, July 5, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—One pair safety glasses in light tan case. Name E. J. Glaser inside case. Lost at Taylor St. plant. Award offered.

FOUND—One key on chain. Found in yard by Bldg. 19.

FOR SALE

24-INCH STEEL FURNACE—Complete with pipes and new grate. Inquire at 307 S. Cowen, Garrett, Ind. or call Garrett 337R.

1936 PLYMOUTH COUPE—Heater, good tires, $50. H-01672.

1937 INDIAN MOTORCYCLE—With 1945 sidecar, good condition, reasonable. 340 W. Wayne St. or A-79764.

TIRE, TUBE, WHEEL AND HUB CAP—For 1934 Ford. A-1 condition. A-68255.

LOT—Covington Road. 99.7 x 200. H-60033.

BEAGLE PUPS—Nine weeks old, pedigreed and registered. H-19136.

MAROON SOFA BED—Like new. 1226 Clayton Ave., after 5:30 p.m.

LARGE SIZE BABY BED—In excellent condition. A-86862.

KNOTTY PINE CABIN—At West Otto Lake, wooded, lake front, east side. H-66332.

WOODEN WARDROBE—25 x 36 x 6, $10. H-17505 after 5 p.m.

BINOCULARS—New, coated lens, Navy. 7x50 with case. H-81327 after Monday.

TRAILER—Like new, all steel, two-wheel, 5 x 7, bed 16-inch deep, two 6.00 x 16—6 ply tires, 2000 lb. capacity. 120 W. Fleming Ave.

1937 CADILLAC—To be sold for parts, motor, body, tires, etc. Write Ralph E. Jacobs, R. R. 1, Liberty Center, Ind.

FULL SIZE BABY BUGGY—A-1 condition, $12.50; Teeter Babe, $1. 2722 Thompson Ave.

LOT—50 x 150 ft. in Fairfax addition; lights available, $285. H-70642.

NEW COTTON HOUSECOAT—Orchid, size 20. H-46641.

FOR RENT

TWO COTTAGES—At Rome City. A-67032.

TRANSPORTATION

RIDERS OR RIDE—Ralph E. Jacobs, from Bluffton. Works in Bldg. 31-1 from 8 to 5:15. Extension 2183.

THANK YOU NOTE

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK—All my friends in Bldg. 4-6 for the nice gifts that were given me. Mamie Richardson.



Last week Fort Wayne management took time out from their many duties to review with us, one and all, some of the problems that confront them daily. To some of us who have an outlined job it may be a trifle hard to realize the magnitude of their problems. At times, we may even question decisions made—but it is impossible for us to know all of the facts and it does not take a master mind to know that they can not take time every week to tell us the latest developments. So—let us say thank you to them for giving us the opportunity to hear their problems discussed and to have our questions answered. We now feel more a part of General Electric Company than ever before. . . . This week-end starts the Fourth of July vacation. Each year we celebrate without stopping to think, or appreciate just what the day stands for—it isn't just fireworks, golf and pienics. Let us start now to plan a safe and sane holiday and to give a little thought to the meaning of the day as we place our flags on display. . . . My attention was called to the fact that I have overlooked suggesting to you that Pokagon State Park, the closest one to Fort Wayne, is really a beautiful spot for a pienic or the hotel offers splendid aecommodations. Must have been thinking of a longer drive. YOU try them all—you won't be sorry, I know. . . . I found it a little difficult to adjust my old-fashioned ideas to accept a picket line in front of a House of God under construction, so I am happy to know that the differences have been settled and I will have to look for a new worry. . . . Constructive advice: Did you read Cliff Ward's column in the News Sentinel on Monday night of last week? He had received an applieation from a young man seeking a job. Apparently he had asked Mr. Ward "what he had to offer." Naturally, that was the wrong approaeh. Wrong anytime, but doubly wrong in this day and age when employers have greater problems than to offer a job to an outside applieant (there are employees right on the ground floor to fill the vacancies, unless in some highly special field.) If you expeet to make an applieation via mail—read this article—it offers constructive adviee. . . . Now for Bldg. 18 news. . . . The new voice you hear from the information desk on Friday afternoons is Betty Jean Rose, Bldg. 18-1. From the third floor we learn that Ruth Hunt recently spent her vacation in New Orleans and we hear that Joann Springer is VERY adept in presiding at ice eream socials. . . . We are late in extending our sympathy to Luther Meyer in the death of his mother and in offering congratulations to Mary Kibiloski who recently celebrated her birthday. How about it, Mary? . . . Talked to Herb Kammeyer, Bldg. 18-1, and the only important news he could offer is "BLUE GILLS ARE BITING." . . . Emily Guth, Bldg. 18-3, has a regular, small fruit ranch at her home on Bowser ave. I can vouch for the red raspberries. . . . Donna Walters and her duplicating machinery have been moved from Bldg. 18-B to Bldg. 18-5. . . . There has been lots of excitement over Melvin Beucler, Bldg. 6-1, winning the Truck Roadeo for G-E. Suggestion to Chamber of Commerce committee: Why not call it a "Trudeo." . . . Milt Kline and Mildred Whitmer, Bldg. 18-1, are still busy comparing notes on their lake cottage building. From my point of view it looks like a whale of a lot of work! It was Dickens who said, "Those who reaeh fulfillment smile at the pains and shock of the trodden way," so some day they may laugh out loud and say, "well done!" . . . Joe Wauro, Bldg. 18-3, is on vacation spending two weeks in New York and Washington. . . . Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Johnson and daughter Susan spent last week-end in Kentucky. . . . The envy of Bldg. 18 is Helen Dafforn's suntan. . . . This seems to be one of those days, "What is so rare as a day in June." . . . Happy birthday to Jeanette Burkhardt and Olive Smith, Bldg. 18-4. "Smitty" gave everyone some luseious chocolate cake topped with marshmallow frosting two inches thick and eoated with chocolate. I plainly see we work on the wrong floor. . . . Annabel Redding of Bldg. 18-4 is "housing" a siege of ivy poisoning. . . . Diek Kent, Bldg. 18-5, has joined the 39'ers. It wasn't in the G-E Golf league, but he has witnesses to prove his score. . . . In Bldg. 18-4 the question is: "What was Karl Reid's idea in ehanging the filing system?" He doesn't think he will ever learn the new one. . . . Audine Love, Bldg. 18-4, is moving again, either two or three times this year, the moving company will soon retire. . . . The Koebles (Gloria to those in Bldg. 18-4) have moved into their new home, may we offer congratulations to you and to Betty Mueller on her birthday.



Summer has arrived. Our information by radio, by newspaper, and by calendar is now completed by Virgil Allmandinger's annual haircut. . . . Onee again Ed Glusenkamp eomes up for some interesting publieity. This time he was diligently minding his own business, busily engaged in trimming the hedge. Finding stooping a bit hard on his back, he decided to sit down for most of the job and kept sliding along in this position as he worked. Occasionally he found it necessary to stand to put that special touch required, and whenever he did he noticed that he received a great deal of attention of passersby. Smiles and whistles were returned in kind with Ed thinking what a friendly neighborhood he was fortunate enough to be living in. The job finished he retired to the house to receive the well earned praise from his spouse, but was greeted by her question of what had happened to the seat of his trousers. Ed reached baek expecting to brush them and—no seat, instead the nether part of his anatomy was exposed. It was then, and only then, that he realized the so-ealled friendliness he had been receiving was only the enjoyment the general public was having at his expense. . . . Joe Trentadue, who is new at this gardening business, is boasting about how tall his bean vines have grown. He's beginning to get a little worried though, he still hasn't found any beans on the vine. . . . Margie Rall had a birthday celebration Thursday, except she wasn't one of the participants. Irma Miller baked her a cake and when Margie failed to report for work the rest of the group shared the cake without her.



Maxine Mertz feels that she doesn't stand a chance on getting her name in the paper, beeause there is too much said about her husband, Walt. Now that the bowling season is over, we'll let the little wife have the limelight awhile. . . . The jet boys of Group 329 have ventilation now. We are looking for a considerable pick-up in production as they aren't singing, "Smoke Gets In My Eyes" anymore. . . . Virginia Wilson is having trouble keeping traek of the tenths on Clorene Trout's card. We wonder if she is running out of fingers? . . . It looks like Dorothy Paxson is just as efficient as a homemaker as she is a time clerk. At least she was a busy little bee last week. She eanned 48 quarts of cherries. We will keep that in mind if we get hungry for cherry pie. . . . This joke is getting rather old, but so is the egg that Rita Fleckenstein found in her machine. We wonder if it is a left-over from Easter or is the bunny still on the loose? . . . We have Cornelia Glass floating on a cloud this week. Nice going, kid. . . . Ruth Freeland doesn't appreciate this very much, but she does get a shower while she is at her machine working, and in this hot weather, too. What have you done, Ruth, to rate such serviee? . . . We are glad to hear that Theoda McCarver's mother is improving so mueh since her operation, and hope that she will be up and around again soon. . . . Erma Wilkins was told to look at the birdie and give us a great big smile. If the picture doesn't appear soon we'll know that something went wrong with the camera. . . . If there is anyone interested in the very latest song hits, they should lend their ears to the airs Lonnie Rockstroh dishes out. They are fresh from the composer. . . . Velma Rose is an ardent fisherman. Want to get acquainted? Just give her a big fish story. . . . Playing golf is an excellent sport to keep you in trim, but Dale Stuckey makes it look like a very difficult game. Wouldn't it be easier, Dale, if you would take your golf bag off your baek and lay it on the ground while driving? . . . We wonder what mischief Thelma Loveless and Lola Brunner get into Sundays that they are so tired Mondays? . . . We are anxious to know when Ruth Freeland is going to use that full tank of gas. If it is company you want, Ruth, just hang the weleome sign on your door handle.

Offiee Offerings

We hear that Bob Hunt's chiekens are laying all soft-shelled eggs. If you can't get any oyster shells, Bob, try putting starch in their drinking water. . . . If and when we have another mass meeting, someone should get a stool for Don Poland to stand on. It would save a lot of wear and tear on the mike. When he gets it down to his size, the other fellow would rest his chin on it. . . . We haven't a new fellow in the office by the name of Hobart. That's just Willard Lenz going under an alias. . . . Jim Voirol and his wife have a splendid idea. They go to Swinney park at noon, put a blanket down, eat their lunch and then both take a nap in the cool shade. If they come in about 2 o'clock some afternoon, you'll know they didn't heed good advice about taking their G-E clock along.

Many bring their clothes to church rather than themselves.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE EMPLOYEE-MANAGEMENT CONFERENCES?



RUTH M. KIBIGER
Bldg. 6-2

"They (the conferences) are very informative and should benefit both management and the employee."



PAUL F. BOYER
Bldg. 4-2

"I think it's a good idea. Why hasn't it been done before? Too long the laboring man has felt he was just a piece of machinery — not worthy to be taken into the confidence of management. But this type of meeting makes us feel as a part of a team, working together for the benefit of all. We all become better workmen when we are better informed."



ARIETTA DENNEY
Bldg. 26-5

"I think it's a very good idea. It gives employees a chance to become better acquainted with management. I believe there were some very good questions and answers given in the meeting."



LEO P. CHRISTLE
Bldg. 19-3

"It is a step in the right direction, but I think they should be more localized and more personal."



AL KRUSE
Taylor St.

"I liked the recent talk at the employee - management conference because it was informal. It gave us a true picture of some of the problems at our works, as well as of our allied works. I think it was worthwhile."



Last week we had a special day other than a holiday; the 21st was the first day of summer, also PICKLE DAY. Eddie Noonan, one of the up-to-date horticulturists, seeded his pickle seeds. If the June beetles don't devour the plants he'll have lots of dill and sweet pickles. . . . An airport fan from the Decatur G-E was sighted at the Smith Airfield in Fort Wayne Sunday afternoon. Jerry Ross, why don't you talk the little woman into getting a flying machine for the family? . . . Did you notice the smile Helen Britzenhoff has been wearing lately? She received from the postman a rose from her boy friend in Wilmington, Delaware. It must have been a beautiful rose, it still looked nice after being pressed. . . . As you know Leona Fruechte has returned to work after a few months off. Welcome back, Leona. . . . Lima, O., here I come. What a town! Cecelia and her sister Rosie visited relatives there over the week-end. Her uncle runs the "Old Dublin Inn." An Irish joint? Wonder if they sampled some of the wares uncle sells? . . . Next Monday we are going to celebrate the Fourth of July. Hey, G-E farmers, will your corn be knee high? Truman Goldner, how's your 40 acres doing? We hear you had some experience cultivating your kernels. After your 40 and the neighbor's 20 you found the cultivators didn't work. Oh, well, Truman, just so you broke the crust, that's all that's necessary. . . . George Meyers was seen enjoying a picnic supper in Bluffton with his family at the Conservation Park. . . . Oran Schultz and Clem Snell attended an athletic club meeting in Portland this week. We haven't heard what the meeting was like, so folks, they'll keep us guessing. . . . Barbara Roop spent the week-end at Grand Rapids, Mich. . . . Bob Andrews' famous words while playing euchre are "we have never been defeated." . . . Earleen Steffen found out she sunburns. . . . Alice McBride took up walking while her husband's car was in the garage. . . . Our deepest sympathy goes out to Mr. Lankenau on the death of his brother and to Esther Ehrman on the death of her father. . . . Welcome to Decatur Rudy Schweiger, the new test engineer. . . . We are happy to report that Fern Passwater's mother is improving and has been brought home from the hospital. May she continue to improve rapidly. . . . Noble Drum almost got a free shower. The day someone turned on the sprinkler when he was standing close to it. . . . Anyone interested in buying a zireon see Dave Embler. He can give you all the information you want to know. . . . Our sympathy also goes out to Charles Cook on the death of his grandmother. . . . Dort Schnepf says it rather rushes a person to get to Fort Wayne after work to do some shopping, but with Dort at the wheel they make it in record time. . . . In case you are wondering who that person is that is driving a new Kaiser, it's none other than Paul Hancher. We certainly hope you get your appetite back, Paul, and you can start sleeping nights or you won't be able to enjoy your new car.

Some girls make poor bridge players. They just hate to return a diamond.

G-E Voltmen To Play Kansas City Monarchs

The Voltmen will play Kansas City's famous Monarchs in a game at Dwenger park Tuesday night, July 5.

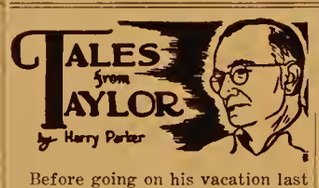


Herb Souell

Sports writers refer to Herb Souell, third baseman, as the best lead-off man in Negro baseball and defensively he is an outstanding hot corner guardian. Souell watches every pitch closely and he hits the ball for distance which makes him doubly valuable to the Monarchs. He bats from the left side. Souell was the outstanding infielder in the 1942 world series against the Homestead Grays.

Willard Brown

Brown is the home run king of the Negro American league. The 200-pound slugger hit four homers in a game against the Chicago American Giants in 1940. He was one of the Monarch players who had a tryout with the St. Louis Browns towards the end of the 1947 season. He has an unusual stance at the plate, batting in a crouched position, but hits homers with ease because he gets all of his weight onto his swings.



Before going on his vacation last week Al Timme told us that he was going to devote the whole week to playing golf. As you all know the week turned out to be one of constant rain, making the various courses a veritable sponge. The ones we visited looked like you might have to use a boat to make your plays. Al was very disgusted and was seriously thinking of flying to some other part of the country where it was dry, because he thought that he must get in a few licks with a golf club. But time was running out so he contented himself by remaining at home and watching the rain. . . . Lindsey Eastes claims to have the largest apiary in Allen County. He tells us that every year for the past several summers he has noticed bees going in and coming out of a small opening near his chimney. He ventures a guess that there must be at least a ton of honey within the walls of his home. We suggest that he make a thorough check and remove the honey before it starts running out on his floors. . . . Ward Grim appeared Monday morning with what he termed an extra special summer hair cut. Actually he looked as though he had slid down too far in the barber's chair while being shaved. He said that the only place you can get a hair cut of this type is at Lake Papakeechie and we really believe him. . . . Sam Allmandinger has purchased a pretentious estate at one of our northern Indiana lakes. He told Quentin Romy that if he expected to be entertained at said place he would have to purchase and present to Sam a new boat, one that is leak proof. Sometime ago, Quentin invited Sam to accompany him on a trip to Indianapolis with the former's car which leaked badly causing Sam to get wet feet, resulting in a bad cold. He, therefore, does not want this same thing to happen in the new boat. . . . Charles Clawson has just returned from a week's vacation during which he expected to do a lot of fishing. Since the weather was very wet and cool, he decided to go duck hunting instead. From all reports he did very well, coming home with two gunny sacks full of fowl. We are wondering if they were of the wild or domestic variety. . . . Pigs seem to be the topic of conversation among some of our co-workers. Each and every one of them have been telling us all about their litters and the excellent qualities of them. At the present time there seems to be great rivalry between Leo Herber and Lindsey Eastes to see which one can come up with the best pig story.

Great minds have purposes, others have wishes.



From the latest reports, Ed Smethers is quite an authority on the latest type washing machines. . . . Since Fred Bishop has started building his cottage at Loon Lake all of his buddies are doing their fishing elsewhere. Come on, fellows, don't let Fred down like that. . . . Gurney Lindley had quite a time getting a die started the other day when be was accidentally given a left-hand die at the tool crib. . . . Claude Gill, formerly of this group, is now driving a Willys with a special bumper. It has the imprint of a telephone pole in the center. How about it, Claude, did it come like that? . . . Doyle Huffman is sporting a new Chevrolet, too. . . . Everyone is wondering what character Howard McMaken will play in that St. Joe Legion presentation coming up soon. . . . Bill Walde celebrated another of life's milestones last week. Bill says they slip by pretty fast. True, Bill, quite true. . . . That fog around my bench last Thursday was caused when I opened a needle valve on an oiler too far and it got away from me. Boy, did I oil things up in a hurry? . . . Gurney Lindley spends a lot of time keeping that new Kaiser polished and boasts of the mileage he gets on the gas. But when you take in how far he walks to get gas it's no wonder he gets good mileage. . . . Cecil Strong was a visitor to the crib this week. . . . Bob Griffin, George Lambroff and Ray Brown are now working on set-up work in the field. . . . John Marks is the new apprentice in the group. . . . Ernie Brown was busy over the week-end with the Moose convention in Fort Wayne last week. . . . Gene Werling can pick 'em up and lay 'em down in a volleyball game if he has a little lightning to spar him on as recently happened when the lightning struck a tree near his game. . . . Russ "Hot Rod" Deveny was given the definition of the word STOP by one of the more courteous cops the other a.m. on his way to work. . . . A dinner was held yesterday in honor of Bill Buuck, who retired. He was surprised, too. There will be more coverage on this in next week's issue.

Firemen Lose To Apprentice, Lab Tops League

Zurbuch allowed only two hits, as the Apprentice School won their third game. They beat the Firemen, 11-3, in the Inter-division Softball League. This was a close game until the seventh inning, when the Apprentices got eight of their 11 runs.

The Works Lab stayed at the top of the league by whipping the Main Office, 12-3 behind steady, five-hit pitching by Harold Egeman.

Winter St. won their first game by downing the Fractional team, 12-2.

Standings:

	Won	Lost
Works Lab.	4	0
Apprentice	3	0
Squares	2	1
Winter St.	1	2
Firemen	1	2
Main Office	1	3
Fractional	0	4

Police Down Owls, 11-1

The G-E Owls met their match in their old rivals, the F.O.P. The Police won by the score of 11-1. This was the first time they were ever able to do the trick.

Stauffer started on the mound for G-E and gave up seven runs until he was relieved by Boyer in the sixth inning. Greeno was behind the bat.

	R.	H.	E.
G-E	1	4	5
F. O. P.	11	14	3

Stauffer, Boyer; Greeno: Marvin; Shafenacher, Butts



The column sounds more and more like a broken record, "The Hot Shots, the Hot Shots, the Hot Shots." How can I help it? Those guys went out last Wednesday and shot a 154 total, or 38.5 strokes per man. The way I figure, that is "plenty classy" golf. This was their best effert in three years of league play. Jim Sternberger and Oz Bunch had 37's; Warren Wickliffe, a 39; and Bob Craig, 41. Their victim of the day was Walt Pook's team No. 5 by thirteen points. team No. 5 by 13 points. Team No. 5 shot six strikes under their average, but it just wasn't enough.

The Jolly Boys pushed No. 1 into second place of the odd side with an eight point thumping. Jim oung was low for both teams with a 43.

Shooting 17 strokes under their average, John Shanahan's team No. 3 swept past team No. 1 on the odd side by trouncing Bernie English and company by 16 points.

The Standings:

ODD		EVEN	
No. 3, Shanahan	+25	No. 6, Craig	+75
No. 1, Stauffer	+16	No. 2, Stanger	—23
No. 5, Pook	—22	No. 4, English	—71



Did you know vacation is only four weeks away? Or have you counted the hours? . . . Seems like we had a very quiet week here. Nothing stupendous, which reminds us to remind you to use the Works News box by the time clock to drop your stories in—anytime. . . . Our deep sympathy to Don Kruse in the death of his father. . . . Our first "17-4 Night" at the baseball game was a big success with many of our neighbors at the game. If you missed it, you should be sorry for it was a wonderful opportunity to meet your co-workers and their families for an evening of fun. Next time don't be so hesitant. See you at the game! . . . Don't forget our Wednesday evening games, either—let's boost our team. . . . Congratulations went to Imogene Hortenstein, who is the proud mother of a 6½ pound baby girl. Red-haired, too. Many of the gang will remember "Imie," who was our timekeeper.

Don't miss the free fireworks display after the Voltmen vs. Lafayette game Saturday night at Dwenger park.

TOUCHING THE BASES

by Walter Hirsted



The Auscos won a tightly played game from Michigan City, 3 to 1. Mack Stewart, ace of the Ausco mound staff, outpitched Chet Brewer of the Cubs to rack up his sixth win of the season. Winters and Hofferth paced the attacks of their teams with two hits each.

Line seore:

Michigan City	001 000 000	1	7	2
St. Joseph	100 110 00x	3	9	2

Brewer and Hofferth
Stewart and Westerkamp

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Red Sox Wallop Buds

The Red Sox overwhelmed the Buds at Lafayette in a game enlivened with a rhubarb of moment between first the Lafayette team and the umpires in general and later between Red Sox pitcher, Herring, and umpire, Hood.

The game was pretty dull as the Red Sox again elaimed Ververka as "cousin" by shelling him out with eight runs in less than four innings.

Line score:

Benton Harbor	000 000 050	5	7	2
Lafayette	302 300 07x	15	16	1

Ververka, Morris, Rossi and Kovach; loser, Ververka
Herring, DeLion and Hixson; winner, Herring

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Auscos Trim Red Sox

The Auscos continued to hold their spell over the Red Sox by whipping the Rosser men at Edgewater park, 9 to 5. Lafayette looked like some of the Voltmen performancês as they eame up with six errors to make the Auscos task easier.

Lafayette	000 104 000	5	12	6
St. Joseph	032 003 01x	9	12	2

Hazel, Clifton, DeLion and Hixson; loser, Hazel
Katz, Albosta and Westerkamp; winner, Albosta

Red Sox Beat Auscos

The red hot Red Sox rallied in the eighth inning for three runs to overcome the Auscos, 5 to 4. The Auscos had seemingly put the game away in their half of the eighth, when they drove Herring to cover with a four run blast; but the Red Sox came back to beat Mack Stewart. Augie Hixson paced the winners with three hits.

Line score:

St. Joseph	000 000 040	4	5	3
Lafayette	010 010 03x	5	8	3

Stewart and Westerkamp
Herring, Hazel and Hixson; winner, Hazel

Rambling Notes

Jim Wallace, who shut out the Voltmen last Friday, has decided that as semipro ball the Michigan-Indiana league is plenty tough. In turn, both the Buds and the Volts, who have sampled his assortment of pitching wares, both declare that Jim is the fastest pitcher in the league.

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The league office has announced rulings on protested games and pronounced fines on several players mixed up in rhubarbs recently. The Auscos protest of a loss to Michigan City, 11 to 10, on the grounds of use of an ineligible player by the Cubs was disallowed on the very ample grounds that the Auscos also used a player who was ineligible. The question that comes to mind here is how the Cubs can be allowed to hold a victory under the circumstances. Why not chalk up a loss to both sides.

The Studebaker protest of the game forfeited at St. Joseph was disallowed on the grounds that after the umpires had tossed four Auto men out of the game, the Studebakers did not have the necessary nine men left to continue.

Individual players were fined as follows: Pitcher Lee of the Studebakers, First Baseman Logan of the Auscos, Catcher Morgan of the Studebakers and Pitcher Herring of the Red Sox, $15 eaeh for ignoring the rule against putting hands on the umpire.' Catcher Westerkamp of the Auscos, $25 for ereating an objectionable scene in front of the Benton Harbor fans. All coneerned were warned that the next offense would result in fines of $50 and suspension. What has happened to umpire Hood who was indefinitely suspended for his altercation with Art Herring was not disclosed.

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Many Voltmen fans are wondering just what does go on around the M-I loop. When Al Hazel left the Voltmen he gave as his reason that he was on 24-hour call at his job in Indianapolis and could not get farther away than Lafayette. On that basis he was given his release. Since then it has been noted that he found no trouble in getting to St. Joseph on a Friday evening, which meant that he had to leave work early. Manager John Rosser of Lafayette claims that when he signed Hazel that Al said that he could make all games—it might be added that Rosser also was informed by the Voltmen management when released here of his statement that he could only travel to Lafayette. Something looks fishy.

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From all reports the league meeting held at Rochester last Monday was as warm and humid as the weather. Windsor was admitted to the league to replace South Bend which will conclude its schedule tomorrow night. Windsor will pick up the South Bend standings and schedule.

It was voted at the meeting to divide up the South Bend players by choice among the other teams in the league with the order of choice going in inversely to the team's standing in the league. This was agreeable to all except Manager Carl Kennedy of the Auscos. Kennedy won't deny that he was tampering with Lefty Lee contrary to league rules and he wants him so badly for the Auscos that he will try any method to get him. If he doesn't turn up in a Voltmen uniform it will look funny, as with first choice and needing pitchers as badly as they do the Volts can sure use him. Waldo Tiscornia has ordered Kennedy to get pitchers at any price but be sure he gets them.

M-I LEAGUE STANDINGS
(Includes games of June 26)

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
St. Joseph	11	7	.611	—
Lafayette	10	7	.588	½
Benton Harbor	8	8	.500	2
Michigan City	8	8	.500	2
VOLTMEN	8	11	.421	3½
South Bend	5	9	.357	4

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

St. Joseph, 3, Michigan City, 1.
Lafayette, 15, Benton Harbor, 5.
Michigan City, 2, VOLTMEN, 0.
St. Joseph, 9, Lafayette, 5.
South Bend, 7, VOLTMEN, 4.
Lafayette, 5, St. Joseph, 4.
Benton Harbor, 10, VOLTMEN, 1.

Voltmen Blanked By Philadelphia In 5-0 Downfall

By Bill Hunt

The hitting of Catcher Stan Glenn combined with the pitching of Henry Miller gave the Philadelphia Stars a 5-0 win over the Voltmen Thursday night, July 23, at Dwenger park.

Miller hung a horse collar on the Voltmen as his battery mate, Glenn blasted two mighty home runs to drive in all five runs for the visitors. Charlie Shipman was fairly effective, except for the home runs. He allowed one hit or less per inning until the seventh when a single, an error plus the home run, netted three runs. Then a single and another home run made it five.

The Voltmen were totally ineffective against pitcher Miller. They got part of a rally started in the seventh. Chinewicz led off with a single to left with Southworth also singling, then going to second and third on second baseman Clarkson's error; but the next three men went down swinging to end it.

Olin Smith continues to look surprisingly good at first base, as he fields well and handles all throws. He also got two singles at bat. The new outfielder, Chinewicz, looked very good in the field. As usual he also got two nice singles. We are happy to see him start hitting inasmuch as he is the kind of hustling ball player we need.

John Dudick's tag of Watkins in the third inning, when he tried to stretch a double, was probably the play of the game. He had to chase him to put him out after a Ty Cobb super fade-away slide.

PHILADELPHIA	AB	R	H	VOLTMEN	AB	R	H
Watkins,3	5	0	2	Stramm,ss	4	0	0
Davis,1	5	0	1	Green,lf	4	0	0
Clarkson,2	4	0	0	Hormann,c	3	0	0
Jones,cf	4	0	1	Dudick,3	4	0	0
Brown,lf	4	1	2	Smith,1	3	0	2
Littles,rf	4	2	1	Bobilya,rf	3	0	2
Glenn,c	4	2	2	Chi'wicz,cf	3	0	2
Smith,ss	4	0	2	So'thworth,2	3	0	1
Miller,p	4	0	1	Shipman,p	4	0	0
				xHisner	1	0	0
Totals	38	5	12	Totals	31	0	7

xBatted for Southworth in 9th.

Philadelphia	000	000	302—5
Voltmen	000	000	000—0

Homestead Grays Edge Voltmen, 5-4

By BILL HUNT

The Voltmen lost a 5-4 decision to the famed Homestead Grays, their second defeat at the hands of the Grays this season. The game was played Wednesday night, June 22, at Dwenger park.

Braden's boys almost managed to pull a game—badly lost in the first inning—out of the fire, but they were unable to drive in runs as they left 10 potential runs on base. The Voltmen messed up the first inning royal as Lee Pfund pitched good ball, but had all sorts of trouble fielding and throwing. Only one run was hit in, the rest were kicked in. It might be added that fate was far from kind inasmuch as all the errors turned out to be about as costly as an error can get.



Pfund is shown coming into third on a double by Henry Stramm.



Stramm scores from second on Gabby Horman's single. Hugh Orphan is at the right and John Dudick, at the left, above.

Richardson popped to Dudick, Gary doubled off the left field fenee, then the fun started as Stramm let a ball roll through his legs. Fields drove one to the box. which Pfund knocked down and threw to second too late. Clifford then doubled to left to seore Bankhead. On the next play, Jackson hit a hopper to the mound whieh Pfund fielded easily with Fields 10 feet off third. He threw to Dudiek to trap him, but it was wild so Fields and Clifford seored.

The Grays only managed three singles off Pfund after that. They did seore the winning run after Trice tried to go from first to third on a sacrifice, but Dudiek tagged him beautifully only to have the umpire miss the play. So he was safe. He then scored on Richardson's single.

The Voltmen scored in the first when Hormann and Dudick walked. Then Smith hit a double whieh scored Hormann, but caught Dudick at the plate on a Trice to Kaiser to Clifford relay. Gabby Hormann drove in two in the fifth, after Pfund singled and Stramm doubled. We looked like we were on the way in the ninth, as Stramm lay down a perfeet bunt. Then he went to third on Fran Green's to right. Then the same miserable umpire agreed with the Grays that Stramm did not touch second so he was ealled out. Hormann walked, Dudick singled, then Smitty drove to the center field fence where Fields dropped it; but only Green seored. Bobilya and Chinewicz then fanned to end it all.

It should be mentioned that Olin Smith is doing a bang-up fielding job at first. He went out after a ground ball and hung a perfect toss over the bag for Pfund to take and retire the man. Also he has been stretching well for Stramm's throws from deep short, whieh have been outs only by Smitty's stretches in some cases.

Grays	AB	R	H	Voltmen	AB	R	H
Richard'n,ss	5	0	0	Stramm,ss	4	1	2
Gary,3	5	1	2	Green,lf	5	1	1
Bankhead,2	2	1	0	Hormann,c	2	1	1
Fields,cf	4	1	0	Dudick,3	4	0	1
Clifford,c	4	1	1	Smith,1	5	0	1
Jackson,lf	4	0	1	Bobilya,rf	4	0	2
Kaiser,1	4	0	0	Chenewicz,cf	4	0	0
Trice,rf	4	1	0	Sout'worth,2	3	0	0
Walker,p	3	0	0	Pfund,p	3	1	1
Partlow,p	0	0	0				
Totals	35	5	5	Totals	34	4	9

Grays	400	000	001—5
Voltmen	100	020	001—4



Lead-off batter, Lee Pfund, smacks a single in the fifth inning.



More than a hundred employees from Bldg. 17-4 bought out a section of seats at Dwenger park Wednesday night, June 22, to see the Voltmen play against the Homestead Grays. Clarence Hartman handled the arrangements for the group.

On "Being Ourselves"

For nearly two centuries we Americans have been doing as we please—buying and selling as we like—just freely "being ourselves."

We are still doing so. And that's a more wonderful privilege than we realize—one we want to keep. Few people anywhere else in the world can any longer do—or have—what they want.

But we have been abusing this privilege—neglecting our selfish duty—just not intelligently "being ourselves" in our own best interests as individuals and as a nation. We have not been gaining—and acting on—the additional wisdom and prudence needed to match the growing opportunities and responsibilities of our freedom.

To keep free enough to go on "being ourselves" and living well, we must master economic truth. We must learn that a large part of our wants—and even of our apparent needs



—can be, and sometimes should be, postponed. We must have the moral courage to act accordingly—to put off such buying and save *when values get bad in good times*, to use our income and savings to *buy with confidence when values get good in bad times*.

We have just come through an excessive boom in which too many of us were "being ourselves" with stupid and reckless abandon—first diluting our money and then needlessly bidding against each other to cut the value of our money further. We are now in a mild deflation—our first step in imposing on our free selves the correction that we were certain sooner or later to want to—or to have to—make to our previous excesses.

We Americans are mighty lucky to be thus still free enough to have ups and downs. Wherever dictators, socialists, or "planners" rule, there are of course no booms—just one long bust.

But we don't need to force our booms up as high or let our busts go as low as we have been doing. We don't need to be frightened or puzzled about what to do.

If we had just recognized last year and earlier that we were in a big boom—and then had prudently restrained our buying while adding to savings for use when the money would buy more—we would not only have sawed off the costly peak but would have lots more money to spend now.

If even now we will just calmly recognize that we are undergoing a correction of our own excesses—we can make this recession shorter



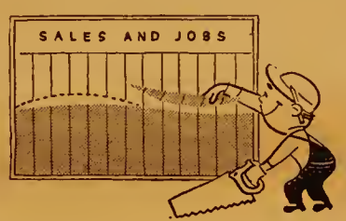
and shallower, can turn sales and employment back upward sooner. Management and employees can do it by pitching in with more creative thought, interest, skill, care, and effort in our work, while having the confidence to use income—and some of the savings we did make—in taking advantage of the bigger values now being made available.

False prophets are again in full cry against such true and tried and honestly practical principles. Too many are out again with fresh hopes of plundering our system and enslaving us to centralized control. They are trying to get us to adopt as a cure the "something-for-nothing" schemes that would reduce incentive, lessen competition, raise costs, damage savings, discourage buying, deepen unemployment, and prolong this recession.

Just our monkeying with these very same ideas stretched out our last depression by ten long years. We were printing money, raising costs, and controlling each other, when we should have been keeping our money honest and competing with each other under the inspiration of worthwhile incentives to get costs down and values up—to achieve the only kind of "supply-and-demand" situation in which our free citizens will furnish the sales that make the jobs.

Phony ideas made our last war frightfully costly beyond any need; further inflated the recent post-war boom that had already been made inevitable by excessive money printing and by false teachings from high places. These are the false collectivist theories that have made beggars and slaves of people everywhere to just the exact degree they have embraced these theories.

In contrast to any such bankrupt and discredited scheme, sound thinking people are now advocating and practicing a dynamic, realistic, honest program of progress toward more sales and jobs. Enlightened companies are expanding and improving facilities. They are offering more attractive products, lowering prices, selling harder. They are urging that all concerned—employer and employee, company and union—put more thought, interest, skill, care and effort into getting a bigger value to the customer.



Well informed people know that about 95% of the public still has the income and savings for buying in sufficient volume to put the unemployed back to work just as soon as products and prices can be gotten attractive enough. We are all meanwhile for every proper and needed public relief to those relatively few who are unemployed.

As long as we have our freedom, we'll continue to have our ups and downs—because we will be wanting to be free to change, wanting to be able to act one way for a while and then act another way for another while. But we can level out these ups and downs—cut off the peaks and fill in the valleys—if we will only have the sense and character to shun the false and embrace the true. Let's do just that this time!

Let's all get busy making more and better things at more attractive prices for others—so we as buyers can then confidently expect more and better things at more attractive prices from everyone else. That's the way to get back to good times the quickest. That's the way to be able to go on "being ourselves" to our own best interest as individuals and as a country.

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You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift. You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong. You cannot help the wage earner by pulling down the wage payer.

—*Abraham Lincoln*

Tobin, Boulware Discuss Outlook For Business On National Network

SECRETARY OF LABOR, G-E VICE PRESIDENT BELIEVE PRESENT RECESSION IS TEMPORARY

Secretary of Labor Maurice J. Tobin characterized our present economic situation as "temporary," and as only a "settling down" period, in a round table discussion over the American Broadcasting Company radio network Tuesday, June 28.

Participating in the discussion were Secretary of Labor Tobin; Vice President L. R. Boulware of General Electric; and Dr. Carl Prutton, Vice President of Mathieson Chemical Corporation.

"The more you check it, the more difficult you find it to find anything wrong basically with the economy," Secretary Tobin continued.

Economy Is Sound

He disclosed that industrial workers were at the moment suffering greater unemployment than the others, but pointed out "there is still a tremendous consuming power in the hands of the American people and they are spending the money."

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Accident Rates Are Reduced

During the first quarter of 1949, the Fort Wayne Works reduced the accident frequency and severity rates set during 1948. The severity of accidents here last year was .076, now it has dropped to .029; the frequency of accidents was 3.20, now it is 1.64.

The accident rates at the Fort Wayne Works were far below the average for the entire Company and for the Apparatus Department during the first quarter this year, according to a report issued recently by the Company.

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Herbert Eaton Takes First Place Honors In Speech Contest

Herbert Eaton, K. B. Parks, and U. L. Hearn won first, second, and third place respectively in the speech contest of the Effective Business Presentation Class Tuesday, June 28, at the Chamber of Commerce.

The class is a part of the Sales Training Program of the General Electric Company and is instructed, in Fort Wayne, by J. P. Coughlin, of the Specialty Transformer Sales division.

The six participants in the contest, who were voted by the class as outstanding members, were Herbert Eaton, K. B. Parks, U. L. Hearn, Brooks Brickley, Edward DeCrappel and Larry Hume. The topics, a variety of current interests, were presented orally to portray their ability to effectively set forth ideas to their audience.

B. R. McClure, K. W. Michael and W. H. Sunier were the judges. P. H. Ward was chairman of the program.

Guests included P. M. Staehle, A. W. Bartling, R. C. Hanna, F. J. Kissell, P. S. Stough, H. K. Pritchard and Cyrus Stonehill.

Chicago White Sox To Play G-E Voltmen Here July 12

The Chicago White Sox of the American League will journey to Fort Wayne's Dwenger park Tuesday night, July 12, for an exhibition game against the G-E Voltmen.

The White Sox appearance will be the only opportunity Fort Wayne baseball fans will have to see a major league team in action here this summer.

All seats for the White Sox tilt are reserved and may be obtained for $1.50 at the G-E Club office or at the Dwenger Park box office the night of the game. Starting time will be 8 p.m.

The White Sox will bring along such stars as Luke Appling, one of the greatest infielders of all time; Catcher Joe Tipton; Infielders Gene Markland, Don Kolloway and others; plus Pitchers Al Gettel, Floyd Bevens, Marino Pieretti and many other well-known diamond stars from the Windy City.

The Sox-Voltmen tilt is scheduled the same date as the Major League All-Star Baseball Game in Brooklyn. This game will prevent Cass Michaels from appearing here, Charles A. Comiskey II has informed Charlie Wilt, Voltmen business manager. Gus Zernial and several others on the injured list will also be prevented from playing here.

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Apprentice Alumni Plan Stag Picnic

The G-E Apprentice Alumni stag picnic will be held at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, July 14, at Lunz's barn. Tickets can be obtained from contact men.

Entertainment will include a ball game featuring Bill Holloway's West Side Gas House Gang against Eddie Bienz's East Side Boiler Makers.

Directions for getting to the barn are as follows:

Travel the Bluffton road over a mile past the Broadway bridge to Sand Point road; turn right and go to the first railroad tracks; then turn down the first road to the left.

Elex Children's Picnic Will Be Held Wednesday

The Elex children's picnic will be held Wednesday, July 13, at West Swinney park. Children under the age of 12 years old will be guests of Elex members at the outing.

Members are reminded to bring their own table service for the picnic dinner, which will be served from 5 to 6 p.m.

Logan Named Ass't. To General Manager Of Apparatus Dept.

John W. Logan, of Schenectady, has been appointed Assistant to the General Manager of General Electric's Apparatus Department, it was announced today by Henry V. Erben, Company Vice President and General Manager of the Department.

Mr. Logan will assist the general manager on administrative matters. The appointment is effective immediately, Mr. Erben said.

In charge of security matters and a member of the General Manager's staff since November, 1947, Mr. Logan will also continue to supervise and coordinate security activities on U. S. Government contracts in the Apparatus Department.

108 Employees Receive Suggestion Awards



Franklin Blotkamp, FHP Motor Div. 13, received an $85 award for his suggestion to purchase certain material cut to size, eliminating shearing operations. He is shown with the application of his idea in the above picture. Left to right are: Ed Kimmel, Harold Hart, Mr. Blotkamp and Frank Calkins.

Blotkamp Tops List With $85

Franklin J. Blotkamp, Taylor St., led 108 suggestors with an $85 award for his idea pertaining to end fibre material. The total awards amounted to $1,157.50.

Next on the list was Fred Chronister of the Decatur Plant, who received $55 for his suggestion about oil well covers. Helen Bilskie and Laureen Procise, Bldg. 8-2, divided a $45 award for their suggestion on a telephone switch.

Forty dollars went to Hiram I. Hippler, Tiffin, who suggested cooling water on furnaces. For his idea to re-arrange base assembly, Charles J. Miller of the Decatur plant received $32.50. A $30 award went to Paul R. Castle, FHP Division 15, on his suggestion to increase air gap.

Three men received $25 awards for suggestions. They are Jesse

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FORT WAYNE WORKS NEWS

Don Campbell.....Editor

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We Are Legislating Ourselves Out Of Our Fifth Freedom

It wasn't so long ago that there was a lot of talk about the famous Four Freedoms. Remember them? They are Freedom from Want; Freedom from Fear; Freedom of Speech; and Freedom of Religion. The writers of these famous phrases had hoped that mankind throughout the world might someday enjoy the blessings of all four. Indeed, our government at that very moment was prosecuting a war toward that end.

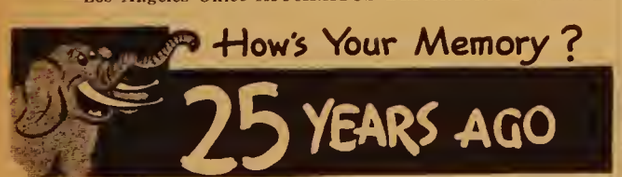
But, unfortunately, the originators of the Four Freedoms left out another and perhaps the most important of all. By way of explaining what that fifth freedom is, let's consider a convict, a prisoner in jail. He is also blessed with the Four Freedoms. He is free from want; he eats well, he is clothed, he has a place to sleep and a warm home. He has freedom from fear; he need fear no one, not even his own enemies. He can talk about anything—shout whatever he wishes—so he has freedom of speech. And he can worship in any way he pleases, in fact, is urged to do so—hence, freedom of religion.

But what makes him different from you and me? Since he is surrounded by the Four Freedoms, what more could he ask? It is **Freedom of Enterprise**. Freedom of Enterprise, something we have had since the earliest beginnings of these United States. Freedom of Enterprise—freedom to set out upon a venture, to attempt an undertaking of our own; freedom to do as we wish so long as we do not break the law.

Now we see the beginning of the slow dissolution of the most important of all these Freedoms. We are being legislated out of our birthright, the one distinction which sets us apart from all other peoples. We are trading our most precious American asset for socialism in the form of **compulsory** unemployment insurance, **compulsory** social security, **compulsory** health insurance. And there are others yet to come—**compulsory** legislation which is gradually imprisoning us as securely as the steel and concrete, the bars and stone that surround the convict. True, we too shall have our Four Freedoms, but of what value will they be if we shall have lost our most unique, our most precious possession, our Freedom of Enterprise. We shall then have legislated ourselves into a dictatorship.

You have a chance—yet—to preserve your heritage, your Freedom of Enterprise. If you do **not** act, you may never again have that privilege. The representatives **you** elected last November are your last faint hope in the struggle to preserve your very **own personal** freedom. You elected them to represent **you**. By all means, then, let them know what **you** think and how you feel about the matters which so intimately affect your life. Write today—this very evening—and tell your representative what you want him to do. If you and I fail, we shall have created our own prison out of laziness, neglect and indifference.

—Los Angeles Office APPARATUS DEPARTMENT WEEKLY



Raymond Kierspe, who is well known from the active part he has taken in amateur theatricals, finished the four-year Machinist and Toolmakers' Apprentice Course, April 21. For good work done in both shop and class room he received a three months' credit on his time. The usual $100 bonus to those who satisfactorily complete the course, was also given him. Mr. Kierspe is a native Fort Wayne boy.

Charles Kensill completed the Machinist and Toolmakers' Course May 19, and was awarded the $100 bonus. Mr. Kensill is also a native Fort Wayne boy, and after attending the public grade schools, had two years at the Fort Wayne high school before taking up the apprentice course here.

Herbert Sullivan might almost be called a native G-E boy. Born in Fort Wayne, he attended the public grade schools before starting work here at the G-E as a messenger boy. Appreciating the value of training he attended the G-E night school, and later enrolled in the Machinist and Toolmakers' Apprentice Course.

Paul Weitzman also finished the Machinist and Toolmakers' Apprentice Course on June 2. He received the $100 bonus, also the three months' credit on his time for doing good work in both shop and classroom. Mr. Weitzman is a Fort Wayne boy, attended the public grade schools and the Fort Wayne high school for two years before taking up the apprentice work.

The Old Swimming Hole



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HUGH CRANE *discusses* Employer Problems Of Today

NEW YORK—It struck me the other day, "What would I do if I was an employer in a falling market?"

The problem isn't a very pleasant one to think about. As they say about policemen somewhere in Gilbert & Sullivan, I imagine that in a recession "an employer's life is not a happy one."

Because to begin with, when you get right down to it, an employer is a merchant. He sells goods. He hires people to make the goods. But if he can't sell the goods, how can he hire people, or even keep the people he has?

Not Always A Solution

Of course he can cut prices and try to recover his market. But that doesn't always work. For one thing, price cuts don't always make markets. Maybe buyers aren't in the mood; it sometimes happens that way. And for another thing, how is he going to pay for it? Cut wages? Go broke? There's a limit to how far anybody can keep on selling things for a dollar that cost two dollars to make.

But that isn't the whole story. An employer is more than a merchant. In a way he's also a father. And like a father, he may be in trouble but he still has responsibilities to a lot of people who without his help couldn't or wouldn't like to face the cold, cold world of buy-and-sell, dollars-and-cents, as he is in the habit of doing.

The Big Question

But these responsibilities aren't simple. They run like this perhaps. "How much money is there, and how far will it have to stretch? How much can we spend now, but how much do we need to keep on hand to stay in business, to keep fit in competition, to develop new products?"

No thanks. "Leave me be" with no more responsibilities than my secretary, my maid, and my old dog Caesar.

But there are two things I can't understand, in today's news.

I don't understand why so many employers and corporations keep hollering for a balanced federal budget—which surely means less business and more taxes.

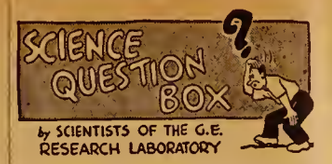
And I don't understand why so many unions, including the unions that deal with the larger corporations, keep plugging for things like bigger corporation taxes and penalties on corporations that plow back their earnings into the business.

On both these points these two groups of people seem to be defeating their own ends. There's an old theory of "economic determinism," that every group and "class" naturally seeks its own interests first. Here they don't seem to.

On the budget side it seems to me that employers would figure this way. "The public has money but isn't buying. We need customers to keep our people in jobs and our machines busy. If the public doesn't want what our people can turn out on the machines, why shouldn't the government use it?" (Mind you I feel this only so long as markets fade and prices fall. During the big boom I was all for less government spending and against almost all the bright Washington spending ideas).

Front For Nationalization

On the other side, it seems to me that when unions plug for bigger taxes on industry they are plugging for weaker employers with smaller resources to carry fewer workers for shorter periods. And when they plug for an "undivided profits tax" they are making it harder for employers to put earnings back into new plant, into reserves, into research, into new products—in short, into future jobs. I can't understand it, unless these unions are running interference for nationalization of industry. And I can't see the point in that, either, from what I've seen and heard about government jobs and government pay-rates.



Q: How can a rocket operate in a perfect vacuum where there is no air for it to push against?

A: A rocket provides its own material to push against, in the form of the gases that it ejects. It is the reaction of "kick", as these gases are shot out, that drives the rocket ahead, so it would work better in a vacuum, like that in interplanetary space, than in the air, where there is some friction.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



Accident Rates

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The Works' frequency rate, which is the number of lost-time accidents per million man hours, was 1.64 for the first three months of tbis year. The average for the Company was 4.65 and the Apparatus Department reported 5.39.

An accidental injury or occupational disease sustained by an employee while at work which disables him to the extent that he is unable to perform a regularly established job on any subsequent day, or an injury which results in permanent functional loss, is classified as a lost-time accident.

The severity rate, which is the number of days charged per thousand man hours, was .029 for the Fort Wayne Works, in comparison to .360 for the Company and .384 for the Apparatus Department.

Days charged refers to the actual days an employee is unable to work because of an injury, or days charged as a penalty because of a permanent functional loss resulting from injury.

108 Employees

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J. Batchelder, FHP Motor Division 13; Richard Zirger, Tiffin, and Russell W. James, Specialty Transformer Division 94.

The following received various awards in amounts ranging from $5 to $20:

FHP Motor Div. No. 1: Edwin E. Hilsmier (two awards), Frank N. Brindle, Avery Spayde, Lester A. Hubartt and Howard C. Taylor.

FHP Motor Div. No. 13: Charles E. Clawson, John Wood, Edward D. Fischer, Kenneth Johnson, Herbert F. Saurer, Preston H. Hille (two awards), Donald Long, Clare Tedford and William A. Sivits.

FHP Motor Div. No. 14: Clarence W. Rothgeb, William L. Smith, Waldo D. Martin (two awards), Louis Hinen, Charles C. Rupel, Virgil J. Hammons, Forest Grimm, Lamar Alwine and Herber F. Seslar.

FHP Motor Div. No. 15: William A. Brase, Ernest T. Kromm (two awards), Neil W. Anderson, Kenneth L. Guisinger, Voil F. Latourette, Wilbur E. Tibbitts, Joe Parent, Mary E. Steward, Richard L. Anderson and Vernon C. Dafforn.

FHP Motor Div. No. 16: Carl C. Clevenger, Charles T. Irwin, M. R. Cook, William G. Martin, H. C. Lemmel, Robert L. Schuelke, Franklin O. Bly, Gerald J. Birkhold and Ansel D. Feighner.

FHP Motor Div. No. 19: George A. Silk, June K. Martin, William Davidson, Elmore R. Hurt (two awards) and William Knuth.

FHP Motor Div. No. 33: Jack W. Winebrenner, Donald F. Thomas and Kenneth Gillenwater.

Decatur Plant: Robert Osterman, Clarence Morgan, Lloyd Ahr, Waymon Patrick, Frank Bohnke, Jacob Hodle and T. H. Gehrig.

Tiffin Plant: Eugene D. Cooley, Salvatore J. Aiello, Don R. Kirchner, Earl N. Beard, Gilbert E. Theis, Clarence E. Doffman, George Baumgardner and Herman J. Logsdon.

DeKalb Plant: Francis Sibley, Marian McCabe, Fay Snow, Fredricka Siebauer and Loren Wood.

Specialty Transformer Dlv. No. 91: Paul G. Rowan, Robert A. Bunyan and Ruby M. Beard.

Specialty Transformer Div. No. 93: Edward M. Dullaghan, Eugene F. Mettler, Mary M. Wiedman, Frank F. Schultz and Ralph Bradtmiller.

Specialty Transformer Div. No. 94: Russell W. James and Catherine Parkins.

Danville Plant: Roy A. Tarpley (two awards), Everett Anderson and Albert F. Hegedus.

Motor and Generator Divisions: Ralph E. Jacobs, William Hoelle, Arthur B. Miller, Charlotte Bowman, E. L. Auth, G. K. Buchan, Wayne W. Blake, Joseph A. Burton and Waymon L. Morton.

General Tool Division: John A. Inches and Robert M. Truelove.

General Service Division: Roscoe C. Hamilton and Walter E. Cook.

Distribution: Fred D. Blum.

Miscellaneous: Robert G. Warren and Paul E. Wuttke.

Four Retirements Are Announced



William Buuck

William Buuck, FHP Motor Division 13, retired Friday, July 1, after a service record of 32 years with the Company.

Beginning his General Electric career in October, 1916, Mr. Buuck first worked as a millwright in the General Service division. He later became a machinist and transferred to Taylor St. on that job in 1947. Later in 1947, he became a maintenance machinist in the tool room of FHP Div. 13.



Charles Getts

Charles Getts, General Service division, went on retirement Friday, July 1, after working for G-E 26 years.

Mr. Getts was first employed in September, 1922, as a construction helper in the General Service division. In 1933 he was made an elevator operator and two years later became an inspector in that division. At the time of his retirement, Mr. Getts was a crane and elevator repairman.



John Hengsteller

John Hengsteller, General Tool division, recently retired after 32 years of service with the Company.

Starting for G-E in 1917, Mr. Hengsteller worked in Bldg. 27 on such jobs as blacksmith, annealing and punch presses. He later worked in Bldg. 26-1 and at the Winter St. plant. He returned to Broadway in 1936 as a blacksmith in the General Tool division. At the time of his retirement, he worked on heat treating.



E. A. Kinney

Elmer A. Kinney, General Service division, went on retirement Friday, July 1, after 39 years of service with the General Electric Company.

Mr. Kinney began working for G-E in 1910 as a helper. He later transferred to Bldg. 27, and then went to the General Service division as a leading operator.

He was a sheetmetal and steel worker at the time of his retirement.

Suggestion Brings $25



Jesse J. Batchelder, FHP Div. 13, has received a $25 award for suggesting a method of salvaging back plates.



In honor of her retirement on June 30, Ellen Raby was guest for a dinner in Bldg. 16-2. The following attended: Vivian Frauhiger, Hilda Walda, Mabel Booher, Mary Rupp, Irene Pulfer, Luella Guy, Jayne Steinbacher, Toni Lause, Ada Bultemeyer, Jo Alles, Opal Bates, and Therese Prine. She also received a gift from the entire division and a wish for happiness and health to enjoy her leisure. . . . Edna Mowery took a trip through the Great Smoky Mountains over the July Fourth holiday. . . . No news came from black armature group. Paul Kennerk was on vacation and things were pretty quiet. . . . Carl Stadelman is having a vacation this week. Says he intends to spend it in Warsaw—not the town of—but the strect of. . . . Worry-me-sick Saylor is such an expert at the job that Ed Glusenkamp left him a note and five cents to do the worrying for him while he was on vacation. That's just about working for peanuts. Let's hope Ed will feel justified in giving him a bonus for the job. . . . Someone will have to plant fish in Adams Lake again next year. At the opening of the fishing season, Al Kissinger caught the two bass someone planted there and last weekend he got the two bluegills on which the bass were to feed. From now on he will just fish—catching will be something else again. Of course, he can always use the lake for swimming—he says—although we've been told he can't swim.

Partizan Chapter Schedules Outing

The Partizan Chapter of Elex will hold an outing Tuesday, July 19, at the cottage of Mary Jane Buesking at Twin Lake. Members are to meet at Spy Run Ave. and State Blvd. for transportation to the lake.

A potluck lunch will be served. Members are requested to bring a covered dish, sandwiches and their own table service. Children are also invited.

Edna Berdleman is chairman for the day. Myrtle Bennett, Clara Cooper, and Mary Jane Buesking will assist her.

Mittermaier Is Granted Patent For Core Clamp



A. F. Mittermaier

Armin F. Mittermaier, Bldg. 26-2, has been granted a patent for his method of mechanically clamping the core structure of a fluorescent lamp ballast. While the various parts of the unit are held in a jig, the clamps are cast, one on each end, to firmly hold the assembly togetber.

Mr. Mittermaier is a mechanical specialist in the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, and has been with the Company 24 years. This is the sixth patent.

"Life Magazine" Features High-Voltage Laboratory

Science feature of this week's issue of Life magazine is the opening of the new General Electric High-Voltage Engineering Laboratory at Pittsfield, Mass. In three pages, one in full color, Life records demonstrations at the $2,000,000 laboratory which were witnessed by more than 7,000 guests at an open house two weeks ago.

In text accompanying the article, Life says: "The artificial thunderbolts created in the laboratory will enable scientists to develop new means of protecting the electrical systems upon which U. S. homes and industries have become so dependent."

In the color page is shown the spectacular three-phase arc demonstration in which engineers are able to study the behavior of multiple short circuit arcs. Other pictures in the spread include a thunderbolt striking a model city street, a 7,500,000-volt impulse generator, high voltage vaporizing manganese wire, and an outdoor shot of man-made lightning striking a high tension line.

The Life article was one phase of the carefully-planned publicity program which accompanied the opening of the laboratory. Two weeks before the general opening, the Life photographer took his first pictures. Later, representatives of seven of the major newsreel and television syndicates were present to photograph the demonstrations. Several days prior to the open house held at the laboratory, a general press preview was held.

The story was given preferred position in the science section of last week's Newsweek magazine. Popular Science magazine is planning a picture spread which will cover several pages in the September issue. In addition to the magazine layouts, the opening received wide coverage in the daily press, both in pictures and text, and special radio and television broadcasts. Newsreel records of the event have already been shown in many theatres.

Elex Second Shift To Attend Outing At Pokagon Park

Elex members of the second shift will hold an outing at Pokagon State Park Saturday. They will leave the Indiana bus depot, corner of Jefferson and Harrison Sts., at 9:30 a.m. and return to Fort Wayne about 6 p.m.

Games will be played in the afternoon. The girls are requested to bring their own lunch and table service.

Armstrong Dies

Scott T. Armstrong Sr., 58, of 3124 Beaver Ave., died at noon Monday, July 4, after a heart attack.

A resident of Fort Wayne 37 years, Mr. Armstrong first came to General Electric in 1937 as a wire mill employee. He then left the Company, returning in 1940 to work in the wire mill. Since 1947 he was a stock keeper in Bldg. 17-2. Mr. Armstrong was a member of the South Wayne Baptist Church.

Services were held yesterday at the family residence.

Tobin, Boulware

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He continued, "I would say that the whole economy seems to be extremely sound, considering the fact that we have come out of a war-time economy, and that we have been through pretty serious inflation in a great many commodities during the course of the post-war years."

Agrees It Is Moderate

Taking up the discussion, Mr. Boulware agreed that the current business re-adjustment is moderate so far and that there is no real reason for people further to withdraw their purchasing power from the market.

"We can come through it very easily if we will understand that it is a very natural thing and if we will not get afraid, and if we will realize the things we need to do to get out of it, and will do those things," he stated.

The public, he said, should scrutinize the new good values which are now being offered, while at the same time doing everything possible to reduce waste and improve quality on their own jobs to give corresponding good values to the people who buy the goods they make.

Buyer Is Boss

Mr. Boulware emphasized that "the buyer is back in the driver's seat, and he wants to be very sure that we know he is boss, and that we are really doing a good job for him."

Mr. Boulware said this was fine because it is under these conditions that we make progress. He cited instances of manufacturers who have first made price reductions and then pitched in to get their costs down, so that they can offer still more attractive prices and higher quality products. He emphasized that retail sales are still mighty good in comparison with any period but last fall, and that "in general there are a great mass of people who have satisfied their most urgent needs but still have millions of wants . . . and they will buy when they are convinced that we really have gone to work and gotten these values up and prices down and have made these goods attractive, and when they really think we are working for them again."

Our first obligation, he said, is to understand what is going on and not to become so frightened by current developments as to adopt some unsound false cure when the bold dynamic program business is now fostering will bring us soundly through this period.

Need for More Productivity

In Mr. Prutton's remarks, he added, "I would say the key to the entire situation is to get more productivity per worker-hour, and that includes workers all the way up through management; and secondly, to pick up the extra personnel that will be available with the higher production levels on new developments, new expansions, and the making of new products."

He explained how important it is that we improve all our old methods and create new things, thus adding to the output per worker and to the quality and variety of the services we perform for each other. He pointed out that research and scientific development are responsible not only for our high standard of living, but also for the steady increase over the years in the number of jobs which industry has provided.

Boulware: 'Keep Wages High'

In response to a question asked by the moderator, Mr. Boulware replied that "there has been a very, very minor falling-off in wage rates, and I think any action should be very slow in that direction. We should keep wage rates the same and get busy giving a bigger value from management and from labor out of our activities. We have had it pretty easy, both management and labor, for many years when people wanted what we had and didn't question us too much . . . we are surprised how much better we can do when the customer falters a little. . . . Then we get awfully ingenious in putting more interest and skill and care and effort into pleasing him better and giving him a bigger value. I think we ought to do all of that and keep the wage rates the same before we ever think of doing some of the things we have done in the past in our efforts to get values up and prices down. . . . I think we can do wonders for the consumers and at the same time keep wages high."

He again re-emphasized that these ups and downs in business are natural and that the only way to smooth them out is for the public to restrain its buying when values get bad in good times and then by confidently spending both income and some savings when values again get exceptionally good, as they do during periods of lowered business activity.

The discussion was moderated by Dean Philip Young, head of the Graduate School of Business at Columbia University. He is the son of General Electric's former Board Chairman, Owen D. Young.

Firemen's Annual Family Picnic



About 75 families attended the second annual Firemen's Family picnic at Franke park, Saturday, June 25. Throughout the day there were water battles staged, horseshoe pitching, ball games for the children, women's ball throwing contests and races. The firemen also had several ponies and a donkey for the children. Pop, hot dogs, ice cream and cracker jack was provided to fill empty stomachs.

The pictures above depict scenes during the day. The first picture of the top row shows a general scene of the crowd. The water battle, a refreshing moment for the participants, is shown next. In the fourth picture, Cecil Rose is presenting gifts to the winners of the ball throwing contest. They are: (l. to r.) Florence Boyce, Carol Breeden and Mrs. Jerry Webber.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dickty

Did you notice Russ Rinehart's limp last week? Must have injured himself someway. Accidents do happen in some of the queerest ways. . . . Here are a few "was seens" for you: Will Irmscher was seen turning back from the flooded underpass at the Pennsy elevation on Broadway refusing to risk his new Chevrolet in the water. . . . Frankie Enderle was seen through the window of a jewelry store at the diamond ring counter. He claims that he was having a watch repaired. . . . Pat Butler was seen on the first floor of W and D's in an animated and seemingly enjoyable conversation with one of the lady clerks. . . . Jim McClain was seen in the Eagles parade mounted on his gallant steed. . . . Kenny Hart spent some time fishing at Waldron Lake as a guest of George Wolfe. He didn't catch any fish and George got a few carp. . . . Neoma Klaehn will soon give up single bliss and plunge into the sea of matrimony July 16. Oh, happy day! . . . The man with the brass armor, Theodore Schlup thinks he is going to be invited to the wedding of one of the fair sex in the division he works in, so he inquires about the reception and his take in food and liquid refreshments. Thinking his take is not quite enough, he approaches the fair maiden and says "Sorry I do not think I will be able to attend, but I could not turn down the $4 you will pay me not to attend. I am sure you will consider this a fair share and I promise you I will buy a sandwich and spend the rest for amber beverages." . . . Strawberries, night crawlers, and ancient vintage cars are the topics for the week. Johnny Campbell and Elmer Warner, noted strawberry raiser of Bldg. 19-3, almost came to blows over strawberries—not the berries themselves exactly, but the price of them. It seems that Johnny concluded a verbal agreement with Elmer to buy a large amount of berries from him, picking them himself, thus getting them at a reduced price. The next day a large chain grocery advertised them at a cent less per quart than John had agreed to pay. John couldn't see why he should break his back picking Elmer's berries when he could buy them cheaper at the store. He forgot that Elmer had offered him a reduced price in good faith, before the strawberry market crashed. Now Elmer won't sell to John at any price. It's just situations like this that lead to bloody feuds. . . . Oh yes, Howard Musselman invested in a crate of Warner's berries. After he got them home he decided he couldn't use them all so he sold what he couldn't use to the neighbors at five cents a quart more than he paid. We believe that practice falls in the category of huckstering. Now isn't there a law against fruit peddling without a license, or has Musselman got a huckster's license? Here's another one we heard about Howard Musselman. We don't know how true the story is, but we do know Howard. He arose one sunny morning, after a rainy night, and on looking out the window he saw a robin pulling a night crawler out of the ground. "Darn it," said Howard, "There goes another two cents." . . . Frank Elder, courageous soul, bought the earthly remains of a 1938 Packard, and intends, with Kenny Hart and Frank Coulter's help, to revitalize it, and make it run again. Here are some comments from the gang, when they heard of this deal: George Wolfe, "Frank wants to make a hearse of it, and be a friendly undertaker." Jim McClain, "He paid too much, junk is coming down." Russ Neireiter, "Ask the man who owns one, now maybe we'll get an answer." Rudy Rastenburg, "I heard that Frank is going to call it 'Old Ironsides'." Clayton Dafforn, "If it won't run they can pull it to a lake and use it for a cottage."

Out Of The Blue

in 26-2 Office

Have you nimrods wondered why the sad looks on Dick Gidley and Frank Schlotter the past few days? Have them tell you about the turtle they caught last weekend. You've heard of the "Beast of Busco," but have the boys tell you about the "Skinner" of Skinner Lake. Cheer up, boys, better luck next time.



July 4 is an event in the past once more and we trust that your holiday was a pleasant one. Just in case you need it—our recommendation for sunburn is Noxema. . . . Our welcome in Bldg. 18-1 to D. Amstutz. He has been assigned to the Rotating Engineering Course, following his graduation from Purdue University. His first step is in the General Superintendent's Office. . . . Belated birthday greetings to Donna Walter, Bldg. 18-5, and Ed Trabel, Bldg. 18-B. . . . Dorothy Janel, Bldg. 18-1, and her husband Fred entertained over the Fourth their parents and a sister and brother-in-law from Connecticut. . . . Mary Slater of Bldg. 18-4 is enjoying a vacation. . . . Juanita Spice, Bldg. 18-1, has been trekking back and forth to the dispensary. The color is "pink" and the location is "eyes". . . . Marilyn Mattes, Bldg. 18-2, celebrated her birthday recently by serving ice cream and cake. . . . Estelle Monroe, Bldg. 18-1, had a new hairdo last Thursday, did you notice? . . . When we talked to various people about where they spent the Fourth the most prevalent answer was—too hot we stayed home. . . . Marilyn Mattes, Bldg. 18-2, braved the heat and spent the day in Chicago. . . . Doris Lehman went to Wisconsin Dells, Dolores Connin and family went to Wawasee, and Hilda Mueller visited her brother in Petoskey, Mich. . . . We are a little late in offering congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Olson. Their son Paul was married June 17 to Maxine Glass of Huntington. . . . We wonder how Paul Lenz, Bldg. 18-4, came in possession of all those pennies? Not everyone can break the bank, as the expression goes, but Paul did! . . . Mary Jane Horrell, Bldg. 18-1 Accounting, was transferred this week to the Service Bureau in Bldg. 26-2. . . . National and local politicians please note the wise words of a John Snyder: "It took thrift and savings, together with character and vision to make our nation what it is today. And it will take thrift and savings to enable us to continue to be a great nation." . . . Is it possible to lose ball after ball by shooting them in the creek during golf and then retrieve them the following week? We are wondering if Ray White, Bldg. 18-4, might tell us.

Vacation Resume

Al Tharp, Bldg. 18-4, tells some of his experiences and observations on his recent trip to Spragge, Ontario. He went primarily for fishing but rains were heavier there than here (we wonder) and this spoiled the fishing somewhat. Although we think a couple messes of rock bass are not so bad. This is a typical French community with an easy way of living. Mostly dairy farming, but every household seemed to have the cow, chickens and truck garden. Kerosene lamps and stoves with the big kitchen range in which they burn birch chunks. Carry water from springs and sometimes use one of those wooden yokes for long distances. All I ever saw were in pictures. Also get this—clothes lines were stretched so high it was necessary to use platforms in hanging clothes. The old faithful washboard was much in evidence. How about a trip like this to ease our tension and slow us down a little? Sounds like a good nerve tonic. . . . If you should hear a commotion in the Bldg. 18-4 hall just before 5:15 some evening, it will be the matron chasing the mice out. She takes the broom after them. . . . If Carl Brandt, Bldg. 18-4, has a free evening, his wife finds chores for him to do. i.e.: Carl thought he was going to a steak supper, but his dates were mixed. So his wife tells him to find a cherry tree to pick so that the jars can be filled. . . . Jean Ehinger is spending her two weeks vacation from Bldg. 18-1 Accounting moving into their new home on McKinney Avenue. . . . Evelyn Fischer has returned to Bldg. 18-1 following a leave of absence. We are glad to have her back. . . . Forest Leighty of Bldg. 18-1 spent last week vacationing at home—trying to keep cool. . . . Dorothy Crist, Bldg. 18-1, spent the Fourth at Barbee Lake. There was no report on fishing.

Is Held At Franke Park June 25



In the center pictures are Gene Lordier handing cracker jack to two young guests, and Arnold Engle feeding his daughter, Pam, some ice cream.

The bottom row of pictures show scenes at the ball game, children's races and a line for the eats. Several young racers are shown in candid photos (circles) dashing across the lawn.

Members of the Board were in charge of the outing. They include: M. L. Spade, Troy Long, W. O. Luebke, Earl Ramey, Verl Patterson, Harry Zimmerman, Merle Morkoetter and Ray Soughan. The entertainment committee consists of Harold Mosshammer, Harold Kramer, Leo Reffelt, Walter Lydy, Merle Morkoetter, Jr.; Herbert Dial, John McMaken, Ora Martin, Frank Gitter, George Lambroff and Floyd Snyder.

Fractional Fiction 4-5

By Leola Carrier

That wasn't a test tube Myrtle Wagner was earrying at work one day last week. It was a thermometer. She was trying to find a cool place to work that day. . . . Someone should notify the War Department that Clem Stauffer is a suitable candidate for the "mopping up" branch of the Army. He took last Friday afternoon off to mop the kitchen so that his wife could have a "plastic party" that night.

The easiest thing to get and the hardest thing to get rid of is a bad reputation.

Many Employees Build Their Own Homes



Bob Wire, Bldg. 27, started the foundation of his house on April 10. The house is located at the corner of St. Joe River Dr. and Glazier Ave. Bob estimates that he is saving one-third of the costs by building his home which was constructed from blueprints he saw in a "Better Homes and Gardens" magazine.

"I was hesitant at first because it seemed so big a job, but after you get started you get enthused and show real interest," Bob explains.

A great many Fort Wayne employees can pat themselves on the back for having found the solution to their housing problems—and still stayed within the family budget. Their answer to this riddle was to set to work and build their homes themselves.

All over Allen County, this new breed of Handy Andy pioneers from the General Electric Company has been springing up. Just as our ancestors hacked cabins out of the wilderness, these employees have successfully taken the housing problem into their own hands. And they have the deep satisfaction of knowing that their handiwork, from post-hole to roof rafter, is bringing pleasure and security to their families.

These amateur-built homes are not cabins, lean-tos, or some temporary shift to beat the high construction costs. They are real homes. They have shining kitchens and modern bathrooms, good heating and spacious living quarters.

Nicest of all, thanks to the amazing economies in building-yourself housing, is the planed-down mortgage. In many cases, where the individual owns his own land and can disperse a few hundred dollars as he goes along in occasional lumber and supply purchases, there is no mortgage at all.





Phyllis Grace, Bldg. 6-2, is quite proud of her new home near Swan, Ind. She is shown, above, working on the design for the white Cape Cod frame house. Work was started on the house in March of last year and they moved in last October. The house (at the left) has four rooms and a bath and is located on an acre of ground.

Their architectural preferences may all vary, but these G-E Handy Andys have one thing in common. All of them, though unskilled, built their very substantial homes without any professional help.

According to statistics, the average cost of building a five-room house in Fort Wayne during 1941 was $4,994. Last year in September the average was as high as $11,960, while this year it has dropped to $10,185. The average estimated for 1955 has been set at $7,638 by Dow Service statisticians. These costs were based on an average one-family, five-room, 840 sq. ft. house with basement, expansion attic, and attached garage. The same house can be built by yourself at a total cost of $3,000 to $4,000, according to a survey of local employees who have done it.

As anyone familiar with home building can tell you, the cost of a custom-built home today will divide roughly in this fashion: 40% for materials, 60% for labor.

You can't do anything about the high cost of materials. Hence, the home-hungry G-E employees discovered that if you want a home at anywhere near a reasonable price, you must economize on the labor—and that means doing the work yourself.

They weren't hammer-happy enthusiasts with a background of home-workshop experience. They were just average, tool-awkward people. The amount of time they have spent constructing their houses ranges from four to twenty months. Once the excavation is made the completion of the house depends upon the spare time the builder is able to devote to it. A completed home would take from ten months to about two years to build, but the savings make it worth all the work and the wait.

The men and their willing wives

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Lyle Harshburger's home is located about nine miles from Fort Wayne on the Illinois road. It has four rooms and a bath downstairs and two rooms upstairs. Lyle started work on his home last August. The house is 30x32 and is on 7/10 of an acre. Located in Bldg. 17-4, Lyle received some help from his fellow employees. Bill Walt, foreman, got some men together to help him shingle the roof.



Harry and Barbara Dolson expect to move into their home in Sunnymede Woods sometime in September. They have a 80x200 lot, and are already enjoying the vegetables from a garden they planted this spring in their backyard. The house includes a combination living room and dining room, kitchen, two bedrooms and a bathroom downstairs; and two unfinished bedrooms, upstairs. There is also a garage and workshop at the side of the house.

The Dolsons have put in everything themselves, including the sewer and water lines. They started digging the foundation during their vacation last year.

"We have a lot of windows because the place where we are now living is practically devoid of light," Barbara pointed out.

Harry and Barbara both work in Bldg. 26-2.

To Solve Their Housing Problems

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have worked holidays, week-ends, and after regular working hours on their homes. Some even installed powerful flood lights to help them work after dark.

Many of the homes appearing on these pages were designed and constructed almost entirely by employees and their families, while others have done at least part of their own construction work. These houses, in various stages of completion, are scattered all over Allen County.

A log cabin nestled in the center of a grove of trees will soon be home for Mr. and Mrs. Petgen. The cabin has four rooms and bath and is located on a half acre of ground. Work was started last December and the Petgens are moving in this month. The cabin is 20x24 and has been built for future additions. Kenneth works in Bldg. 6-2 and Evelyn works in Bldg. 4-3.







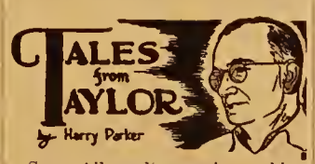
Mr. and Mrs. Mardo Tobias are shown relaxing in the living room of their new home. Located on the Getz road, it is a white frame house on a 100x300 lot. The house has four rooms, bath and garage. Mr. Tobias, Bldg. 4-3, drew the plans for his house and was assisted in the building of it by his son, Richard, and son-in-law, Cortland Anderberg, both employed at G-E. Work was started on July 6 last year and they moved in Oct. 30. Mr. Tobias has set out 89 trees around the house, not including shrubs. Most are shade trees, but some are evergreens and fruit trees.



Paul Hadley (left) is being assisted by several friends in installing his pump at the location where he is building his home. He started work on it two months ago and hopes to move in the latter part of September. Located on the DuPont road, the home will be a white frame house with red cedar front and will have four rooms and a bath. Geraldine, his wife, works in Bldg. 6-2.



Don Greenler, Bldg. 4-3, started building his home the latter part of July last year and his family moved in last February. The home is located on a ¾ acre of land off the Getz road and contains four rooms and a bath downstairs and two unfinished rooms upstairs.



Sam Allmandinger, in making preparations for a journey to his lake estate, loaded the trunk with a miscellaneous array of junk and necessities which included his outboard motor, lawn mower and what have you. He drove around in front to pick up his wife, who had some item to pack in said trunk. In trying to open it, the lid would not budge; the load had shifted, wedging the lid. Sam tried every manner of means to gain entrance, even resorting to the use of a jimmy. Finally he drove to a garage and told his story to the mechanic who said that it could be remedied very easily. Seating himself in the car, he drove a few feet, then suddenly stopped, shifting the load back where it was and opened the trunk with the greatest of ease. . . . Now that the cherries are ripe we notice that Ralph Ecenbarger is bringing some to work with him each day. He consumes them during the work period. We wish to call this to the attention of the girls who benefited greatly last year by generous gifts of this most delicious fruit. If his crop is exceptional this year, you girls no doubt will be presented with more cherries. . . . Ralph Dunlap has acquired a new name, and it came in this manner. The other day he was complaining about having to be chief gunner and in charge of all heavy artillery activities here at the shop. This keeps him eternally on the firing line, and not only that, when he is at home he is out most of the time gunning that new car. He desires to be known in the future as "Gunner" Dunlap. . . . Jim Truman, in leaving for his vacation, told us that he was going where he could do some class A fishing—none of this small time stuff for him. He is going to the Canadian shores of Lake Superior to seek out the larger members of the finny tribe. They get so large there that you have to keep a ball bat in the boat to sock them with so as to keep them from jumping back into the lake. He has his fishing gear in ship-shape and is taking along a goodly supply of ball bats. Get the skillets greased, boys, because Jim is going to bring us some fish. . . . And the walls came tumbling down, so thought Basil Bowley and his son who were busily engaged in picking cherries when the ladder broke letting both of them to the ground. Luckily neither one suffered any major injuries outside of a severe shaking up. Basil was quite worried about his mustache as it received quite a scraping on the way down, but we are happy to say that it survived the crash and looks as good as usual. One of his fangs was jarred loose and is pretty sore, but he feels that with careful eating it will rehabilitate itself. . . . Art Brandenberger, being very perturbed over the high cost of heating his home electrically, is now seeking a way out.



According to weather reports and also the plans of many employees, our Fourth of July weekend was quite a vacation. Folks, let's hear some of the big ones that got away and some of your interesting occurences. . . . Just in case we forget, Ethel Schlickman, night shift, had a birthday. Happy birthday and many more, Ethel. . . . Junior Lake took his mother to Auburn for a visit. They had a safe journey both ways. As we hear Junior swore off a bad habit. The last time he had difficulty in getting his car through a narrow place. Your depth of perception must have let you down, Junior. . . . What kind of a lake is Pigeon Lake? Jerry Light and another party of whom we didn't get the name spent a day there. . . . Betty Frauhiger's youngest brother is spending the week at her home. He is quite a helping hand around the house. . . . Several girls from the Flange Section drove to Houghton Lake, Mich., over the week-end. Florence, were the fish nibbling good? . . . We notice Nora has been riding in a pretty nice car bearing a Kansas license plate—with some kind of a wheat state sign. Nora, have you sold them horses yet? . . . A motor trip was enjoyed by Emma Goldner, Cecelia Noonan, Esther Strickler, Helen Britzenhoff. They ended at Indian Lake. Jack Acheson, our former employee, helped in entertaining the girls at the Ritz, his place of business. . . . Mary Meyer was a happy mother this week. Her daughter, who is a member of the Sisters of Saint Agnes Order, was home for the first time in six years. . . . With vacation coming up Eddie Hesher might be sorry he sold his trailer house. Anyway he probably will have a good time on the green backs. . . . The meanest person was at Clem's Lake—the one that threw Tyc Fry's green shoes in the water. . . . Have Doris Resh solve your problem on how to dress in a small booth at Clem's Lake with an anxious crowd waiting in line. . . . Harriett Haines holds the title for "Rough Rider of Rarin' Gulch." Here is an eyewitness report as told to your reporter: "She got one foot in the stirrup, grabbed the saddle horn and with a mighty heave landed on top of the horse and away they went. After once around the field a bystander told me she wasn't hugging the horse's neck cause she liked him, she had lost the reins. I saw Harriett finally grab the reins and the horse went up in front and down in back. I just closed my eyes and sweat. When I opened them I observed Harriett and the horse, dogtrotting down the lane evidently enjoying the ride. Me, I went home before the award was presented." . . . Have you seen that new dark blue Ford? The proud owner is Gordon Sprunger. . . . All the girls who attended the GeCode Club picnic at Clem's Lake reported a very nice time. Harriett Haines was very happy to receive the "grand prize" of two matching Hall pottery vases. Dorothy Schnepf, Mary Ann Laurent, Mary Fennig and Florence Schultz also were lucky and won. But the one that really took the cake (or prizes I should say) was Edna Callow. Such luck some people do have! Lydia Lehrman was very happy to receive the door prize which was a traveling iron. Now all you have to do, Lydia, is travel. . . . The losers had to treat the winners to a hamburger (they thought) but they found out the hamburgers turned out to be steaks instead. We are talking about the euchre club that consists of E. W. Lankenau, Paul Hancher, Ray Leitz, Chet Kleinknight, Dick Steele, George Buckley, and two strays (non G-E workers we mean). . . . Earleen Steffen and her husband spent the Fourth of July at Niagara Falls. . . . Esther Meyer was in the state of Missouri for the holiday. . . . Ray Leitz probably painted his spouting or made a trip to far away places like the Bill Schnepf's in the country. . . . Fern Passwater probably spent a quiet day in Decatur. . . . Eloise Noll is on the sick list and Rowena Holthouse is taking her place. We wish you a speedy recovery, Eloise.

Honored At Retirement



Friends and co-workers of Marie Hummel, Bldg. 4-4, honored her with gifts and flowers at her retirement last week. Charles Griffith, foreman in the Repair and Return section, is shown congratulating her. At the presentation of gifts, above, are: (l. to r.) June Martin, Ethel Fabian, Ionena Foster, Clara Heaston, Florence Behrens, Ruth Lange, Edith Venrich and Mary Herb.



We thought things were awfully quiet last week. Then we discovered that Harold Kiel was on vacation. . . . What wild and wooly tales we will be hearing now. Lewie Hoffman isn't sure whether they will be vegetarians this fall or have meat on the table. After much back bending and moans, Lewie got his garden planted. Then his neighbor got a goat. Confidentially, Lewie, goat sausage is quite a delicacy. . . . Farmer Harold Bowker got through his hay making in nothing flat. He had it done on shares. No work for Harold. Then the sad part comes in. Some neighbors talked him into helping them make hay. In fact, he has been running around so fast that he is worn down to the knees. . . . Juanita Likens likes our air-conditioned floor. She even calls in to see if she can't come to work on days we don't work. . . . Bud Lindemann is about as bad as a one-armed paper hanger with the hives. He has been having a case of poison ivy, plus jiggers. . . . It's a happy birthday to Mary Jane Redding. . . . Do you want a lesson on how to start out having a dinner of beef and noodles and ending up with cabbage and hot dogs? Mildred Schoenlein is the person to see. . . . It really got warm on the 536 line. Joe Motter had a stator that decided to burn. Paul Chavis came to the rescue. Very slight damage resulted. . . . Hedy Harrison spent the week-end in Toledo. . . . Ann Robinson is wearing a daisy in her hair these days, because daisies don't tell. . . . Mary Shumm will be California bound on her vacation. We asked for souvenirs, but she has only promised us Clark Gable. . . . Elvira Diller says she will just spend her vacation at West Sweeney park. . . . Kate Weigle lost her lunch the other day, but she won't tell where. . . . Mary Beaman has gone home from the hospital. She lives on the corner of Lewis and Harmar. Take time to drop around and see her. . . . Ann Kensill is coming along fine, and that makes us all happy, especially the tiers in 652 group. . . . Naomi Robinson is interested in buying an old bag. If anyone knows where she can get one cheap, please contact her. . . . We are going to miss Chester Hill. He has gone back to his former job. He has such a nice blushing smile. Also Herb Bender and his "How's things on the farm." Also Jack Dennis. Now we won't have to answer questions about the new bridge at Poe, or bee stings, or even rat traps. Mildred Melvin has left us for Taylor St. . . . Newcomers on the early bird shift are Paul Strombeck, Donald Comer and LaVon Nesbitt. . . . Ivah Grandstaff was all set to drink her coffee. She could almost taste it, when she discovered she left it at home on the kitchen table. . . . On Coarline Becker's 23rd wedding anniversary, her daughter gave them a surprise picnic. . . . Leona Hollis and Jerry Snyder helped Marcille Thomas have a happy birthday by taking her a big angel food cake. The homemade ice cream helped too. . . , Note to Jerry Snyder: Yes, I do have a hunting license to hunt news, even if I am in the doghouse most of the time.

Put Your Confidence . . .



The quality of a product is always proven by the service it gives the customer.

Caroline Becker, Bldg. 17-3, has two G-E lamps that have been in continuous use since 1921. The larger bulb is used as a porch light, while the smaller one burns in a closet.

She and Mabel King, who worked on these bulbs in 1919 and 1920 at the Edison Lamp Works here, are looking at the veteran bulbs.



Believe it or not—"Birdman" McNulty was seen flying around the school last Thursday with a halo above his head! . . . A good way to make it rain is to wash your car. Carson must have done a bang up job on the Chevy in Logansport. . . . To keep cool some people remove their shirts (Clendenen); some their shoes (Miller), but Brownie just rolls up his trousers to above the knees. . . . Robert "Star" Barnes can be seen dashing around town in his new Hollywood station wagon. For a small fee he will take large groups on a tour of Fort Wayne's highspots. . . . Overheard by an apprentice at an army officers' party, "We will now have a 10 minute break for the colonel to count his money." . . . Featured as main attractions in our "True to Life" picture gallery this week are Owen, Mischo, Konow and Barnes. . . . Bob Finton is reportedly seeking a job as mattress tester. . . . Whenever you see Leffers working like mad, you will know that he has just cut loose with a salvo of paper clips. . . . Talk about eating a heavy lunch—I wonder what Nix is carrying these days that caused him to be left holding the handle (?) . . . Don has a brother who works in a bakery. He said he works hard because he kneads the dough.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE

Monday Noon, July 11, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Ronson cigarette lighter with initial "S" on it. Lost in Bldg. 26-4 or on Jones St. parking lot.

FOUND—A nail file which has a name LaCrosse Schnifel, Newark, N. J., on it. Found on Broadway.

FOUND—Light shell rimmed glasses. Found on bench in park.

FOR SALE

TAPPAN GAS RANGE—Right-hand oven, very reasonable; breakfast set; oil drums. 3218 Raymond.

GOOSEBERRIES — By the quart. A-87012.

75 LB. ICE BOX—1947 Whizzer motor bike, cheap. Fred Blum, two mi. northeast, state road 37.

STORKLINE BABY CARRIAGE—Also bathinette, excellent condition. H-67823.

PRACTICALLY NEW SUITCASE—Will hold six pairs of shoes. $15. A-65941.

MAGIC CHEF APARTMENT SIZE GAS STOVE—A-1 condition. A-39004.

GOOD FRONT SIX-GRAVE LOT — Greenlawn cemetery. A-19151.

OUTBOARD MOTOR — Champion, 3.2 hp. H-68811.

TWIN-SIZE SIMMONS BED — And springs. A-66494.

BABY BED—With mattress, middle size, good condition. 730 Archer.

TWO GOOD FIRESTONE TIRES—650-16. H-15744.

HORTON WASHING MACHINE—And twin tubs, both in good condition, reasonable. 606 Commercial St., Roanoke, Ind., or phone 4092.

THREE-PIECE WALNUT BEDROOM OUTFIT—Very sturdy, including large chest of drawers, good condition, reasonable. E-38901 evenings, or Saturday or Sunday.

FOUR TIRES—5.50x16 in fairly good condition, very reasonable. H-26182.

PAIR OF AUTO TOP CARRIERS—Good condition, $5. 459 Stadium Drive.

FOR RENT

FIVE ROOM MODERN UNFURNISHED APARTMENT — Basement and garage, southeast. H-90745.

WANTED

TO RENT, 3-4 BEDROOM FURNISHED HOUSE—E-2943 after 6 p.m.

BAMBOO PORCH SHADES—And Crosley Station wagon. A-97605 or 1316 McClellan St.

REASONABLY PRICED USED MOTORCYCLE—1937 model or later. Will pay cash. H-5593.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE Fayne Harter, from one mi. west of Georgetown on road 37. Works in Bldg. 19-2 from 7-3:30. Extension 2251.

MOTOR and GENERATOR Static



Thought for the Week: When you feel the desire to gossip, remember this—Empty wagons make the most noise.

So Long Gang

Although it's just for 90 days,
It's hard to say "good-bye."
I never could forget you.
Not even if I'd try.

I'll miss the whole "darn" bunch of you,
I'll miss your friendly smiles.
I'll miss the Planning Section
With all their "Arts and Guiles."

I'll miss the clamor and the din
That we hear on shortage lists,
I'll miss the euchre games at noon
And pounding of the fists.

I'll miss the lovely lassies,
You fellows, short and long.
So, to the whole swell bunch of you
I'll simply say, "So long."

Jim Mitchell

WHY? When Pappy Archbold fell into Ridinger Lake, he had hopes that we would never discover the truth. A week ago last Sunday the weather was beautiful, flowers were blooming, birds singing, just the kind of weather that makes the sap run faster in an old tree. So feeling the urge, Pappy got out the new Dodge, loaded the little woman and himself into it and drove to the Carl Lee cottage at Ridinger Lake. Upon arriving, he was informed that his host was out on the lake fishing. Displaying an unusual amount of energy, our hero walked out on the dock to look for Mr. Lee and observe the bathing beauties. Suddenly the dock collapsed depositing Mr. Archbold in the lake. Being at a loss to understand why a strong, well-constructed dock should break down under Pappy's weight we carried on an "Inquiring Reporter" act, less pictures and came up with the following answers: Jim, "When the dock saw what was on it—it folded." Dick, "I don't know, but why did he have to swim out." Butch, "He shook so when he saw the gals in bathing suits, it couldn't take it." Jack, "Just that extra weight which comes with advancing age." Bud, "It was his 'haid' he was so proud of that new car." That's the story, chums, if you have an answer, mail it to Mr. Archbold. . . . BIRTHDAY: The girls of Bldg. 31-1 Service Bureau report that Walter Metzinius, the supervisor, recently celebrated another birthday. He was presented with several beautiful gifts, among which was an enormous "Dagwood" sandwich. They still don't know whether he ate it. . . . CAN'T BE: Flies are funny insects. They will light on anything. Stan Marquart has been observed industriously wielding a fly swatter. As we said before, flies don't care what they light on and it can't be because he is so sweet. . . . KNOWED AS: Art Druce laughed and laughed when the large gob of putty fell off a shelf and hit Frank Rathert in the face. Sez Art, "If Frank has some plaster of paris he would have poured it into the imprint in the putty and had a true to life reproduction of his puss." Mr. Rathert suffered slight burns from a cigarette he was smoking when the putty covered his face. "Putty Face" he was knowed as. . . . PERHAPS: Today Jim Mitchell leaves on a 90 day leave of absence. Jim's health has been suffering of late, largely due we feel, to the antics of Pappy Archbold. Our only surprise is that the breakdown did not occur sooner. We are going to miss those "pomes" Jim's quick wit and occasional violent explosions. We extend our wishes for a speedy recovery and hope Jimmy returns in the best of health. While you are away, Jim, don't forget the gang—or perhaps you should. . . . Your roving reporter.

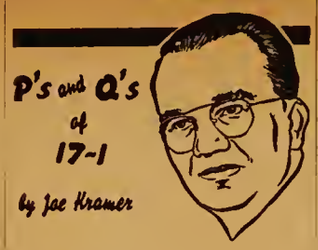
Ship Ahoy!



Donald Kent has launched his new ship, Scram II, on Tippecanoe Lake. The unique thing about Don's ship is that he made it. Scram I, is the name of Don's canoe which he made when he was 16. Scram II is a Moth type sailboat, 11 feet long and 4 feet, 2 inches wide with an 18 foot mast and 67½ square feet of sail. The boat is constructed with an oak frame, the bottom and sides are of ¼-inch marine plywood, the freeboard is of fir, and the trimming on the cockpit and rub rails is of mahogany. This sailboat is a one-class design and has a capacity of two. Scram II, with its red bottom, green top side, white sides and sail, makes a colorful picture against the blue sky and water.



June is over and John Collins is still a free man. We won't make any more guesses on the wedding date until there is a change in the weather. . . . And talking about a break in the weather, if something doesn't happen soon we will have Art Pequignot in a lather. He has promised to give his pant legs one turn up for each humid day we have and they are nearly to his knees now. . . . When we were looking at pictures that LaVona Porter had of a recent fishing trip, we thought at first that an islander had joined the party. Someone then recognized the person as Dan McCrea gone native. . . . When it's time for Dan Reuille to retire he thinks it's time for the whole town to be at rest and objects very much in being awakened by muffled laughter. It's just the shank of the evening for the folks on second trick; so, Dan, we suggest you take a nap earlier in the evening and then join the party later. . . . If we would read people's minds this column would be much more interesting as we found out when Betty Rider was asked for news items. But what she wouldn't tell us was—what was causing that far away look in her eyes? . . . I have a correction and an apology to offer. Jo Wiehe doesn't mind her name appearing in this column, but she does object in having an "E" added to her name. That one letter does make a world of difference, Jo, and we are sorry. . . . That picture that was passed around of Erma Wilkens in her bathing suit could well be used as the pin up gal of the winding section. . . . We give our sympathy to Margaret Bloom in the death of her father. . . . Gertrude Kummerant has asked for a fan that will "osculate" which, of course, means to kiss. Could it be that she is going sentimental on us? . . . If you want a quick manicure see Virgil Buchanan. The polish and shade are both Ultra New. . . . The love bug has found another victim. It's third finger, left hand



Summer has officially opened with the moving of the early morning bull session from Ed Kronmiller's desk to the benches outside of Bldg. 17-1. Early morning participants are Henry Wichern, Clyde Crabill, Ernie Reiley and Ed Broschet. . . . Henry Kessler recently purchased a new G-E refrigerator. Harry says the freezing unit really gets the bottles cold in a hurry. Cliff Coombes is also a recent purchaser of a G-E refrigerator. Cliff intends to use his to keep the fish heads in. . . . We don't know the whole story, but there is some news of Elizabeth Love turning a certain inspector over her knee and paddling him. . . . George Mosshammer and Charles Neblick have risen above the mere growing of vegetables. George and Charlie are now raising moon flowers. . . . If you dial 321 and the party answering attempts to confuse you, just call him Robert and the trouble will be solved. . . . Ted Brockmeyer really had a busy week—he celebrated his birthday on July 3 and July 7 was his 14th wedding anniversary. . . . Due to lack of news from the office, we will have what Mary Gerhard refers to as a Farmer's column this week. . . . It is about time for the melodious voice of Clarence Doctor to ring forth the familiar tiding "Call—have you got your wheat combined." . . . Elizabeth Love's new theme song has been changed from "Cruising Down the River" to "Paddling Up the Creek." . . . Ted Brockmeyer's theme song, "I Get the Blues When It Rains." . . . Curly Sprague got a hair cut last week. We know it isn't unusual for a fellow to get a hair cut, but Curly's hair cut has caused quite a debate to rage in the south end of Bldg. 17-1 as to whether it should be referred to as a crew cut or a crock cut. . . . Harry Kessler blamed Johnnie Junk for his being late to work last Tuesday morning. Harry said he didn't realize that Johnnie was on vacation and he just sat down and waited for him to come along thinking that Johnnie might have overslept. . . . We are sure glad Ray Hakes is back to work after his recent operation. . . . Vic Leakey reports the new type hairdo is very satisfactory for summer wear.

for Ruth Bonewitz. . . . Doris Rhinhold spent the Fourth in northern Michigan. . . . The lead section is glad to have Anne Allman back with them again. . . . Lonnie Rockstroh is giving every eligible bachelor the twice over now. She is looking for that certain someone to fit the description of the man the lady with the veil promised she would meet.

Office Offerings

The old saying that practice makes perfect will hold true in most cases. But it is hard to believe that George Finkbeiner can reach the state of perfection in five short weeks. . . . Maxine Patterson is all set to beat the heat. She was fortunate enough to get a fan all her own. As far as we know, there is no limit to the speed. The faster she spins the blades with her finger, the more air she will get. . . . Agnes Brunner just can't balance a seat on a chair if it isn't bolted on. She is a game kid though, she tried.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING FOR YOUR VACATION?

ERMA WILKIN
Bldg. 26-3

"I am planning a trip to Albuquerque, N. M., to visit my brother and see the beautiful Sandia mountains, the Indian pueblos, and other points of interest. I think a change of scenery does anyone good."





CHARLES R. KIESS
Bldg. 19-1

"My wife and I are planning on taking our two boys on a trip through Michigan up to Sault Ste Marie and on into Canada. Then we will come back through part of Wisconsin to Chicago. While in Chicago, we hope to attend the railroad fair. With the time left we will visit my wife's parents in Ohio."



REVIA STAUFFER
Decatur

"I'm planning a trip—probably to Washington, D. C., with some friends here at G-E."



EDWIN DONAGHY
Taylor St.

"Since I enjoy my evergreen nursery enough to combine business with pleasure at that time, I plan to visit Holland, Mich., and nurseries in Dundee, Ill. Also I plan to tour Wisconsin and do a bit of fishing up there."



HERBERT JESSE
Bldg. 8-1

"After taking care of some of the things that have been left undone for too long, Mrs. Jesse and I are going fishing and do just as we wish for the balance of the period."



Dangerous Corner: Lou Nelson's Section could be referred to as the eye, ear, nose, and throat corner. Lou has been off for some time—ear. Nate Horton has been off three days—throat. John Willsley is receiving treatment for a festered eye. We are all hoping that Joe Donahoo's "a-septic" technique will save him from "nose trouble." . . . The other day while everyone was scheming for some excuse to go home to that favorite shady spot, Ralph Obringer had a brainstorm. Ralph thought that if he could just become unconscious the heat wouldn't be noticeable and free transportation would be furnished home. So our ingenious Ralph pulled a window blind from its fastenings, but his little plot went astray. The blind hit him on the head, but he suffered no ill effects. In three "short" sizzling days the blind was in place again. . . . **Double Anniversary:** June 28 was quite a day for June Gaunt, Payroll Section, who celebrated her birthday as well as her wedding anniversary. When June was passing candy on the occasion, Florence Mullaney asked June if she was married on her anniversary. Evidently the heat had affected Florence. . . . **"Sometimes we never live to need the minutes saved by speed":** Millie Blievernicht, Payroll, found out the hard way that it pays to walk not run. The other day Millie was determined to beat the other girls to the cafeteria. Just as she reached the door, she slipped and sat down—abruptly. . . . **P. C.'s:** Dick Heard testifies that pressure cookers are a boon to the bachelor. He says that even though the cooker works fast, it takes two hours to put together a complete meal. Dick will really appreciate his family when they return from Michigan. . . . Eyes that lie—lie—lie—: Joan Walters has eyes that deceive her. While filing prints the other day, she decided to sit on one of the small stools. But, she received a large surprise as the stool was in front of her instead of behind her as she thought it was. . . . Etc. Welcome to Patty Rodgers, file room, who transferred from Winter St. . . . Art Nickerson is on his third week vacation. . . . Harold Sherbondy is on vacation. . . . Ernie Hicks says "A little effort pays off," as he and his family consume the vitamin filled fresh vegetables from their garden. . . . Have you heard that Shorty Poyser is termed the "little giant" among golfers around Kendallville! . . . Phyllis Hines vacationed at Indian Lake over the Fourth. . . . Bob Sharrow vacationed in Wisconsin over the holiday. . . . C. E. Zehender reports that his son is doing fine after a recent tonsilectomy. . . . Henry A. (Ham) Marahrens is enjoying his reversible outboard motor on week-ends at the lake near Coldwater, Mich. . . . Has everyone noticed the flashy ties that R. D. Jones has been wearing? They certainly brighten up the DC Section. . . . Why is it that Walter Gerke smokes Kool cigarettes. Could it be that no one else cares for that brand? Sympathy: We wish to extend our sympathy to Ernie Spaulding whose father died recently . . . (?) of the week: How do you use Du Pont paint? If anyone, "has the clue," please notify Bill Manecke. It seems that the paint dries before he can get it from the can to the wall.



The long Fourth of July weekend is over and we hope that it was a "Safe and Sane" one for all. So much needless pain and sorrow can be caused by accidents, it always pays to be careful. . . . Veda Orff is a patient in the St. Joe Hospital. We sincerely hope she will be feeling much better and able to be back on the job soon. After all, Veda, your business is caring for patients, not being one! . . . If you happen to see a pretty green gas-buggy heading towards Yoder, it probably will be Clark and Elsie Welbaum in their new Dodge. No wonder Berneta is such a proud girl to be a passenger. . . . Thelma Harrison, former second shift nurse at Taylor St., is doing general duty at the Huntington County Hospital. . . . Olive Walters was in the Queen City, Cincinnati, over the Fourth of July. . . . Some of the frequent showers changed picnic plans recently. The ants and flies were conspicuous by their absence. It was a belated birthday picnic for Alta Bishop. Mabel Wilson was unable to attend, so Alta, Maurine Nail and daughter Marilyn and Mary Heymann, had an indoor picnic at the Nail's home. . . . Bertha Schrader visited recently in Napoleon, Ohio. . . . On my way to work today I noticed a group of small boys of assorted ages, each one armed with a bean shooter. Their aim seemed too perfect because when the temperature is in the 90's, I didn't realize I could step so lively! Wonder what ever happened to mine? . . . Something new has been added to the cafeteria! An automatic machine that dispenses three flavors of thirst-quenching liquid, cherry, coke, and root beer. The urge to "live dangerously" made me press all three buttons and the result was—well, it was wet. One flavor seems to be enough now. But we must learn, you know. . . .

G-E VOLTMEN TO MEET CLEVELAND BUCKEYES

The Voltmen will play the Cleveland Buckeyes of the Negro American League at Dwenger park Saturday at 8:15 p.m.

The well-known "Double-Duty Radcliffe," sensational catcher, will appear with the Buckeyes. Manager Alonze Boone, who doubles as a relief pitcher, will also have the outstanding Archie Ware on first base.

VOLTMEN
Home Schedule

Saturday, July 9—
Cleveland Buckeyes

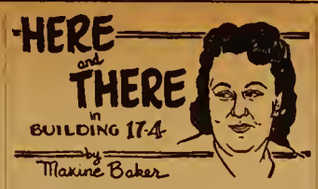
Tuesday, July 12—
Chicago White Sox

Thursday, July 14—
Lafayette Red Sox

All games are scheduled for 8 p.m. in Dwenger park.

Stroud Writes Article For Hygiene Publication

Duane Stroud has written an article for the U. S. Public Health Department's Industrial Hygiene Newsletter. The article is titled, "A Method of Zeroing the Davis Micro-Gas Analyzer in a Contaminated Atmosphere," and will appear in the August or September issue.



With vacation three weeks away, who can talk of anything else. No matter what your plans, we hope you have a swell time. . . . That is some haircut (?) Bill Decker is displaying. . . . Robert Todd is the proud father of Miss Kay Eileen, who arrived June 30. Congratulations from the gang. . . . Word received from Imogene Hortenstein tells us her daughter has been named Raelene Kay. Lots of good wishes go to these new misses. . . . It seems Jess Ebersole is fond of ice water. Anyway he got a little wet with it last week. Wonder if it really was cold. . . . New car fever is continuing to take its toll. Floyd Shellenbarger has a new Chevy and Louie DeVoe just took his first ride in his new Ford. After the first ride he wanted to trade the new one back on the old Ford, but the dealer wouldn't allow him enough. . . . Sure would like to see Cy Seymour when he hooks his Palace on Wheels to his Bungalow on Wheels and takes off for vacation land. Won't be able to tell whether the Lincoln is pulling the trailer, or the trailer is pushing the Lincoln. . . . Ray Solga took Norb Lose to his favorite fishing spot Saturday. One thing hard to understand is why it took only 45 minutes to drive to the lake and seven hours to drive back. Could it be caused by the fact they stopped at Corunna and thrilled the natives with a fast exhibition of the game of shuffleboard?

A Good Catch



Holding the fish caught at Peach Lake in Northern Michigan last fall are: (l. to r.) Don Kruse, Don Thomas, Ray Solga and Tony Miller. The catch includes large and small mouth bass, walleye, and northern pike.

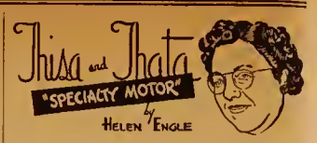


"Honesty is the one business policy that never need be changed to keep up with the times."

We were all shocked to hear of the sudden death of Ray Widdifield June 28. Ray had worked all of the preceding week and was to go to the hospital for what was to be a minor operation. His condition became serious on Monday and a heart attack proved fatal early Tuesday morning. We all shall miss Ray and the friendly banter we used to exchange. We extend our heartfelt and sincere sympathy to his wife and twin sons, Floyd and Lloyd. . . . George Miller says he has turned over a new leaf. No more arguing with anyone. Is anyone taking bets on that? . . . Ed Bienz still seems to think an awful lot about Chicago. . . . We offer our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Bly on the arrival of a baby girl. . . . Dale Springer would go to a lot more square dances if he could get someone to go along. . . . Noble Dinger spent the Fourth in northern Michigan. . . . Frank Brohman says he will get his spring redecorating finished before next spring, he hopes. . . . John Johnson is glad that his wife is back. He needs some good home cooking to gain back some of the weight that he lost. . . . Bill Nickerson is a newcomer to the tool room. He replaces Joe Griffin. . . . Dave Slater vacationed last week. He certainly selected a warm week, but it should have been nice at the lake. . . . Dick Raber's little three year old daughter broke her arm last week. . . . Greetings to Grace Kaster, formerly of Bldg. 17-3, but now at home near Columbia City who says she never misses reading the WORKS NEWS every week. . . . Harold Hohman has really been having good luck fishing and he says that he can prove it. . . . Sorry to say "so-long" to Kenny Johnston. Hope that you will be back soon, Kenny. . . . Vacation days just ahead—only three more weeks.



The Power House employees extend their sympathy to the family of Frank Fisher who died June 28. His jovial nature will be missed by all who worked with him so many years. . . . We're just a little late mentioning Jim Leeper's transfer to the Erie Works. Good luck, Jim, and we hope you like it there. . . . We have another Daisy fan to add to our list. Seems like "Boodles" Bendel just can't stop talking about said team. There must be some reason for all this enthusiasm, Boodles, how about letting the boys in on it? . . . When the boys decided to buy Elmer Kinney his dinner the other noon, little did they know Bill Schible would be sharing the limelight too. The two of them had a swiss steak dinner in Bldg. 20-1 with a very hungry looking audience standing by. However, when Bob Hatfield got wind of the fact that Bill was getting his dinner free, he immediately jumped into action, grabbed Bill's lunch bucket and proceeded to do justice to the delicacies Mrs. Schible had prepared for her husband. Yep, good old "Jack Benny" Hatfield—always gets a little good out of everything. May you enjoy many pleasant days, Elmer, on your retirement and lots of good health from the whole gang. . . . We hear via the grapevine that some of our friends are having "parking troubles"—for instance when Bill Garver found a little red ticket on his car. Mary Jane Howe, didn't you get an invitation to appear at you know where one day last week? Then there's Andy Frank, just can't seem to find the right spot in the parking lot for his car. Perhaps you better invest in a tarpaulin, Andy then you could park any place. How about that? . . . Would somebody please furnish Abe Martin with a little oil to take the squeak out of his shoes. . . . Clarence Thomas has all the boys in a dither as to whether he ever found all those socks he lost the other night. Please put their minds at ease, Clarence. . . . The fish stories are coming in a little slow this year, but we do have Wilbur Eytcheson tossing 10 inch bass back in the lake because they're too small. Just what is this all about Wilbur, you aren't holding out for a 11 incher, are you? . . . When Mary Saxton washes her desk she receives full cooperation from all the boys. Like when they covered her desk with saw dust to help it dry faster! . . . Wally Reed broke a record when he was absent one day last week. We understand Wally (Levi, that is) has an almost perfect attendance record, which is really sumpin' . . . Luck seems to have run out for George Wralstad and Frank Kilcoin in the lunch-time card games. They seemed to be able to hold their own against most of the fellows, but the luck of one of the office girls from the Wire Mill has them baffled.



Ted "Skin-head" Bain really was having trouble with his new straw hat last week. It seems that each time he put it on he had to put it farther back on his head. He kept complaining about these cheap hats, how badly they shrink! They weren't worth carrying home! And each day it kept getting smaller and smaller and were the people in the office having fun! Finally he noticed the laughter and looked inside the band and wouldn't you know, they had put paper behind the band. . . . Evelyn Petgen and her husband Kenny are just about ready to move into their new home. I bet Abe Lincoln will turn over in his grave when he learns that they are having a pink bathroom in their log cabin. . . . Bertha Click and Hazel Stauffer sure must be putting on the feed-bag when it takes 10 extra minutes to eat their lunch. . . . Alice Claymiller's sewing project backfired on her the other day when curiosity got the best of her. She asked Butch how he liked his clothes sewed as she had sewed them. . . . Thelma Purdue sure must be loaded with dough as heavy as her purse gets. One would think she would try cleaning it out once in awhile. . . . Leonard Floyd is on his vacation next week and so is Edna Rohrbach. She is going to spend some time fishing. We have a suggestion for Edna that while she is on her vacation she should get herself a little date book so she can keep her club dates straight, and maybe she should get her eyes examined so she can know more of what goes on around her. . . . We welcome Carl Smith to 1x29 and Herbert Sullivan, Thomas Pauley, Albert Flory, Andrew Bordner and Erwin Richter to 1x42. . . . One of the fellows in 1x42 would like to know what time Louie Barrow goes to bed at night. He says that these midnight phone calls he gets has something to do with Louie's night life. . . . Frieda Knoche was really happy the other day when her niece, Mildred Werling Thurston, who was a winder in 1x29 at one time, came home from Hawaii. Mildred's husband is in the army and they have been stationed there. Glad you're home, Mildred. . . . We wish Pearl Ross a speedy recovery. . . . We hear there were big fireworks out at Esther Fagan's home. She bought three boxes of sparklers. . . . Clarice Woodruff is lucky to have such a talented brother. . . . Bea Davis and daughter are spending the week-end in Sandusky, O. . . . Gracie Ober went to Wheeling, W. Va. for the holidays. . . . Editor's note, I didn't write the following—Helen Engle has been blushing all week over her fishing trip. Sunburn! Helen, but what about the fish did you get any? And my answer is: "Yes, we got some big perch and they were plenty good eating!" . . . Say, Berry, where did you get that hat? Don't you know that it will scare the fish away. If you want to sell it I'm sure that if you would put a right price on it Ted Bain would buy it.

Chicago White Sox To Play G-E Voltmen

(Continued from page 1)

Top League in Fielding

Official American League averages reveal that the Chicago White Sox are leading the American League in fielding, with a spectacular .982 average. The White Sox infield featuring Floyd Baker, on third; Luke Appling, at short; Cass Michaels, at second, and Charles Cress, at first, have proven to be one of the most dependable and hustling infield in the Major leagues this season.

Some of the older sports fans may remember that during the 1911 season, White Sox Manager Jack Onslow played with the Fort Wayne Pelicans, semipro team in the old Central League.

Onslow took over the range of managing the White Sox last winter and is known as one of the most fiery and hustling managers in organized baseball. Often the subject of sports columnists for his strict discipline and management of his teams, Onslow remains a very eolorful figure. Other members of the White Sox board of strategy are Coaches "Bing" Miller, "Buster" Mills, and Ray Berres.

Appling to Appear Here

"Old Ironsides" Luke Appling, aged shortstop of the Sox, drove in three runs with four hits to lead the Sox in an 8 to 4 victory over the Detroit Tigers July 3. Appling, although past the 40-year-mark, is still a White Sox regular. He has appeared in all but three or four gamea tbis season. Although hitting at a .250 clip, Luke is always a dangerous man on the plate and has wrecked the game for many an opposing pitcher with a timely hit in the late innings of a close game.

The White Sox outfield this season really has the "new look" as brought about by the new manager. Only Dave Philley, a right-handed thrower and switch hitter from Paris, Tex., remains from previous White Sox squads. Philley is batting .293. White Sox newcomers Souchock and Metkovich round out the present starting outfield.

Right-handed Joe Tipton, catcher, was obtained from the Cleveland Indians after the 1948 season. He is the usual starting catcber for the White Sox. Joe is not considered a heavy hitter, but is capable at handling good pitchers as well as rookies. Other catehers with the Sox this season are Donald Wheeler, from Minneapolis of the American Association, and George Yankowski, 25-year-old rookic from Muskegon of the Central League.

The White Sox pitching staff includes Bill Wight, who won 9 and lost 20 for the White Sox in 1948; Randy Gumpert, who played part of last season with the New York Yankeecs; Al Gettel, formerly with the Cleveland Indians; Howard Judson, who won 4 and lost 5 for the White Sox in 1948, and Walt Pierce, 22-year-old who won three and lost nine for the Detroit Tigers last year. Other pitchers this year are Ed Klieman, Clyde Shoun, Bob Kuzava, Marino Pieretti and Matt Surkont.



We have sung the praises of the Hot Shots so much that we almost overlook the rest of the swell fellows that make up our Owl Golf League.

Take for example, Bernie English's Team No. 4, composed of Bernie, Pequignot, Fosnaugh, Ormsby, and a new lad named Boester. They broke into the plus column for the first time this year when they took the measure of Walt Pook's Team No. 5. English led his team with a 46, while Pook was low for the losers with a 52.

Team No. 3, which currently led the odd side, tripped the Jolly Boys by four points to add to their lead.

The battle this scribe looked forward to involved those Hot Shots and Stauffer's Cold Shots. As Lloyd Grider so aptly put it on No. 5 fairway, "They want to win this one so bad that they can taste it."

The result was a 16-point victory for the west side boys (including Bldg. 27). Warren Wickliffe displayed his usual good form with par equalling effort of 36. Brother Grider, caddie wagon and all, had a 38. John Stark was low for Team No. 1 with 44.

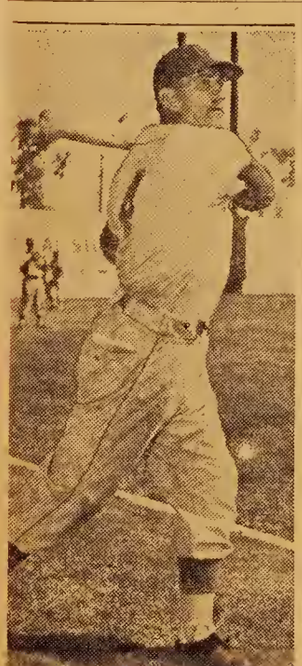
The Standings:

ODD

No. 3, Shanahan	– 29
No. 1, Stauffer	0
No. 5, Pook	—31

EVEN

No. 6, Craig	+ 91
No. 2, Stanger	+ 27
No. 4, English	—62



LUKE APPLING
Short Stop

G-E GOLF

By Hugh Dubdit

The Putters of the Winter St. group took the top spot to start play in the second half. However, the point standings are very close. The Putters have five, the second place Mashies have three, and third place Drivers have one. Dick Szink continues to lead the individual standings, shooting a 36 last Wednesday. John Skevington and Glenn Schimmele both carded 41.

With the first round of play completed in the Tuesday group, the Optimists have moved into first place with a point total of 26. Divot Diggers are second with 19, Nineteenth Holers third with 12. Paul LeCoque was low man with 37. "Red" Braden shot a 39 and Dick Tobias had 41. Frank Stenberg came up with a 49, eleven strokes under average to pace his team to a 14-point win.

Majors Edge Harvesters

The G-E Major softball team won a close game Thursday, June 30, from Harvester by a score of 2-1.

Baals led the hitting with a double and single in three tries.

The Majors chalked up a loss to Food Machine Tuesday, July 5, by a score of 7-6.

Stanski and Baals led the hitting, Stanski with a double and single and Baals with two singles in four times up. Yarman had a home run to right centerfield with none on.

Ley, of Food Machine, had a homerun over left field fence with one on.

Line Scores:

Harvester	000	010	0—1	3	2
G-E	100	000	1—2	7	2

VanWey and Bobay; Feldheiser and Somers.

G-E	200	001	3—6	6	1
Food Machine	000	022	3—7	9	1

Waltke and Baals; Quinn, Bowers and Hagadorn.



STEVE SOUCHOCK
First Base

Voltmen Drop 9-5 Verdict To Kansas City Monarchs

BY GEORGE HEMMETER

The high-flying Kansas City Monarchs downed the Voltmen by a 9 to 5 score Tuesday night at Dwenger park.

They had quite a ball game until the fourth, when the Monarehs broke loose three singles and a triple plus two very costly infield errors, to make the score 5-0. The Voltmen retaliated with three runs in their half of the inning on a double by Charlie Shipman, singles by Smith and Bobilya and a walk by Green; but Kansas City came up with a fast double play to end that rally.

The Monarchs seored in the fifth on a home run by Tabor and in the sixth on two safe bunts, plus a very wild throw to first. Southworth did manage to cut off another run after chasing down the overthrow. They completed their scoring in the eighth with a walk and two singles.

The Voltmen managed to score two more runs in their half of the eighth to make it not too bad a ball game. Shipman got on wben third baseman Souell bobbled one, then scored with Olin Smith on his mighty home run over the right field fence. The Voltmen looked good in spots. Lee Pfund started a beautiful double play to retire the side in the sixth inning. Then there was Chinewicz's great running catch of Souell's drive in the third. Southworth looked good at second and particularly notable was Hugh Orphan's ereditable relief as he retired the four men he faced, two of them on strikes, to end the ball game after Pfund weakened with two out in the eighth. We hope this is a sign that Hugh is finally rounding into shape, because the Voltmen could sure use him.

Monarchs	AB	R	H	Voltmen	AB	R	H
Baker,ss	4	3	3	Chinewicz	5	0	1
Souell,3b	5	0	0	Hormann,c	4	0	0
Serrell,2b	5	1	3	Shipman,rf	4	2	2
Thurman,rf	4	0	1	Smith,1b	4	2	2
Hunt,cf	5	1	2	Green,lf	3	1	0
Tabor,c	5	2	2	Bobilya,3b	4	0	2
Howard,lf	4	1	4	Stramm,ss	3	0	1
Roberts,2b	5	1	0	Southworth	3	0	0
Duncan,p	5	0	0	Pfund,p	3	0	1
				Orphan,p(8)	0	0	0
				aHisner	1	0	0
				bCary	1	0	0
Totals	42	9	15	Totals	35	5	9

a—Batted for Southworth 9th.
b—Batted for Orphan 9th.

Monarchs	000 511 020—9
Voltmen	000 300 020—5

Majors Beat Legion Post

The G-E Majors softball team won from Legion Post 330 by a score of 5-3 Thursday, June 23.

G-E scored two runs in the first inning on a hit batter, walk and Morkoetter hit a two-baser. That ended the scoring until the fourth when Bucher led off with a single. Garman sacrificed him to second. Waltke flied out to left, while Stanski hit to center, seoring Bucher. Balls then hit a home run, scoring Stanski. Bueher led the hitting with a double and a single.

Post 330 scored a run in the first on a single, double and a fly to center. They added two more in the fifth on a single, error, fielder's choice and a double.

Line Score:

Post 330	100	020	0—3	4	0
G-E	200	300	x—5	5	2

BATTING AVERAGES

	Games	Average
Fieldheiser	4	.500
Stanski	7	.353
Esterline	2	.333
Baals	7	.278
Anderson	2	.250
Bucher	7	.235
Morkoetter	7	.200
Lawson	7	.177
Yarman	7	.158
Garman	7	.146
Waltke	4	.125
Ewing	5	.100
Somers	5	.000
Hower	1	.000

Decatur SPORTS

Clarence Morgan, a member of the G-E factory team in the Decatur Golf League, has the distinctive honor of scoring the first hole-in-one at Decatur's new golf course. Clarence's famous shot was made on the tough par 3 165-yard No. 7 hole, and it was witnessed by his immediate foursome and another foursome waiting on the green.

Kenneth Gaunt, a member of the G-E Office team, was recently elected Chairman of the newly organized Decatur City Golf League. The league is composed of 10 teams from various industries and commercial firms in Decatur. Ken is one of our most enthusiastic golfers and is well deserving of the honor bestowed on him. Ken shoots consistently in the low 40s and under.

David Baumann, although on the golf inactive list at present due to his health, was elected Secretary-Treasurer of the new Decatur Golf League.

Other G-E men who are members of the league are Bob Lord, John Baumann, Kenneth Jackson, William Morgan, Bob Andrews, and George Laurent.



JOE TIPTON
Catcher



The message entitled "*I Don't Want to Be Agitated,*" reproduced below, was forwarded on May 12, 1949, by W. A. Mann, Manager of General Electric's Apparatus Office in Milwaukee, with this note:

"*Your message* 'Jobs Depend on Faith' *made a profound impression on E. C. Peterson, Superintendent of our Warehouse. He sat up last night and reduced his thoughts to writing. I have had a copy made and attach it, as I feel sure you will be interested in knowing what reaction some of these articles produce.*"

Neither the title, nor a word, nor a comma, nor a capital letter has been changed. It's just as written by Mr. Peterson, who is shown in the accompanying photograph with Mrs. Peterson, their daughters, and granddaughter.

"I Don't Want to Be Agitated"

"THOSE who unfairly attack General Electric—or seek to damage the good name it tries so hard to *deserve*—may shake the faith of the customer in the Company and its products and, by so doing, rob men of their jobs and futures.

"Those who rise to the Company's defense—who seek to help the Company *deserve* its good reputation—make jobs better and steadier not just at General Electric, but in every community where the Company buys, or makes, or sells products."

(The above are excerpts from the G. E. Commentator of May 6, 1949.)

Two closing paragraphs which can be read in twenty-two seconds. The second time, I gave it forty-seven seconds. The part which reads—"and, by so doing, rob men of their jobs and futures"—fascinated me.

My memories went back to the close of World War I. A returning hero, so they called me, but I had no job. Just a sixty buck "bonus" and not much hope. An odd job here, another there. Was still paying dues as an electrician, but no electricity wandering around waiting to be harnessed.

Was 24 years old when we were married. A war bride, you might say. From London she was.

1921—Assets: A war bride, couple of furnished rooms, temporary job, and lots of uncertainty.

1922—Started with General Electric Company. Was told that job would be steady. A ray of hope. Wife and I celebrated by "eating out."

1949—(or 27 years later) Assets: Still have my job, only it's a better one. Still have my war bride, plus—two married daughters—a granddaughter—five room house—automobile—modest bank account—a few war bonds under the mattress—electric refrigerator—radio—ironer, etc.,—home work shop—Company pension in the offing (which was started about 1912, or long before the agitators 'thunk' it up.)—Free insurance—Additional insurance—Hospitalization insurance—annual vacation—steady pay—a feeling of security. The greatest asset of all.

These are the things which I have received from the Company in exchange for my humble efforts. These are the things which I have received through the continued faith of our customers in our Company's products and in the integrity of its Management and employees.

The Company has faith in me and I have faith in the Company. I am not yet dumb enough to believe that we can receive something for nothing. If we do, it can only be at the expense of someone else. And that someone else may be me.

I have no time or sympathy for "those who unfairly attack General Electric—or seek to damage the good name it tries so hard to deserve—and, by so doing, rob men of their jobs and futures."

I asked for a job and it was given to me. If I am dissatisfied, I am free to leave at any time. I am not working in a slave camp.

I believe that "Those who rise to the Company's defense—who seek to help the Company *deserve* its good reputation—make jobs better and steadier not just at General Electric, but in every community where the Company buys, or makes, or sells products."

By preserving the Company's future, I am merely preserving my own. Just simple arithmetic.

E. C. Peterson

E. C. PETERSON
WAREHOUSE SUP'T.

P.S. I had no rich uncle or a college degree.

Milwaukee 5/12/49

FORT WAYNE WORKS
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You cannot build character and courage by taking away man's initiative and independence. You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could and should do for themselves.

—*Abraham Lincoln*

UNION NEGOTIATIONS RECESSED INDEFINITELY

Negotiations between General Electric and United Electrical Workers-CIO continued Wednesday. The Union sought, contrary to what was agreed last year, to get the Company at the current negotiations to consider an increase in pensions and insurance.

The Company reminded the Union of its agreement made last year in consideration of the increase given at that time. The agreement was to the effect that the contract then made extended to April 1, 1950, with one reopening and that one for wages only. The Company pointed out the careful wording of the contract, which clearly drew a definite distinction between wages and other economic benefits and made wages the only subject of negotiations in the one reopening.

Refers To Union Report

The Company pointed out that, in addition to the wording of the contract, the Union had printed the following report to its members in its official newspaper, "The U.E. News" of June 12, 1948:

"The Company makes this offer conditional upon the Union's drop-

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Special Ballasts Built In Two Days For Venezuelan President's Plane

The Specialty Transformer sales division received a telegram recently to build and ship within a week 30 special ballasts for aircraft fluorescent lamps.

The units were ordered by the Texas Engineering and Manufacturing Company (TEMCO) at Dallas. The company specializes in modifying, overhauling and outfitting aircraft for special use. These ballasts were ordered for installation in a Douglas C-54 designed for use by the President of Venezuela.

No Time Is Lost

Upon receipt of the telegram, Ray Schiebel and members of Division 93 immediately went into action. While Roy Adams, Engineering section, reviewed the specifications, Bill Slater ordered the material. Dick Kimball coordinated the flow of materials throughout the divisions and Larry Schuster actually followed the units through the manufacturing cycles by means of red-marked tote boxes.

Farold Schuman's group cleared their machines and hurriedly wound the coils and Al Rieman's section assembled the units. The

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The special ballasts were installed in a Douglas C-54, above, designed for use by the President of Venezuela.

Free Chest X-Rays Are Offered To Employees At Decatur Plant

The Mobile Tuberculosis Survey Unit will visit the Decatur plant Tuesday, July 26, from 1 to 5 p.m. to x-ray the chests of employees.

As last year, the survey is being offered free of charge through the co-sponsorship of the Adams County Tuberculosis Association and the State Board of Health. It also has the approval and support of the Adams County Medical Association.

The screening test is strictly

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Plan Announced For G-E Services Monday, July 18

In order to render service to those working Monday, July 18, the cafeteria at Taylor St. and the cafeteria in Bldg. 16-1, Broadway, will be open for both the first and second shifts, it was announced today.

Food wagons will serve the second shift at Broadway.

The cafeteria and the restaurant in Bldg. 16-2 and the Employees' stores will be closed.

Medical service for both first and second shifts will be provided at the main dispensary at Broad-

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Soap Box Derby To Use G-E Timer

Split-second timing for all events Sunday at the News-Sentinel-Chevrolet Soap Box Derby is being made available this year by the Fort Wayne Works.

Henry J. Miller, of General Electric's Philadelphia office, has accepted an invitation to attend the race and bring his elaborate timing device. This apparatus is the same Mr. Miller uses in timing the major auto and motorcycle races at many Eastern tracks. This will mark the third year that Mr. Miller has officiated at the local derby.

A FHP Motor specialist in the Atlantic district, Mr. Miller has made a hobby of timing big and little racing cars, speedboats, motorcycles, foot racers, airplanes, and even bullets.

The timing device, accepted as official at major racing events, was developed by Mr. Miller in co-operation with other G-E scientists and specialists. Consisting of a G-E electric eye, several clocks and a switch similar to the ones used to synchronize machine-gun fire through airplane propellers, the timing device is exceedingly accurate and, through a card system, can time up to 185 racers at one time.



Henry J. Miller is shown, above, operating the elaborate timing device which will be employed here Sunday in the Soap Box Derby.

Information Clinic

The following is a series of questions and answers selected at random from those asked at the recent Informative Conferences. Additional questions concerning problems relating to jobs, business conditions, or any other matters are encouraged. Employees are requested to use the Information Clinic form on page 4.

QUESTION

Can an employee withdraw his Additional Pension accumulations without breaking his service? Also, can an employee withdraw his Pension accumulations under the present pension plan without breaking his service?

ANSWER

The Additional Pension accumulations under the old plan is a very good form of savings, and should be maintained if possible. However, an employee can withdraw these accumulations without breaking his service. An employee cannot withdraw his Pension accumulations under the present pension plan without breaking his service.

QUESTION

By what standards does General Electric base its wage structure in Fort Wayne?

ANSWER

The Company periodically compares wage rates, job for job, with other employers in Fort Wayne. We actually visit these employers and compare like jobs. Our wage structure—job for job—compares favorably with the going rate in Fort Wayne.

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FORT WAYNE WORKS
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Don Campbell.....Editor

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How We Use Our Leisure Time Is Basis Of Mental Health

More than 100 years ago, Bulwer-Lytton, famous British author, writer of the immortal classic "The Last Days of Pompeii," wrote these words: "You see men of the most delicate frames engaged in active and professional pursuits who really have no time for illness. Let them become idle. . . . let them take care of themselves, let them think of their health and they die. The dust rots the steel which use preserves."

In this day of considerable leisure time it is well to ponder these words for they hold the key to the solution of a happy life. Few people over-work, according to a leading education authority of today. But plenty do over-eat, over-worry, over-drink and plenty reach out for amusement by listening and watching other people do things. Few among us realize the joy and happiness of conquest. The basis of good mental health is plenty of work and upon this foundation we build better minds and healthier bodies.

Here Is Some Good Advice For Keeping In Condition

This business of keeping fit for the day's work gets lots of publicity. It seems to be surrounded by a lot of mystery. It is continually made to appear difficult. It is not. Rather, it is very simple.

Artie McGovern, noted trainer in New York, who keeps plenty of men in office jobs in the pink of condition says: "The average person eats himself out of condition continually. Leading a sedentary life, he takes aboard about 5000 calories a day and burns up only 2000. That leaves 3000 to clog his system. He would be much better off if he consumed only 1500 calories and burned up that many.

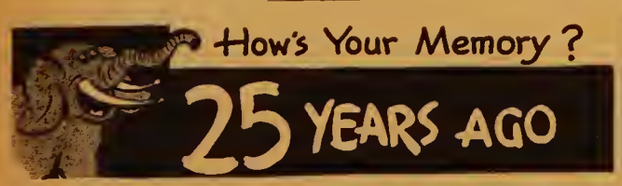
"A careful diet . . . orange juice, toast and coffee in the morning, a salad or sandwich and tea or coffee or milk at noon and a good dinner at night that doesn't contain too much starch or fat . . . plus 10 minutes of proper exercise a day, will keep anybody fit."

When it is so easy to keep in condition, why do we let ourselves get out of hand?

Man In The Glass

When you get what you want in this struggle for pelf
And the world makes you "King for a day",
Just go to a mirror and look at yourself
And see what that guy has to say.
It isn't your Father, your Mother, your wife,
Whose judgment upon you must pass;
But the one whose verdict counts most in your life
Is that man looking back in the glass.
You may be "Jack Horner" and chisel your plum,
And think you're a wonderful guy;
But that man in the glass says you're only a bum
When you can't look him straight in the eye.
You may fool all the people down the pathway of years
And get pats on the back as you pass.
But your final rewards will be heartaches and tears
If you've lied to that man in the glass.

—Les Quillman



The twentieth annual meeting of the Electro Technic Club was held Tuesday, May 13, in the club rooms, Building 16-2, and was attended by about 150 members of the club.

Mr. Miles, the retiring president of the club, presided, and called the meeting to order at 8 p.m., the first business on the program being the election of directors for the coming year. This election was by ballot with the result that the following five men were elected for the coming year: A. C. Hartman, C. H. Baade, Perry Shober, S. C. Newlin, I. H. Freeman.

AIN'T IT THE TRUTH?



SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q. Why does a live electric wire lash about when it strikes the ground?

A. There seem to be two causes for this effect. First, the wire is under considerable tension while on the poles, and when this is released it would move considerably whether it carried current or not. But, if it is alive, it will carry considerable current to the ground and it would be surrounded by a strong magnetic field. With the wire tangled, the field of one part would react with that of another section, sometimes producing attraction and sometimes repulsion, so considerable movement might result.

HUGH CRANE discusses Thoughts On Being Reasonable

NEW YORK—This is the last time this column will appear.

So, in saying goodbye after three years, I should like also to look backward and tell you something about what the column was supposed to be, what the "slant" or "angle" was, why it was a pleasure to write it, and why it was sometimes hard to write.

"Being Reasonable"

When I first started writing this column, the specifications I got from G-E really boiled down to two words—"Be reasonable." Of course they also said "Make it readable; make it simple; and make it short." But those directions more or less went without saying; as a writer you try to do that anyway. The challenge was in the "Be reasonable."

This was why the column was originally called "Alternating Currents." Because nearly every subject in economics has two sides, and to be reasonable you have to consider both, and write more or less in the framework of "On the one hand . . . but on the other hand."

Even if you don't write the finished column in exactly that form, you have to have gone through that process in your own mind before you reach for the typewriter. You have to have done a sort of high-school debate first, with its alternation of arguments and rebuttals, even if one side finally wins in your mind.

That is what made it interesting—and also what made it difficult.

Involves Half-Truths

For economics, like the law, involves a great many contradictions, a great many conflicts, and a great many half-truths. Also special-interest arguments, and downright appeals to emotion.

We have a prime example of the contradictions in today's discussion of Marshall-Plan aid to Europe. For on the one hand this aid is supposed to put Europe on its feet, so that it will no longer have to get so much from us, and will be able to sell more goods to us to pay for what it gets. But now it turns out that this is another way of saying that the Marshall Plan, if successful, would leave us with a smaller market in Europe and would enable Europe to take over some of our customers in South America and send a flood of imports from Europe into this country to compete with American manufacturers and labor.

As for conflicts of interest, you have farmers versus city consumers, railroads versus trucks, non-scheduled air transport companies versus the regular air lines, private power companies versus TVA, coal miners versus hydro-power people, Northern versus Southern textile mills, independent grocers versus the chains, and so on and on.

Some Economic Fairy Tales

And as to half-truths and worse, you have a bookful of economic myths, which keep coming back like a cat with nine lives, no matter how often they are answered. Among such are the myths that "Gold satisfies a fundamental human instinct"; "The country is going broke and can't stand any more federal debt"; "Big corporations are monopolies and there is no such thing as a good monopoly"; and "Employers are only interested in profits"; and "Employees are interested only in pay."

Well, somebody has to find some kind of compromise or settlement of these contradictions and conflicts that arise between litigants. That's how economics is something like the law. For lawyers say that "the law is reason." And so is economics. If there is to continue to be any such thing as economics, it must be reasoning out of such things into some kind of "law and order."

That is what Congress is for, and the courts are for, and every cracker-box discussion and round-table conference and union convention and town-meeting debate.

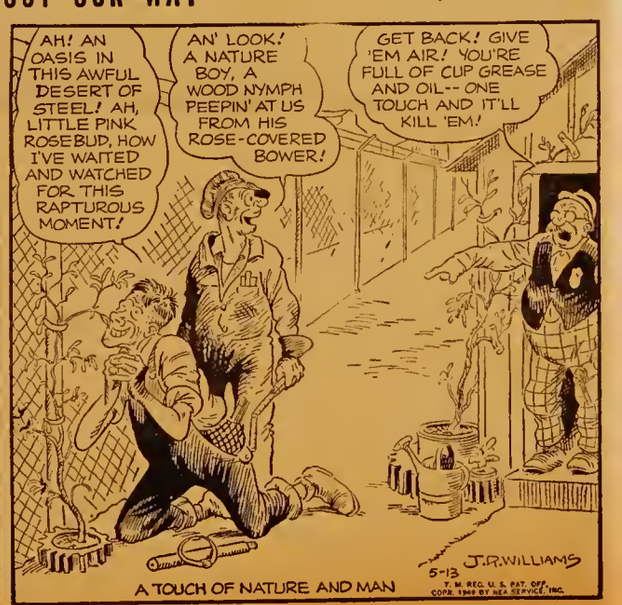
And that's what this column was for—to take economic subjects and "be reasonable" about them.

That's what made it difficult to write—and interesting to write.

So long!

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



HERMAN, SHARROW INVENT COMBINATION TIE-WEDGE



C. J. Herman



R. F. Sharrow

A patent has been granted to C. J. Herman and R. F. Sharrow on their invention of a novel combination tie-wedge for fractional horsepower motors.

Mr. Herman is a group leader and Mr. Sharrow is a design engineer. Both are in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Development Engineering division. Their invention consists of an insulated metallic wedge member which serves both to hold the motor windings in the stator slots and to hold the winding end turns in place. It is particularly advantageous in motors for certain applications, such as for hermetic refrigerators, where varnish treatments and cord lacings offer certain disadvantages.

This is Mr. Herman's fourth and Mr. Sharrow's first patent. Mr. Herman has been employed by General Electric since 1937, and Mr. Sharrow since 1942.



The Bldg. 18-5 welcome mat is on display for Ella Highlands, Kenny Petgen and Howard Mertz who have moved in from Bldg. 6-2. . . . The reporter from Bldg. 18-4 writes "Oh for the lake and its breezes!" That is the most heard expression around here these warm days. But think of the roasting ears we will have with that good fried chicken. Always something good comes from everything. . . . Dick Kent, Bldg. 18-5, is on vacation this week. To escape the heat he headed north, hope he comes back. . . . The Data Bureau extends a hearty welcome to Al Basset, new test engineer who will work with G. D. White during the vacation. Mr. Basset is from Amarillo, Texas, and a recent graduate of Texas Tech. M.P.C. "Mike" Minter, formerly of the local commercial division, was one of his instructors and we believe Mr. Minter used a little sales talk for G-E. We wish Mr. Basset all of the good luck and surely hope he will like our Hoosier manners. . . . **Wanted**—Someone to tell Pat Beebe, Bldg. 18-5, how to stop a tan from peeling. (The tan was the direct result of a trip to Chicago and the Sand Dunes over the Fourth!) . . . We are very happy to learn that Veda Orff is convalescing at the St. Joseph Hospital and that Mrs. Charles Hitzeman (Mr. Hitzeman retired several years ago from Fractional Cost then of Bldg. 4-6) is much improved at the Lutheran Hospital. . . . A rusty wire, dock at the lake and Ray White of Bldg. 18-4, all met at the same time over the Fourth. The result was painful, but not fatal. . . . Carl Brandt, Bldg. 18-4, is "motor hoat repairman deluxe," since he got stranded in the weeds at Wawasee. Lots of sweat, muscle and refreshments took care of the job, or so he says! . . . Ruth Givens of Bldg. 18-5 hits the news again with a bang up birthday the Fourth of July. . . . George Washington once said: "Associate with men of good quailty for it is better to be alone than in bad company." . . . **Explosion?** What was that loud noise in Bldg. 18-3 on Monday? That trembling of the whole building! An explosion? An earthquake? Nope, that was Phil Arick hitting the floor with a fine "tecth jarring" bounce.

Union Negotiations

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ping all other economic issues, such as holidays, pensions, vacation schedules, health and welfare program and the like, and conditional further upon the Union's acceptance of a two-year contract 'with a single reopening at your (the Union's) pleasure once during the life of that contract and that reopening to involve solely the issue of wages'.

"That would mean that while the Union could reopen the wage question next year, basic conditions of employment, such as vacations, paid holidays and the like, would remain fixed for the next two years."

Benefits Not Negotiable

The Union then sought to persuade the Company to bargain on pensions and other such economic benefits simply through mutual agreement in accordance with a portion of the contract that allowed things not otherwise required by the contract to be brought up for negotiation if both the Company and Union were mutually agreeable. The Company explained that it was not agreeable to bargaining on pensions and these other economic benefits, and that it was not under obligation to do so at this time.

The Union then sought to have a part of any wage increase, that might be secured in the current negotiations, to apply against increases in the Company's present pension, insurance, and other benefit programs. The Company explained again both that benefits other than wages were not a matter of negotiation at this time and that it was the Company's conviction that there should be no fourth round of wage increases this year.

Three Pensioners Speak

Three pensioners were introduced to the meeting and they were given an opportunity to speak in behalf of still further improvement in the Company's present pension plan.

The Union presented to the meeting two employees who had been laid off, one last December and one just recently. The former was a lady with four children and the latter a man with a family also of four children. The Company reminded the Union that an earlier contract gave consideration in cases of layoffs to employees with families but that this had been taken out of the contract at the Union's insistence.

No Fourth Round

Near the close of the afternoon meeting, George H. Pfeif, Manager of Union Relations for the Company, told the Union representatives that prolonged negotiations would be liable to give employees and the public a false impression of the prospects as to any fourth round, and stated:

"We have given careful consideration to your presentations since we opened negotiations a month ago on the demands presented by your committee.

"We in turn have presented the reasons why a fourth round in any form, since it would raise costs and prices and cut jobs, would be contrary to the best interests of employees, customers, owners, and public.

"We feel there has now been ample opportunity for exhaustive discussion of all the relevant considerations.

"We have again most carefully reviewed and considered the various claims made, and our resulting conclusion is that a fourth round in any form would be contrary to the mutual best interests of all concerned.

"The only answer the Company can therefore properly give to the Union negotiators' demands is 'No'.

"We accordingly suggest these negotiations be concluded."

The Union representatives rejected the Company's proposal of concluding the negotiations at once and stated they wanted to go home and report to their members, after which they would get in touch with the Company at some future indefinite date.

DECATUR G-E CLUB NOMINATES SLATE OF OFFICER CANDIDATES

The Decatur G-E Club has nominated its slate of candidates for the election to be held during the week of July 25 to 27. The new officers will be installed August 1.

Following is the list of candidates:

President

Robert Andrews, Bldg. 2
Fred Brokaw, Bldg. 1
Elmer Chase, Bldg. 2

Vice President

Charles Cook, Bldg. 2
Patrick Murphy, Bldg. 1
Niland Ochsenrider, Bldg. 2

Secretary

Mary Ann Laurent, Bldg. 2
Esther Meyer, Bldg. 2
Barbara Roop, Bldg. 2

Directors:

Hubert Cochran, Bldg. 1
Francis Eady, Bldg. 2
William Kohls, Bldg. 2

Ellen Raby Given Gift At Retirement



When Ellen Raby, Bldg. 4-2, left for retirement, she received a gift from her friends in FHP Motor Div. 15. The above picture was taken last week on her last day here. Left to right are: Vivian Frauhiger, Mable Booher, Jane Steinbacher, Opal Bates, Mrs. Raby, Luella Guy, Hilda Walda, Ada Bultemeyer, Johanna Alles, Mary Rupp, and Toni Lause.

Chest X-Rays

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voluntary, but it is hoped that every employee will take advantage of this free offer. The test is also a confidential matter between the individual and his or her family physician.

All employees have been given letters with applications, which will be used to avoid delay in taking the tests at the plant. The applications should be given to foremen.

Arrangements have been made for employees to receive the test during regular working hours.

The survey is being made as a part of the Adams County TB Association's effort to combat this deadly disease. The mobile unit will also be available to all residents of the county during the Decatur Street Fair.

Plan Announced

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way and at the Taylor St. dispensary. The dispensary at Winter St. will be open for the first shift only. The dispensary in Bldg. 8-1 at Broadway will not be open on this day.

Special Ballasts

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completed ballasts were then given final test by Willard Lenz, foreman of test.

On the second day following receipt of the telegraphic order, the special ballasts were on their way via air express to Texas.

Teamwork Builds Sales

In a letter from the G-E salesman, he stated that TEMCO sincerely appreciated the excellent service which the factory provided. Furthermore, they were quoting on 17 similar jobs and if successful, would want additional G-E ballasts.

As this case illustrates, small orders often lead to larger ones through the efforts of all employees to create customer-satisfaction.



Two of the fluorescent lamps are visible, above, in the stateroom of the plane outfitted by TEMCO.

Information Clinic

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General Electric's policy and desire is to pay what is right in the particular community—all things considered—for the skill, care and effort and working conditions involved in comparable jobs under similar circumstances. This has been a practice of long standing in Fort Wayne.

QUESTION

Are competing manufacturers of electrical apparatus experiencing a comparable slump in business?

ANSWER

Through the current slump we have continued to secure the same percentage of available business as prior to the slump. This fact, plus known cutbacks in production and employment in competing industries, suggests that we are all being faced with the same problems.

Friends Bid Farewell To Bultemeier



Ernst Bultemeier, FHP Motor Div. 15 in Bldg. 4-1, recently left the Company for retirement. On his last day at G-E, a number of his friends gathered to say "goodbye" and to give him a going-away gift. Left to right are: Ed Sonday, Frank Lawrence, Ray Pflueger, Fred Schaaf, Mr. Bultemeier, Russell Meeks, Clarence Reiter and Fred Pyle.



Happy Birthday—To Lois Tritch, Payroll Section, and to Ned Hackney, July 7; Adolph Strausser, July 10, and Wes Goss, July 11, of the D.C. Section. . . . Stork Tales—Congratulations to the Robert Knepples, who became the proud parents of—yes, another boy, Dennis, weight 8 lbs. . . . Prophet—If you are desirous of obtaining extremely technical weather data, please feel free to consult Paul W. (for "Whether" he guesses it right (or wrong) Lange. Paul even figures the wind velocity. When he can't give you an answer immediately, he consults his slide rule. So, gals, if you want to know when to carry an umbrella, see Paul. . . . So Sorry—Welcome back to Delores Giltz, who was ill for several days. We are sorry that you had to be confined indoors on such hot sticky days, even the fountains went dry. . . . Bon Voyage—We see Gwen Steinbarger poring over maps these days. Before long she will be departing to visit her former home in Wales. . . . Cool Trip—No Doubt—Mr. and Mrs. Dick Kilian enjoyed a nice ride with Willard Hopkins last Sunday in a Stinson Voyager to Clear Lake and back. 'Tis a wonderful way to travel these hot days. . . . Tidbits—Bob Loveland is enjoying his vacation at present. He said that he was going to fish all day every day. But, when asked where, he wouldn't reply. If he caught any, maybe we can coax the location out of him when he returns. . . . We are betting that Ned Hackney came home with a bouquet of roses or some similar gift for his wife after a fit of absent-mindedness besieged him the other evening. Ned was so intent on getting some papers to Ray Jones at the airport that he forgot about his date with the little woman. . . . The Payroll Section wants to know where Walt Lamboley buys those good looking khaki (censored). (You'll have to ask them). . . . A fond welcome back to Bldg. 4-6 to Mary Lou Vance, who replaced Teddy Neds Wilkins, in the AC Section. . . . Try Wilma Kirby's memory for numbers. She remembers clock and license numbers, etc. She's a whiz! . . . Nate Horton's golf game is causing him a lot of embarrassment. Someone found out about his "foot mashie." . . . Martha Davenport requests Payroll to please put up signs giving directions to their section. She doesn't mind men, but there have been mostly women lately. . . . Ralph Mesing, formerly of Bldg. 4-6, paid us a visit the other day. Ralph is now a painter. . . . The other day Judy Clark was addressing Mr. Whonsettler. Her Pennsylvania accent made it sound as if she called him, "Mr. Winesettler." . . . Gil Baker joined the floor sitters club Thursday noon. Congratulations, Gil.

Remember when you point your finger accusingly at someone else, you've got three fingers pointing at yourself.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Ralph Meshberger, George Christman, Florence Minnich, Herman Bertsch, Herbert Kenworthy, Ralph Viland, Freida Farley, Geraldine Fredrick, Alice Nichens, William Kelsey, Mary Beaman, Luther Childers, Arnold Sprunger, Joseph Schlotterer, Roscoe Grover, Velva Smith, Warren Jackson, Vera Gennaitte, Serena Slater, Theodore Roehm, George Barker, John Haberkorn, Carl Fuller, Mary Wright, Veda Orff, Clinton Sorenson, Wanda Anderson, Wayne Coak, Fred Nagel and Charles Johnloz.

Returned to Work

Lillian Hall, Andrew Einsidel, Arthur Stute, Benny Szwenik, George Worley, Carl Hankel, Mary Schwartz, Alfred Seifert, Margaret Harrison, Gladys Balliet, Mable Englert, Huegeen Blew, Dock Gordon, Marion Gilgen, Edith Waite, Bernadette Lantz, Robert Johnson, Ethel Perry, Leah Guy, Doris Williams, Lela Line, Lawrence Woodward, and Clarence Stoner.



Usually the word is passed along like this—did you see so and so with his new car. This method gets around quite fast, but not fast enough for Ray Kierspe. He is so proud and pleased with his new Nash that he has taken the situation in hand himself. He tells everyone he sees that he has a new car. . . . Anyway it was about time Guy Oberlin bought a new lawn mower Guy says he really needed it. The old one was too hard to push around. Now he tells us the new one runs so easy that his seven-year-old grandson can push it. We bet that was the idea in the first place. . . . Vaughn Sheets spent a week-end in the capital city. Says he was very glad to get back to good old Waynedale. That the prices for meals were outrageous. He ordered fillet of something for a buck seventy-five thinking he was going to get fish; instead he got steak and very little of that. All we can say, Vaughn, if you would have got fish at that price they would have no doubt been goldfish.



Golly, summer is slipping by so fast, already the locusts are singing for fall. You had better hurry up all that work you had planned for it will soon be too late. Besides it's better to get it done before vacation anyway. You'll get more rest that way. Which reminds us, we were told there is only 80 work hours 'til vacation. Can you wait that long? . . . We have an apprentice in our midst. We mean Bill Schultz. Word has it that he is learning the art of careful spending from Jack Benny. Bill hasn't yet arrived at the point where he buries his money like Benny, but he does keep his small change in a safe place where he can't spend it. That's one way to resist temptation. . . . Charlie Schild and Ewald Wiegand stopped in to say hello to the gang. Glad to see them looking so well. This life of ease certainly agrees with them.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

INFORMATION CLINIC

FORT WAYNE WORKS

C. H. MATSON, Works Manager

BLDG. 18-2

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Two Join Q-C Club



Benjamin H. Keller
Bldg. 26-4

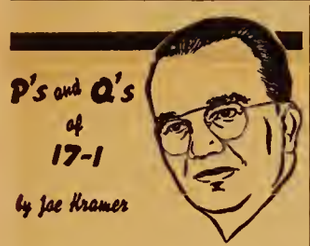


Archie R. Rian
Bldg. 26-4

Elmer Kinney Is Honored At Retirement



Elmer Kinney, General Service division in Bldg. 20-1, recently retired, and at that time received a send-off from his friends and co-workers. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Bill Doehrman, John Bell, George Coplen, Harold Canfield, Dick Motter, Bill Schible, Joe Niedermeyer, John Hall, Harry Underwood, Mr. Kinney, Sam Houser, Herman Rosenhahn, Fred Altekruse, John Meints, Nolan Bachellor, Ray Strunk, Lee Miller, Cletus Dick, Charles Poe, and Harry Kruge. In the background: Howard Moore, Clarence Leakey, Ed. Bauer, Walter Sorg and Harold Stirlen.



The reason for the drop in temperature the past week-end can be attributed to the hail storm that was had in Northern Michigan. Ed Arthur brought a report back that the hail was as large as hen fruit and it was necessary to chop holes in the ice to go fishing. . . . Vacation time is near. Ed Brosche has been seen carrying his roll of maps always ready for reference. Ed is laying extensive plans for a prolonged trip to the South. It is rumored that he is going as far south as Poneto. . . . If you have any friends living in Tucson, Ariz., contact Leo Persing and he will gladly carry any messages there for you. Of course, a donation will be accepted. . . . We noticed in the Roanoke News that Bill Grimm attended the J. H. McClure reunion near Roanoke recently. . . . Reservations are now being taken for rides in Harry Kessler's new Ford. Remember, it is first come first served. Marion Sprague is taking down the list of names. . . . It has been suggested that Ed Kronmiller practice his piano lessons. "Well, what's holding you back." . . . Cliff (Free-fish) Coombs is developing a new type of corn. This one, instead of sprouting out of the ground like a normal corn stalk, will pop up. We wonder if he is going to include butter and salt at no extra cost. . . . We wondered what Douglas Bragg meant when he told Mike Kramer that two was company, three is a crowd. . . . John Miles' recent trip to Chicago was a dismal failure as far as Johnny was concerned. Hotel rooms were very high, you even had to pay for a glass of water. For a more detailed information, see Johnny Miles. . . . If you want results, use the WORKS NEWS column for advertising. Ray Epperson informs me that his entire crop of rye wheat has been spoken for with the exception of the late crop which he is using to keep the weeds from around his tomatoes. . . . We don't know whether the heat had anything to do with it or not, but John Junk was seen walking down the aisle with a cup of ice cream in one hand and a straw in the other. . . . There has been a decline in the number of farmers in the south end of Bldg. 17-1. Paul Geiger recently sold his farm which was located near Clarence Doctor (no that was not the reason) and moved back to the city. This should be good news to Mary Gerhard as it will cut down the length of the farmer's column. . . . Due to the recent heavy rain, we were not able to obtain much information on the doings of the M. N. M. truck garden experiment. George Mosshammer couldn't get under his favorite shade tree. Frank Martin decided to stay home and help his wife bake cup cakes because his brother Ed was coming over for a visit. Charlie Neblick had his granddaughter visiting him and was also painting his house so he stayed home. Next week we will try to give a report of the battle between the weeds and beetles against the M. N. M. hoe workers. . . . There was a near catastrophe reported at the Lillie Pion farm. It seems some mice got into the corn crib and Lillie almost knocked it down trying to get them out. . . . Vic Leakey reports that the fish were really biting in Michigan last Saturday during the rain. To keep from getting wet, Vic and his co-fishermen removed their trousers and shirts and placed them under the seat boards of the boat. Vic says he never thought rain could be so cold on such a hot day. . . . Len Hutson was really busy over the week-end. What with doing the family wash, cleaning the house and answering the door, he was really kept busy. Len says this is one job that could really stand some method improvements.



You always hear about women going on diets, but it seems there are two men who are also trying to lose a few pounds. Who? George Myers and Bob Striker. How are you doing, boys? And in case you are wondering how many calories are in something just ask Bob. He can give you all the information you want to know and we do mean all. . . . R. Owens had a birthday the Fourth of July. . . . Kenny Gaunt is quite a golfer we hear. We understand Tom Haubold and Herb Foos enjoy the game too. . . . Wanda Bailey found out one gets wet when caught in the rain. . . . My most embarrassing moment by Genny August. Getting in the restroom and not knowing that a plumber was working in there. . . . At last we're mentioning a new one, Marion Brodbeck, how is your garden growing after this nice weather we are having? If you have any favorable reports on your vegetables, let us have them; we're always anxious to get some news. . . . Howard Gehrig of Plant 2 was admitted to the Veterans' Hospital in Indianapolis for medical care. He is reported doing well. . . . The little town of Wren, Ohio, was nearly washed off the map in our last rain. Lohnas McClure reports everything was wet. . . . The Flange Line welcomes Ray Eicher back. He has quite a tan since we saw him last. . . . One week of vacation is over for Wilbur Suman. He reported doing a lot of household chores during his week off. Nothing like helping the little woman. . . . The new four place Piper Clipper amazed Stanley. You should have seen him sailing up there at 5200 feet. We hear Ralph is a good pilot and we hope some day he'll take us for a lift. The sound affects in the Clipper is Ralph's weakness. . . . When it comes to fitting boots Johnny Morgan tops the list. You should have seen him in the boots—all he would have needed was a paddle and he could have rowed himself out. . . . Dale Harshman is reported to have caught a couple fine bass during the Fourth. How about a fish fry, Dale? . . . Then we hear things about Jerry Light such as golfing, fishing and a sudden rush to Bluffton. Nice going, Jerry.

John Egner Dies

John D. Egner, 66, of Churubusco, died recently at the McCray hospital in Kendallville.

Mr. Egner first worked for G-E in 1927 in the General Service division. He returned in 1944 as an acid dipper in Bldg. 26-B. At the time of his retirement in 1948, he was a sandblaster in Bldg. 26-1. For the past 14 years he has served as the Justice of the Peace at Churubusco. He was a member of the United Brethern church of that town.



Birthday greetings of the week go to Milo Reed. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Ensch are the proud parents of a baby boy named John Frederick. Congratulations, Eddie. . . . Tom Blackwell went out at noon one day last week and bought a new pair of trousers. This was the same day that he was working close to the new help in Aircraft. His remark was that he wanted to look his best. . . . Those of you who remember Jack Renner would be glad to know that his widow, Nina Renner, is now operating a variety store at 2423 Broadway and would appreciate your patronage. . . . Did anybody notice the black eye around the division last week? Haste makes waste. It is better to miss the bus than fall for it.

Celebrates 30th Anniversary



Merland G. Heller, Bldg. 4-3, recently celebrated his 30th anniversary with the Company. He received a congratulatory letter when a number of friends gathered to congratulate him. In the picture, which was taken at the presentation, are: (l. to r.) Fred Ellis, Ed Farrell, Ed Robin, O. J. Mettler, FHP Div. 1 Supt.; Mr. Heller, and George Prince.



Dan Reuille seems a little bow-legged lately, but he acquired it by doing his good deed for the day. He rushed to an accident, arriving just in time to catch a lady as she fainted. Now, the lady weighing a little less than 300 pounds, his legs just naturally bent and she was eased gently to the ground. . . . Lena Forker, Dorothy Whan and Granet Curie were feeling much cooler in the afternoon. We wonder what they did? . . . We are sending out an S.O.S. for a sharp pair of shears for Ernie Clark. Either he has a dull razor or he isn't standing close enough to the blade. Anyway, as hot as the weather is it's inhuman to let him wear that fur piece on his face. . . . Congratulations to Almetta Smith. She has another grandchild to love and spoil. . . . It doesn't take much to break Art Pequignot into song. He was so grateful for the push cart that LaDonna Durbin let him use that he gave her a few bars of "You Powder My Face With Sunshine." . . . Marge Robertson tells us that she has been going to the rootbeer stand at Main and Broadway. Should we tell her that the stand has moved? . . . The story that the fortune teller told Lonnie Rockstroh intrigued Dorothy Linsky and Ruth Freeland so that they went to see what was held in the future for them. We wonder if they too are supposed to meet the same handsome fellow? . . . The capers that Bob Wiehe and Dan Reuille went through the other day made the Marx brothers look like the gold dust twins. Just think what they could do with a little practice. . . . Paul Black is out to acquire a suntan. Nothing said about the progress made yet. . . . Don McCrea's hair cut looks like someone overtook him with a lawnmower. He will save the price of a hair cut for a long time to come. . . . A warning to all pedestrians. If you see a gray Ford coming, give it the right-of-way. Don't cross the street even if you think you'll have plenty of time. It's Ernie Clark back of the wheel again. . . . Frank Clibon would like to know why they don't make sun back shirts. The only reason that we can see that they don't would be that they wouldn't want to disallusion the girls. You know, many a man in a bathing suit drapes his muscles over a chair. . . . Maxine Mertz and her husband have purchased a trailer to go with their new car. Go easy on the curves, kids, the trailer is supposed to stay behind the car.

Office Offerings

Theresa Lindenberg has beautiful hand painted wallpaper in her new home. It is causing quite a stir with people riding past. If she would only own up to it that the house is hers, the paper her own idea and it is much more beautiful from the inside she may have a lot of company just to satisfy their curiosity. . . . We wonder if it is the hot weather that is getting Jim Wellman down or could it be that the one acre farm he has is too much for him. Something is robbing him of his sense of humor. . . . Phyllis Perry got her suntan all in one day and now she is losing No. 1 layer of skin and must start all over again. Old Sol says, "This is one kind of medicine that you must follow the directions. Take often and in small doses." And that is one guy that doesn't have any favorites.

Many a natural good figure in men goes to pot.

Elex Club Sends Softball Equipment To Farm School For Boys In Wisconsin



Members of Elex club, shown above packing sports equipment to send to the Farm School for Boys in Wisconsin, are: (l. to r.) Betty Puff, Bldg. 4-6; Mary Jane Redding, Bldg. 17-3; Thelma Stone, Bldg. 18-1; Margaret Taylor, Bldg. 4-6; Betty Williams, Bldg. 4-6; Imo Jean Schwartz, Bldg. 21; Eileen Foor, Bldg. 17-3; Betty Garber, Bldg. 4-6; Delores Patterson, Bldg. 6-2, and Alice Dahman, Bldg. 4-5.

The Elex Club recently received an envelope containing 16 letters. Some were scribbled on lined notebook paper, others were on colored stationery; some were written neatly, others had scrawling figures; some were illustrated with crayon drawings, and others were plain—but all were from a group of young men in Wisconsin, who were expressing their thanks to members of Elex.

The letters were sent from the Wisconsin Home and Farm School for Boys, one mile east of Dousman, Wis. The boys had written to thank the Club for sending them a complete set of softball equipment.

Former Employee Is Mr. G-E

Elex took an interest in the group through Warren Locker, a former G-E employee who is now Assistant Superintendent at the school. Mr. Locker formerly worked in the employment division here. Mr. Locker reports that he is known as Mr. General Electric by the boys because he has used the Company in a great many illustrations while teaching the boys their school lessons.

The Wisconsin Home and Farm School supports and educates neglected, destitute, homeless, and orphaned boys. Their object has been to get these boys before they become delinquent and set them aright.

An effort is made to have those responsible for the boys make some payment for their support. However, no boy is turned down because no one can contribute toward his support. The main source of income is contributions from many individuals interested in the work being done for these boys. The other source of income is from an endowment fund, built up by the bequests of friends.

32 Boys Are There

Boys come to the home through arrangements with parents, guardians, or the juvenile court. At present, the home contains 32 boys ranging from 7 to 17 in age. Seven of these attend Oconomowoc high school and the rest attend the grade school on the premises.

The home is under the general supervision of a Board of Trustees who serve without pay. A staff of seven full-time members assist and supervise the training of the boys in performing the many necessary tasks about a home and farm.

At Easter, candy was sent to the home by General Electric's Elex Club, the only organization out of the state that has sent things to the boys.

Boys Send Letters

At that time, Irene Meyers, adviser to Elex, received a package of letters from a group of the boys. Typical of those that were received are the following:

"We spent a very happy and joyous Easter today and hope you also did. We spent a nice day because of people like you. Mr. Locker told us boys about you and your group. We were given the candy egg at the dinner table on Easter day. You should know how the boys appreciated them, as boys do enjoy candy very much. We want to thank you and the group for your kindness in thinking about us at a beautiful time of the year as Easter is. I would very much like to keep in contact with you and write you every so often. A good and kind person like you deserves some nice letters. Of course the little bit I can do for you would not fill the thing you have done for us.

"Maybe you would like to know something about the school. We have a capacity of 32 boys, ranging from 7 years to 17 years in age. Each boy has a job after the breakfast meal. Some work in the dormitory, doing jobs such as sweeping, dusting, and scrubbing. Others work down at the barn, milking cows, doing outside chores, etc. My job is taking care of the laying chickens. The jobs change every three months.

"The boys go to church and Sunday school every Sunday. They may go where they like. Of course it cannot be very far away. Three boys and myself go to the Episcopal church in Dousman.

"We have a school, lake, and barn right on the grounds. Also a Supt. cottage, ass't. supt. house. We go swimming and fishing in the summer time, skating in the winter time. We have two lakes, one which is not by the house. We do more skating at that lake.

"Also, you may be interested in knowing something about me. I am 15 years old, in eighth grade. I will be going into high school next fall. We go to Oconomowoc, which is about eight miles from here, when we go to high school. I am very interested in piano and take lessons in Dousman. I walk to the town every Saturday. I think music is a very good thing when you feel down in the dumps.

"I hope sometime you can come out and visit. I am sure you will be treated very kindly.

"Your friend, Richard."

From another boy came the following letter:

"I was very happy to get your nice gift of an Easter egg from you and your club of girls.

"I have an uncle who used to work at G-E in Milwaukee.

"You will find out that we liked the gift very much because more than me will be writing to you.

"Yours truly, Roger."

Another boy wrote:

"The Easter eggs which the Elex Club sent have been much talked about. They certainly did taste good and the boys were very pleased.

"I am a new boy here. I have only been here a few weeks and this is entirely a new life for me, but I like it.

"We had horrible weather over the Easter week-end but today is wonderful. Everyone was out playing baseball today. I couldn't make it. During the rainy weather we did some tumbling in the gym. I guess I upset my stomach.

"I wish you could visit here some time.

"Your friend. Kenneth."

Most of the younger boys wrote the following:

"Since I am just a little boy and not a very good letter writer, I am drawing a picture to thank your club for the nice Easter egg.

"Your friend. Jerry."

Later the club's officers voted to send the home a complete set of softball equipment. Again thank-you letters were sent, including the following:

"Was I ever surprised when I saw all the ball equipment from your club. That is something we really needed, because we are going to be in a softball league. I surely appreciate all the things you are doing for us.

"Thanks again for the ball equipment.

"Your friend. Gene."

Another wrote:

"I want to thank you for your fine contribution to us Farm School boys. I know they appreciated it very much. We will use the equipment very much and when we do we will think of the Elex Club members.

"Sincerely yours. Robert."



Fred Grunst is walking around in a daze all because of the birth of his first son. The first night he has to walk the floor he will lose that dreamy look. Anyway, congratulations to the proud parents. . . . Norma Krall was in to visit us this week and to say that she had been released by her doctor to come back to work. . . . Marvelene Butts left us this week to become a housewife and she will be missed very much here in the office as we had all come to depend so much on her for so many things. . . . The Birthday Club met at John's Steak House for their monthly meeting with Eileen Hennen as hostess and the girls with the birthdays were Marvelene Butts and Luella Bixler. Those present were Norma Krall, Kate Scherer, Marilyn Roehm, Dorothy Askren, Ann Lapadot, Olga Welch, Florence Knight, Laurel Weaver, Eileen Hennen, Marvelene Butts and Luella Bixler who had as her guest, her niece. . . . Dorothy Mills finally got her driver's license and now the traffic cops are surely going to earn their money. I am only kidding, of course; happy driving, Dorothy.



We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to Paul Boedeker in the death of his mother last week. . . . Our sympathy also goes to Harold Whonsetler in the death of his father-in-law. . . . We can report that Russel Deveny's daughter is much better after a week of serious illness. . . . Harry Combes returned to work after a week's vacation complaining that he was tired from resting. . . . Dewey Erne was coming down Brooklyn Avenue the other morning on his way to work when a policeman waved him to slow down. Dewey politely returned the wave and continued right down the street. . . . Gurney Lindley can't understand how I learn of all his escapades, especially of his running out of gasoline. But don't you think that is real faith in a car when a fellow keeps coasting right past filling stations after his motor stops. He only had to walk back with the realization that it won't run without gas. . . . Jerry Knight almost had a free meal in the cafeteria the other day when he went to the table without having his tray checked. Then he became so excited that he went to the checker without his tray. . . . Jess Batchelder came to work with a large patch on his head and told of the trunk lid of bis car falling on his head. I heard he was playing ball in the house and missed the ball which rolled under the bed and making a dive for it he struck the bed rail. You can use your own judgment as to which story is right. . . . We have a new man in the group, one Joe Miller. At least Ozzie Nahrwold signed a time slip for Joe for a paid holiday. . . . Lyle Claphan's family have been enjoying a little stay at the lake and Lyle has been having his trouble with "ye olde jalope." After installing a new fuel pump the other morning on his way in, it seems to be getting along O.K. He is also in the outboard motor repair business having two successful jobs to his credit. . . . Anyone wishing any hauling done please contact Jack Pollock. Jack guarantees all parts delivered even if he has to make several trips gathering up lost parts. . . . John Repine was inquiring for a small funnel when Ray Bowers came up with one he had out of a cracker jack box. Well, John, how small is small?



Congratulations to Helen Spear and her husband who spent all their spare time last year building a new home on the Milan Center road. Although not entirely completed, they moved in two weeks ago. Helen is now an authority on all stages of construction and wields a mean hoe when it comes to mixing plaster. . . . Birthday wishes to Gladys Elliott, who celebrated July 11, and very belated wishes to Ruth Walda for her June 30 celebration. . . . The shows at the theaters change on Thursday, of that Marie Thornhill is positive now. It came about this way: She and a friend attended the theater twice in one week and to their surprise they found the same picture being shown on their second trip as they had seen on their first. After demanding and reluctantly receiving their purchase price from the manager, they moved on where the entertainment was new. It might have been caused by the extreme heat. That's as good an excuse as any. . . . Ralph Reinking says he likes to fish, but for some reason he never can get away unless someone calls for him. At least that's the impression Paul Kennerk has. Ralph has been begging him to drive past to pick him up when he goes fishing. Paul might be all wrong, maybe he wants someone along to bait the hook! . . . Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Bryan Brown, who is confined to his home.

4-1 Floorage

By Marie Lantz

Portrait of a Pensioner: Among his co-workers he is known as "The Dutchman". Like a Dutchman he is possessed of the sterling qualities of steadfast loyalty and reliability. It is these characteristics that bind him closely to his friends and associates, here in Bldg. 4, with whom he spent his last work day, Thursday, June 30. Ernst Bultemeier devoted nearly 28 years of service to General Electric as a repairman. All of this time was spent in Bldg. 4 which includes Bldgs. 4-2, 4-4, 4-5 and lastly, 4-1. Throughout these years Ernst achieved an almost perfect absentee record; other than attending funerals, he was never absent for illness or personal reasons.

Ernst Bultemeier will not be an idle man, especially this summer. Between fishing and farming with his son-in-law on an 80-acre farm, he'll be active raising gardens, grapes, and, we suspect, a rumpus at times with his grandchildren.

So, as Ernst said, "I rejoice, yet I'll miss my friends," we, too, rejoice with him, that his road onward may be ever blessed with the best for one who so deserves it.

To celebrate Ernst Bultemeier's retirement a stag party was given in his honor at his home on Oakdale Drive, Friday night, July 1. About 35 fellow workers attended.



Independence Day with all of its rich heritage and background is past. Corn kept up with tradition and was knee-high and then some. Then too, we will watch and compare the standings of the leading baseball teams in both leagues at the end of the season. We shall see if the leaders on July 4 will be pennant winners at World Series time. . . . Veda Orff is still a patient at the St. Joe Hospital. It is uncomfortable enough to be stirring around these hot days, not to mention being bedfast. We all send wishes by the score that you will soon be much improved and back in Bldg. 8-1 again, Veda. . . . Imo Jean Schwartz is the proud aunt of a bouncing baby boy. His name is Paul Michael, but other than that we haven't heard about him, Much! . . . Alta Bishop had the misfortune of turning her ankle recently. After all, Alta, a bride-to-be is not supposed to limp down the aisle! Glad to hear it is better, though. . . . The new revolving fans in Bldg. 8-1 dispensary have been lifesavers during the extreme heat. We do appreciate them very much. . . . Recent visitors at the home of Minnie Fryback on the Aboite Center Road were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marx and son Jon of Sandusky, Ohio, and her sister, Esther Shannon of the Country Club Gardens. . . . Forrest Mulvane, son of Mae Mulvane, Bldg. 21, arrived by plane at Los Angeles last week. He has obtained work there and will remain for the summer. . . . According to the papers, the weekly square dances planned by the park board are very well attended. About time for the dance to start, I can't help but think of the first trick people who will be "diving for the oyster," and going "grand right and left," while the second shift is working. But maybe our day will come! . . . During the summer months when auto traffic is at its peak, always remember that a courteous driver is a careful driver. We all have known people such as the one described in the following. Let's not be like him.

Consider the Motorist

Out of his chariot, he may be the meekest and most peace-loving of men. But once he putteth foot into his gas buggy, he becomes a bear-cat. He trampeth on the accelerator, and leaneth upon the horn. He cusseth his fellow drivers and glareth at the lowly pedestrian. He passeth out threats and offers of punches in the nose with abandon. He fretteth and fumeth at the stop lights which bid him stop. He damneth and helleth when his car proves slower than his rival's. He arriveth home in the mental condition of a starving mountain lion, and announceth to all that he had a pleasant drive.—Anon.

To rejoice in the prosperity of another is to partake of it.

George Guenther Retires



George Guenther, of the Motor-Generator division in Bldg. 19-3, left last week for retirement. Some of his friends at G-E are shown, above, when they presented him a gift. Left to right are: Mr. Guenther, Elmer Wagner, Theodore Schlup, Elmer Warner, and Ed Screeton.



"It is easier to smile than to frown; it takes 64 muscles of the face to frown, only 13 to smile."

Paul Bender and young son, Norman, went to Cincinnati last week-end to see Norman's favorite team play, St. Louis. Paul bought him a tee shirt and hat with Cincinnati Reds on them and Cincinnati itself cannot produce a more ardent fan. The only thing that spoiled the trip was the defeat. The game ended 3-2, St. Louis. . . . Archie Evans' boy underwent a tonsillectomy last Saturday. Both father and son are fine. . . . Mary Beaman is still at home following a recent operation. We hope you will soon be well, Mary. . . . One thing is certain that the first fish-story-teller doesn't have a chance on Monday mornings. Ralph Walda topped Gene Wheeler's story this week. My, we didn't know they were allowed to catch so many fish. . . . Jim Kavanaugh is getting more publicity all of the time. Both daily papers have taken up the subject of Jim's bridge playing and his driving. . . . Paul Traub's daughter, Norma Rose, is spending two weeks at camp at Winona Lake. . . . Charlotte Hyman, daughter of the Kenny Hymans, spent a week at Oakwood Park Camp at Lake Wawasee. . . . A recent letter from Dan Painter, formerly of Bldg. 17-3, tells how he misses the G-E family and would like to be back in Fort Wayne again. Dan lives in Denver, Colo., at the present time. . . . Bob Foster came in to see the gang last week and brought pictures of his baby daughter. Deborah is four months old. . . . Dorothy Kell has joined the second shift. . . . We say au revoir to Mary Beahl and Opal Snyder and hope to see them back soon. . . . Charles Sherland of Taylor St. stopped by the other day to say hello and to tell us that he raised strawberries this year that one ate like an apple.

Braun Celebrates 30th Anniversary



Otto Braun, Specialty Transformer Div. 94, recently celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric. His friends in Bldg. 26-4, who gathered to congratulate him, are: (l. to r.) W. H. Crouse, Division Supt.; Alfonso Helwig, Ralph Smith, Benjamin Keller, Joseph Trondly, Mr. Braun, Frank Schlotter, Samuel Daily, Melvin France, Arthur Gallogly and Paul Peterson. These men represent a total of 325 years' service with the Company.

Beulah Bailey Is Honored At Luncheon



Friends of Beulah Bailey, FHP Motor Div. 13, Taylor St., honored her at a luncheon on the occasion of her retirement. In the picture are: (l. to r.) George App, O. J. Meyers, Mrs. Bailey, Elizabeth Bailey, her daughter-in-law, and Zella Wittmer.

Apprentice BROADCAST

by MILDRED ELLIS

We wish to announce the approaching marriage of James E. Hoppel who will become the groom of Maxine Rinehold July 30. We wish you many years of happiness. . . . The newest member of the "Floor Sitters Club" is Carson, and now that he's been made a member he stands most of the time (?) . . . It seems that Gotschall experienced a little inconvience while returning from Ohio last Wednesday night. . . . It's good-bye (for a few weeks) to Fred Stoup, who is taking a leave of absence. . . . Leffers perspires more on Mondays than any other day. John says it's not from overwork—it's the 3.2 working out. . . . Brownie went fishing and got so many mosquito bites on his neck that he looks like a red pickle. . . . That old Ford of Allen's is now a wreck of a wreck. Allen and Stoup were returning from their homes in Danville last Sunday night when Allen made a sudden stop—and the semi behind him didn't. We are glad that Ron and Fred escaped with only a few bruises. . . . Miller says that those Waynsdale guys are tough to beat in softball, but there's no one so tough to beat as the "Yoder Tramps." It's a good thing they don't bave a team this year. . . . Nix claims he saw a flying disc in the mill section last week. . . . Red faces and necks were so common after the fourth that people — like Birkenbeul — with white faces were an oddity. . . . Carson took a long journey to his home town via auto and has a sunburned elbow to prove it. . . . The ball club had a big picnic at Tri-Lakes before their game Sunday. Could it have been all the excess food and drink that caused them to lose both games? We wonder why Junk and Davis couldn't find the picnic? . . . Everyone is wondering if Wolf will split 50-50 with Barnes on his latest "big invention." . . . I won't mention any names but can you imagine a certain foreman who's initials are R. B. instructing his two daughters on the hazards of an electric fan—then sticking his own finger in it for emphasis. . . . Jack and Carl finished their sailboat last week and launched it on Lake Wawasee Sunday. In their excitement they forgot to tighten the bolt in the center board and had a boat full of water before they realized what was wrong. Otherwise all was well and both families enjoyed an afternoon of sailing. 'Twas the first time Hubartt had ever been sailing and he didn't get sea sick.

"DITTIES" from DISTRIBUTION

by Phyllis Grace

It's been quite sometime since romance has entered our happy little group, well at least any real serious romance. Therefore, we're all just tickled pink about that beautiful diamond which announces the future wedding of our little girl Friday Shirley Hughes. . . . The heat has been on around Bldg. 6-2 and the main reasons for all the cheery rays are Dorothy Fletter and Kate Minehart. How some of these people can make like a Sunday roast duck and not falter on their cheery way is beyond your reporter's comprehension. But they do look real nice when they are all done. . . . In case some of you people migbt have missed the date, last week marked another anniversary of the birthdate of Ruth Kibiger. Happy birthday to you, Ruth. . . . There will be no need for anyone to take the fall out of Helen Elbert cause she's already had her fall, thank you. Seems Helen hit Mother Earth very firmly and she has the bruises to prove it too. Maybe you should wear non-skid soles on your shoes, Helen. . . . Some time back we gave credit to a couple of our ambitious gal seamstresses who can whip up anything with a needle and thread. Now the time has come to honor a couple of gentlemen in our midst who can repair most any item with a hammer and screwdriver. They are, of course, "Dutch" Wilson and Herman Ebel. Dutch has added his latest talent, that of shoe cobbler. Just give him a stapler and those shoes will look like new. Herman's greatest talent is with the fans, and drop cords and things. Congratulations to our two handy andy men.

TOOL BITS — BLDGS. 19-4&5

by Harry Travelbee

John Stetler tried his hand at Warner Swazy a few days ago and seemed to be doing OK—BUT—he's back at his old machine again. . . . Al Berger, former steel and stock room man was up to see us June 29. Seemed mighty good to see Al around again and bope he can continue in good bealth. . . . Seems that a few of the boys in Bldg. 19-5 have the habit (a good one at that) of exchanging victuals—cake, pie, and sandwiches. Gives us an idea how the other fellows' wives can cook. But the payoff came last week as a fellow worker (J. H. by initials) came over to see if Chet Reynolds had his breakfast and gave him a sack which was supposed to contain said victuals. Chet, being a bit on the hungry side at that hour ripped open the sack, visualizing a nice piece of pie or cake, but to his surprise, as he looked into the sack, there sat a couple hungry looking mice. We hear that Chet wasn't too hungry after that all happened. . . . We were just wondering if Herb Thiele is trying to establish a new style or if he is just in a big hurry to get started working. He came in last Monday wearing an apron. Careful, Herb, your wife may ask you to wear it home at night too and you know what that would mean. . . . John Roemer came in last Monday morning just beaming all over (if that is possible) just dying to tell everyone about the bluegills that he caught (HE CAUGHT, mind you). Said he had 12 that were ten inches and one that was over nine inches long. Boy, was he proud! then later he told us more—that his wife was along and that she showed him how to get the big ones. One of Johnny's friends claims the rules he was using, had the first four inches broken off, which accounts for the big fish. Still another fisherman in Bldg. 19-5 claims that Roemer doesn't know the difference between a bluegill and a carp. I guess if we want the low down, we will have to go to Johnny's home to see the fish. Right, John? . . . Guess Chet Stoner will be wearing a white apron and a pair of white gloves one of these days or at least he will if he listens to Ray Mutton. Ray claims the one head crane belongs to him and if Stoner wants to use it he will have to get snow white equipment to handle it. We hear Ray has given him a few days to pick up the apron and gloves. Go ahead, Chet, you look real nice in white.

It's Windy Here

by JOAN AUBREY

When Hubert Meyers had a birthday sometime ago, it seems his family gave him a new Air Foam cushion for his desk chair. So now when you want to see Hubert, you have to go to his office because he doesn't leave his nice soft chair anymore than necessary. . . . Perry O'Neill is wondering where he can get a welder's helmet to wear while feeding the twins. The other day while feeding them some prunes, Karen decided she didn't care for them, so Pop ended up with prunes all over the front of his shirt. . . . When are Charlie Gable and Hugh Neely going to learn that they are no longer kids and can't play softball all evening and still be able to get around the next day? One day last week Hughie could hardly make it up off his chair. . . . Next week Roy Rippe is going to have a big time at the Shrine Convention in Chicago. Roy is going to lead his patrol in the parades and we hope they make the best showing of all the groups there. Good luck to you and your boys, Roy. . . . Happy birthday to Peg Turschmann July 20. . . . Have you seen Gene Foster's new hair cut?

17-3 NEWSIES

by WILHELMINA BEETH

From all the peeling noses and red backs, a lot from our floor enjoyed plenty of sun over the Fourth. The time has narrowed down to two weeks and from all the plans floating around, everyone must be looking forward to a nice vacation. . . . Little Robert (Cannon Ball Jones) made his appearance as a blue-bootied tax deduction at the Fred Grunst home on the Fourth of July. The papa is getting along fine. . . . On Harold Kiel's vacation reports are that there was no fishing. (They weren't biting anyway.) He did get his Christmas tree dismantled and the trimmings all put away. That was foolish because in about 150 days he will have to haul it all back out and start over again. . . . Do you need a new excuse for explaining a black eye? Just ask Bill Ort for a demonstration on how to get spiked in the eye with baseball shoes. . . . The Joe Jensens have company from Mandan, N.D. The chief attraction is Joe's great-niece. . . . It must be the heat, not the humidity, but Hershel Case was seen backing up to a stator truck to rub his back (pig style). . . . Mabel Buker was seen going around the corner on two wheels. (The rear two were up in the air via tow truck). . . . Joe Meehan was seen downtown all tied up. . . . Delores Wonderly was seen talking and explaining by sign language. Delores also forgot her check at the cafeteria and when going back to retrieve the same, she muttered, "You'd think I was in love." (This is July, not June). . . . Juanita Likens got on the bus four times before getting on the right one. . . . It's a happy birthday to Bertha Bertsch, Nina Clifton and Jo Ann Kemery. Nina received many pretty cards and hankies. It was also a farewell to her. She has gone to work in the office in Bldg. 6-2. We will all miss you. . . . We are glad to see Ethel Perry back with us. Also to hear that Emma Bennett Snyder is feeling much better. . . . Mary Wright had the misfortune of cutting her finger requiring several stitches to close the wound. . . . Cecil Phillips took a little vacation last week. Nice warm weather to do it. . . . Al Johnson was looking for a man with varigated legs (he meant varicose veins, we think). . . . All the confusion of 566 line was just a little mouse trying to make friends with Bertha Furge. . . . Elizabeth Wert was displaying a picture taken on the recent Elex trip to Niagara Falls. She should really enter it in a photo contest. . . . We wouldn't know why Edith Paxson thinks it is a jinx to carry a thermos bottle to work. She broke her third one last week. By the way, do you have a clock that refuses to run? Edith says if you wash it with DDT, it will really take off. . . . Alice Brockmeyer says it is too hot to do very much, so she proceeds to bake a couple of pies and a cake. (I'll take a nap in the shade).

AD-LETS

Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE

Monday Noon, July 18, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Brown leather billfold containing driver's and fishing licenses with name G. Zoller on them.

LOST—Bottom part of a Parker fountain pen. It has stripes of red, black and grey on it. Lost between Bldg. 18-2, Employees Store, and the parking lot on Broadway, north of Bldg. 18.

FOUND—Three keys on a metal bar. Found by the Lindley Ave. gate house.

FOUND—Gold Swank tie clasp in Bldg. 8-1 Dispensary.

FOR SALE

1941 FORD—Champion outboard, 4.2 HP; auto top carrier with basket and cover. H-4453 Saturday or Sunday.

DAVENPORT—And chair; also day bed. H-24771.

SEVEN-ROOM ALL MODERN HOUSE—One block from Hamilton Lake, boat included. $4,000. Robert Johnson, Hamilton Lake, Ind.

CB OUTBOARD MOTOR—3½ HP, used one season; light oak kitchen set. A-26235 after 5 p.m.

ONE-WHEEL TRAILER — Like new. E-3929.

POWERFUL 1938 PACKARD — Swell condition, snappy heater and radio, fair price. E-2635.

GAS AND ELECTRIC STOVES—A-89119 after 5 p.m.

WHIZZER MOTOR BIKE—1947 model, reasonable. 530 Spring St. A-56464.

FRYERS—H-02314.

DOUBLE BASIN SINK—New, 21x42 in., white porcelain on cast iron, complete except faucet, bargain. 815 Huestis Ave.

WANTED

TRAILER—H-24771.

FOR RENT

TWO NEW COTTAGES—Each sleep four comfortably, fully equipped, lake front, modern water facilities, Lake George, $35 per week. A-66542.

COTTAGE AT LAKE WAWASEE—First week in August and from the 15th on. Telephone, New Haven 3823 or 223 Henry Street.

SMALL HOUSE—Elmrow Drive. A-89119 after 5 p.m.

SLEEPING ROOM—For lady with cooking privileges. H-69693 or 2624 Reed St.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Evelyn Swartz, from Columbia City. Works at Taylor St. for Mr. Kruckenberg, from 8-5:16 p.m. Extension 223.

WANTS RIDE—Irene Kreger, from three miles south on Road 27, and one half mile west of WKJG towers on Maples Road. Works for Martha Scherzinger in Bldg. 4-3, from 7-3:30. Extension 416.

Motor and Generator Static



Thought For Week: If you don't enjoy what you have, how could you be happier with more?

ODDS AND ENDS: A dairy in Daly City, Calif., displays this slogan on its delivery wagons: You can whip our cream, but you can't beat our milk. . . . A sign on newlyweds' car in Flint, Mich.: At Last. . . . Stan Amstutz, Bldg. 31-1, is the proud father of an eight pound daughter born July 10. Her name is Gloria Alice. Congrats. . . . NO FUN: Kid brothers can represent a lot of trouble to older sisters. The other day Lucy Rogers' kid brother approached his mother with a problem. "Say, Mom," he remarked, "I wish one of my sisters would get married so I would have a brother-in-law." "Why do you want a brother-in-law," his mother inquired. "To tease," came the reply. "But, you have your sisters to tease," explained the mother. "Aw, who wants to tease girls, they are no fun," was his complaint. . . . WHY? Last Friday Dick Hobson waited on the corner for friend wife to come along and pick him up. As he waited, Joe Neal and Paul Bohn came along. "Going someplace, fellows," Dick asked. "Yep, we are going to drive downtown," was the reply. A short time later they came walking back, Joe was carrying a can. "Well, boys, that was a quick trip," remarked Dick and was rewarded with a frozen silence. "I can't understand why they felt that way, I was only trying to be friendly," said Dick, "However, I did hear Joe say 'you go ahead and walk, I'll get some gas and pick you up later'." . . . DON'T KNOW: When the time comes to go, it's nice if you can leave something behind for folks to remember you by. Jim Mitchell is gone (on a 90-day leave, that is) but he left a story with us that we feel Ina Marie Miller will remember. It seems she developed an urge to go fishing, so it was quite natural that she contact the "mayor" of Blue Lake for information about this noble art. The following conversation ensued: Ina, "Jim, how much is a woman's fishing license?" Jim, "Fifty cents." Ina, "Do many women fish at Blue Lake?" Jim, "Sure, lots of them." Ina, "What can I catch there?" Jim, "If conditions are right you catch bluegills; if they are not you catch callouses." Ina, "Gee, I don't know enough about fish to tell the two apart." . . . WE CAN: We met Frank Rathert the other day and was he indignant. Why does my old buddy Art Druce tell stories about me to be printed in the NEWS," he inquired. He continued, "Let me tell you something, that guy ain't so good himself. The other day he brought some pump suction washers over to me. 'Frank,' he sez, 'where can I get some new washers for my pump at the lake?' I looked at them and they seemed OK, so I told him he didn't need any, the valves were probably stuck. Then the argument started. If you want to argue, just disagree with Art. He informed me that I was crazy. The valves were all right, it had to be the washers, and after considerable discussion invited me up to his cottage for the week-end to prove I was wrong. I went, checked the pump and found that Art had bored a hole in the well cover to permit easy priming. The only trouble was that he had the priming plug out when he bored the hole and shavings fell through the opening, jamming the valves. I cleaned it out and it operated perfectly. Can you imagine a guy who does things like that, turning in stories about me?" To which we replied, "We can," and went on our way.

Ramblings in Bldg. 31-2

Anyone having trouble with their well or pump is advised to see Howard Naslund. Howard had to go without water for a few days while he and the landlord endeavored to fix the situation. After many callouses and sore muscles, Howard had to refer the matter to a well digger. Now the Naslunds can resume their Saturday night bath. . . . Congratulations, Curly Manan. Curly recently celebrated his 20th wedding anniversary. He is still mystified as to who sent him the sympathy card for the occasion. . . . Now that the mercury has hit 95, we are all looking forward to our two weeks' vacation. Charlie Brown is especially anxious, as he has been talking about going to Oregon for the last six months. . . . If Margaret Norman spends many more weekends at Winona Lake, she will have to consult a chiropodist (that's a foot doctor). While bathing or wading, Margaret stepped on a clam shell and cut her foot. Going ashore Margaret walked right through a turtle patch. Murtle the turtle took a bite out of one of her toes. Getting dressed, Marg decided to dispense with stockings to keep cool and proceeded to put on her new shoes. Now she was ready to stroll around the town. Marg ended up with blisters on both feet. By the way, has anyone got an old pair of bathing shoes in their attic, we understand Margaret is looking for a pair. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Edward DeCrappeo welcomed their second child July 6. The baby boy, named Bruce Edward, tipped the scales at seven pounds and seven ounces.

Tales from Taylor

by Harry Parker

Beulah Bailey, who is retiring, was given a farewell dinner in the cafeteria last week. It being quite a pretentious affair, Ella Black and Lorene Foltz brought large bouquets of beautiful flowers while Fletta Erickson and Alma Ladig did a splendid job of decorating the tables. O. J. (Fuzz) Meyers was supposed to deliver an oration, but at the last moment got up and said that words failed him. He passed on the honors to Zella Wittmer who came through in fine shape. Beulah was presented with an orchid and a beautiful wrist watch. In parting we wish to extend to her our very best wishes for the future. . . . The entertainment that preceded the fireworks display at McMillen was very good, especially the performance put on by "The Sentimental Four," barbershop quartet extraordinary. One of its members is our own Kenny Thompson. The boys put on an outstanding performance and we are looking forward to hearing them again in the near future. . . . If any of you desire to acquaint yourselves with the restrictions on fishing at Winona Lake, see Ed Stute. He knows all about them. It seems as though he was casting his bait into the waters in front of a certain cottage and the owner resented his actions. A discussion ensued which enlightened him on the rules governing fishing at this lake. . . . Evan Morris reports that Frank Kimble made his annual trip to Ligonier over the Fourth of July. Frank had old "Black Beauty" shined up and glistening like an undertaker's hearse. In fact, it resembled a hearse as it ambled slowly north on U.S. highway 33 blocking traffic for two and a half miles back. To view that procession one would think that a large funeral was in progress. . . . We are not as young as we used to be, said Mable Miller who was trying to teach her young granddaughter how to skip the rope. She accidentally stepped on the edge of the walk turning her ankle. Now she hobbles along like a broken down horse. Mable said she was going to try and borrow a cane, that is if they have one at the dispensary. . . . George Cowan, we learn, is deathly afraid of water. He said that the only thing it is good for is to drink and put out fires. One can hardly get him into a boat. If he does happen to take a ride in one and should the breeze happen to create a slight ripple on the lake's surface, he becomes frantic and wants to return to shore, pronto.

At least a poor man can spend as much good time as a rich man.

Thisa and Thata

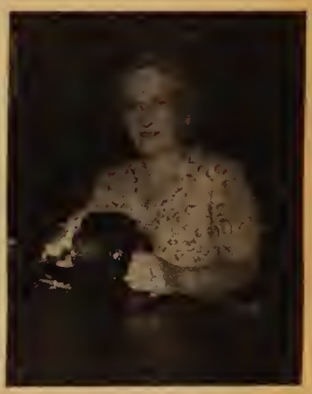
"SPECIALTY MOTOR"

HELEN ENGLE

Smitty, are you all ready for that trip? Do you think the Chevy will be able to make it? All we can say is good luck, Smitty. . . . By the way, Nahrwold, how is the big baby coming along? Why don't you tell us about it or is there a new boss at your house since the baby arrived? . . . They tell us that Les Hubbartt is thinking of getting a car. How about a nice long ride for the gang and then we will give you the OK. Sure thing, we will buy the gas! . . . We wonder why Pondo has stopped singing? Hope you are not sick, Pondo! Why don't you go see a doctor to make sure! . . . We have another suggestion for Smitty when he goes on his trip: Keep your eyes on the road, because if you don't, walking is a lot slower and so much harder. No charge for the advice, Waldemar! . . . Donna Lindley really was feeling the effects of the heat the other day, she took her shoes off and said it made her feel much cooler! . . . Mardo Tobias had a double reason for celebrating last Friday, he passed the half century mark in years and it also was his wedding anniversary, congratulations on both counts, Mardo! . . . We also want to send belated birthday greetings to Fred Schroeder and Francis Rose and best wishes for many more happy ones to Esther Walborn and Ruth Reed. . . . If anyone can suggest a brand of tire for a '42 Chevrolet that will take one to California and back, will you please let Carl Metker know—he can't make up his mind. Why don't you take a look into the Consumers Research Magazine and see what they tell you is the best buy, Carl. If you need the valves ground on your car they tell me that Louie Sauers is a wix-bang at that! . . . Mary Nute wore her new fishing outfit and she gave that as the reason the fish bit so good over the week-end. . . . Ileen Lantz spent last week at Crooked Lake and came back with a nice tan and a tummy full of fish! . . . Jim Hargis came in to see us today and said it was plenty hot down south. Glad to see you, Jim, and come again sometime! . . . Congratulations to Viola "Babe" Donohue who became a proud grandmother recently.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHERE ARE YOU GOING ON YOUR VACATION?



MARGARET McCAFFREY

Bldg. 4-4

"I am planning to take a trip to New York City to see my grandchild. She is 10 months old and I have seen her just once."



WILLIAM F. GEPFERT

Bldg. 24

"I am planning on giving the alarm clock a two-weeks' vacation by spending my time on the farm with my wife and boys, getting up when I want to, listening to the ball games, and maybe putting in a few days of fishing."



ELEANOR SARNECKI

Bldg. 19-2

"I'm going on a fishing expedition in northern Wisconsin."



MARY JANE HOWE

Bldg. 20-2

"I am arranging a trip through the southwest. Some of the points of interest are Monterrey, Mexico, Bryce and Grand Canyons, Zion National Park, Rocky Mountain National Park and the Ozarks."



RAY BLEEKE

Decatur

"A swell fishing trip to a good rainbow and brown trout stream in Michigan will be my vacation. I built two new fly rods during the winter months, and I am anxious to try them out."



Those Jolly Boys (Stanger, Myers, Young, and Waikel) threw the worst scare of the season into the vaunted Hot Shots. When the final score was tabulated the score was even. The J. B.'s shot nine strokes under their team average, while the west side boys bettered their average hy one stroke. Waikel was low for the Jolly Boys with a 45, while old reliable Lloyd Grider shot a 38 to lead the pace-setting Hot Shots.

For the second week in a row, Bernie English and his boys came out on top. This time they shot 26 strokes under their average to sink Stauffer's team No. 1 to the tune of 14 points. Bernie himself paced the winners with a 42. Old man Stauffer led his Cold Shots with a 40.

The final match pitted that rampaging team No. 3, John Shanahan and Co., and Walt Pook's boys. Johnny led the way with a 45. Team No. 3 picked up 11 points to fnrther intrench themselves in first place on the odd side.

Last week we forgot to mention that rabbit hunting was very good out at Brookwood. It happened that one of the league's best citizens threw his first cluh of the year on No. 5 and as a result was almost run over by one of the fur bearing animals.

The Standings:

ODDS	
No. 3 Shanahan	+40
No. 1 Stauffer	—14
No. 5 Pook	—42
EVENS	
No. 6 Craig	+91
No. 2 Stanger	—27
No. 4 English	—48



Congratulations to Glen Miller, who is a new grandpa. . . . Clark Holmes has a big time on Wednesday evenings. That's his bowling night and his night to howl and on Thursday when he comes in to work he is so hoarse he can hardly talk. He won't tell us whether he gets that way from bowling or yelling. . . . Kenny Brown came to work the other morning smelling sweet. The boys started whistling and asking what smelled so good; Brownie replied, "Arid". . . . Bill Buuck retired last Thursday and all his co-workers had lunch with him at noon and presented him with a wrist watch. Bill gave us a farewell speech and said he would drop around from time to time to "shoot the breeze." . . . Dick Graham is now sporting a new Oldsmobile. Take it easy, Dick, and maybe it will last longer than your other car did; tbat is, if the nut behind the wheel doesn't come loose again. . . . Yon can always tell when Wayne Worman has been out the night before and the next day he has nothing to say. . . . Ralph Keller went out to get himself a crew hair cut. His regular barber was on vacation and the new barber sort of took advantage of Ralph. It doesn't look bad, Ralph, when it grows back you'll be known as "curly" Keller. . . . Hank Wiegman is having a rough time lately. It seems he is in the same boat with Fred and Newt—nobody helieves him either. . . . Louise Sinn must have done a lot of plowing over the week-end. She has been limping around and someone said she must have broken her leg. You know what they do with horses when they break a leg, Louise, don't let that happen to you. . . . Glad to see Bob Heinzelmann and Harry Byall back on the assembly again. . . . Dale Ross takes her vacation in another week. She is going to Seattle, Wash., this year. . . . If yon want to start a good argument with Pinky Sordelet, just start running down the Kaiser automobiles—so says Glen Miller. . . . Ed Brockhall took Andy Anderson fly fishing last week-end. Ed said every time Andy caught a bass he thought Andy was going to jump in the lake after it. . . . Congratulations to our new bride, Jessie Cleveland. . . . Norm Hughes says there's nothing to winning the hasehall pool; he should know as he's won the last four weeks. . . . Neva Lutz should get to work on time every morning because when she's late she's grouchy all day—doesn't say a word to anyone. . . . Brownie bought a new Studebaker truck last Monday. It isn't just what he wanted but it was the kind his wife wanted. Who did you say was boss at your house? . . . Charley Englc spent a week's vacation at the Wisconsin Dells and various places of interest. . . . Our sympathy to Harry Todd and family on the sudden death of his father-in-law. . . . Ruby Stoops is humming "Califonia, Here I Come." Vacation can't come too soon for her; grips all packed, etc. . . . "Annie Oakley" Emrick is wondering what to do to improve his luck. It seems he is having trouble sighting the bull's-eye—better try the harn door, Annie. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Guy Plaisted and family are spending a few days with Marguerite Stahl and relatives enroute from Schenectady to San Francisco, where they will make their future home. Mr. Plaisted is associated with the G-E. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Todd on the arrival of a new baby boy. . . . Herb Richter has been looking for someone to take him to the Elex kiddie party. "Anyone in their second childhood can go," says Bntch White.

Congratulated For Long Service



John Kurtz, of the Salvage section at Taylor St., recently completed 30 years of service with the Company. On that occasion, several of his co-workers congratulated him for his long service. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Gene Etter, Martin Macke, Mr. Kurtz, John Lare, William Altekruse, and George Breedlove.

G-E GOLF

By Hugh Duhdit

Last Wednesday in the Wiuter St. group, the Spoons dropped the Niblicks by 17 points to take over first place with a total of 16 points. The Drivers are in second place with 10 points and the Brassies are third with one point. The best individnal scores were turned in by John Skevington, with 37, and Dick Szink, a 38.

For the first time this season the same team has led the Monday night group for two weeks in a row. The Apprentice team picked up 11 points and now lead the group with 29 points. The Lost Balls are second with 12 and the Dark Horses, third with seven. Herb Koch dropped a nice putt on the 18th hole for an eagle and carded a total of 41. Other good rounds for the evening were turned in hy Walt Sumer, 39 and Skeets Lahrman, Jones and Art Rowe with 41.

If you think moving the 15th tee back up tbe hill didn't make things tough, just ask any of the foursome of Weimer, Miller, Wheeler and Madden. It seems that the halls had radar attachments, easily finding the creek or the nearby farm yard. The four boys took a total of 11 shots to get off the tee. I'm told that Wheeler was the champ hy using four halls.

The Optimists of the Tuesday night group picked up four points from the Forty-Niners to increase their lead and now have a total of 80. The Dubs moved into second place with 20 points, while Nineteenth Holers held to third place with 16 points. The hest individual efforts of the evening were shown by "Red" Braden and Bob Hall at 38 and Bob Kayser, Jim Walley and N. Norton at 41.



Sam Henry came to work the other morning all done up in a white package, and one red ear—or was that bandaging, Sam? You better better watch your P's and Q's next time you use that caustic soda on your sink, pal, or both ears will be burned red and everything between 'em. . . . When it comes to tearing down a furnace we know just the guy to see. It's a known fact that Howard Boren can do the job in no time at all, put the thing back together again and have plenty of parts to spare. There is a question in our minds though, as to why the furnace company had to send a man out to his house to finish the job, after Howard had worked so hard to get his furnace back together again. . . . There was a mad scramble around here in Bldg. 20-2 last week—fixing up that center office for boss man—partitions torn down, doors put up and a general going over. You can imagine how surprised the boys were when the din subsided, to find "the brass" nestled in the corner of the big conference room, most unconcerned at giving the boys the slip, after all their efforts too. . . . There will be no more stories printed about "Skin" McGary until he stops threatening. . . . Whitie Van Auken is planning a fishing trip to Spooner, Wis. Suppose he is going to try to outfish Arnold Landis? . . . Art Hyser has a right to be proud, he has a brand new grandson. Congratulations, Art. Also congratulations to the Forest Somers who celebrated their 24th wedding anniversary last Tuesday. . . . Birthday greetings to Bill Garver, Joe Steward and Howard Moore. . . . Andy Frank was seen recently chinning himself on one of the bars at the Municipal Beach. After three or four trys, he had to give up. He says he used to do it 25 times. Must have been a long time ago, Andy. . . . Cliff Nail says that his weeds are doing just fine this year. They never fail us do they, Cliff? . . . Among other things that couldn't stand up under extreme heat of the past few days was Katie Steinman's resistance. She finally said "yes". To wit: a beautiful diamond ring on the tbird finger of the left hand. Congratulations Katie, from all of us. (Thanks, everybody, and for the little write-up too. Katie.)

APPRENTICE, WORKS LAB SHARE TOP PLACE HONORS IN INTERDIVISION LEAGUE

The Apprentices went into a tie with the Works Lab for first place in the Interdivision Softball league by defeating Fractional, 7-5. The Apprentice School got all their runs in the second inning. Fractional looked improved as they out-hit Apprentice, 8 to 6.

In a close, hard-fought game, Squares handed Firemen their third straight defeat, 1-0. A triple play, pulled off by the Squares in the third inning, was the feature of the game.

Winter St. won their second game in a row, defeating the Main Office team, 14-4.

Box Scores:

Apprentice	AB	R	H
Berkheiser,ss	4	0	0
Davis,cf	4	0	0
Lahrman,3b	4	1	1
Junk,c	3	1	1
Birkenbeul,lf	3	1	1
Leffers,p	2	1	0
Goeglein,2b	3	1	1
Taylor,1b	3	1	1
Augh'n'bgh,f	2	1	1
Rasor,cf	1	0	0
Dimke,p	1	0	0
Totals	30	7	6

Fractional	AB	R	H
Thomas,rf	3	0	1
Schmitt,1b	3	0	0
Neuman,c	4	0	0
Crabill,lf	4	0	1
Augh'b'gh,cf	2	1	0
Surface,p	1	0	0
Miller,3b	2	1	1
Win'br'ner,2b	3	1	2
West'ha's'r,ss	3	1	2
Gerardot,p	3	1	1
Totals	28	5	8

		R	H	E
Apprentice	070 000 0	7	6	2
Fractional	001 220 0	5	8	7

Squares	AB	R	H
Antallis,ss	3	0	0
O'Keefe,cf	3	0	0
Rogers,c	2	1	0
Emuing,3b	2	0	1
Eaton,lf	1	0	0
Kimball,rf	3	0	0
Reynolds,1b	2	0	0
Naslund,2b	3	0	0
Rowe,p	2	0	0
Totals	21	1	1

Firemen	AB	R	H
Meyers,cf	3	0	1
Holman,3b	3	0	0
Plattner,c	3	0	1
Ort,lf	2	0	0
Weber,2b	2	0	0
Stemmler,rf	1	0	0
Long,3b	3	0	0
Etter,ss	1	0	0
Runyan,p	1	0	0
Blauvelt,p	1	0	0
Vance,rf	1	0	0
Totals	21	0	2

		R	H	E
Squares	000 100 x	1	1	2
Firemen	000 000 0	0	2	2

Winter St.	AB	R	H
Benecke,c	4	2	2
Frasor,p	4	2	0
Gettys,3b	4	1	1
Zimmerlee,ss	4	3	3
Thornberg,2b	4	2	1
Umphery,1b	4	3	3
Todd,lf	4	1	2
Lash,rf	4	0	2
Wuttke,cf	2	0	0
Fremion,cf	1	0	0
Totals	35	14	14

Main Office	AB	R	H
W. Konow,1b	3	1	1
Hensick,c	3	0	0
Fry,ss	2	1	1
Miller,3b	2	1	1
Mossburg,lf	2	1	0
A. Konow,cf	2	0	0
Stewart,rf	3	0	1
Michals,2b	3	0	0
Reiter,p	3	0	0
Totals	23	4	4

		R	H	E
Winter St.	520 016 0	14	14	1
Main Office	002 002 0	4	4	5

STANDINGS

	Won	Lost
Works Lab	4	0
Apprentice	4	0
Squares	3	1
Winter St.	2	2
Firemen	1	3
Main Office	1	4
Fractional	0	5

G-E Owls Drop Games To Zollner, Salisbury

The G-E Owls, for the want of a new pitcher, lost two games last week. The first game went to Zollner by the score of 11-9. The second was won by Salisbury, 15-2.

Line Scores:

		R	H
G-E	130 203 0	9	17
Zollner	025 400 0	11	17

Boyers, Stauffer; Greeno; Lang, Dauchetean; Bakalar.

G-E	000 110 0	2	6
Salisbury	520 107 0	15	13

Stauffer, Phillips, Boyer; Greeno; Gerhart; Rhootsong.

TOUCHING THE BASES

by Walter Histed



Steve Sunday was a stand out performer in the League All Stars' triumph over the Auscos, 9 to 1, at Edgewater park last Saturday.

The game brought together the leading players of the league to face the Auscos, who played the All Stars by virtue of leading the league on July 1. The Auscoa tallied their run in the first inning and the All Stars trailed until the fourth, when they went ahead to stay with three runs. From there on it was no contest, as first the Voltmen's Charlie Shipman and then the Red Sox's Al Hazel limited the Auscos to a total of six hits. Sunday paced the Stara with four hits, while Schultz and Winters had two each for the Auscos.

Line score:

All Stars	000 302 301	9	12 0
St. Joseph	100 000 000	1	6 2

Shipman, Hazel and Hofferth.
Holland, Flanigan, Beckett and Westerkamp.

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Lafayette Wins, 13-1

The Red Sox shelled three Bud twirlers for 14 hits good for 13 runs, as Clifton and Herring pitched seven-hit ball. The Red Sox scored one run in the first, three in the second and then put the game away in the seventh with five big tallies.

Line score:

Lafayette	130 000 531	13	14 2
Benton Harbor	000 000 010	1	7 6

Clifton, Herring and Hixson; winner, Herring.
Morris, Keway, Rossi and Kovach; loser, Morris.

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Auscos Beat Windsor, 3-2

The Auscos had to come from behind with two runs in the ninth to beat Windsor at the border city Sunday, 3 to 2.

Line score:

St. Joseph	000 100 002	3	6 2
Windsor	100 100 000	2	7 3

Katz, Stewart and Westerkamp; winner, Katz.
Blackmore and Milan.

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Auscos Turn Back Cubs, 3-1

The Auscos temporarily stopped the drive of the Michigan City Cubs toward the top of the league by handing them a 3 to 1 setback. Jim Wallace had his three-game winning streak broken when Bob Katz pitched a fine game for the Kennedy men and was backed by sensational support. Carl Kennedy, with a single and a triple, drove in two runs for the winners.

Line score:

St. Joseph	201 000 000	3	8 0
Michigan City	000 000 010	1	10 1

Katz and Westerkamp.
Wallace and Hofferth.

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Buds Wallop Windsor, 17-4

The Buds won their second game in three nights from Windsor, in walloping them at House of David park, 17 to 4. Bill Leach drove out a double and two singles to drive in six runs for the Buds.

Line score:

Windsor	000 200 200	4	5 3
Benton Harbor	064 250 00x	17	11 3

Nordquist, Blackmore, Goyeau and Mike. Milan; loser, Nordquist.
Rossi, Haneyzewski and Kovach; winner, Rossi.

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Buds Trim Cubs, 7-1

The Buds evened their season series with the Cubs at three each by whipping them at Benton Harbor, 7 to 1. Barney Morris, who has lost several tough luck games this season, pitched for the Buds. He took command all the way, as he limited the losers to five hits.

Line score:

Michigan City	000 000 001	1	5 1
Benton Harbor	040 020 01x	7	10 0

Somenzi and Hofferth.
Morris and Kovach.

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Cuba Set Back Red Sox, 7-6

The Cubs prevented the Red Sox from taking over the league lead by turning back the Red Sox, 7 to 6, in 10 innings at Ames field. Al Hazel started for the losers and stayed around until the fourth inning, when he vented his dislike for the way Umpire Hood was calling balls and strikes. The result was that Hood excused him for an early shower. Jim Wallace went the distance for the winners and scored the winning run in the tenth, after opening the inning with a douhle.

Line score:

Lafayette	102 100 020 0	6	12 1
Michigan City	100 401 000 1	7	13 1

Hazel, Herring, DeLion and Hixson; loser, DeLion.
Wallace and Hofferth.

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Buda Beat Auacos, 10-5

For the fourth time in five tries, the Buds defeated the Auscos by winning at House of David park, 10 to 5. Frank Ververka kept clear his three-year record of not losing to the Auscos, by pitching and hitting his team to victory. Ed Albosta started for the Auscos, but was hit hard and driven to cover in the fifth. Mack Stewart came in and was treated a bit roughly by the Bud sluggers. In the fourth inning, with the Auscos leading 4 to 2, Ververka came to the plate with two runners on basc and drove Albosta's first pitch far over the right field fence to put his team ahead to stay.

Line score:

St. Joseph	000 400 001	5	11 1
Benton Harbor	200 313 01x	10	13 0

Albosta, Stewart and Westerkamp; loser, Albosta.
Ververka and Kovach.

M-I LEAGUE STANDINGS

(Includes games of July 10)

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
St. Joseph	15	9	.625	—
Lafayette	15	9	.625	—
Michigan City	14	11	.560	1½
Benton Harbor	12	12	.500	3
VOLTMEN	9	16	.360	6½
Windsor	6	14	.300	7

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Lafayette, 5, VOLTMEN, 0.
Benton Harbor, 17, Windsor, 4.
St. Joseph, 3, Michigan City, 1.
Benton Harbor, 7, Michigan City 1.
Michigan City, 7, Lafayette, 6, (10 innings).
Benton Harbor, 10, St. Joseph, 5.
Michigan City, 4, VOLTMEN, 3, (15 innings).
St. Joseph, 3, Windsor, 2.
Lafayette, 13, Benton Harbor, 1.
League All Stars, 9, St. Joseph, 1.

Majors Defeat City Light, 9-0

The Major softball team won from City Light Monday, July 11, hy a score of 9-0.

The scoring started in the first when Stanski walked, stole second, and scored on Baals' hit to centerfield that went through him for an error. Baals was out at home trying to score. Yarman walked and scored on Morkoetter'a hit to deep left field. After Bucher struck out, Lawson grounded to short to end the inning.

In the fifth, Stanski led off with a single, stole second, and acored on Morkoetter's single. There was another run scored in the sixth on a single, fielder's choice, a hit, hit batter and a passed ball.

In the seventh, Waltke batted for Morkoetter and waa safe on an error. Feldheiser, batting Bucher, hit to center. Lawson bunted and was safe, while Somers batted for Esterline and hit a home run to left center driving in four runs.

Morkoetter led the hitting with three runs for as many hits. Stanski had three out of four and Anderson had two for three.

Line Score:

		R	H	E
G-E	201 011 4	9	12	0
City Light	000 000 0	0	5	3

Chicago White Sox Edge Voltmen In 3-2 Thriller

BY WALTER HISTED

Two recently-signed bonus pitchers combined to pitch the White Sox to a 3 to 2 victory over the Voltmen at Dwenger park Tuesday night.

Gus Keriazakas and Gar Hamlen limited the locals to two official hits, with Hamlen getting credit for the victory. Lee Pfund pitched for the Volts and gave up seven hits, three in the eighth, scoring two runs to give the Sox the win.

The Voltmen lost a run in the second inning when Manager Braden permitted Chenowicz and Bobilya to bat out of order. Bobilya drove one of Keriazakas' fast pitches over the centerfield fence, but was out when the White Sox protested. In the third inning, the Sox were badly mixed-up in their batting order and Charlie Kress obviously batted out of turn without protest from the Voltmen. He scored on an error, after driving out a double.

Voltmen Take Lead

Trailing 1 to 0, the Voltmen tallied twice in the seventh when Olin Smith reached base on his hard drive through Kress; at first Kress was charged with an error. Bobilya then drove out the first official hit for the Volts, a single to left. John Chenowicz laid down a perfect bunt, advancing the runners. On Morgan's fly to left, Smith scored. When Sox catcher, Wheeler, let the throw go into the Voltmen dugout, Bobilya was waved home by the umpires.

The Sox lost little time regaining the lead in the eighth. With one out Hamlen singled, Hancock doubled, and Adams singled home both runners.

The Voltmen had runners on first and second in the fourth on walks, with one out; but Hancock turned Pfund's hard drive between short and third into a double play to snuff out the rally.

Charlie Kress, with two doubles, paced the White Sox attack. Bobilya, with two singles, was the only G-E player to hit safely.

Box score:

Chicago White Sox

	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Hancock, ss	4	1	1	2	4	0
Adams, rf	4	0	1	2	0	0
Rhawn, 3b	4	0	0	0	1	0
Methovick, cf	4	0	0	3	0	0
Tipton, c	2	0	0	4	1	0
Kress, 1b	3	1	2	8	2	1
Souchock, lf	4	0	0	1	1	0
Baker, 2b	3	0	0	3	2	0
Keriazakas, p	1	0	0	0	1	0
Hamlen, p	1	1	1	1	0	0
Wheeler, c	2	0	1	3	1	1
xGettel	1	0	1	0	0	0
Totals	35	3	7	27	13	2

Voltmen

	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Stramm, ss	4	0	0	1	1	1
Hormann, lf	3	0	0	2	0	0
Dudick, 3b	3	0	0	1	3	1
Smith, 1b	4	1	0	10	0	0
Bobilya, rf	4	1	2	4	0	0
Chenewicz, cf	2	0	0	2	0	0
Morgan, c	3	0	0	3	2	1
Southworth, 2b	1	0	0	4	3	1
Pfund, p	3	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	27	2	2	27	10	4

xBatted for Keriazakas in 6th.

Chicago	001 000 020—3
Voltmen	000 000 200—2

Sidelights of the Game

Luke Appling's daughter, Carol, came down from Camp Limberlost to see her dad; only to find that he had gone home to Georgia for a couple of days. She saw the game from the vantage point of the White Sox dugout.

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Gar Hamlen, who pitched the last four innings for the Sox, is a honus player from Marblehead, Mass. His father is employed at the G-E River Works plant.

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The game will go down as one of the worse mixed-up batting orders. The White Sox messed up their batting order during the first two innings, with the result that some men batted twice in the first official time through the batting order. Charlie Kress doubled to open the third. Since he was sixth in the batting order, he was obviously out of turn. The Voltmen board of strategy was not near as quick on the trigger as Jack Onslow, of the White Sox, who dashed out to the plate in the second just after Bobilya had driven the ball over the centerfield fence, with the result that the home run was just another out; while Kress' double turned out to be the final margin of White Sox victory.

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Frank Morgan made his first appearance here in a Voltman uniform. He gives added strength behind the plate which should turn some of the close games, previously lost, into the victory column.

Indianapolis Clowns To Play Voltmen Here Wednesday Night

Another of the Nation's top Negro nines, the Indianapolis Clowns of the Negro American League, will provide the Voltmen with exhibition action Wednesday night, July 20, at Dwenger park. Starting time will be 8:15 p.m.

Usually billed as the "Imps of the Diamond," the Clowns are often overlooked for their playing ability and speed on the diamond. Headlining the player list is the shortstop, Jesse Williams; together with playing manager and catcher, Buster Haywood; "Speed" Merchant; the hustling outfielder, Verdes Drake, and "Goose" Tatum.

In Jesse Williams, obtained from the Kansas City Monarchs, the Clowns have one of the best shortstops in baseball. Williams starred in the Mexican League for the last several seasons and was reinstated by the NAL to play with the funmakers this season.

Merchant, fastest man on the Clown's roster, can race 100 yards in 9.7 and has run against and heaten Jesse Owens, crack Olympic champ. A versatile star, "Speed" is an outfielder, first baseman and pitcher.

Cat-like Buster Haywood is one of the top defensive receivers in the Negro American League. General Manager Syd Pollock has placed ao much confidence in Haywood's ability that he signed tbe ace catcber to a manager's contract for three years.

Drake is starting his fifth season with the Clowns and every year his defensive work in center field has proven more sensational than the last. His performancca in the outergarden continually robs opposing batters out of extra-base-blows and turns them into putouts.

"Goose" Tatum needs no introduction to local baseball fans. He's the highly-popular star of the Harlem Globetrotters in basketball, and of the Indianapolis Clowns in basehall.



The nationally famed Indianapolis Clowns are shown above as they'll line up against the Voltmen at Dwenger Park Wednesday night in a 8:15 p.m. exhibition tilt. In the back row are: (l. to r.) Sherwood Brewer, Al Gerard, Willie Cathey, Jesse H. Williams, Sambo Hairston, Manuel Godinez, "Peanuts" Davis, Clyde Nelson, Henry Merchant, Ray Maddix, Goose Tatum and Andy Porter. Front row are: (l. to r.) Juggling Joe Taylor, Henry Jeffries, Buster Haywood, playing manager; Harry Butts, Spec Bebop, Ray Nell, Leonard Pigg, Verdes Drake, King Tut and business manager, McKinley "Bunny" Downs.

Let's Learn From Britain

By Fred G. Clark and Richard Stanton Rimanoczy

FOUR YEARS AGO the British working man voted himself relief from the trials and tribulations of capitalism.

Laws were passed guaranteeing prosperity and security to the workers.

The only catch was that prosperity does not come from passing laws: It comes from producing more goods and services.

Unfortunately this truth was not given proper emphasis in the British plan which started out to simply change the distribution of what was being produced by soaking the rich.

For four years this confiscation did have a small effect upon the welfare of the very poor people, but now comes the realization that there is no more to take from the well-to-do, and the people who are supposed to have benefited are still suffering from the same troubles they passed laws against.

The fact that the rich had no more to be taken away was announced by Sir Stafford Cripps last month in his budget message when he said that the "very great and highly desirable redistribution of wealth has already taken place," and added, "There is not much more immediate possibility of the redistribution of the national income by way of taxation in this country. We must rely rather upon the creation of more distributable wealth than upon the redistribution of the income that exists."

In the meantime the so-called "free" social services that the British people voted themselves, require that the government take a whacking slice of their income in order to supply the "free" services.

To say that the British people are disappointed in their experiment is an understatement: They have finally learned that they are paying for a ride on their own horse; that everything the government gives them is first taken away from them.

Sir Stafford Cripps spoke for four hours before Parliament, and it must be admitted that he handed out the bad news with much more courage than the average politician usually shows.

He let them have it straight from the shoulder with remarks like this: "When I hear people speaking of reducing taxation and at the same time see the costs of social services rising rapidly in response very often to the demands of the same people (who want taxes reduced), I sometimes wonder whether they appreciate the old adage, 'We cannot have our cake and eat it.' "

There is evidence, however, that common sense is filtering into the British socialist policy, because at a time when the tax-ridden people are clamoring for a reduction in the amount that the government takes away from them, the biggest item of tax relief was given to that "old devil" capitalism that the labor government originally set out to punish and has just about put out of business.

It is little short of amazing that in order that industry might have more money for the installation of new plants and machinery, the government reduced industry's taxes by 75 million pounds.

At a time when the personal income tax rate is 45% for the poorest, and the surtaxes run from 10% to 52½%, it is an act of great political courage to reduce taxes on corporations, but it does indicate that the Labor Government is learning the facts of economic life and is honest enough to admit it.

However, the plight of the British is a very unhappy one.

In discussing the fact that the cost of government has now reached 40% of the national income, the "London Economist" recently stated in an editorial:

"This is the hideous prospect that faces the British people. Even though every item of government expenditure is approved in detail, it is almost certain that the ordinary man does not value the benefits of government as against all other good things of life in the ratio of two to three. If the matter could ever be put to him in that way, he would certainly find the price of government far too high. Moreover, whether it is approved or not, any such rate of taxation, if continued for long, will be disastrous to the national economy. **Any economy that depends to any extent at all upon individual efforts and initiative must have some system of incentive and rewards.** The Soviets, who depend less on individual efforts than the British system does, have long ago admitted the truth of this. Idealists may dream of a state of affairs in which something other than individual material gain provides sufficient motive power to run the national economy, but these days have not yet appeared."

It should also be mentioned that the lack of success of the British experiment in having the government take care of all the people's problems would have been much more pronounced had it not been for the billions of dollars of aid which America poured into Britain during the last four years.

Although no one would begrudge the exhausted Britains this postwar aid, it is in a way unfortunate that it served to bolster up the Labor Party schemes and make them look far more workable than they really are.

There seems no doubt that in the near future the British people will want to unravel their snarled-up economic affairs and resume the responsibility of taking care of themselves instead of having the government do it for them.

There is grave doubt, however, that they will be able to do so because it is much easier to take a clock apart than it is to put it back together again.

The system that made Britain a great and prosperous nation has been pretty well dismantled, and it would be a Herculean effort to restore it.

America should watch these efforts with a sympathetic and, if possible, helpful attitude, *but by all means America should watch it with a determination not to make the same mistakes.*

If what Britain has done keeps America from doing the same thing, it will be worth all the money we have given her.

This is one of the "Economic Facts of Life" series published by the American Economic Foundation. It is offered as an especially timely discussion in view of the fresh crisis in Britain's economy, now in the world news.

FORT WAYNE WORKS
NEWS

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> You cannot further the brotherhood of man by encouraging class hatred. You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich. You cannot establish sound security on borrowed money. You cannot keep out of trouble by spending more than you earn.
>
> —*Abraham Lincoln*

Plans For Vacation Shutdown Are Announced

Arrangements Made For Pay Procedure

The following procedures have been arranged for payroll payments to Fort Wayne Works employees during the vacation period:

Vacation pay for the shutdown will be made automatically by the Payroll divisions for the actual number of days for which the employees are eligible as of Aug. 14, 1949, to a maximum of two weeks. This vacation payment will be included with the hourly cheeks distributed July 27 and salary checks distributed July 29. The Withholding Tax and Pension Plan deductions will be calculated on the same basis as though each week of vacation pay was paid separately.

The advance vacation payments will be based on 40 hours. Any additional vacation pay due relative to the new supplemental vacation allowance will be made after the shutdown.

Employees becoming eligible for an additional day or days up to two weeks after the shutdown will be paid on the following pay days:

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Regional Warehouse Rushes Parts To Cleveland Company

Quick action on the part of Regional Warehouse employees recently averted a long and costly shutdown of the Montana Flour Mills Company in Cleveland, O.

The Cleveland company suffered a complete plant shutdown Thursday, June 29, due to failure of the main circuit breaker. The order for the replacement parts was received by the Price and Edit section at 3:45 p.m. The order was then phoned to H. R. Reidenbach, Assistant Supervisor of the Regional Parts Warehouse, who referred it to Jack Heiniger, foreman, for selection and packing.

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Unemployment Compensation Is Available

W. E. Beer, Supervisor of Employment, pointed out today that the program of plant shutdown for vacation involves a group of shorter service employees who will not be eligible for vacation pay for the full period of the shutdown.

The Indiana Employment Security Act specifies that these workers who are temporarily out of work through no fault of their own may apply for unemployment compensation, he stated.

The Company will furnish such employees with a "Report of Unemployment" so they may apply for these benefits.

The Employment Security Division has the sole authority to determine those who are legally entitled to draw unemployment compensation.

Indicating the last date for which wages or vacation allowance is paid, the "Report of Unemployment" will be given to eligible employees Friday, July 29. In cases of partial vacation allowance payment, the payroll section will

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J. B. Greer, Superintendent of the General Service division, will be in charge of all services at the Fort Wayne Works during the vacation shutdown period, July 29 to Aug. 15, it was announced today.

Gate Schedule

In order to accommodate the small force that will be working during the vacation period, the following gate schedule will be in effect:

BROADWAY

Lindley Gate—Open 24 hours per day, seven days per week.

Broadway West Gate—Open 24 hours per day, seven days per week.

Broadway East Gate—Open 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., five days per week.

Fairfield Gate—Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, inclusive.

All other gates will be closed except in an emergency.

Employees working east of Broadway will use the Lindley Ave. parking lot.

Employees working west of Broadway will use the Jackson St. or Rockhill St. parking lots.

TAYLOR ST.

The west gate will be open 24 hours per day, seven days per week.

The east gate will be closed.

Medical Service

The following medical service will be provided during the vacation shutdown:

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Secretary Issues Q-C Invitations For 35th Outing

Invitations were mailed this week to all members of the Quarter Century Club for the organization's 35th annual outing Saturday, Sept. 10, at Camp Limberlost, Oliver Lake.

Each invitation contains a questionnaire to be mailed to A. C. Hartman, secretary, in order to determine the number of dinners to be provided. Any member not receiving an invitation should contact Mr. Hartman in Bldg. 8-2.

F. L. Schafenacker, president, announced today that free transportation will be provided to the camp for those who need it.

Badges and meal tickets will be issued after 8 a.m. on the day of the outing at the Broadway gate. Those driving direct to the lake will obtain their badges and tickets there.

Profits Drop 26% In Second Quarter

G-E SHIPMENTS ARE ONLY 5% UNDER CORRESPONDING PERIOD

Operations of General Electric and its consolidated affiliates for the second quarter of 1949 ending June 30, resulted in earnings totaling $19,849,864, or the equivalent of 5.1 cents per dollar of sales and 68 cents a share of common stock. This represents a 26 per cent drop in earnings from the preceding quarter of this year, and a 32 per cent decrease from the corresponding period of 1948.

The figures for the first six months of 1949 reveal a profit available for dividends amounting to $46,552,842, or a 15 per cent drop from the $54,602,339 earned in the first six months of 1948.

"These decreased earnings reflect the substantially changed conditions with which we were faced during the second quarter of the year," C. E. Wilson, President of General Electric, stated. "They resulted principally from reductions in our selling prices and from the adverse effects on our margins of frequent adjustments made in our production schedules in an attempt to maintain a reasonable balance between output and the erratic, but generally reduced demand for certain products—notably appliances and equipment for industrial application.

"We are well along in a period of readjustment which, because of the variety of items we produce, is affecting our business in varying degrees," Mr. Wilson continued. "We have a substantial backlog of orders for heavy apparatus, but in most consumers' goods items supply has caught up with demand. In the industry as a whole, we expect that by the end of 1949, as compared with last year, the production of consumers' goods will have been cut by at least 20 per cent, and producers' goods by about 10

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448 Motors Are Speeded To St. Louis To Help Relieve Heat-Weary Citizens



Clarence Roth, Mike Evans, Bill Grubb and George Ellison are shown working on the motors in the FHP Repair and Return section, Bldg. 4-1.

The scorching heat wave that sent the thermometer soaring to the hundred mark recently over most of the Mississippi Valley found the area around St. Louis a perfect setting to wreak havoc with the comfort of thousands of families.

With telephones ringing more often by the hour, the International Oil Burner Company, manufacturers in St. Louis of large electric fans, was soon swamped with calls to supply large electric fans for use extensively in apartments, public buildings, and other locations where a tremendous amount of air is to be displaced.

Unable to meet the demand, the Company sent 448 motors to the Fort Wayne Works on July 7 with an urgent request that they be reconditioned. They soon had the promise of William Franke, Superintendent of FHP Divs. 19 and 20, that the Repair and Return section

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Precautions To Be Taken Preparatory To Shutdown

The following precautions should be taken preparatory to the shutdown for vacation:

1. Shut off all city gas at outlets. Pay particular attention to flashbacks.
2. Shut off or disconnect all solder irons, solder pots, and similar devices.
3. Shut off all acetylene cylinders. Remove regulators or manifold and check to be sure that the cylinder valve is tight.
4. Disconnect and remove from the building all hydrogen gas cylinders.
5. Remove all paper, rubbish, oily rags and other combustible rubbish.
6. Empty all containers of paint, varnish and inflammable materials into drums or safety cans.
7. Drain and clean machines, using water soluble, grinding compounds or coolants.
8. Shut down all machines, conveyors, ovens, and units on test. Remove power on transformers, rectifiers, and similar apparatus used for testing, plating, etc.
9. Do not pull switches and fuses at the column cabinets, as this causes confusion in preparing the plant for operation just before the opening date.
10. Close the windows, particularly where wind or rain may cause damage.

"TB Or Not TB" Will Soon Be The Question At Decatur

Each employee at the Decatur plant should take advantage of the opportunity to have his or her chest X-rayed. This service is being offered free of charge Tuesday, July 26, when arrangements will be made for employees to receive the test during regular working hours.

A great many people hesitate to have a chest X-ray because they are afraid of what it may show.

Anyone can understand this fear and sympathize with it.

But look at the whole thing from the right angle, think of all the facts.

If the X-ray shows that you have tuberculosis in its early stages, it can be cured—with the least loss of time from your work.

On the other hand, if you should happen to have early TB now and not find it out, what will happen? You will go on living in a fool's paradise for a few months, maybe for a year or two. Then the disease may be so far advanced that it will take a long time to cure . . . and it may even be that there can be no cure. About 50,000 people in the United States die of TB every year.

Which is better? To know the truth now and, if it is unwelcome, to cure the trouble in the least possible time, with the least possible hardship on the family . . . or to close your eyes now and multiply the difficulty and hardship many, many times a little later? Think it over.

Veal . . . . Or Capital?

A calf is born. The farmer can enjoy it as roast veal. Or—he can deny himself that enjoyment—raise the calf to a cow, and then sell her milk.

It's a good thing for you and your children that so many farmers denied themselves the veal and saved the calf for cow's milk.

This is exactly what happens in industry. Thousands of people, with a little money each, can spend that money on themselves. Or, they can deny themselves, save the money, and invest it in machinery.

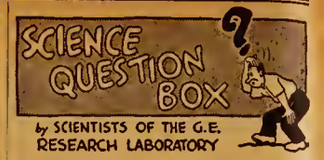
It's a good thing for you and your children that so many people have denied themselves, and saved enough to pay for today's machinery—without which modern high-wage jobs would never be possible.

No one would deny that the farmer has helped everyone and has a right to the earnings from his cow. No one can deny that the saver has benefited workmen and has a right to the earnings on his savings.

That's all there is to capital and dividends.

(Reprinted from an advertisement for Warner & Swasey, makers of machine tools, Cleveland.)





Q: What is the salty looking coating that sometimes appears on brick buildings, and how can it be removed?

A: This is usually calcium carbonate (which is the same as limestone) though it may occasionally be calcium sulfate (gypsum), depending on the chemical nature of the mortar and the bricks. A calcium carbonate deposit may be removed by washing with dilute hydrochloric acid followed by thorough rinsing with fresh water. However, this is not without some risk, because the acid will tend to dissolve the mortar between the bricks and might cause a weakening of the structure or other trouble. We know of no convenient way of removing the deposit if it is calcium sulfate.

Battrick Reports From England:

Northern Cities Undergo Reconstruction; Strikes, Rationing Plague British People

Editor's Note: The following account is the second in a series of reports on life in England by E. James Battrick, an assembler of master motors in Bldg. 4-5. On leave of absence from the Company, Jim is visiting relatives and has been traveling throughout the country.

By E. JAMES BATTRICK

On the way to Scotland we passed through many large industrial cities and saw the construction of many new homes and factories, adding whole sections adjoining large cities; more so than in the eastern and southern parts of England.



Edinburgh, the capital of Scotland, is the prettiest and cleanest city we have visited. It has the mountains on three sides and the river, Forth, is on the north. Alongside the main street for a mile are beautiful flower gardens and monumental buildings. This section is called, "The Royal Mile of Edinburgh." The city has a castle like other old cities of Great Britain.

Leaving Edinburgh we traveled north through the Highlands of Scotland to Inverness, which took us past many lakes and streams. The chief occupation in this section is raising sheep, which graze on the moors.

We returned via Loch Lomond which has wonderful scenery, to our next stop at Glasgow.

Amazed At Ship-Building

We made a trip by steamer up the river, Clyde, past the great shipyards. We saw ships in all stages of construction. One is amazed at the large amount of ship-building being accomplished on the banks of this river.

Talking to a Scotchman in Glasgow, he asked me, "How do you like Scotland."

I replied, "It is a very nice country."

Then he stated, "A lot of Scotch people consider the line dividing Scotland from England just like Americans consider the Mason-Dixon line."

Foresees Close Election

In large cities I find the people are more in sympathy with the present government than those of the rural areas. I think that the reason is due to the large group of laboring people located in the cities.

I believe there will be a close race between the parties in the next election.

Since I have been here, England has had labor trouble with railroad men and dock workers. The railroad men don't like to lodge away from home on long runs and also want a two dollar, weekly raise; for which they have been negotiating for 18 months. The strike at the present time by London dockers is regarded by the government as a plot of the Communists.

Rationing Is Still On

Most articles are still rationed, including food, coal, gasoline, feed for cattle, etc. A week's ration of meat for one person is only sufficient for one meal. The meat sold is usually mutton or lamb. The sausages are mostly cracker meal. Lots of people haven't eaten pork for six months. The government controls the price on food.

The following is the ration for a person for one week: ½ lb. sugar, 2 oz. bacon, 2 oz. tea, ¼ lb. butter, 2 oz. fat, 2 oz. cheese, 2 eggs.

Last May the government took candy off the ration list and at present it is very scarce. There is talk now of putting it back on ration again in August, so as to give everyone an equal share.

Low In Dollar Reserve

There are very few people over here who know the workings of the Marshall Plan. Under the Marshall Plan, England gets raw materials and machinery to manufacture goods to export. These exports help to pay for the imports she badly needs from other countries.

At the present time Britain is very low in dollar reserve and is discussing this with other governments with a view of getting a better trade balance with other nations; which we hope will make it better for all.



How fast does a "speed" bowler send his ball down the alley against the pins? Tests made by G-E scientists at Schenectady indicate the average speed is about 30 miles an hour. One bowler, Johnny Krawiecki, six-foot-three member of the G-E Nightmen's Shop league here, hit 37.5 MPH on an unofficial warm-up toss on the GEAA alleys and averaged 32.3 MPH for five official deliveries. Second spot was an average of 30.4 and third man had 27.6. Tests on a group of "average" bowlers showed speeds ranging from 25.8 to 23.5. The measuring device, developed here, is the time-interval meter. By a system of mirrors, a light beam was made to cross the alley twice. The "electric eye" sent an impulse to the meter when the ball broke the beam for the first time, and another when the ball moved down the alley to break a second beam. The meter measured the time between the impulses.

Pay Procedures

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Hourly—Aug. 31, Sept. 28, Oct. 26, Nov. 30, and Dec. 28.

Salary—two days later in each case.

There will be no time off, since that will have been taken during the shutdown.

Employees with 20 or more years of service, who are scheduled to take three weeks of vacation beginning July 25 or Aug. 1, will be listed on regular vacation advance forms.

Hourly rated checks for wages earned in Weeks No. 29 and 30 will be available for distribution only on Aug. 3 and Aug. 10, respectively, at the Broadway west gate house from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Employees should have positive means of identification, as checks will be distributed to the employee only. Each division or section will obtain uncalled-for checks Monday, Aug. 15, and make distribution rather than causing employees to leave their work stations and come to the payroll divisions for their checks.

Clock cards for Week No. 33 will be put in card racks Friday, July 29, prior to the shutdown and will be available in the usual manner Monday, Aug. 15. These cards will not be used by those few employees who work during the shutdown; cards for their use will be provided for by their section supervisors.

Employees scheduled to work will receive their checks when due in the usual manner.

Salary overtime normally payable on Aug. 5 and Aug. 12 will be included with checks distributed Aug. 19.

Employees who have been off the payroll due to illness, and are re-engaged with continuity of service prior to the shutdown, will not be required to work the equivalent time off but will receive vacation pay as outlined in the first paragraph. Those re-engaged subsequent to shutdown with continuity of service will receive payment the end of the month in which re-engaged.

Any employee who has been laid off and has received a pro-rata portion of his vacation pay and is now returned to work, should check with his foreman as to the amount of vacation allowance due him.

Vacation pay to incentive workers will be based on average earnings during the 12-week period ending with Week No. 23.

Kleinknight Dies

Warren G. Kleinknight, 55, died last Tuesday while he and his wife were vacationing in Petoskey, Mich.

Mr. Kleinknight started with the Company at the Decatur Plant in April, 1923, and spent his entire service in the Inspection and Test section. He was a World War I veteran, a member of Adams Post American Legion, and a G-E Quarter Century Club member.

Besides his wife, who also was a former G-E employee, Mr. Kleinknight is survived by a brother, Chester, cost reduction supervisor at the Decatur Plant, and three sisters, Mrs. Henry Pursley and Mrs. Lester Blocker, both of Bluffton, and Mrs. Ernest Blocker, of Markle.

Buuck Is Honored At Luncheon



William Buuck, FHP Motor Div. 13, recently retired. On his last day at General Electric, 120 friends honored him at a luncheon held in the Taylor St. cafeteria. At the head table are: (l. to r.) Ewald Stinsmuehlen, Charles Winans, Mr. Buuck, Jesse Elder, H. J. Nahrwold, and Fred Boehm. In the foreground are: (l. to r.) Ray Ankenbruck, Joe Henry, Frank Phillips and John Bastian.

Regional Warehouse

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Jim Craw then routed the shipment via air express, and Ed David, foreman in Bldg. 6-1, dispatched truck driver Fred Heaston to the airport with the parts.

Delivery was then made to the customer at the Cleveland airport at 7:50 p.m. The parts were rushed from there to the plant and the company was back in operation at 11 p.m.

Profits Drop

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per cent. This is an estimate based on present downward trends in such major applianee items as refrigerators, ranges, and washers. Radio receiver sales are down, notably because television receiver sales are growing. In the heavy lines, shipments of electric generating and distribution equipment should be greater this year than last, but sales of equipment used primarily in the industrial and transportation fields will be lower."

As will be noted in the statement, "The Good Way," which appears on page 12, every effort is being made to continue keeping our own sales high and to do all the things in addition that will make the extra sales needed to create the jobs to bring hack the employees laid off for lack of customers orders.

Consolidated statements of operations for the second quarter of 1949 and for the six months ending June 30 this year and last year, partly estimated and subject to audit at the year-end, are shown below:

	3 months ended June 30, 1949	6 months ended June 30 1949	1948
Net sales billed	$390,140,988	$801,756,516	$772,761,792
Cost, expenses, and other charges	362,121,354	725,175,207	675,243,552
Income from sales	$ 28,019,634	$ 76,581,309	$ 97,518,240
Income from other sources:			
Interest, dividends and other sundry revenue	$ 3,522,654	$ 6,358,513	$ 4,816,109
Less interest and other financial charges	1,192,424	2,386,980	2,553,502
	$ 2,330,230	$ 3,971,533	$ 2,262,607
Total income before provision for federal taxes on income	$ 30,349,864	$ 80,552,842	$ 99,780,847
Federal taxes on income	$ 10,500,000	$ 34,000,000	$ 45,000,000
	$ 19,849,864	$ 46,552,842	$ 54,780,847
Minority and nonconsolidated interests in net income	—	—	178,508
Net income applicable to General Electric Company common stock	$ 19,849,864	$ 46,552,842	$ 54,602,339
Earning per share on 28,845,927 shares issued	$0.68	$1.61	$1.89



Vacation timo is so close at hand that it gives one a mixture of sensations. The joy going, seeing or visiting in a selected location; a cottage at the lake; an airplane trip; a boat trip or just doing what comes naturally. We are a lucky group of people to have all of those things to choose from, did you ever stop to appreciate it? Did you ever stop to realize just how fortunate we are that we work for a company willing to give us two or more weeks with remuneration to help us enjoy the time? Let us repay them, and ourselves, by being very carcful so that we may return to our jobs refreshed and ready to tackle the problems of the day. Watch the driving, don't take chances, don't overdo the sunbathing, and in this time of polio worries watch your children closely. . . . **Inventor of the Week:** To Frank Peternell of Bldg. 18-2, goes the credit for the invention of a new technique in deep sea diving. This ingenious method, involving the use of a rubber hose and the assistance of Frank, Jr., was given its first test recently when Mr. Peternell removed a stake firmly imbedded in the bottom of Lake Gage near the inventor's new cottage. It is expected that this equipment will replace all other diving equipment now in use, when the inventor has satisfactorily solved the problem of ballast. All suggestions welcomed. . . . **Bldg. 18-5 Picnic:** The Data and Reproduction section will hold a picnic tomorrow at Pokagon State Park. Will look for a detailed report and some pictures. . . . A. W. Howard, Bldg. 18-1, and family are planning to take off for Michigan during the vacation period. . . . Doris Williams is welcomed back to Bldg. 18-5 after a year's absence. . . . Our sympathy is extended to the family of Willa Confer whose funeral was held on Monday of this week. Willa worked in our Blue Print section for a number of years. . . . The many friends of "Jerry" Simpson will be sorry to know that he is a patient at the St. Joseph Hospital. We hope that he will soon be better and can come back to G-E to see us. . . . Our thought of the week is supplied by Pat Olinger, Bldg. 18-5.

When you are criticizing others, and are finding here and there
A fault or two to speak of or a weakness you can tear;
When you are blaming someone or accusing one of pelf—
It's time that you went out to take a walk around yourself.
There's a lot of human failures in the average of us all,
And lots of grave shortcomings in the short ones and the tall;
But when we think of evils men should lay on the shelves,
It's time that we all went out to take a walk around ourselves.
We need so often in this life—this balancing set of scales,
Thus seeing in us how much wins and how much fails;
But before you judge another just lay him on the shelf,
It would be a splendid plan to take a walk around yourself.

Sanford Is Elected Chairman Of General Safety Committee

At a meeting of the General Safety Committee in Pittsfield June 23 and 24, A. G. Sanford, Manager of Personal Services and Safety, of the Chemical Department, was elected Chairman of the Committee, to serve until October, 1950.

Unemployment

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indicate the exact amount of the allowance if less than $23. If the amount is more than $23, it will indicate: "more than $23." Part-time workers should carry that notation on this form.

All forms not passed out to employees on July 29 will be returned to the payroll section in the same manner as unclaimed payroll checks or dropped in the Broadway payroll depository after 5:15 p.m. Friday, July 29. These forms may be picked up by the employees at the Broadway pay-station, which will be open Wednesdays, Aug. 3 and Aug. 10. In case the employee is absent Friday, July 29, the supervisor will indicate the last day worked before returning the form to the payroll section.

The local office of the Employment Security Division is on the first floor of the Purdue Extension Building, 1110 S. Barr St. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

A representative of the Fort Wayne office is in Decatur each Tuesday from 2 to 4 p.m. in the City Hall.

No benefits are paid until a waiting period of one week has been established on a valid claim.

Application may be made any time during the week of unemployment. It is not necessary to apply on Monday to be eligible.



The Inevitable: I'll venture to bet that Gwen Steinbarger will enjoy her trip to Wales to visit her parents whom she hasn't seen for three years. She will also have the pleasure of becoming acquainted with her new nieces and nephews. Wouldn't you like to "make like" a li'l mouse and watch her. I would. If I were to make a similar journey at present I'm sure that I'd be able to look in on Gwen as I'd have to travel "mouse class." . . . **A Word to the Wise:** Johnny Reuille has been trying to teach his young daughter the value of money. She has learned already, he hopes, that she can't go into a grocery store and take whatever her heart desires. Good luck, Johnny, the first 25 years are the hardest. . . . **Golf:** Nate Horton has jumped into the league class. His first score was so good that other golfers are wondering if he shouldn't play in the dark ALL THE TIME. . . . **Happy B-Day:** To Ed Whipple, who celebrated his birthday July 21, and to Vivian Baumgartner, Payroll Section. . . . **Morsels:** Maxine Lonergan has left the file room to work for Walter Brake in the DC Section. Ruth English has left Developmental to work in Production. Joe Hiles still doesn't seem to know too much about those little red tickets. So, it cost him another 50 cents. . . . New Scent: Nina Andress has a new kind of perfume. While spraying the house the other night, to exterminate the flies, quite a bit of the fluid collected on one of her tables. Nina didn't realize until later that one of her combs had been on the table and she had used this comb before she came to work one morning. We'll be "sc-enting" you, Nina.

Vacation Plans

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One nurse will be on duty in Bldg. 21, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thruugh Friday, both weeks.

All employees working during this period at the Broadway, Taylor St., and Winter St. plants should use this service for injuries and illness.

Injury cases already under treatment, whether working or not, should report to Bldg. 21 for their follow-up care.

Dr. H. L. Murdock will be on duty as relief physician. During regular Dispensary hours, he will be contacted by the nurse as needed.



At last after all her weeks of planning Alma (Butch) Witte is on her way to her dream land, sunny California. She expects to be gone a month and is taking her time driving out and seeing some of the sights along the way. We know you will have a wonderful vacation, Alma, and we all wish we were going along. . . . Anyone wanting some first class house remodeling done—see Charlie Gable. He has really been getting the experience this summer and he is not through yet. He is going to remodel his kitchen during vacation, and he says he will probably be glad to come back to work to rest up. . . . We are happy to see Dora Smith back in the office. Nice to have you with us again. . . . Fred Hagadorn has been adding a cheery note to the office with the beautiful flowers he has been keeping on his desk. But the other day he was very much insulted when someone thought his beautiful gladiolus were paper flowers. They were lovely, Fred, and you keep bringing them in, we love to have them around. . . . Francis Thomas's son, Neil, was one of the entries in the Soap Box Derby last week. He won one of the races and he really got a kick out of building his racer and being in the race. All Pop can say is that he is glad it's over for another year. . . . "Captain" Dick Pinkham has been doing quite a business with his fleet of boats this summer. Anytime you feel like a boat ride or a little fishing see Captain Pinkham and he will fix you up.

448 Motors Are Speeded To St. Louis



Members of the FHP Repair and Return section include: George Breinfalk, Jim Carey, John Walters, Elmore Hurt, Margaret McCaffery, George Ellison, Bertha Burnau, Byron Neumann, Arnold Bienz, Ethel Fabian, Gladys Stahly, Lloyd Runyon, Edith Venrich, Jeanette Conrad, Florence Behrens, Clara Heaston, Earl Johnson, Mike Evans, Clarence Roth, Bill Grubb, Elmer Heemsoth, Howard Mills, Herb Jehl, Frank Fogwell, Windell Haiflich, Jack Payton, Cecil Onion, Ray Schuckel, Leon Rodemaker, George Selby, Eldridge Gillum, Hubert Grage, Louis Pflueger, Bill Morton, Joe Johnson, Lloyd Miller, Theodore Childs, and John Junk.

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was equipped to handle this job on a rush basis. Within a short time, everyone was cooperating and the first definite signs of fulfilling this agreement were in effect.

A rush call was made at 8 a.m. to the Decatur plant for additional flanges. A service car was then sent after them and returned at 11 a.m. Just 24 hours later, the motors were dispatched by Interstate Truck Lines. They left the loading dock at 6 p.m. and arrived in St. Louis the next morning.

Once again the Company had come to the aid of a community, not in a matter of several days, but immediately.

"The customer was indeed amazed at the performance, and I can assure you that this performance greatly strengthened the customer relations with this company," stated H. D. Warning, G-E sales engineer at St. Louis.

Teamwork Gets Job Done

The deep satisfaction that comes from doing a job well, can only be fully appreciated by the people that played an important part in accomplishing that task. No single individual was responsible for this job. It was the full cooperation of everyone that made it possible. It was in essence, a large team, each with a small but very important part to perform, that started and finished a large job in record-breaking time. Everyone in the Repair and Return section can feel more than proud of the part he played in doing this job.

Once again a customer has received service than can only bring a better relationship between manufacturer and consumer. Through producing more goods in less time for more people, General Electric can continue to retain that time-honored name it has earned from people the world over.

Prompt Service Is Offered

The Company also has a unique plan for rendering prompt service to direct customers in the Fort Wayne and urban area. These customers may send their motors into the plant's repair shop and receive service, some times within a period of a half an hour.

In conjunction with the Repair and Return section, an Exchange Plan section is also operated in this division. Under the Exchange Plan system, a G-E fractional horsepower motor can be exchanged for a factory rebuilt motor, backed by the same warranty as a new one. Models that are manufactured in large quantities are placed on the plan and these amount to approximately 850 different model numbers.

These Exchange Plan motors are stocked in 31 warehouses throughout the country to permit prompt exchange to customers in their respective areas.

The Exchange Plan provides for the quick replacement of fractional horsepower motors for those most commonly used on washing machines, refrigerators, stokers, oil burners, fans, and water pumping systems. In most instances, a requisition calling for one or a number of any of the 850 models can be shipped from the Exchange Plan stock on the same day it is received. This again insures our customers the best of service.

Information Clinic

The following is the second in a series of questions and answers selected at random from those asked at the recent Informative Conferences. Additional questions concerning problems relating to jobs, business conditions, or any other matters are encouraged. Employees are requested to use the Information Clinic form below.

QUESTION

What is the Company's attitude toward married women working? Also, toward women who have husbands working?

ANSWER

The Company has no plan for separating married women from the payroll because of their marital status. Nothing in any of the Company's agreements discriminates against married women.

QUESTION

Why doesn't the Company go back to the old vacation system, and let the people take their vacation when they want to?

ANSWER

In the past 10 years the scheduling of vacations has become increasingly more difficult due to the liberalizing of the vacation plan. A greater percentage of employees are now eligible to two and three week vacations than ever before. Not only did the training of additional help, to temporarily replace those on vacation, place an extra burden on the regular work force, but also the substitutes were rarely able to adequately fill the jobs of those vacationing which created many post-vacation problems.

When the plant-wide shutdown was first suggested, it was thought that it might inconvenience a high percentage of our employees. However, after surveying vacation habits, it was discovered that more than 80 per cent of our employees took their vacations in the four weeks which included the two when it was proposed that our plants be shut down. Though there has been some criticism of the present plan, the favorable comments received suggest that it meets with the approval of the majority of employees.

Horse Sense: That which keeps horses from betting on men.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

INFORMATION CLINIC
FORT WAYNE WORKS

C. H. MATSON, Works Manager.

BLDG. 18-2

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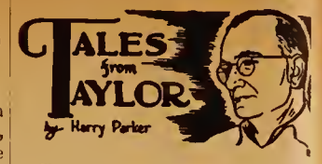
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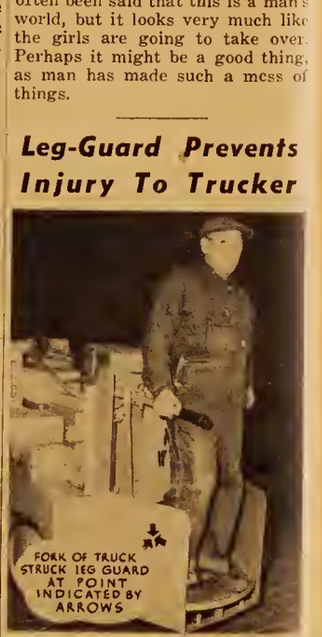
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Chet Price is now the possessor of a brand new Plymouth and is very enthusiastic about it. He said that it glides along so smoothly that it seems like one is taking a billowy ride through the heavens. We have noticed that his right arm is all sunburned. He says it got that way while driving his new car. What we can't understand is why it happens to be the right arm when it should be the left one. We secretly learned that mama will not let him drive. So Chester has been sitting on the right side with his arm poked out the window. . . . Clarence Stove announces that construction work on his estate at Big Turkey Lake is now in progress. It is of a temporary nature. He is erecting a small building that will take care of his present requirements. It is so small that at mealtime they will have to pull the boat up to the door and eat off the rear seat. A concrete runway is being constructed to the water's edge. This will enable him to put wheels on the shack, roll it out onto the ice this winter, thereby giving him comfortable ice fishing quarters. . . . We have noticed that Johnny Driver has developed quite a limp. He said that he believed old age was creeping up on him. We suggested that he give his leg a good soaking in vinegar, since this procedure did his aging Buick so much good. . . . Paul Brandt has announced the arrival at his home of a seven-pound baby girl, Connie Jean, by name. Mother and daughter are doing fine and Paul is very proud of the new arrival. There seems to be a preponderance of girls being born, so the baby boys had better make a better showing or be lost in the shuffle. It has often been said that this is a man's world, but it looks very much like the girls are going to take over. Perhaps it might be a good thing, as man has made such a mess of things.

Leg-Guard Prevents Injury To Trucker



Charles Strong, truck operator of Bldg. 6-1, escaped injury recently when his truck collided with another truck at the southwest corner of Bldg. 8-1. This was the third case at the Broadway plant in which an accident has occurred without injury to the operator because of the installation of a "leg-guard." The guard was designed by the Fort Wayne Works safety section. Manufacturers are now providing similar guards on the new trucks.



Thelma Purdue and Ruth Tutwiler have such a fondness for Apple Blossom Cologne that they even add some to their hand cream. . . . They tell me that Everett Lindeman (formerly of Bldg. 4-3) has a new Packard. From what we hear, it sure is "snazzy." . . . Congratulations to Mae Fowler. She became a grandmother last week. . . . Paul Ginther has been gathering fishworms all week in preparation for a fishing trip. He also has acquired a roll of film so he can take a picture of his catch. The trouble is that he has had the film so long waiting to take the picture that he had better throw it away and get another. . . . Wonder what Reggie Eggeman intends to do with those beautiful pajamas she bought the other day at W&D. . . . If anyone knows a good pickle recipe without vinegar, please tell Kathryn Hepker. I can't believe that could be good, though. . . . Just overheard Clarice Woodruff telling Merle Keesler that the reason women have such a big appetite is because women do all the work. She is probably right, too! . . . It won't be long before Golda Duff will be taking all comers in Chinese Checkers, if her little nephew keeps her any busier playing it. . . . Dick Bucher hasn't had any stomach trouble since he has been married because their new stove isn't in yet and they have to eat out. . . . Henrietta Deck must be expecting ritzy company from Chicago for the week-end, as she bought herself two new dresses and hubby got a new shirt. . . . After attending a wrestling match the other evening, Merle Kessler is sure enthused. Merle envies those men. What muscles they have, he says. Some people think he's just jealous. . . . Sorry to lose Esther Fagan and Eleanore Whitehouse, both were transferred to Bldg. 26-3, and, Sydonna Fox and Betty Bertsche, who were transferred to Taylor St. . . . Don't ask Lee Raver anything about baseball. The other night at a Voltmen game, the announcer was calling the names of the players followed by their numbers. Lee wanted to know why they called out the sizes of their shoes? She said she thought some of them had awful big feet! . . . Ed Glenwith sure must be an even-tempered person. He doesn't even get angry when playing a game of golf. . . . Louie Barrows says he is not taking a vacation this year. He is staying at home awaiting the stork. His first grandchild should arrive during vacation, and he couldn't be out of town when the big event takes place. . . . Several of the fellows surprised Harry Haberkorn the other night at his home at Pretty Lake. They had a fine time visiting and report that Harry is in fine shape. . . . Mildred Werling Thurston visited us the other day. It sure was nice to see her again. She really enjoyed living in Hawaii and says that she wants to go back there to live some day.

You keep more friends if you're good for nothing—when it comes to a loan.

Given G-E Gifts At Retirement



Fred Erb, General Tool division, wonders what his wife is cooking in the G-E roaster his friends gave him when he retired recently. Another gift, an automatic toaster, is shown at the right. Mr. Erb retired after 36 years' service as a toolmaker. At the time of his retirement, he worked in Bldg. 19-4.



Mr. and Mrs. Ed Steward recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. . . . Glen Ramsey is running his high speed Chris-Craft on Wawasee now. . . . We wonder if Walter Greiner's fishing off a pier has any connection with Glen's speeding? They say Glen goes so fast that the spark plugs even swap holes. . . . Why is it that every time you call Carl Einseidel he is either up in his cherry tree or up in one of the Pennsylvania Railroad's control towers? . . . Woody Hursh came home one day and found his cat run over in the middle of the road. So he buried old Tom and went to Leo for some groceries. When he arrived home, old Tom was sitting on the porch waiting for him. I think that either Tom still had some of his nine lives left or we should send this tale to the Wisconson Liars Club. . . . A kibitzer is usually seen around a card game, but Frank Hoffman was seen on the road to Lake George kibitzing over a truck driver's shoulder who was trying to fix his broken down truck. Frank says "WE got it fixed anyway, regardless of what you say." . . . We have three new father-in-laws—Julian Franke, Lloyd Welbaum, and Charles Abbott. They were all nervous at the weddings of their children. . . . We have been told and right too, that John Roemer has a new use for a boat hook as he uses it in the garage to hang up the girls' bicycles. He tells John Neukam that is the way he tests the hook for strength, 'cause the kind of fish he catches he needs a mighty strong one. Sounds good, John. . . . Ray Mutton needs his glasses changed according to John Stetler as Stetler has to hunt chuck keys for Ray that are laying right in front of him. Better get the specs before going out West, as you might want to see a mountain or two. . . . Gus Wiedelman's wife tells us that as they came out of the boat at Crooked Lake, Gus went in the water. Yes, how did you guess it, he missed the land. . . . Carl Smith wasn't singing the blues last Monday but he sure looked the part. Thanks to soap and water, he is now an American again. . . . We hear (and Walter feels) that a stepladder will be used the next time he climbs in the tool room.



We extend our sincere sympathy to John Hall in the death of his wife. . . . We're glad to hear Herman Bertsch is well on the road to recovery after a serious siege of bursted appendix. Lewis Lee's wife is on the sick list, and Harold Canfield—to these we wish a speedy get well. . . . Forest Somers' nose has certainly taken on a new glow lately, to say nothing of the space it consumes—another victim of poison ivy. . . . Bill Garver's son Jimmy was very happy with the baseball he received, autographed by the White Sox players, and wishes to thank everyone responsible for their thoughtfulness. . . . What's this we hear about Merle Bacbellor having to spend 11 days of bis vacation in the "klink" for parking on the wrong side of Swinney Ave. For an old guy, you ought to know better, Merle. (P.S. We know 'taint so, Merle.) . . . The boys in Bldg. 10 are wondering if Elton Swank's hat has taken on that crumpled look or if his head is getting too big for the hat since he bought that new Chevrolet. . . . We are very sorry to hear that Milford Toney is home suffering with a broken ankle.

Apprentice Alumni Hold Outing At Lunz's Barn



The Apprentice Alumni Association held its annual stag outing at Lunz's barn Thursday evening, July 14. In the upper left and center pictures are a few of the fellows in line for chow. Left to right are: George Horner, Lowell Welker, Chet Ellis, Vic Beers, Henry Wittber, Harry Gebfert, Aaron Schoenefeld, Earl Lenz, Harry Gebfert, Earl Lenz, Walter Stoppenhagen, Walter Greiner, Ed Bienz, Dick Tobias and Don Greenler. The upper, right picture disproves what might bave been a "whopper" of a fish story. Robert Schuelke displays his catch of the evening, while Richard Poehler acts as a witness. The bottom, left picture shows the fans at the ball game. Left to right are Carl Hattendorf, Art Nickerson, H. G. Siebold, Maurice Bennett, R. C. Dennison, Frank Peternell, Henry Gollmer, Norman Bender, Lisle Hodell, Walter Wolf, Dean Lockwood, Harold Koehlinger, Al Rondot, Dale Steward (kneeling), Dick Waggoner and Sam Lahrman. The next photograph shows a scene during the ball game.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dikty

Will Irmscher claims that Ed Dikty is a crook and a sharp dealer having lost a nickel to Ed on a business deal. Dikty states, however, that Willie just isn't wide awake all the time. . . . Howard Musselman and Henry Becker visited Pokagon Park over the Fourth. This isn't new to Howard since he maintains his summer residence there. . . . Leroy Cook painted his house and Art Keller confesses he just loafed. . . . Forrest Reed and Mrs. Reed celebrated a wedding anniversary July 5. Forrest said that he enjoyed himself immensely, but the water in the fountain tasted good the next morning. . . . Frank Enderle plans to go back to Missouri on his vacation and see how some of the mules he graduated from high school with are getting on. . . . Rudy Rastenburg from now on is to be known as the plow jockey mechanic. Rudy can tell you why. . . . John Campbell had a very broad smile on his face on payday last week. Smiling Jack Campbell, he can be known as nowadays. . . . Henry Becker got a new Chevrolet for his birthday last week from his wife, or so he says. . . . Wilbur Ayers found out recently that a bull calf can develop amazing speed, especially if a man is hanging on to its tail. This is only natural since a calf has twice as many legs as a man. . . . Clayton Daffern's feet got accidentally tangled up with an elevator door sometime ago, and he found himself lying at Joe Mougin's feet, flat on his tummy. More embarrassing than painful, we imagine. . . . We hear that Leroy Cook is very fond of chicken; even to the extent of staying home from work to guard his share. . . . A lot of people throw the bull figuratively speaking, but recently a bull threw Charlie Dixon actually. Charlie and a farmer neighbor were leading a bull, but the bull protested. In the ensuing tussle, the animal was subdued but Dixon got a black eye and a bad scratch across the forehead. Charlie should become his manager and put him in the boxing and wrestling game. . . . Glenn Goshorn beat Ted Schlup in the pickle race this year. Glenn's cucumbers are at the pickling stage whereas Ted's are just getting there. . . . Neoma Klaehn, our recent bride, was seen carrying home armloads of paper dinner plates. No dishwashing for her evidently. Probably she will use time saved for more pleasant duties. . . . Does Elmer Minnick think that the little room across the aisle from his machine is haunted? He has threatened maybem on anyone propping open the door. . . . After weeks of pleading, Buck Buchan finally wrangled a cigar from Ray Wiese to celebrate the arrival of a new daughter in the Wiese household. Later, Buck and his wife, sailing blissfully along toward their cottage in their new but unpredictable Ford, were discussing whether or not the Ford would hold together until they got there, while Buck peacefully puffed on the cigar. Suddenly an explosion reminiscent of Hiroshima ripped through the air. Buck, throwing up his hands in terror, had visions of bodies and $2000 worth of auto parts scattered over the highway. His wife, after regaining control of the car, finally calmed Buck enough to show him the blackened stub projecting from his seared face and that the Ford was still intact. Seems that more than one "Pop" was involved in Buck's cigar.

Celebrates 30th Anniversary



A. W. Bartling, Manager of Sales for the FHP Motor divisions, completed 30 years of service with General Electric last week. On his anniversary, he was congratulated by some of his colleagues and received a long-service certificate. Left to right are: R. C. Hanna, Assistant Manager of Sales; Mr. Bartling; M. E. Lord, Manager of the FHP Motor divisions, and B. R. McClure, Staff Assistant.



Does your car knock? Do the wheels wobble? Is the axle bent? Does the muffler muff? If so, see Maurice VonderHaar, the proprietor of Vondy's "You Wreck 'em I Fix 'em Garage." . . . For information on how to be sure and catch eight-inch bluegills see Herman Lepper. . . . John Heine guarantees his fishin' trailer for everything except to catch fish. . . . Maxine Daniels is one smart little woman. She finally discovered how to make Danny drive slower when leaving the parking lot—just bought him a new car. . . . Watch for the grand opening soon of Willy Robey's new hot dog stand on the conveyor. The first day they're on the house. . . . Les (Bill Tilden) Menze will give free tennis lessons at Packard Park in the very near future. All young girls interested see Les for an appointment. The boys must wait their turn in line. . . . We understand Louie Bottern isn't taking any chances with his new car. He first made a trial run to Tri Lakes. The trip proved successful so he may venture out of the state on his vacation. . . . Could Earl Marsh be one of Fort Wayne's hit-and-run drivers? We are happy to report the body found on the fender of his car was his daughter's doll—thank goodness. . . . Has anyone seen Mike O'Grady's "Pole Vaulting Cow"? . . . Where was Guy Tarr the other morning? He was hunting all over for his apron and finally discovered he had it on. . . . Happy birthdays for the month of July go to Lowell Arnold, Edna Marquart, Grace Wall, Lottie McFarland, Fred Gersie, Helen Perry, Beulah Conrad, Helen Aschilman, Harry Jones, Pat Fritcha and Joe Rabach. . . . Margaret Lepper has a twinkle in her eye. She said "yes" and will be married July 30. She and Carl are honeymooning in California. Congratulations to you both. . . . Everyone wishes "Pop" Viland, who has been ill, a very speedy recovery. . . . Gay Huey seems to be having troubles with the neighbor's dog. She says it's hard to place coils with her fingers bandaged. . . . Slim Miller should count to 10 when arising during the night. He couldn't find the door and ran into the wall. . . . We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Mr. Witham in the death of his mother-in-law and to Mr. Arnold in the death of his father-in-law.



By Avenel Stanton

Our best wishes to Matilda Auman and John Collins who were married at Elkhart July 9. . . . Birthday greetings to Ruth Ellert, Frank Ondrovik, Art Rowe, Cy Stonebill and all the other people having a birthday in July. . . . George Hoopingarner has returned from his vacation, and we held our breath for two days waiting for the fish stories—He says the fishing was terrible. . . . To buy or not to buy is the correct "quote" for Vera Reeves. For more details we suggest you contact her direct. . . . Gals, the new fellow in Mr. Pritchard's office is Lou Goehring. Any one with more details, please see me—especially if he is single. . . . With most of the people on a 36-hour week, we seem to be a little bit more confused than usual—were you ill yesterday, or was it your half day off? . . . Only one more week until the vacation shutdown. If you are going to the lake be sure to take plenty of suntan oil. The Commercial Division seems to have a start on most of the office group. We've been comparing our sunburns for the past two weeks. . . . Wonder of Wonders, Andy O'Dwyer and Avenel Stanton both arrived at the Office before Ann Rastetter.



"When a woodpecker goes out to get a square meal he uses his head."

Noble Dinger is growing fond of Michigan. He went to Mackinaw City over last week-end. He spent the Fourth of July in the northern part of the same state. . . . Harold Hohman had quite a time at his sister-in-law's wedding reception. Among other things he found that there are people with a greater "gift of gab" than George Miller. . . . Have you heard about the tree growing in the center of the St. Joe road? Herb Langer can give you complete information on it. His initials are carved on it permanently. . . . Vance Burnau's sons, Bill and Bob, won a contest at Buck Lake Ranch last Saturday night. Bill is known on the radio as "Barefoot Willie," and Bob plays the steel guitar. . . . Gene Wheeler's daughter, Pat, recently wrote a $10 letter to her folks while visiting friends in Chicago. It happened this way. Pat was given what Dad thought was enough spending money for the week. Thursday he received a letter telling about the places she had seen and ended by saying, "I'm exhausted and so is my money." Mother sent her $10 in the next mail. Pat had eight cents when she came home. . . . Jay Rippe is attending a convention in Chicago for a few days this week. . . . "Admiral" Laymon was caught investing some hard earned cash on his old jalopy. This was the first investment since he bought the car. . . . Max Feilitz has just returned from his third weeks' vacation. He looks tired so we take for granted that he has his farming taken care of. . . . If John Johnson's hands look red, it just means that he has come out on the bad end of another hand slapping duel with Springer. . . . Joe Haas saw the plane crash in which two men were killed at Lake James last Sunday.

Dispatchers Hold Stag Picnic



The Dispatchers' Club held its annual stag picnic Saturday, June 25, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Pion, northwest of Huntertown. Thirty members attended the outing, which was spent playing softball, horseshoe, croquet, and cards. A ham dinner was served at noon.

The committee planning the affair were: Dan Tetlow, chairman; Garland Roby and Gaylord Evans.

In the above picture are: (back row, l. to r.) Norbert Meyers, Ray Epperson, Howard Keppler, Dale Hartman, Phil Mitchel, Robert Evans, Robert Dent, Evan Morris, Walter Kammeyer, Ray O'Neill, Clarence Hatfield, Russ Carpenter, Frank Quinn, Harold Niswander, Verne Amans, Elmer Pion, Earl Bartling and Tetlow; (front row, l. to r.) Cecil Onion, Garland Roby, Howard Fritz, Herbert Tilbury, Gaylord Evans, Joe Trentadue and Gilbert Burkart.

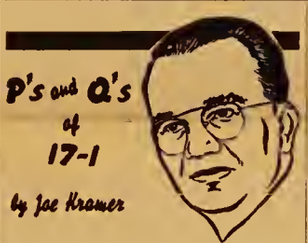


If you hear a noise like a collision between a wagon load of empty milk cans and a farm cart filled with ducks, it probably is the latest swing record. However, it could be Harold Bowker serenading his cows. We hear they give sour milk. Maybe they don't like the tune, "When You're Gone I'll Soon Forget You" that he sings. Confidentially, we hear that he also sang the song to Harold Kiel. Maybe that was the reason for the forlorn look, or could it have anything to do with him trying to be a cheese hound. . . . Ethel Keller received a call from her son. He is in Scattle, Wash., now after being in Alaska. I'm sure she is looking forward to her vacation because he will be home then. . . . Mildred Huntine is looking forward to her vacation too. She and hubby are going to California. . . . Lewie Hoffman has deeided it is going to be all right for the neighbors to have goats. It keeps his grass cut. . . . If you have a grass catcher you don't need or want, Floetta Zartman is in the market for one. . . . That must have been an atomic conversation between Betty Pressler and Bertha Witham. While talking over the conveyor, the conveyor belt broke with a whooosh. . . . It's a happy birthday to Violet Brower, Laura Starner and Catherine Salmon. . . . We know now that Pauline Girchner really likes the WORKS NEWS. She even looks for it on Thursday. . . . If you see Mary Jane Lockner walking among pink elouds, just take a look at the third finger—left hand. Our best wishes to you. . . . Violet Adams must believe that the long way around is the shortest way to a place. Last week when they had the fire out at St. Vincent's Villa, shc drove to Avilla to scc it. . . . The household of Beulah Huff is in order again since her cat came home. It was really glad to bc back, too. . . . Iley Souders believes a sewing kit is an absolute must to carry in a purse. . . . From the "'scuse it please" department: It was Geraldine Hollis that baked thc birthday cake for Marcille Thomas, not Jerry Snyder. Ivah Grandstaff baked two pies and put them in the freezer instead of the oven. No wonder, they didn't bake. . . . Lowella Koogle feels like a "fluffy goose" these days. She has a new mist green club coupe. . . . Leona Hollis should be able to work better now. She has a new cradle phone replacing the old wall type. She said she wore herself out talking over the other one. . . . Has Rose Heche found out what they use the large stators for that we are placing? . . . Rose Dowling's sister has been here from Missouri for a visit. . . . On our sick list is Ralph Meschberger, Constance Harris and Thomas Hosler. A couple of the fellows were good neighbors for Ralph and donated blood when they couldn't get any from the blood bank. . . . Luella Mason and Roger Williams are newcomers to the early bird shift. . . . Harold Prough and Bud Lindemann have returned to their former jobs. . . . Verda Deal was seen purchasing a beach towel. Sounds like she is getting ready for vacation too. . . . On our "better list" is Ann Kensill and Grace Jones. Also glad to see Hildreth Johnson is better after a very long illness. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Iva Stephans in the death of her brother.

Adams Retires After 37 Years



John Adams, General Serviee division, retired recently after 37 years with the G-E. Thirty of these years were spent in the box shop in Bldg. 10-1. Mr. Adams is shown shaking hands with Harry Davis, while many of his Bldg. 10-1 friends are looking on. Left to right are: John Lare, Charles Von Behren, Louis Lee, Al Sehuhler, Philip Voholzer, Herman Roesner, Robert Smith, Paul Thomas, William Altekruse, John Zartman, Harry Conner, Clyde MeCague, Mr. Adams, Leroy Dove, Claude Baker, Fred Taylor, William Fuller, Roger Buseh, John Madden, Mr. Davis, Riehard Fiteh, William Heit, Gus Dressler, Speneer McCurdy, Emerson Rittenhouse, Ed Trabel, Al Phinezy and Willard Ayers.



We reported last week that John Miles had gone to Chicago. This report was in error, John did not literally go to Chicago, but spent the time on his porch listening to the experiences of his neighbor in Chicago. . . . What with the time drawing very short, vacation fever is reaching a high pitch. The thing foremost in everybody's mind today is where are you going to spend your vacation. Trips both long and short are being planned with the utmost precision and care. Maps and all sorts of information available regarding sights to see, and things to do are being accumulated at a high rate. Addie Masbaum and Helene Evanoff have secured maps of the entire United States and Canada. They are planning a trip to Colorado Springs. Helene says, "You ean't tell, we might come back through Canada unintentionally." Instead of driving, Tavie Popa is going to leave the engineering of her trip up to the railroad. To date, she hasn't even been shown one map of her planned trip to San Diego, Calif. Another visitor to Colorado Springs is going to be Miriam Valentine. Miriam is leaving on her vacation today and expects to spend the greater part of the time enjoying the picturesque sights to be seen throughout the state of Colorado. Vacation plans of Danelda Dotterer include a stopover in Denver, Colo., and then an extended trip to Seattle, Wash. From what Argend Denney has been telling Red Braden and Joe Kramer, Denney will be spending his time plowing sweet corn which he has promised to deliver to Red and Joe as soon as the ears have come out. He was also heard promising to deliver some nice ripe tomatoes to Charlie (Chuckie) Lauer, but they will probably go the same way the sweet corn does—no corn or tomatoes. . . . If Wally McKay visits Arkansas this summer, Vic Hall wants him to be sure to bring back a sack full of that hallowed ground from Arkansas. Vie says this is the best eure for tired feet. Take your shoes and socks off and leave the dirt run through your toes. . . . E. P. Tickel hasn't made up his mind yet whether he is going to Colorado or Wisconsin. . . . Charlie Lauer is going to spend his time cultivating the garden his wife helped him put out. . . . Norm Bender plans on spending his two weeks at the lake fishing and what time isn't spent fishing, will be put to good use doing nothing. . . . For the complaining that a certain person did because his name wasn't in the WORKS NEWS Vic Leaky didn't even read last week's eolumn to find out that the fishing trip he took had been fully covered and reported on even if he wasn't. . . . Bob Taylor says he wishes they would start the lunch hour 15 minutes earlier, then that fellow that gives those little red tickets out would be too late and Bob could get his car moved. . . . Bill Franke's vacation plans are pretty much of a mystery, but we bet he will be in Chicago a couple of days watching those Cubs play baseball. . . . Virgil Hartman will probably take a trip east and spend some time in a certain city in Pennsylvania, the name of whieh we have not been able to get Virg to divulge. . . . If Jack Cochran takes a trip to the southern part of Indiana to the little town of Washington, we wish he would tell everyone down there "hello" for us because that is our home town too. You people have undoubtedly heard of the Washington Hatchets (Not the one that chopped down the cherry tree, but a basketball team). . . . We don't know what happened to our floor reporter this week, but Mike Kramer didn't give us much news for thè column. The farmers will be prevalent next week. . . . It has been rumored that Frank Martin after vaeation will have the skin you love to touch. Frank's wife bought him a new silk uniform, but he has rceeived explicit orders that he ean't hoe potatoes in the garden with it on. . . . Be sure and take some pictures while you are on your vacation and bring them in after we come back to work to be put in the display case so some of us who are not going on a trip can see some of the sights that you saw.



Whoever said that women weren't good fishermen? Hazel (big bass) Smith and Zercia (I got a bass, too) Sinish will argue that point to the bitter end. Why those gals ean land any bass that swims, however, it does get one excited, especially when you want a little help from hubby and he refuses to help his little woman land her prize. "Oh well, who needs help anyway," says Hazel. . . . If any of you people are ever unfortunate enough to break out with hives, you will have one sympathetie soul on your side, in the person of Eileen Fitch. Eileen can give any of these hive victims a very accurate aceount of those itchy little gremlins. . . . Monday was the big day for Herb Grueb. Thc oeeasion was his birthday and he was right lucky 'eause he had two birthday eakes—one pink and one white one. Here's wishing you many many more, Herb. . . . The luck of the Irish was with Bob Jellison. He is now thinking seriously of competing with the Bank of America. Wonder if he carries a rabbit's foot in his left pocket.



Our friend Auer has a certain major league right where he wants it. During a recent game, Auer supplied the league with his bases, but during the game Auer and the umpire didn't see eye to eye; so Auer picked up his bases and went to the grandstand. The game was played by use of burlap bags and Auer's heckling. . . . The Apprentice School "brass" had 100 per cent participation in the East Side-West Side Alumni game recently. Barnes did some effective relief hurling; Sebold patrolled the center garden while Morton and Gebert gambolled on second and third base respectively. Dean Wolf's contribution was keeping home plate spick and span. . . . It seems to me Wagner tries picking up his girls the hard way—with his fender. . . . Mark McNulty survived his two weeks of military training at Atterbury Air Foree Base and came to work bright and early Monday morning looking fit as a fiddle. . . . I would suggest that if Mrs. Barnes and Mrs. Sebold buy "blinders" for their husbands it wouldn't take them so long to walk home from work. . . . If I could find out if boys have hope chests and put such things in them as electric fans and automatic mixers, I could tell quite a story. . . . If Rasor doesn't quit overworking our police force, taxes will have to be increased. . . . The Monday night Golf League is becoming a walkaway for the Apprentice linksmen Davis, Jones, Lahrman, Brown, Werling and Dimke. At the last reading the "Apps" were leading with 29 points while the runners-up had but 12. . . . Rasor's departure to Bldg. 19-4 leaves the north end euchre game short on talent. Morton was given a tryout one noon but his absence thereafter leads us to believe he couldn't "cut the buck." Qualification for a chair at this game—exceptional ability to cateh Mischo "renigging". . . . A group of our apprentices whieh included Auer, Konow, Wuttke, Gotschall, Reinking and Mowery made a trip to Detroit last Friday to visit the Carboloy Plant. Their tour proved both interesting and educational. While in Detroit they decided to take in a ball game and saw Detroit defeat Boston. After the game the boys drove on up to Windsor, Canada. The boys had the same trouble with Auer in Canada as they do in Indiana—Girls. . . . Junk eats sandwiches in his luneh all week and gets very tired of them. When the Junk and Davis families missed the rest of the group at the picnic last Sunday, they missed out on all the good eats and had just their share of the lunch—sandwiches.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Elihu Lee, Clyde Enslen, Warren Jackson, John Banks, Bryan Brown, Russel Carpenter, James Mitchell, William Glenn, Harold Canfield, Wayne Coak, Carl Fisher, Goldie Kelly, Eva Webber, Vera Gennaitte, A. Luella Bixler, Wanda Anderson, Catherine Richter, and Donna Backofen, and Gladys Bracht.

Left the Hospital

William Kelsey, Serena Slater, and Herbert Kenworthy.

Returned to Work

Elsie Dunfee, Ralph Wilkinson, Lloyd Smith, Levi Carpenter, Frank Mann, Clarenee Hambrock, Harold Josse, and Mary Wright.

4-1 Floorage

By Marie Lantz

Perhaps these sunny days are responsible for daze. What else could keep Sam Sroufe's mind in the clouds? One recent eve he failed to follow his footsteps. Seen leaving a drugstore on Calhoun and Rudisill, he then climbed into what he thought was his car where he had a noisy reception from the rear seat. To his dismay, he discovered he was in the wrong car, with a woman and two children, while his own was parked three autos down street. . . . Into our midst we welcome newcomers Lois Waterson from Bldg. 4-5 and Robert Winkler and Dorothy Fuhs from Winter St. We extend hello and goodbye to Wilma Redding who spent a week with us before entering Bldg. 26-5 from Bldg. 19-2. There's also farewell for Paul Maddon who moved over to Bldg. 26-1. . . . It was a lucky 13 for Jane Crisamore and Avery Spayde. July 13 was the occasion for the Crisamores to celebrate their twentieth wedding anniversary. This date also meant happy birthday for Avery. . . . It's not fishy—but here we offer our contribution to the current trend of conversation.

The Worm Turned

Anglers usually like to gripe.
Their reasons for complaining
Sometimes seem a little trite,
To warrant much explaining.

It seems that griping Georgie Hahn
Complained that beat was roasting
His angleworms, which, one by one,
Dried up from too much toasting.

Friend Fumhel-Pflueger Ray then told
A way that couldn't be beat!
Just keep worms refrigerated—cold.
But not next to the meat.

Hahn couldn't oppose his wife, Louise.
He couldn't e'en placate her.
She wouldn't keep those worms, please,
In their refrigerator.

This little tale was repeated
When Louise saw Ray's Alice.
Now Ray's a man defeated;
His home is not his palace.

Came angle-hour for George and Ray;
They were the ones to squirm.
Their beloved wives had their say
And threw out every worm.
P.S.—YES—except two two-legged ones, we guess.



Nellie Wendt spent a week's vacation in Wisconsin. When she returned to work she brought a calendar in with her so she could check off the days until her next vacation. But something went wrong. The days wouldn't jibe with the dates. Is it any wonder? Somewhere along the line she had picked up one for 1947. . . . Thanks can be given to Peggy Reynolds and Ruth Freeland for the two bright spots in Bldg. 26-3. It's funny what a bright colored dress can do. . . . Clifford Devault's pipe is getting Thelma Reynolds down, and all of the time the rest of us were blaming the glue pots for that awful odor. . . . Doris Rhinehold is back in the swing again. She is the leader of our new group 332. Congratulations, Doris. . . . Well, the weather has changed and so has Johnnie Collins' life. He is a married man now, gals. Congratulations, Johnnie, and may you have many years of married bliss. . . . Lonnie Rochstroh was the cute little kid at the Elex party, but she couldn't make it to work the next day. We wonder if she is getting too old for that sort of stuff. . . . Lola Brunner has the best canned fruit salad, and it is so easy to carry in that way. . . . Happy birthday to Art Pequignot and Wanda O'Malley. Art received two lollypops, a fly swatter and a card from the winders, plus a wallop for each birthday passed. But, Art, what was the idea of the fly swatter? . . . The summer has summers. Doris is wearing a snazzy upsweep now and we agree that it is very becoming. . . . What a cute trick Lena Forker must be in shorts. While she was working out by the road two boys went by. We wonder if they went home and told their dad, for it wasn't long until he too drove slowly by. . . . It's tie me to my apron strings again for Dan Reuille. Someone cut him loose from his apron and also his good humor for a while.

Office Offerings

Bob Altevogt has found out the difference between the time a sun lamp and a heat lamp should be used. His heat lamp, being loaned out, he used the sun lamp instead. He placed it over his lower extremities and left it on for five minutes. The results—you guessed it—he stood up to do his desk work the rest of the week. May we add that when he went to the restaurant he should have done the same? . . . A hearty welcome to Carrol Cane who has joined our office force. . . . Chris Starke is three cigars behind on paying his debts. We hear that he is waiting for someone to pass the cigars for triplets so he can pay up. . . . Don Poland is in a jam—raspberry, that is. His wife makes the best jam and Don, being rather proud of it, was showing it to friends. Mrs. Poland said that it wasn't quite solid enough, but to Don it was just perfect and to prove it he turned the glass upside down. How did it turn out—it fell out all over a basket of clothes. We were told that his face turned about the same color as the jam.

When you feel you haven't any faults, just add another one to the list.

Hoffman Celebrates 30th Anniversary



Robert Hoffman, of FHP Motor Div. 15 in Bldg. 4-5, celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric Friday, July 8, when he received a congratulatory letter and best wishes from his friends. In the picture are: (seated, l. to r.) H. G. Siebold, Supt.; R. C. Neeb, Mr. Hoffman, E. F. Fretz and H. W. Hilsmier. Standing: G. D. Seabold and A. B. Rondot.



To the list of proud G-E fathers we add Norb Hess. His wife presented him with a seven lb. seven and one half oz. boy. Norb claims he looks like him already. Don't let that blonde hair fool you, Norb. . . . Our foreman in Group 7x80 Eddie Hesher is taking his third week vacation now. We hope the fish are biting for you and have a lot of fish stories to tell us when you get back, Eddie. . . . On our sick list we have Rita Herndon who has recently undergone an operation. We all wish her a speedy recovery. . . . Wanted: A good used car for Annie Moyer. She would have given anything to drive to the lakes the other night. You don't have a bad idea, Annie. I, myself, wouldn't mind a pleasure trip. . . . We were right, Miss Tinner is going to Kansas for her vacation. Must be quite a town to make so many trips back to. . . . Fishing is always good in Minnesota, nevertheless Leona Fruechte is planning to spend her vacation there with relatives, she claims. What—no fishing, Leona? . . . Nothing like a vacation at home will be Fanny Amstutz's motto for this year. . . . Of course, Evelyn Plasterer is going on a vacation, but we will not say where as she changes her mind. I mean she makes wrong turns on main highways ending up someplace else. Anyway she has a good time either place. . . . Chicago will be one of the main vacation centers for a lot of us. Ray Schott and wife plan several days there. . . . Buttermilk, please! After shaking the contents from the cage to his working station, Lloyd Ahr was amazed to find cottage cheese. Read the label before shaking well. This method does not apply to all bovine products. . . . We are glad to hear that Barb Gaunt has recovered from her recent operation and is able to be with us again. Also Alice Lake is back with us again. Looking mighty pert. . . . That little bird tells us that our old friend Anne Murtaugh is feeling better and has put on some extra pounds. Hi, Anne! . . . Well, Oscar, here is your name in the NEWS again. Hope you see it this time and don't have to depend upon your friends reading the NEWS and then telling you about it. Oscar, for an inspector, you were not very observing. . . . Wanted to borrow: one pair of garage door stretchers. Contact Hazen "Red" Moore. Please do not offer assistance by lending fender collapsers. Moore has already taken care of that. . . . It won't be long now and we will be on our vacation. Fern Passwater is taking a tour of the New England states. . . . Mary Ann Laurent, Barbara Roop, Harriett Haines, and Dorothy Schnepf intend to spend their vacation at the lake and also go to Chicago to see a ball game. . . . Florence Schultz is going to Canada. . . . John F. Welch intends to do some fishing in Michigan. . . . Oliver Lake will be the spot for E. W. Lankenau and Harry Staley. . . . Our sympathy is extended to Chet Kleinknight on the death of his brother, Warren, who was a former employee of the G-E. . . . By the looks of all the cards the different people received from Florida from Wayman Patrick, he is enjoying a very nice vacation. . . . Joan Liechty is spending a week at Lake James on her vacation. . . . For any lessons in euchre just watch Jim Staley. . . . Dick and Kate Steele are planning on spending their vacation in Northwestern Michigan. . . . Our sincere sympathy to Anselm Hackman upon the death of his brother.

A hard fall should mean a high bounce if one is made of the right material.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, July 25, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Five keys in brown leather case. Found in tote box being sent to Taylor St. plant.

FOUND—One earring—gold color with gold drops. Found by College St. gate.

FOR SALE

BALDWIN CABINET GRAND PIANO—Excellent condition, for quick sale, $65. E-66541.

TWO PHOTOFLOOD REFLECTORS—Daylight and white bulbs included. H-79386 before 6 p.m.

FOUR-WHEEL TRAILER—Suitable for boat, farm or misc. hauling. Or will trade for outboard motor. H-74322.

ELECTRIC HAWAIIAN GUITAR—Girl's shoe skates, size 7; rollaway bed. H-01561.

LARGE DRESSER—With mirror, $10. H-26487.

RABBITS—Four does, one buck. 2412 Fillmore St.

PASTEL GREEN SPRING COAT—Like new, size 16-18, $10. H-01983.

BOY'S BICYCLE—Balloon tires, 36 in., like new, $30; also 1¼ hp Elgin outboard motor, $40. H-69705 after 4 or 2836 Broadway.

9X12 GREEN AXMINSTER RUG—And pad; table top four-burner gas stove, both in good condition. H-28824.

FOUR TIRES, 5.50x16—In good condition, reasonable. H-26182.

TWO SMALL DIAMOND RINGS—Watch; dress, worn once, size 18½, black and white. H-66715.

NEW MODERN FIVE-ROOM BUNGALOW—820 Poplar St.

CLEAN '35 PONTIAC—Four-door sedan, cheap. A-70423 after 5:30 p.m.

GAS STOVE—With regulator; kitchen sink complete. A-85834.

AUTO TOP LUGGAGE CARRIER—Size 36x40, with four inch vacuum cups and straps, half price. H-65552.

44 IN. THOR AUTO. IRONER—$15. H-69363.

HAMILTON BEACH MALTED MILK MIXER—H-01322.

MISCELLANEOUS

LAWN MOWER GRINDING — Work guaranteed. H-20602, 3118 Fairfield.

FOR RENT

TWO COTTAGES AT ROME CITY—A-67032.

COTTAGE AT DIAMOND LAKE, IND. Lake front, well water, sleeps five comfortably. H-28764.

THREE ROOMS—For refined gentleman, well furnished, clean, innersprings, hot water always, gas heat, use of phone, garage. H-58864.

WANTED

THREE-ROOM UNFURNISHED APARTMENT — Both employed. H-67184 after 4 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDER—James R. Voirol, from corner of State and Wells St. or vicinity on Sherman St. Works in Bldg. 62-3, 8-5:15. Ext. 728.

Willa Confer Dies

Willa May Confer, 50, of 1323 Summit St., died at 5:35 p.m. Thursday at the Lutheran hospital. She had been ill one year.

Mrs. Confer was employed by General Electric in 1919 as a typist in Bldg. 4-4. At the time of her retirement in 1948, she worked in the Blue Print section, Bldg. 18-5. She was a member of the Quarter Century and Elex clubs.

Services were held Monday at the Klaehn funeral home. The Rev. L. A. Middaugh officiated and burial was in Lindenwood cemetery.



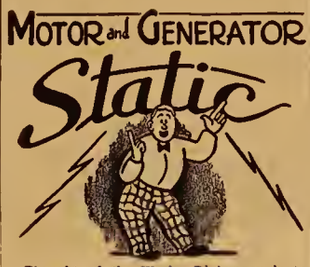
To date Ray Christman lays claim to the biggest fish to be bagged. Says he caught it on a fly rod and spent 45 minutes landing it, but didn't bother to bring it home for entering in the fish contest. The boys say they've heard of fishermen unable to land a fish by not having a landing net, but this is the first time hauling facilities prevented bringing the catch back home. Ray, you're just going to have to bring some evidence along to prove your stories if you want to make them stick. . . . Those muffled rumblings you've been hearing coming out of the west were not thunder, just the dynamite Virg Allmandinger has been using to loosen the dirt to be removed from the basement under his house. At the first blast, Mrs. A. took the children and herself to the woods, expecting the house to be reduced to splinters. To her surprise and relief nothing worse than the rattle of dishes and windowpanes. We can all rest easy now, since the job is finally completed. . . . True Sheets has inaugurated a new guessing game: Trying to guess the color of a man's hair by looking at his shoes. . . . Ralph Reinking says Paul Kennerk has reversed this "going fishing" story. Ralph says not he but Paul is the one who can't get away. Now, boys, let's get this thing settled. . . . Roy Bracht is still receiving helpful (?) suggestions on painting his house. He hopes to have the job completed when he returns from vacation. He doubts if anything but hard work will do the trick.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

People have tried nearly everything to beat the heat, but Charlie Kaiser has topped them all when he put on his bathing suit, took an umbrella, went out in the lake and sat down. . . . All the talk about the Big Beast of Busco has died down, but the fellows in Bldg. 26-1 would like to know what ever happened to the turtle pools that were taken up. It seems as though the turtle is still in the pool, but where is the pool? Maybe Bob Bunyan and Al Campton could give us the answers. . . . There has been some talk that Jim Stauffer has gone into show business. There is a rumor that Jim is going to run the Hep Cat show at Decatur next week. Don't wait, see Jim now for those "Annie Oakleys." . . . Mary Alice Kieler is going to the fair just to ride in the Tunnel of Love. . . . There has been a lot of talk about Bill Gepfert taking all the WORKS NEWS home last week. He must have gotten a picture for all of his relatives. . . . It isn't so bad for a fellow who doesn't know a lake, but when a fellow goes to the lake every week and can't catch any fish it is getting pretty bad. How about it, Emmet Bobay? Hope you have better luck in Minnesota on your vacation. . . . Maybe Dan Edgar will show you how to catch them as he got his limit. . . . It seems as though Herman Gebert is playing Cupid by getting dates for bashful Bill Kramer. . . . Gerald Crum has finally gotten his life's desire as he had his picture taken for the WORKS NEWS. . . . Fred Thieme must be out of rhythm again. . . . Paul Noffze has put up a big board to display all mispunchings except his own. We only hope he doesn't run out of room. . . . John Laymon likes the last 15 minutes of the day—that is the clean up. . . . Bob Mennewisch has finally got where he can make it in by seven a.m. Keep up the good work, Bob. . . . Ralph Milligan is learning how to farm as he was out combining oats over the weekend.

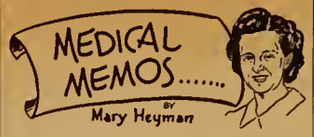


Thought of the Week: Diplomacy is to do and say the nastiest thing in the nicest way.

Do You? For a while it seemed that Ed Foley's American Greek Society was passing out of the news, which pleased this writer. It almost gave us neurasthenia trying to figure out just what that unpredictable bunch would do next. Big John went to Toledo and lost his shirt. Alex drove a prowler away with well aimed shots at the sky. Ed Foley gets in and out of trouble—What a bunch. Yes, things seemed to have quieted down until Ed blossomed forth with what he classified as "a perfectly ducky story." All out of breath he arrived at our desk. "Poison Pen," he sez, "I've got a great story for you to write up about my American Greek Society in time to make this week's deadline." "Yeh?" we replied in our most unINTERested tone of voice. "Well, here it is," sez Mr. Foley, "It seems someone parked an old ash truck in front of Tony Deck's five and ten emporium and forgot to return for it. After it had been there 24 hours someone decorated it with a sign reading, 'For Sale, 75 cents.' About that time someone called the police and the boys in blue responded with their usual gusto. The first thing they did was take Tony to task for peddling things on a public street without a license. After considerable argument Tony convinced the law that he did not want to sell it for 75 cents and after getting the boys properly confused offered to sell it to them for 50 cents. I don't know if he collected, but they towed it away. Write that up will you?" We considered a moment then replied, "No, we won't it doesn't make sense, besides who wants to get mixed up with Greek guerrilla activities?" Saying this we assumed our most determined expression and glared at Mr. Foley, who beat a hasty retreat. And by heck we still think it's crazy and refuse to write it. Do you blame us?. . . . ONE SECOND SERMON: Be careful the way you live. You may be the only Bible some people read.

Ramblings 31-2

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Weaver are happy over the arrival of twin boys, a couple of heavy weight champions. The one, Steven Roger, weighed seven pounds and four ounces; the other, Thomas Allan, weighed seven pounds and nine ounces. The Weavers also have a little girl two years old. . . . The M-G Engineering Section gathered at McMillen Park recently for a picnic in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Kellogg and Mr. and Mrs. Guy (Tubby) Plaisted. Mr. Kellogg and Mr. Plaisted are ex-members of our Engineering Section. The Kelloggs now live in Florida and the Plaisteds live in California. . . . We see by the papers that Mrs. P. S. Stough was very skilled in putting on the green in a recent golf tourney.



What a pleasure it is to be marking off the days on our calendar! Our long-awaited two weeks' vacation will soon be here. Be sure to polish your bifocals and watch our column in next week's WORKS NEWS. This will be our Special Vacation Issue. . . . Dr. and Mrs. Harvey Murdock were at Lake Webster last week-end at the Smenner cottage. . . . We are glad to report that Veda Orff is gradually improving. She is still a patient in the St. Joseph Hospital. . . . Alice Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Wilson, celebrated her birthday July 13. Now watch for changes, because she will be voting for the first time! . . . Eloise Noll, Decatur dispensary, has been off duty due to illness. Hoping you will soon be better and will be able to be back on the job again. . . . Ethel Carriger, former Winter Street nurse, has been spending the last few weeks at Lake Webster where she has been in charge of the hospital of the Epworth Forest Camp. . . . Let's nominate Duane Stroud as Bldg. 21's "Citizen of the Week." Congratulations, Duane, on your article to be published soon in the U.S. Public Health Department's Industrial Hygiene Newsletter. . . . George K. Faulkner, a former member of Our Gang, will soon return from Battle Creek, Mich., where he has been in R.O.T.C. Medical Reserve Department. This was a follow-up from his last semester as a medical student at Indiana University. Good luck, George, we're all out for you! . . . Pearl Johnson has been vacationing for the past two weeks at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Garton. . . . Things happen quite mysteriously around Bldg. 21 Dispensary sometimes, as Minnie Fryback can testify. Last Tuesday, for instance, she left her desk a minute on business and when she came back lo and behold, what did she find but a beautiful bouquet and a decorated cake bearing the inscription "Congratulations, Minnie, on 20 years with G-E." The joke was that she had forgotten the memorable day herself and so was doubly surprised to find her co-workers hadn't. . . . Want to hear the good news? Minnie Fryback and Olive Walters visited Sunday afternoon with Anne Murtaugh, who has been a patient at Irene Byron Sanatarium for some time. They reported that she is on the progressing convalescent list, and has gained 20 pounds. First thing we know, she'll be wanting a reducing diet program from the doctor. Anne was our good old Decatur nurse for a long time, and we're glad to hear she is on the mend. . . . Oftentimes during the evening, there are strange, weird noises in various parts of the dispensary that demand investigation. They are always gone when I start searching but it does remind me of "training days" on night duty.

I think of the lady with the lamp,
The lady courageous, sublime,
But do you suppose she ever got scared,
Like we do at night?
Isn't it likely in the deep of the night,
When nothing was making a sound,
That she had a feeling of things creeping up
And was almost afraid to look 'round?
I try so hard to be like her,
Though my "lamp" is an old flashlight,
But I still think that she, just the same as me,
Sometimes got scared in the night.

Why is it that the things we never get worry us more than the things we lose?

A man who both spends and saves money is the happiest man, because he has both enjoyments.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING FOR VACATION?



HARRY ECENBARGER

Bldg. 12-2

"Most of my vacation will be spent working on my home, but I hope to spend at least several days at the lake."



FLOYD R. ARNOLD

Decatur

"I'm going to do some remodeling on my house during vacation."



VELMA B. MEADS

Bldg. 26-2

"I will be spending the first part of my vacation with friends and relatives in the East. Then back to the lakes of Indiana."

NORA E. FURTHMILLER

Taylor St.

"I am going to spend the first week of my vacation finishing my house-cleaning. The second week, I will relax and enjoy the clean house. If time allows I will visit relatives in Michigan and Ohio."



GEORGE WINANS

Bldg. 22

"Because I have a large family, it would be both expensive and inconvenient for me to travel. Therefore, I will spend my vacation working around the house and probably visit a few nearby lakes; that is, if we don't have a severe polio epidemic this season."



Voltmen-Red Sox Game Is Comedy Of Errors

By G. R. HEMMETER

Despite the fact that the Voltmen built up a lead of 6 to 1 behind the superb pitching of Charlie Shipman, they dropped the game to the Lafayette Red Sox, 11 to 6, Thursday night, July 14, at Dwenger park.

It wasn't the powerful hitting of the Red Sox nor the weakening of Shipman that caused this one-sided score, but a comedy of errors that would give enough laughs for a two-year run on Broadway.

The Voltmen started off like a whirlwind. In their half of the first inning, Stramm and Dudick became base runners by the charity of the Red Sox. Bulbous Bobilya spotted the ball he wanted and sent a mighty drive over the left field fence for three runs.

The Voltmen sparkled again in the third inning on the base paths, scoring two runs on a fielders choice and a clean single by the hustling newcomer, Les Lockett.

Feeling the pinch, Lafayette managed to score a run across on hits by Ritter and pitcher Clifton.

In the sixth inning, Bobilya tagged another of Clifton's deliveries and sent it screaming over the left field fence. This gave the Voltmen what appeared to be a safe five run margin.

Then the third act started.

If the ball had been bigger, the game would have done justice to the best soccer players. In the next two innings, the Red Sox put together five hits and eight Voltmen errors for 10 runs; four errors and three hits for four runs in the seventh, and two hits and four errors for six runs in the eighth.

The one bright spot was the hard working of pitcher Shipman. He was suffering, but still limited the Lafayette brigade to only seven scattered hits.

Box score:

Red Sox	AB	R	H	Voltmen	AB	R	H
Ritter,1b	4	2	2	Stramm,ss	4	2	2
Desiderato,3b	5	2	0	Che'wicz,cf	4	1	1
Mettler,lf	5	1	1	Dudick,3b	4	1	1
Macowicz,cf	4	0	0	Bobilya,rf	5	2	2
Bestudik,rf	3	1	0	Smith,1b	5	0	2
Novak,ss	4	0	0	Lockett,lf	5	0	1
Cannizo,2b	5	1	1	Morgan,c	5	0	0
Hixson,c	5	1	1	Southw'rth,2b	4	0	1
Clifton,p	4	3	1	Shipman,p	3	0	0
Galvin, cf	1	0	1	xHormann	1	0	1
				Doehrman,p	0	0	0
Totals	40	11	7	Totals	40	6	11

xSingled for Shipman in 8th.

Red Sox .....001 000 460—11
Voltmen .....302 010 000— 6

Majors Beat City Light, Food Machine

The Majors Softball team won from City Light Thursday, July 14, by a score of 6-1.

The scoring started in the first inning. Stanski led off with a single, stole second and scored when the catcher threw the ball into center field. Somers singled, stole second and scored on Yarman's single. Morkoetter struck out, while Bucher singled. Lawson then bounced out to the pitcher and Esterline hit to center, scoring Bucher. Anderson walked, Waltke threw out from third to first, ending the inning with four runs, five hits.

There was another run scored in the fifth on a single base on balls, strike out, another walk and two infield outs. One run was scored in the sixth, when Stanski and Somers singled and Yarman followed with a double. Yarman led the hitting with three hits in four times at bat. Stanski and Somers had two hits in four tries.

City Light's lone tally came in the third when Bopp hit to right field for three bases and was safe at home when Ryan hit a slow roller to the pitcher.

Beat Food Machine Team

The next foe for the Majors was Food Machine. The Majors won, 4-2. This game was played Friday, July 15.

The Majors did not get a hit until the fifth, when Esterline led off with a walk and stole second. Anderson struck out, followed by Feldheiser's hit to right, scoring Esterline. Stanski hit to right. Somers then hit to the third baseman, who stepped on the bag to force Feldheiser, and threw to first in time to get the batter.

In the sixth, Yarman bounced to third and was thrown out. Morkoetter hit to left. Masters, batting for Bucher, struck out. Lawson walked, while Esterline hit to left center for three bases. Anderson singled to third scoring Esterline. Feldheiser flied out to left, with three runs on three hits for the inning.

Food Machine scored their two runs in the third on a single and a home run by VanRyn.

Lose to Fruehauf

The Majors then met Fruehauf Monday, July 18, losing by a score of 7-6. Single runs were scored in the first, second, third and sixth, while two runs were scored in the seventh.

Esterline led the hitting with two doubles in three times at bat. Baals had a double and a single in four times up, and Stanski and Morkoetter each had two singles in four tries.

Tie Next Game, 2-2

The Majors and Fruehauf played an eight-inning, 2-2, tie game the next night. Lawson led the hitting for G-E with a double and single in three tries. Yarman hit a home run.

Lile led the hitting for Fruehauf with a double and single.

Line Scores:

City Light .....001 000 0—1 2 2
G-E .....400 011 x—6 11 0
Ryn, Sitko and Biebedwig; Waltke and Somers.

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Food Machine .....002 000 0—2 3 0
G-E .....000 013 x—4 5 0
Bauer and Barfell; Feldheiser and Somers.

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G-E .....111 001 2—6 10 4
Fruehauf .....012 100 3—7 8 0
Feldbeiser, Waltke and Baals; H. Kuenke, Bright, and Auer, Lile.

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Fruehauf .....000 100 10—2 5 1
G-E .....000 011 00—2 4 4
Bright and Lile; Waltke and Baals.

VOLTMEN Home Schedule

Tonight, July 22—
Benton Harbor Buds

Saturday, July 23—
St. Joseph Auscos

Tuesday, July 26—
Benton Harbor Buds

All games are scheduled for 8 p.m. at Dwenger park.

G-E GOLF

By Hugh Dubdit

Even though the Spoons, of the Wednesday group, lost three points to the Mashies, they held on to first place with a total of 13 points. The Putters moved into second spot, with 10, and the Brassies are third, with six. Don Lynch topped the individual scoring with a 39. Vernon Foulks shot a 40 and Dick Szink, Glenn Schimmele, W. S. Kirke and L. Cunningham turned in 41.

In the Tuesday night group, the Optimists held to a slim one-point lead over the Dubs with 28 and 27 points respectively. The Nineteenth Holers are third, with 18 points. The individual honors of the evening went to "Red" Braden, at 39, Dick Tobias, with 40, and Paul LaCoque, Jim Walley and Bob Dent, with 41.

We hear that the putter mortality rate for C. A. Anderberg is rather high. This time the club head and grip end did not part company. Who knows how to straighten a shaft?



The Indians finally brought it back. We mean the sewer in Indian Village, so the Truman Buckles have poured a foundation and are starting to build their new home. . . . Bill Rohe was on vacation last week and we got just what we expected—A story telling us he caught the limit every day. Which is a measley 15 in Michigan for bluegills, huh. . . . Elizabeth Clevenger planted some bulbs expecting to get flowers, now she finds out by the odor they were garlics, but don't be disappointed, Betty, after all you can't eat flowers. . . . Virgil Howell, please tell us, are you the referee or one of the contestants at the wrestling matches on Wednesday nights? . . . Loretta Gerardot is recuperating at her home on Huffman St. after a recent operation.



Larry Reed's Detroit team is no longer called the Tigers. After so many defeats the Tigers hadn't any claws left. They were renamed "The Detroit Pussy Cats" and he even has a picture to prove it. It's just too bad he always blames the wrong people for the picture. . . . Three Great and Famous(?) people had birthdays last week; Don Baker, Noble Wagner and Larry Reed. Now they are trying to tell us that all great people have birthdays in July—well anyway, best wishes from the gang. . . . We don't know for sure whether Don Baker was trying to beat the heat or celebrate his birthday Friday, but that yellow shirt was really LOUD. So loud in fact that all he heard all day was wolf whistles. . . . To all our new people we say, "Hi and glad to have you join the gang." To our old friends, stop in and say hello occasionally and lots of luck." . . . Guess we'll have to give Steve Kelker our orchids for the week for his bright ties. They really help brighten the office. . . . All the noted economists say that business has leveled off now and is starting to swing upward. This trend can be seen on our floor as some large transactions have been closed. Jay Hensler has been buying cigarettes at a penny apiece. Maybe some of these days he will buy a whole pack and the boom will be on. Anyone wishing to sell any cigarettes to Jay can do so with any brand except a Kool. . . . Tony Miller is smiling again. The reason is that he finally got his Neptune Outboard Motor running again. Don't be surprised, though, if you see it advertised for sale! . . . Everyone was greeting Roger Crabill with a "Hi, Roger" last week. It seems these greetings were made mostly on the elevator. What can the reason be? . . . Dick Seidel says it's remarkable how good the gasoline gauge on his new Lincoln works. According to Dick all you have to do is start the motor and watch the gauge closely and you can see it go down. Seymour finds that the same thing holds true for the oil. Now we know why these filling stations are built so close together. . . . The book of the month "How to Catch Fish in Ten Easy Lessons." Author—Ray Solga.

Six Teams Compete In Owl League



The Owl Golf League is going strong this season with six teams making up the league. The league members tee-off each week at Orchard Ridge Country Club. In the first picture are the league's "old timers." They are: (l. to r.) Lloyd Grider, Floyd Garland, Bernie English and Irvin Junk. The center picture shows the leading men in the league. They are: (l. to r.) John Stark, Jim Sternberger, and Warren Wickliffe. The leaders of the Odd Division of the league pause long enough in their play to pose for a picture. Left to right in the photograph are: Dick Bierbaum, Fred Uhrick, John Shanahan and John Bierbaum.

TOUCHING THE BASES

by Walter Histed



In the course of seeing games over a great many years it has been my privilege to see both good and bad baseball. Never, however, have I witnessed such an inept exhibition of fielding as that displayed by the Voltmen last Thursday against Lafayette. It has been said that good pitching and hitting will win for any team, but that theory will now have to be revised. The Voltmen had ample hitting and good pitching by Charlie Shipman, but 12 errors presented Lafayette runs which they accepted with pleasure.

Buds Annihilate Red Sox

The Buds gained sweet revenge for several past humiliations at the hands of the Red Sox, when they walloped the Lafayette sluggers, 17 to 1, last week. For Norm Snyder and his crew, it was justice long delayed. Snyder paced his team with two home runs and two singles to drive in four tallies. Berney Morris, clever Negro hurler of the Buds, held the Red Sox to eight hits. His mates combed Slim DeLion, Al Hazel and Johnson for 18 blows.

Line score:

Benton Harbor	500 020 028	17	18	0
Lafayette	100 000 000	1	8	3

Morris and Kovach.
DeLion, Hazel, Johnson and Hixson; loser, DeLion.

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Auscos Beat Cubs, 4 to 3

Mack Stewart outpitched Jim Wallace, as the Auscos won an 11-inning thriller from Michigan City at Edgewater park. Ray Scott, erstwhile manager of the Studebakers, drove in the winning run with a line single with the bases loaded and two out.

Line score:

Michigan City	010 000 020 00	3	9	4
St. Joseph	003 000 000 01	4	14	0

Wallace and Hofferth.
Stewart and Westerkamp.

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Cubs Edge Buds, 2 to 1

The Benton Harbor Buds had three men thrown out at the plate in the late innings, as Chet Brewer shaded Lefty Ververka in a tight pitching duel.

Line score:

Benton Harbor	001 000 000	1	6	2
Michigan City	000 020 00x	2	7	3

Ververka and Kovach.
Brewer and Hofferth.

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Buds Thump Windsor, 13 to 1

The Buds made Lefty Roy Lee's first start for Windsor a nightmare, as they drove him from the box in the fifth inning with a six-run burst. Added to five runs scored earlier, it made a rout of the game.

Line score:

Windsor	000 100 000	1	7	2
Benton Harbor	203 060 11x	13	19	2

Lee, Cyril, Anderson and Milan; loser, Lee.
Veverka and Young.

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Cubs Beat Red Sox

The Cubs scored in the top of the tenth to defeat the Red Sox and Al Hazel at Lafayette last Sunday night. Stu Hofferth, Cub catcher, was injured and had to leave the game in the second inning.

Line score:

Michigan City	100 004 000 1	6	11	2
Lafayette	100 200 200 0	5	11	1

Wallace and Hofferth, Diehl.
Hazel and Hixson.

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Auscos Trip Buds, 7 to 5

The Auscos combined two big innings to whip the Buds in their twin-city, civil war last Sunday at Edgewater park, 7 to 5. Three runs in the first and four more in the fourth for the Auscos more than offset the big five run fourth for the Buds.

Line score:

Benton Harbor	000 500 000	5	13	2
St. Joseph	300 400 00x	7	11	1

Morris, Ververka and Kovach.
Katz, Stewart and Westerkamp.

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M-I LEAGUE STANDINGS

(Includes games of July 17)

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
St. Joseph	17	9	.654	—
Lafayette	16	11	.592	1½
Michigan City	16	12	.571	2
Benton Harbor	14	14	.500	4
VOLTMEN	9	17	.346	8
Windsor	6	15	.286	8½

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

St. Joseph, 4, Michigan City, 3 (11 innings)
Benton Harbor, 17, Lafayette 1
Lafayette, 11, VOLTMEN, 6
Michigan City, 2, Benton Harbor, 1
Benton Harbor, 13, Windsor, 1
Michigan City, 6, Lafayette, 5 (10 innings)
St. Joseph, 7, Benton Harbor, 5



Last Week's Results

Team No. 6	+16
Team No. 5	+ 5
Teams No. 1 and 3	tie
Team No. 4	—16
Team No. 2	— 5

The above results almost tell the story of the Owl Golf League.

The Hot Shots took care of Team No. 4, with Warren Wickliffe leading the way with a 39. Bernie English went over his average with a 49 to pace his team.

Walt Pook and No. 5 bounced back after their defeat of last week and clipped the Jolly Boys by five points.

The match of the day pitted the two teams on top of the odd side, but it was all to no avail as it ended even. Uhrick of Team No. 3 and Stark of Team No. 1 shared low ball honors with 43's.

With vacation and the playoffs coming soon, it behooves us divot-diggers to get out and hustle for a berth in the final playoffs.

The Standings

ODD

No. 3 Shanahan	+40
No. 1 Stauffer	—16
No. 5 Pook	—37

EVEN

No. 6 Craig	+107
No. 2 Stanger	—32
No. 4 English	—64

G-E Owls Nose Out Indiana Rod, Wire

With a story book finish, the G-E Owls softball team won over the Indiana Rod and Wire nine by the score of 6-5.

It was two outs and men on second and third in the seventh inning and Baker, the Owls shortstop, at bat. After fouling a long one to left, he promptly ended the game with a long wallop between left and center for a home run.

Stauffer, Drayer and Greeno formed the batteries for G-E.



"All good things come to those who wait" and just think one more week and everyone will be starting on a long awaited vacation. Vacationing at Lake Webster will be Lloyd Platt and Fred Divelbiss. Which will they spend most of their time doing—fishing or playing pinochle? I wonder. Marion Sienkiewicz will be heading for Madison, Wis., and with a new car to drive who could ask for more. Catherine Hirschman is planning a trip to the Black Hills of South Dakota, while our friend "Casey" will go to Cincinnati for a few days and then to Saginaw, Mich., for a visit with our former coworker Margaret Furrel Chance. Chris Riez can hardly wait to get started to the Smoky Mountains while Gene Miller, Ben Kissel and Karl Soest will spend most of their time at home. . . . Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Karl Soest who recently celebrated their silver wedding anniversary. From the reports, I guess the celebration was a success. May the next 25 years of your married life be just as happy as the last. . . . The welcome mat is out to Gene Buescher, who joined our gang recently. Gene hails from St. Louis and is employed in the Engineering Division. . . . After 20 years Kenny Redding finally went and did it—bought a new car, that is. Frank Treece recently bought a new Ford and Lloyd Platt bought a Chevrolet and they got Kenny in the notion. He plans to break it in on his vacation trip to Northern Michigan. . . . Our deepest sympathy to John Hall on the recent death of his wife.

"From your chain a link has fallen
In our land her star has set,
But enshrined in memory's tablet
Her true worth you'll never forget."

Voltmen Triumph Over Auscos, 4-3

By WALTER HISTED

The Voltmen, apparently tired of being door mats for the league teams, struck down the league-leading Auscos, 4 to 3, at Dwenger park Tuesday night.

Displaying a much improved defense in support of Charlie Shipman's fine twirling, the Volts won the hotly-contested contest by breaking a three all-tie in the eighth inning.

Frustrated at various times by three fine throws by Carl Kennedy, two of which cut down runners at the plate, the Braden-men still capitalized enough on their chances to win.

The visiting Auscos jumped off to a fast start. Schultz and Logan singled and rode home on Bob Winter's triple to right center. Winters was cut down on Scott's grounder to Hedinger at second.

The Voltmen lost little time in making even the score, as Stramm beat out a bunt to Logan and stopped at second on Gabby Hormann's single to center. Dudick was safe and Stramm scored when Scott failed to come up with a ground ball. Hormann scored after the catch on Bobilya's fly to Kennedy.

The tie score prevailed until the home sixth, which Les Lockett opened with a single to right. Chinewicz also singled to right, Lockett going to third; but Chinewicz was cut down at second on Kennedy's throw to Schultz. With Morgan at bat and two out, Ausco Pitcher Bob Katz committed a balk; permitting Lockett to score from third.

Shipman faced only 12 men from the first to the sixth inning. In the sixth, though, the Auscos had singles by Logan and Winters, with one and two out respectively. The losers lost no time in evening the score again in the seventh. With two out, Westerkamp doubled to center and scored on Katz's single to right. Hormann's fine throw from right field came in time to cut off Westerkamp, but Morgan let the throw get through him with the Ausco catcher scoring on the error.

The Voltmen tallied the winning run in the eighth. With one out, Chinewicz singled to right. Jack Holland batted for Hedinger and scratched a hit to short. Morgan's single to right brought in the winning run. When Katz hit Shipman with a pitched ball, Manager Kennedy brought in Albosta to put out the fire.

John Chinewicz, with three singles, paced the Volt's attack; with Hormann, Lockett and Morgan getting two hits each. Logan had three hits for the losers.

Box score:

Auscos	AB	R	H	Voltmen	AB	R	H
Schultz,2	5	1	1	Stramm,3	4	1	1
Logan,1	5	1	3	Hormann,rf	5	1	2
Jones,3	3	0	0	Dudick,ss	3	0	1
Winters,lf	4	0	2	Bobilya,1	4	0	0
Scott,ss	4	0	0	Lockett,lf	4	1	2
Acschli'n,cf	4	0	1	Chi'wicz,cf	4	1	2
Kennedy,rf	4	0	0	Hedinger,2	3	0	0
Wes'camp,c	4	1	2	bHolland	1	0	1
Katz,p	3	0	1	Sou'worth,2	0	0	0
Albosta,p	0	0	0	Morgan,c	4	0	2
aFlanagan	1	0	0	Shipman,p	2	0	1
Totals	37	3	10	Totals	34	4	12

aBatted for Albosta in 9th.
bBatted for Hedinger in 8th.

Auscos	200 000 100—3
Voltmen	200 001 01x—4

Voltmen Play Chicago White Sox



Jack Onslow, manager of the Chicago White Sox, and "Red" Braden, manager of the G-E Voltmen, are shown (above) watching the warm-up before the exhibition game at Dwenger park Tuesday night, July 12.

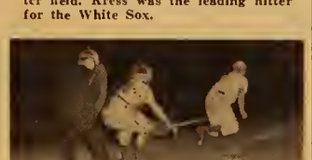
In 1911 Onslow caught for Fort Wayne in the Central League at old League park.

The Voltmen gave the White Sox a merry tussle before conceding defeat to the American Leaguers by a narrow 3-2 margin.

A crowd estimated at 3,600 turned out for the exhibition tilt. The White Sox had about the same line-up that has been appearing for them in recent weeks with the exception of Cass Michaels, second baseman who was in the All-Star game, and Luke Appling, veteran shortstop, who was given the extra day of rest for his aging limbs.



Charlie Kress (above) hits one of his two doubles of the evening to left center field. Kress was the leading hitter for the White Sox.



In the seventh inning, the Voltmen took a 2-1 lead on the strength of an error by Charlie Kress, Chuck Bobilya's hit (above) and a fly to left by John Chenewicz, on which the Voltmen picked up an extra run when Catcher Don Wheeler allowed the throw-in to get through him.

THE GOOD WAY

FOR the past three months we have all been troubled, puzzled, uneasy, and sometimes afraid.

In the previous ten years of false prosperity we had forgotten that goods would not always be scarce . . . that people would not always spend freely, or even recklessly . . . that jobs would not always be abundantly available.

But we have all been forcibly reminded about some hard facts of life . . . that we shouldn't go on buying too eagerly and too much when values get bad in boom times, just as we likewise shouldn't buy too little and too hesitantly when values get good again in slack times.

In the present situation, General Electric has been warning against unsound proposals . . . against what *not* to do . . . in an attempt to bring sales and jobs back up. .

But General Electric is not just *against* unsound proposals. General Electric is *for* a bold, dynamic program of sound and attractive progress toward more sales and jobs that we believe everyone should follow.

This is the program of lowering prices while maintaining present high wage rates, of expanding and improving facilities, of creating more attractive products, of selling harder. In short, it is a program of having all concerned putting more thought, interest, skill, care and effort into attracting with a bigger value that 95% of the buying public still having income and savings sufficient to start the unemployed back to work.

This program is not one that works by itself . . . or that goes instantly like a house afire just with a little attention and effort by somebody else. Furthermore, inventories in the factory and home not yet used up or worn out have to be worked down some, since so large a portion of our purchases are postponable.

But, by everyone doing his part . . . putting forth his honest effort at giving a big value, and keeping at it . . . the tide can be turned, and sales and jobs can steadily mount.

General Electric is honestly and vigorously pushing such a program. Let's see what the results are beginning to be:

PRICES have been cut and everything else possible dane ta move goods. As a result, we have been able to attract unit sales that on the average have been surprisingly high under the circumstances. Even our dollar sales far the last three manths were only about 5% below the first three manths af this year and only about 4% below the 2nd quarter of last year.

WAGE RATES were kept at the high level af the 1st quarter—over 9% abave the same quarter af a year ago and around 90% abave 1940 as campared with cost-af-living up less than 70% since 1940.

THE NUMBER OF JOBS is still appreciably below our all time peak and belaw the average af the 1st quarter of this year, to be sure. But it must be remembered that our declers and distributors have been selling more goods than we have been shipping to them. We have been shipping more goods than we have been currently manufacturing. Everybody has been moving the unhealthy inventories unavoidably accumulated at the close of the boam. If retail sales can be maintained as at present, our employment will slowly gain.

PROFITS ARE DOWN 26% from the 1st quarter rate and down 32% from the 2nd quarter last year—reflecting General Electric's efforts to offer big values to make sales and jobs.

GENERAL ELECTRIC is not sparing itself . . . and is trying to da its part . . . in this drive to do everything that experience indicates will aid sound recavery and lasting well being.

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40-Hour Week Is Restored

Clarkson Is Named To Succeed Noble



J. J. Clarkson



P. O. Noble

J. J. Clarkson has been appointed Manager of Engineering, Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions. He succeeds P. O. Noble, who is retiring August 1 after 45 years of service.

Mr. Clarkson, a graduate of the University of Alabama with a BS-EE degree, began his General Electric career in 1929 on the Company's test course in Schenectady. He transferred to Fort Wayne and was assigned to the FHP Motor Engineering division.

In 1937 he became Section Engineer and in 1942 was made Assistant Division Engineer of the Supercharger Engineering division. The following year, Mr. Clarkson was promoted to Engineer of that division.

He was then named Superintendent of the Taylor St. Plant. He held this position until the plant discontinued the manufacture of superchargers in 1946, at which time he was made Section Engineer of the FHP Development Engineering section.

The next year Mr. Clarkson became the Assistant Division Engineer of the FHP Motor Engineering division. He was named Assistant Manager of that division in 1948.

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Will Not Serve Breakfast First Day After Vacation

Following the vacation shutdown, on Monday, Aug. 15, breakfast will not be served at the Broadway cafeteria. Serving of breakfast will be resumed on Tuesday.

Credit Union To Stay Open During Vacation

The Credit Union office will remain open during the vacation period, Lee Cupp, treasurer, announced today.

Procedure For MBA Deductions Is Announced

The procedure for handling MBA deductions during vacation was announced this week by K. W. Michael, general chairman of the Mutual Benefit Association at Fort Wayne.

The various payroll sections are set up to operate as follows:

Those employees who are eligible for one week or more of vacation will have MBA dues for three weeks deducted from the pay they receive prior to vacation. This will cover them during vacation.

Those not eligible for any vacation will have three weeks MBA dues deducted from the first check they receive after vacation. This will cover them during vacation.

Regarding employees laid off for lack of work, the following policy will be followed:

A member laid off for lack of work whose continuity of service is protected under the rules of the Company may retain coverage for himself and his dependents for one year by paying dues monthly in advance, except that he shall not be entitled to receive disability benefits.

A member laid off for lack of work whose continuity of service is protected under the rules of the Company who does not pay dues for

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LAYOFFS AT MINIMUM IF CUSTOMER ORDERS STAY AT PRESENT LEVEL

As a result of negotiations held during the past week between Company representatives and representatives of Local 901, UE-CIO, and Lodge No. 70, International Association of Machinists, it was decided that the Fort Wayne General Electric plants would return to the regular 40-hour schedule following the vacation shutdown.

In the meeting held with Local 901, it was agreed that the 40-hour schedule would be resumed indefinitely in all office and factory activities following the vacation shutdown. It was decided that this could be accomplished with a minimum of layoffs if current production schedules are maintained at their present levels.

In the event additional drastic cuts in production schedules are necessitated by an unpredictable slump in orders received, Company and Union representatives will meet to discuss any desirable changes in the working schedule.

In the meeting with Lodge No. 70, it was agreed that the main Tool Room would return to the 40-hour schedule for the first four

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Expect Record Crowd At Q-C Club Outing

The large number of Quarter Century Club members that have signified their intentions of attending the club's annual outing led A. C. Hartman, secretary, to announce this week that the turnout will exceed that of any other year. This will be the fourth year that the outing has been held at Camp Limberlost, Oliver Lake.

Plans were completed this week to present each member with a special souvenir of the outing, which will be held Saturday, Sept. 10.

G-E Club Announces Slate Of Candidates

Candidates for the election of 1949-50 officers of the G-E Club were announced today by Ervin Huth, chairman of the nominating committee.

The following were named:

President
Harold Carter, Bldg. 4-6
Erv Huth, Bldg. 20-2

First Vice President
Gayle Griffith, Winter St.
Carl Reynolds, Taylor St.

Second Vice President
Virginia Mollet, Bldg. 31-2
Sue Siedel, Taylor St.

Secretary
Dick Gallmeyer, Winter St.
Dick Kent, Bldg. 18-5

Directors
Walter Lamboley, Bldg. 4-6
Ray Lindemuth, Bldg. 18-5

The election will be held Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 29-30.

Mrs. Siedel, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Kent, and Mr. Lindemuth have all been nominated for re-election. The directorship is for a term of three years, while all other offices are for one year terms.

Charlie Wilt, G-E Club Manager, completes his third term this year as president of the club.

Flags Give News Of G-E Voltmen Games

Employees at the Broadway plant will be kept informed as to the latest standings of the Voltmen now that a flag pole has been erected at the Broadway East Gate.

Every day of a game, the blue and gold flag will wave from the pole to remind fans to come out to Dwenger park. The next day the pole will tell the outcome of the game.



We won!

If the Voltmen win, the pole will carry the flag showing a G-E Voltman laughing.

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"Red" Braden, Voltmen manager, and Charlie Wilt, G-E Club president, are shown running the flag up that announces the day of a game.

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Take These Along On Your Vacation For A Wonderful, SAFE Time!

Sunning at the seashore, loafing at the lake, touring the highways, or just "hibernating" at home, vacationtime is a period of relaxation and enjoyment, and you can't afford to let carelessness or neglect rob you of even one minute's pleasure.

You may find it a good idea to take along these timely tips:

Meet the Sun Halfway

Take your sunshine in small doses. Even mild sunburn is painfully uncomfortable, but a severe sunburn which covers a large portion of the body is dangerous. Protect yourself from the full intensity of the sun's rays until you develop a coat of tan. Keep always in mind that sunstroke may be caused by long and direct exposure to the sun.

Enjoy Your Swim

If you like to go swimming, you will want to remember that it is dangerous to go in the water immediately after eating. It's always a good idea, too, to have someone along . . . even if you are a good swimmer. If you are learning to swim, seek competent instruction. There's a proper way to dive, too! Examine the place where you plan to dive. If you dive in shallow water, or to a rocky bottom, you may injure your back severely, or break your neck. In other words, look before you leap. If you have sinus or ear infections, better get medical advice before you try any diving.

Cruising Up the River

For fun and good exercise, canoeing and rowboating are unexcelled. Likewise, sailboating or motor boating. Small boats, however, tip easily and can be dangerous if not handled correctly. Never stand up in a small boat. Permit no overcrowding. If your boat should capsize, cling to it until help comes; don't attempt to swim off alone.

Be careful, too, of sunburn and windburn while boating. Exercise the same caution against these burns as you would on land.

On the Highways

Pleasant vacation weather invites motoring, and "Sunday drivers" are on the road every day of the week. Many drivers are unfamiliar with highways, crossroads, and other traffic conditions . . . so you will want to be careful. If you plan a vacation trip by car, map out your route and schedule your stops well in advance, providing for a reasonable amount of driving each day and permitting yourself, or other drivers, enough rest. Before you start, have your car checked by your mechanic, to be sure that lights, brakes, tires, etc., are in tip-top condition.

Be careful of pedestrians. Children are out of school and enjoying their vacations. Drive safely; don't spoil their fun.

Going to "Rough It"?

If you are going to "rough it" this vacationtime, and spend most of your days outdoors camping and hiking, you must remember that you will face additional hazards. Walking through tall grass or underbrush has its dangers, because that's where ticks which spread spotted fever may lurk. To prevent this contamination, be sure that your lower limbs, especially, are well protected by suitable clothing. Carry a snake-bite outfit in poisonous snake country.

If you suffer from hay fever, you will want to avoid localities where you will be exposed to ragweed pollen or other plant pollens to which you are allergic.

Skin poisoning, occurring from direct contact with any part of the poison ivy, poison oak, or poison sumac plant, causes a painful, itching eruption of blisters. The surest way to stay out of trouble is to learn what these plants look like and then to shun them. Your dictionary probably has illustrations of these plants.

Water, even if it looks clear, may be contaminated with germs. Don't drink water unless you know that it has been tested and approved for drinking. When uncertain, you can make it safe by boiling or, if this is impossible, by adding chlorinating tablets.

Take a first-aid kit along with you. Give prompt attention to even the smallest scratch or cut.

Three Little Words

Yes, no matter how you plan to spend your vacation, you will want to remember these three little words . . . take it easy! If you are middle-aged or older, or if you take little or no exercise, enter into vacation activities slowly. Do not engage in sports unsuited to your age and habits.



When the whistle blows to end the last shift today, that should be the time to begin "the pause that refreshes" not frustrates us.

Whether you are going home from work, hurrying up to the lake, or planning a vacation by car this year, **DRIVE SAFELY** should always be kept in mind.

Vacations by car can be lots of fun. Leisurely sightseeing . . . unhurried motoring . . . restful relaxation replace the rush and hustle of a work-a-day life. But every year, many vacations, long anticipated and looked forward to in glee, often end in accidents. A little thoughtlessness, a moment of recklessness . . . then a lifetime of regret.

When you drive, remember that during the month of August, traffic accidents in the United States kill someone every 16 minutes, and that three out of four pedestrians killed by motor vehicles were either violating a traffic law or committing an unsafe act.

Remember, accidents don't go on vacation; they never stop their terrible work, so be extra careful!

Be sure that your car is in good mechanical condition. Brakes should be tested; good tires are important, because long trips at highway speeds mean added strain. Test them daily. You need good headlights when driving strange roads at night. Test all lights, carry spare bulbs, and make sure that your battery is in good condition.

Don't pack your car so as to obscure your vision through the rear view mirror. If necessary, get an exterior rear view mirror, and know what's behind you. Be sure to signal stops and turns.

Don't overload the car, for if you do it is more likely to break down and is more difficult to steer. Besides, it's less comfortable. You'll probably never miss half the articles you thought you'd need, anyway.

Speed and distance do not measure enjoyment. Make your daily goal one that you can reach without speeding. Why rush ahead when there might be something worth seeing on the way? A vacation trip should mean far more than record mileage!

If scenery is worth looking at, it's worth stopping to enjoy. Get out of the car, stretch your legs, and really enjoy the view. Be sure to park where other motorists won't run into your car . . . or you.

Stop when you become tired or drowsy . . . either for a rest or for the night. What difference does it make if you haven't reached your day's objective? Vacation schedules should be flexible. If you come back nervous and exhausted, you haven't had a vacation.

Remember that good manners make touring more pleasant and safer. So, sign a mental non-aggression pact with other drivers, and keep a plentiful supply of courtesy on hand to make up for any lack of it on the other fellow's part.

Editor's Note: Thanks to Mrs. L. W. Wightman, whose husband works in Bldg. 4-6, for posing for the above picture. We want to make it absolutely clear that Mr. Wightman is a safe driver and that the telephone conversation is fictitious.

Dr. Garlon Says:

"Bring 'Em Back Alive"

Recently I walked into the hospital with one of my orthopedic friends. He was carrying a "gadget" and to pass the time of day I inquired what he might be "up to" today. He replied, rather grimly, "fixing broken necks"—and it wasn't said lightly. He then related a recent remark that his wife had made while seeing one of Frank Buck's "Bring 'Em Back Alive" films.

She remarked how awful it was that so many hundreds, or perhaps thousands, of natives were injured and killed each year in attempting to capture these wild animals. The doctor replied, "Yes, but it's no worse than these automobile smash-ups; at least you have a fighting chance with a wild animal."

Haste Brings Disasters

Perhaps that is not a very happy note with which to start a vacation article; but no doubt several thousand General Electric employees and their families will officially start their vacations in an automobile, and the tendency for all of us is to want to reach that vacation spot at the earliest possible moment. Doctors on the receiving line at hospitals have it forcibly impressed on them how often undue haste results in vacation disasters for someone.

We believe that a little deliberate thinking and planning can add much to vacation health and safety. I recently heard a quotation that could well be applied to this subject, as well as many of our everyday activities. It was this: "How we think is how we act, and how we act is what happens."

It may require several readings to get the full impact of such a simple statement. How many of the things that will just "happen" to us while on vacation will be the result of our own, or someone else's wrong thinking? . . . such as too much haste, overloading our capacities, tempting Mother Nature until she bites back. Yes, the person who has his vacation interrupted by a careless accident or a preventable illness has had a tragic vacation. In many instances the "take it easy" attitude will prevent them.

Vacation Pests

The little pests of vacation time will be there awaiting us, too—sunburn, poison ivy, chiggers, minor injuries. So remember to take the first-aid kit and know how to use it. And have you brushed up on your artificial respiration recently?

Vacation hygiene is still in order, too. No need to discontinue health practices carried out at home. To recall a few of these:

- Be sure of the safety of your milk and water supply while travelling. Water can always be boiled if necessary, and canned milk is safe.
- Continue habits of eating and sleeping with some degree of regularity; a good time to catch up on the latter.
- Physical activity in moderation unless you are already well-accustomed to strenuous activities. "Be your age" in this respect.

Remember . . . how we act is what happens;" and Do Bring 'Em Back Alive!

Thoughts At Vacation — Time



M. B. A. SICK LIST

Carl Fuller, Bryan Brown, Clyde Enslen, Elihu Lee, Wayne Coak, Edward Hauke, William Glenn, James Mitchell, Harold Canfield, Sherman Stilwell, Eva Webber, Wanda Anderson, Evelyn Brunkhart, Catherine Richter, Marie Wickelman, Fred Cooper, Kenneth Beck, Goldie Kelly, Donna Backofen, Mildred McConkey, Warren Jackson, Carl Fisher, John Blanks, A. Luella Bixler, Milford Toney, and Frank Romanowski.

R. E. Viland Dies

Ralph E. Viland, 62, of 1308 McClellan St., died at 7:25 p.m. Wednesday, July 20, at the Methodist hospital.

Mr. Viland was employed at General Electric since 1919. At the time of his death he was an inspector at Taylor St.

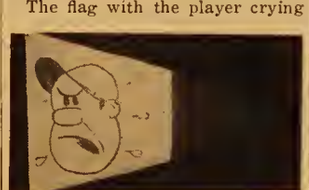
Survivors include his wife, Vada; three daughters, Thelma Agnes, Bonnie Mae, and Mrs. Norbert Holloway.

Services were held Saturday at 2 p.m., with burial in the IOOF Cemetery at New Haven.

Voltmen Games

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The flag with the player crying



We Lost!

will be flown when the Voltmen lose.

W. H. Powell Dies

Services were held Saturday morning at St. Joseph's Catholic Church for William H. Powell, 77, 1207 Wall St. Mr. Powell died at 7:20 a.m. at St. Joseph's hospital.

He retired 10 years ago after 21 years of service. When he retired, Mr. Powell was a plant guard. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Burial was in St. Vincent's Church Cemetery on the Auburn Road.

40-Hour Week

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weeks following the vacation shutdown and that all other tool sections assigned to production divisions would work 40 hours, gearing their operations to the production requirements in their respective divisions.

Another meeting will be scheduled with Lodge No. 70 during the last week of August to discuss the working schedule to be established following Labor Day week.

MBA Deductions

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coverage A or A and B monthly in advance will not retain coverage for himself or his dependents. Upon his return to work with continuity of service he will sutomatically be reinstated in the coverage he had prior to the layoff without payment of initistion fees, back dues or a waiting period. For the dependent of such an employee to be eligible for maternity benefits, the dependent must have been covered by Coverage B for at least 10 months before the need for hospitalization and surgery arises.

Periods during which coverage is not maintained will be deducted in figuring eligibility under either A or B.

Employees laid off for lack of work who desire to maintain their MBA coverage should report to the MBA office in Bldg. 8-2, where a cash card will be msde out. This card msy then be taken to the cashier in Bldg. 18-1, where the payment will be accepted. It is not necessary to obtain a cash card for each payment, only for the first one. It is not necessary for the employee to go to his individnal payroll office.



Anyone wanting any mice exterminated just call on Herb Koch. The story goes like this, Eileen Hennen discovered a wee little mouse in her paper basket and asked Herb to get rid of it, and what happened? The little mouse bit Herb on the finger, thumbed his little nose and ran away. What did Herb do? He turned red of face and crawled behind the calendar on his desk! My hero! . . . Pass the limburger cheese to Vern Castle, he didn't get quite enough the other night. . . . The birthday club met at Machon's for their usual meeting. Ann Lapadot was hostess and Audrey Hickernell and Olga Welch had birthdays. Those present were Laurel Weaver, Dorothy Askren, Florence Knigbt, Dorothy Mills, Luella Bixler, Audrey Hickernell, Ann Lapadot, Olga Welch and Marvelene Butts who had her sister Norma as guest. The next meeting will be a lake party at the lake cottage of Belle Buchan. . . . And now that vacation time is here again, let's all be very careful, have a good vacation and come back healthy and happy. SAFE DRIVING.

Special Offer Made On Portable Welders By Employees' Store

The 130-amp, Shop-Farm-Home, portable welder is now being offered for a limited time to all G-E employees at tbe low price of $41.50, which is about one-third the list price.

Anyone wishing to take advantage of this offer should inquire at the Employees' store.

For many uses around the home, the portable welder is indispensable. It provides a quick and easy means of repairing, modifying or building nceded equipment. Included with the welder are all the necessary accessories.

Seely Invents Two Protective Means For FHP Motors



R. E. Seely

Two patents have been granted to Richard E. Seely on his inventions dealing with means for protecting motors from damage due to excessive temperature. Mr. Seely is a design engineer in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Development Engineering division.

One of the inventions involves protection of a motor by means of a resistor in the neutral circuit of a Y-connected polyphase motor. Heat from this resistor due to excessive current in the motor causes a vapor-type relay to remove power from the motor. Mr. Seely's other invention gives protection to the motor by having the sensitive element of the vapor-type overload relay buried in the end-turn windings of the motor so that excessive temperature of those windings from any cause will result in de-energizing the motor.

Mr. Seely has been employed by General Electric since 1942. These are his first patents.



Gurney Lindley is thinking of having an elcvator installed in his home so his wife won't have to climb those treacherous steps anymore. . . . Lyle Claphan is in the market for any used tires—popular size or oversize to take care of the heavy load that he hauls in the rear seat. . . . Paul Boedeker received a fine fried chicken for lunch recently. Upon getting his appetite all set and going to the drawer for said chicken, he found it had flew the coop. Several fellows had been offering him chicken bones, so Paul went to the cafeteria for his dinncr. It really was good chicken, too. . . . Bill Walde spent one Saturday shopping for seat covers and after selecting what he thought was a good bargain made his purchase, only to find they were advertised the following week at a greatly reduced price. . . . John Driver was passing cigars to Fred Boehm last week, the result of Fred's recently successful campaign. . . . This brings us all to vacation time, so wherever you go, take it easy, drive carefully, start early so you don't have to hurry. A happy safe vacation to you all.



Well that long awaited time is here. The two most important weeks of the year finally arrived. Vacation at last. Wonderful, isn't it? . . . From Mr. Hanson "Thanks to all for your fine cooperation in getting out all those 'hot' samples before the shutdown. To every member of this Division and your families, we wish a happy and safe vacation. Will see you in a couple of weeks and swap yarns about our experiences. Perhaps we should have a prize for the 'best story'." . . . Here's a toast to bigger fires and firemen to match. Buck Lydy is trying to be a bigger fireman—well anyway, we hear he ate 18 barbecues at the firemens' picnic. Some capacity. . . . Things have come to a pretty pass when the euchre crowd will change a whole dollar for one penny. That's what happened to Sid Borton. . . . John Putman may know his onions, but he doesn't know his potatoes. He recently took home a sack of spuds that looked swell on top but the deeper he got in the sack the worse the "Irishers" got. Some people have all the luck—bad that is. . . . Bill Schultz may put his money in a double catch purse, but Sol Andorfer puts his in a gallon jug. Easy to put in but hard to get out, he says. . . . "Professor" Don Thomas' graduating class is still waiting for their diplomas. Don was supposed to teach Jim Smith, Tony Miller and Ray Solga how to catch bass. The diploma was one of Don's special baits called "Eerie." Now the boys have learned their lessons, but so far no diploma. . . . Mike Lowe very suddenly began parking on the lot instead of along the street. Wonder if those little pink tickets could be the reason? . . . Today we say "So long and loads of good luck" to Elnor Laymon who is leaving us to take up housekeeping. From all the gang our best wishes to you and much happiness in your new role of housewife and mother. . . . When Norb Lose was asked what was wrong with his eyes one morning, he gave this answer. He had a cold in one and the other was bloodshot from lack of sleep. We couldn't tell which was which 'till the next day after a good night's sleep only the eye with the cold was obvious. Must be a case of sleeping with one eye open. . . . Les Stauch, as usual, will spend his vacation at his cottage at Jimmerson Lake. He is now in the process of rebuilding and enlarging his cottage so he will spend his time cracking the whip over the carpenters. At least he'll have a good excuse for not catching any fish. . . . Some of the placcs our people can be found during the vacation are: Henry Roemke, Northern Michigan and Clear Lake; Floyd Shellenbarger, Northern Michigan; Gerry Holdgreve, Northern Michigan and Canada; Don Thomas, Minnesota; Ray Solga, North Dakota; Norb Lose, Crooked Lake; Louie DeVoe, Big Long Lake; Don Kruse, Clear Lake; Harold Drage, Northern Michigan. Bill Mills and Walter Beeth still don't know if their wives will let them go anyplace or whether they have to stay at home and work. . . . Jay Hensler approached Bill Decker trying to buy his daily penny cigarettc, but Bill refused since his supply was rather low. However, Bill did suggest that Jay contact Jess Romine. Jay offered Jess a penny for one of his favorite weeds. Jess agreed to sell. When Jay opened his leather wallet to obtain the penny Decker saw two winged creatures resembling small butterflies, fly out. What could they be? And then there is the one about the guy who wore a pair of pants for nine years and the pockets were brand new. . . . HAVE A WONDERFUL VACATION, GANG.

Erb Retires



F. E. Erb

Fred E. Erb, Sr., will retire Monday, Aug. 1. He is now on a three-weeks vacation, before his retirement becomes effective.

Mr. Erb began at General Electric June 12, 1913. During most of his 36 years with the Company he was a toolmaker in the General Tool division. At the time of his retirement, he worked in Bldg. 19-4.

Thomas Gets Patent To Improve Control Power Of Amplidyne



C. A. Thomas

The United States Patent Office has granted a patent to Charles A. Thomas on his invention of an improvement in amplidyne generators.

Mr. Thomas is a group leader in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Development Engineering division. His invention results in a considerable decrease in power requirement for controlling the output of the amplidyne by the use of a non-linear material such as Thyrite in a self-excited field of the generator.

Mr. Thomas has been employed in tbe FHP Engineering divisions since 1935. This is the sixth patent which has been granted to him. him.



Our vacation that we have all been planning and waiting for is here. Tomorrow most of us are planning trips and we hope that everyone will have a wonderful time. Drive safely so that our division will have a perfect roll call Aug. 15. . . . Ed Lauer was telling the gang a joke about some fellow in the division that he had previously worked in receiving a red esr from answering the telephone. But someone in the crowd must have heard the joke before, for all the while Ed was tslking he was unaware that he was sporting a green ear. . . . Our apologies to Don McCrea. We made the statement that he was the one overtaken by a lawn mower. The one we really meant was James McCray. . . . A belated birthday wish to Louise Lingrich and hope she has many more. . . . "This Couldn't Happen Again" is a good theme song for Almetta Smith. She shut the alarm off and decided on a few more winks of sleep. Her conscience must have bothered her, for when she awokc the second time the alarm clock was in bed with her. . . . If you would like to see into the future, see Madam Linsky of the winding section. Dan Reuille did, and if you can rely on her predictions Dan is going to bc a busy little man. She can see three wives in store for him and with this high cost of living too. . . . We miss that pleasant chatter since Lola Brunner went to second trick. Good luck, Lola. . . . Frank Clibon gets a bang out of mocking the girls the way they sing out for more wire. Their only comment is that he doesn't sound like Nelson Eddy, either. . . . Lena Forker's invitation was well meant when she offered to take Dorothy Linsky home the night of the rain. By the time they reached, the car, botb of them would have felt much better walking. . . . Wanda Grim has had a black paint job done on her car. Now it shines right along witb the best of them. . . . At the end of the second trick everyone makes a mad dash for home including Wade Bowman. But on the average of three nights a week he comes back after the lights have all been turned out hunting for his keys. We are correct, aren't we, Wade, it is your keys isn't it?

Office Offerings

We bid farewell to Mr. Bowman. It has been a pleasure working with you, Cliff, and we all wish you lots of luck. . . . Here are a few pleasant trips that the gang is planning for their vacation. Jim Wellman is going to Glacier National Park; Agnes Brunner, Miami, Fla.; Helen Deloff, Miami and then to Cuba; Therese Lindenberg, Michigan to fish; Howard Draper, Crooked Lake to fish; Bret won on his deal. It's Colorado again for the Youngs. Jim Voirol, Lake James just to loaf; Chris Starkc is spending one week at the lake and then they are entertaining relatives from Alaska. His son after spending two months in Alaska is also returning. Carroll Kane still doesn't know what to do witb his time. . . . And last but not least, Al Coxson. He's just going to take short trips. We don't know where but we did give him a few suggestions.

Heed your speed! A speed violation is reported in about one out of every three fatal traffic accidents. The faster you go the longer it takes to stop—and the harder you hit when you don't.



Children were "princes and princesses" for an evening, Wednesday, July 13, at the Elex Club picnic. West Swinney park became a wonderland of rides and food for the 195 small guests. To make the day complete, each child received a balloon and four tickets to the various rides. With an excuse to keep an eye on the children, 165 Elex members also attended the picnic to tryout the whip or merry-go-round.

Twelve Elex members were kept busy serving the 720 hot dogs and mountains of potato salad and baked beans. Free pop was also available to quench everyone's thirst. The young guests had such a good time that they wanted to know if and when the next outing would be. To answer the inquiries—it has been announced that there will be another picnic for the children next year.

Clarkson Named

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Mr. Clarkson is a member of the Fort Wayne Engineers Club, the Chamber of Commerce, G-E Squares Club, and the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. His hobbies include fishing and woodworking. He lives at 910 Illsley drive, is married and has two children.

Graduate of Penn State

After receiving his BS-EE degree from Pennsylvania State University, Mr. Noble came to General Electric in 1904 as a test engineer at the Schenectady Works. In 1906 he was assigned to installation duties in the Direct Current division. He became a Design Engineer in that division in 1918 and later became connected with the development of automatic arc welding equipment.

Mr. Noble came to Fort Wayne in 1925 to be in charge of engineering of what is now the Motor and Generator division. Three years later he was appointed Assistant Engineer of the FHP Motor Engineering division, becoming Engineer in 1934. He has held the position of Manager of Engineering, FHP Motor divisions, from 1947 until the time of his retirement.

He is a member of Phi Delta Theta and Phi Kappa Phi fraternities, the G-E Squares Club, Fort Wayne Engineers Club and the Fort Wayne Country Club. He is also a fellow of the AIEE. Mr. Noble is an enthusiastic fisherman, having traveled to Minnesota for the past 10 years. He also has a complete woodworking shop in his home. Another hobby is golf.

Mr. Noble resides at 932 Kinnaird. His family consists of his wife, three married children, and two grandchildren.

Stop, look and lessen grade crossing accidents. Slow up before the crossing, don't stop dead at it. If the train gives a hoot for your life, so should you.



My mind has been so filled with hospital visits, pretty little nurses, diets, other people in trouble, that it is hard to think that vacation time is here. (An 82-year-old mother with an emergency operation causes all kinds of worries). The crisis over and now there is time to look around for news, and what do I find? Everyone completely absorbed with their work trying to get caught up before today. Some places I saw piles of maps, others color charts for the painting that has been put off; advertisements for play togs, fishing equipment and some even looking wishfully at boat pictures. 'Tis said the joy of anticipation is even greater than the realization—now, that I do not believe! So, where ever and what ever you go or do on your vacation it is our sincere desire that you enjoy it to the utmost—only again let me say "Play Safe."

OUR CONGRATULATIONS: Herman Volmerding, Bldg. 18-4, has completed 40 years with General Electric. He started working for the Company in May, 1909, as a clerk in Order and Stores for R. D. Harding. Aside from time out in World War I he has been associated with the Order and Stores, cost and accounting and is now working under G. D. White. His friends in Bldg. 18-4 presented him with a very handsome billfold. . . . It was very pleasant having Grace Merchant of Taylor Street helping with the work in Bldg. 18-4. We all miss seeing her and incidentally she will spend her vacation in Yellowstone Park with her family. . . . We understand that C. H. Matson and his family will spend the vacation time at their cottage, Suttons Bay in Michigan. . . . E. F. Waldschmidt, Bldg. 18-1, and L. C. Swager, Bldg. 18-2, will be at Baldwin, Mich. . . . Robert Wylie, Bldg. 18-1, will go to Gatlenberg, Tenn. . . . Howard Miller, of Bldg. 18-2, will be cruising around, and J. E. Estabrook will go to Syracuse, N. Y. . . . More vacation plans—this time from Payroll, Bldg. 18-1: Elizabeth Carnell states, "I plan to drive to Cincinnati, then on home in West Virginia, taking my mother with me. I'll wear shoes, so I will be sure to remember how they feel." . . . Opal Burns reports that she and her husband are planning a trip through the southwest, plan to see the Ozarks, Grand Canyon and other points of interest. . . . Julia Waldrop will go to Chicago and then on to Adams Lake, Wis. . . . Juanita Spice has this to say, "My husband, daughter, sister-in-law and myself are planning a trip to Washington, D. C. The sister-in-law is Mrs. Harry Foster, who is visiting this country from England. Any message you want delivered to Harry will be relayed I am sure." . . . "I plan to spend one week in Jackson, Mich., and the other is for complete rest," reports Lee Strasser. . . . William Spahr will join the group at Baldwin, Mich. . . . Derrell Williams and wife will visit in Columbus, Ohio. . . . You can see the Payroll division will be on the "wheel." . . . Jean Rose and husband are on their way to Quebec for the vacation time.

GOODBY: Jean Ehring, Bldg. 18-1, will leave this week for a few months time out from G-E. We will miss you Jean, and let us hear from you. . . . BLDG. 18-3: It looks like vacation time will be a second honeymoon for the Howard Drapers. They are on their way to Niagara Falls. . . . The Fords, of Bldg. 18-3, are spending their time fishing and visiting Chicago. . . . Clara Tieshman just returned from a two weeks' vacation at Lake James. . . . R. Archbald is planning to paint his house—at least one coat. . . . OUR VACATION THOUGHT: "Fortunately, happiness is something that depends not on position but on disposition, and life is what you make it."

Schafenacker Completes 40 Years



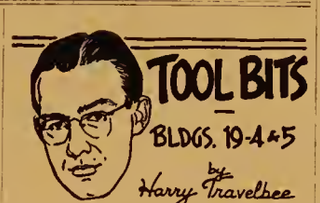
Fred Schafenacker, Supervisor of FHP Mechanical Facilities, Tools and Supplies at Taylor St.; recently completed 40 years with the Company. At a luncheon honoring his anniversary, Mr. Schafenacker received a 40-year service certificate. Attending the presentation were: (l. to r.) George Auer, Tiffin Plant Mgr.; E. W. Lankenau, Decatur Plant Mgr.; D. H. Hanson, FHP Div. 33 Supt.; H. G. Siebold, FHP Div. 15 Supt.; Fred Campbell, FHP Div. 14 Supt.; E. F. Harmison, DeKalb Plant Mgr.; A. J. Rose, FHP Production Mgr.; L. W. Kuttner, Assistant to Mgr. of FHP Manufacturing; M. E. Lord, Mgr. of FHP Motor Divisions; A. W. Bartling, Mgr. of FHP Sales; Mr. Schafenacker; O. J. Mettler, FHP Div. 1 Supt.; Lisle Hodell, Mgr. of FHP Manufacturing; W. H. Franke, FHP Divisions 19 and 20 Supt.; R. C. Dennison, FHP Div. 17 Supt.; W. K. Williams, Assistant to Mgr. of FHP Manufacturing; H. E. Koehling, FHP Div. 13 Supt.; L. I. Asher, FHP Divisions Accountant, and H.E. Boles, FHP Div. 16 Supt.



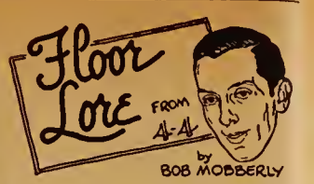
It looks as though Div. 17 will be well represented in Northern Michigan during the first two weeks in August. Francis Thomas and family are going to a lake near Cadillac, and Tommy is taking his fishing tackle along just in case he gets around to do some fishing. . . . Fred Hagadorn is taking a trip to Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and is planning to meet George Denner at Munising, Mich., and they are going to try their luck at some Great Lakes fishing. . . . George Bridges and Paul Horstmeyer are going to Michigan, too, but they are just going for the trip and said they would let the other boys catch the fish. . . . Marge Stodgell and Jean Harmes are going to Pretty Lake for part of their vacation, and then Marge is spending some time at her home in Kokomo. . . . Ed Schotter is going to southern Indiana to visit his mother and "eat a lot of blackberries" and then going on to the Smoky Mountains. . . . Dora and Everett Smith are planning a trip to Oklahoma and Arkansas to visit Dora's family. . . . I'm afraid Bill Caston won't have a very restful vacation because he is planning to paint his house. . . . Peggy Turschmann is going to have a rough job, too, she is going to WATCH her husband build a garage and paint their house. Do take it easy, Peg, and don't over do it. . . . Hugh Neely and Gordon Smith say they are going to just plain LOAF. If Gordon gets tired of sitting he says they might go to Chicago for a ball game or two and a stage show. . . . Hank Gollmer is expecting to move into his new house and have it all ready for the wife when she comes home from her visit to the hospital. . . . Norma Bastian, Ann Smith and Melrose Bryson are staying home (me too) and doing a little house cleaning. Ann's sister is coming to Fort Wayne for a visit from Alabama. . . . Ralph Dennison and family are also going on a fishing trip in upper Michigan. But Kenny Sheehan says he doesn't have to go to Michigan to catch fish, so he is staying home at Crooked Lake. . . . After Charlie Gable gets his kitchen remodeling done he is planning to take the family to the Indiana Sand Dunes for a few days. . . . Gene Foster and son Mike (two months old) are going fishing, but Gene says he doesn't know what else the wife has planned. . . . Have a nice vacation everyone, but do be careful, because we want to be sure and see you all back in two weeks.



Folks, that grand vacation time has finally arrived. So let's relax—think it over and really enjoy and have a nice vacation. . . . If planning a trip no matter where it might be, remember it will still be there even if you are a few hours late. No doubt you all hear it over the air many times a week. The life you save may be your own. So drive carefully and safely so at least you get there in one piece. If planning on fishing and swimming we think you know the rules. So play it safe and be among the living when we see you in two weeks. Folks, remember no matter what you plan to do always be ready to meet Him who created you. This is the most important of all. For eternity as you all know lasts forever. Now please take it easy so that we can see you all in a couple of weeks. . . . Our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Alton Corson whose daughter died of polio.



Don Alcott says (and we all agree) that flat tires are very irritating and he has the blisters to prove it. He had a flat tire over the week-end and with no free air handy, so he had to use muscle power to pump it up. Good way to keep in shape. Don claims that there was only one thing wrong—he didn't have any dill pickles to refresh him when he had the tire fixed. . . . We are just wondering if there is any truth in the story that is going around that Myron Auer is going to play ball with the Laisies. That is, if they are still playing when his shoulder is healed. As you know, Myron dislocated his right shoulder in a softball game at Frankfort in an attempt to stop a run from scoring at the plate. See you on the diamond, Myron—but with what team? . . . "Nothing so refreshing as a nice nap," says Chet Stoner—unless it is the nice gentle way that Ray Mutton wakens him. It is a mystery to us how Chet can sleep through the noon bull session. . . . If good and plentiful equipment mean success in fishing, then Pearl Schoaf should come back from Big Star Lake with plenty of fish. He was telling some of the boys about all the tackle and fishing gear he and the Mrs. own and it is amazing. Among the latest is a couple new bait boxes that are tops. We even hear that the worms they carry in these boxes are guaranteed to catch fish. We hear you talking, Pearl, and it sounds mighty good. . . . We have been leaving the ladies out of the news lately, so let's start giving them a line or two. We hear that Chet Reynolds' wife has been reading so many ads advocating the large economy size that she decided to try the idea on a cake. As she finished one cake, she decided to bake another just like it to make two layers. It took all of her strength to carry it to the table and place it into the cake cover—only to find that the cake was about two inches too high for the cover. Economical though—one slice serves four people.



Since the lead article should be the most important one of any column, we are more than proud to begin this week's news with the item that Bill Putt has returned to the section after several months of severe illness. Everyone, and we emphasize EVERYONE, in the section is more than glad to see Bill back again and to know that he had the courage and determination to overcome his serious illness. We all join in hoping that the trip down the road to a healthy and happy life shall be yours from now on, Bill. . . . It was reported, and we do not hesitate to point out that we cannot verify its authenticity, but we understand that Nena Foster placed a new electric fan in her bedroom window the other evening. Came the dawn, Nena awoke to discover that the room had cooled off considerably. In the early light things are not as easy to see and poor Nena backed into the fan. Leaving her gown in tattered shreds that resembled a curtain. Nena, did we confuse gown and curtain? . . . We overheard Ivan Ford singing a currently favorite song to himself the other day, since he has his hair cut in the crew cut style. The song he was singing? "I Don't See You In My Eyes Anymore." . . . Clarence Didier proved a point in question to Margaret Parisot last week. Margaret it seems was having quite a time laughing at Clarence's expense, but just like the adage "He who laughs last, laughs the longest" Clarence did enjoy the last laugh, didn't he Margaret? . . . Proof that hot weather and summer is here is testified by Ray Smith. That Smith named Ray brought in some snake eggs for the Repair and Return group to witness. . . . Leon Radamaker was surprised at Voyce Brumbaugh last week when he noticed her face so red from rouge. Voyce, as everyone knows is very conservative when it comes to makeup, but we wonder what it was that Leon said to Voyce? . . . Since most people who write have a pet peeve about one thing or another, we feel we should voice one of ours. It is the telephone. This invention like so many others in this modern world was intended to make our life and other people's lives a bit easier and a little more pleasant. But like other objects, it is only as good as the people who handle it. The automobile is servant to nearly everyone, yet it can become, within a fraction of a second, an instrument of death when it is in the hands of a maniac! So it is with the telephone, it too can become a merciless instrument when people who use vile language over it and those few people who use it as a tool to create animosity among others. Once again it isn't the phone that is to blame, only the person using it without any regard for the feelings of others. . . . We understand Gladys Stahly has a reserved seat for special occasions! Who is in charge of those reservations, Gladys? . . . Old Mr. Stork gifted Nena Foster with a niece last week. Congratulations, "Aunt Nena." . . . We can't finish this column without a note about Walter Sollberger's latest name. Henceforth, Walt is known as "Money Bag Solly." Check him for further details.

Every year hundreds of motorists crash into the sides of trains. In no instance has the railroad been put out of business.

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G-E APPLIANCES STAR . . . "Shooting" starts on a series of Hollywood-mode films to help sell General Electric applionces. Taking part are, from left, Marge Horper, G-E home economist; Rosemory LaPlanche, director Gordon, and George E. Simons, G-E major applionce odvertising manager, Bridgeport.



IN THE LIMELIGHT . . . General Electric Lighting Specialist Marius Talentino, right, was interviewed by Al Nagler, Sports Director of Station WJBK, Detroit, on a recent television broadcast featuring the G-E lighting job at Detroit's Briggs Stadium, which makes it the best lighted baseball park in the world.



OFF TO THE RACES . . . Severol G-E men of the Fort Wayne Works ond their sons recently became model racing enthusiosts, formed their own club and erected a standard 25-foot trock. Here H. J. Murphy, left, and R. C. Dennison start their racer for a spin oround track. Some models hit speed of 70 miles per hour.



ON THE BEAM . . . This comely cyclist is displaying G-E's new automobile-type heodlomp designed for bicycles. The new seoled-beom type headlamp, which produces a beom pottern opproximotely 5 feet wide ond 30 feet long, results in sofer cycling after dork.



THREE LITTLE KIDS . . . Her two playmates provide plenty of entertainment for cute little 3-year-old Diane Dunton. She's the doughter of Ray Dunton of the Fort Edword, N. Y. Plant.

Syracuse Employees Vote to Improve



1. R. C. Goodwin, General Chairman of the MBA at Syracuse, first discusses employees' desires for revision with each Section Chairman. Here he talks to Martha Bracken, Receiver Division, and Earl Rogers, of the Transmitter Division. Several health plans were studied in comparison to MBA benefits.

At Syracuse recently, employees who belong to the Mutual Benefit Association voted to revise the Plan to provide greater benefits in line with increased hospital and sickness costs. The picture story on these pages tells how the improvements were conceived, discussed thoroughly by the MBA Committee members, and explained to all employees, who instructed their representatives to vote for the improvements.

Foresight and co-operation have resulted in the successful operation of many employee benefit plans at General Electric—Savings Plans, Pensions, Group Insurance, Health Insurance, Relief and Loan, Educational Assistance, and others. All have proved of untold value to thousands of G-E workers by giving them an economical means of providing protection against emergencies. Each year, the Company contributes millions of dollars to such benefits.

To keep these plans abreast of the changing needs and desires of members, surveys are made from time to time, and suggested changes considered. After the suggested changes have been explained to employees, they are then offered to members for their approval.



2. Each Section Chairman then discussed the plan with his section directors. Earl Rogers (back to camera) is shown talking to (from left) Emmett Valentine, Charles Miller, Mrs. Wilma DeGarmo, Leslie Craver, and Wallis Cunningham, about the suggestions.



4. Every employee was advised of proposed amended plan both by letter and announcement in the *G-E News*. Here Walter Guenther, Sam Rizzo, and Herbert Rousche study the proposal. Employees then discussed new plan with their Section Chairmen so that vote could be taken at General Committee meeting, which followed a few days later.



3. Based on these discussions, the MBA Executive Committee instructs General Chairman R. C. Goodwin (back to camera) to present proposed amended plan to membership. From l. to r. they are: J. P. Adams, R. F. Williamson (standing), W. J. Nealon and H. N. Blocher. A fifth committee member, Chester Kubic from the Utica Receiver Works, was absent for this picture.



5. General Committee of 16 Sectional Chairmen meet to vote on proposed plan. Here they cast their ballots. MBA Secretary Jeanne Vollmer is seated at left, and R. C. Goodwin, General Chairman, at right. Approval was unanimous.

Their MBA Plan



6. Applications for membership were distributed to each employee at Syracuse and Utica. Here the MBA Chairman at Utica explains new surgical benefits to three employees, Mary Pastorella, Frances M. LoScalo, and Josephine Corelli. MBA Chairman Chester Kubic is the second from the right.



7. Many employees, who had not previously belonged, recognized advantages of revised plan and joined. Here, in final step, signing up at Syracuse, are: Charles W. Myron (handing his application to Jeanne Vollmer, MBA Secretary), and Shirley Ann Ruth, both of whom joined the new plan.



8. In addition to a 40% increase in the disability benefit, the revised plan provides a 60% increase in Hospitalization payments, needed to cover the increased cost of hospital services.



9. Surgical benefits, up to $150, are entirely new in the revised plan; cover employee and dependents.



10. The maternity benefit for wives of members has been increased to $75 in any authorized hospital.



11. Special services, such as the X-ray illustrated here, have been increased from $15 to $25. Other new and increased benefits are part of the revised plan.

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READIED FOR TEST . . . Here a scale model jet engine compressor is being installed prior to testing at the General Electric Company's Lynn, Mass. Works. This model will be laboratory-tested for altitudes up to 70,000 feet and temperatures from 70 degrees below zero to 150 degrees above.



DOWN AMONG THE GOLDFISH . . . At recent Radio Parts Show in Chicago, an entire General Electric record player and two loudspeakers were completely immersed in a goldfish bowl. To prove that the units were really operating, model Beverly Long picks up speaker, directly connected to the phonograph.



CAN YOU TOP THIS? . . . The Fort Wayne Works is laying claim to having the woman employee with the longest service in the General Electric Company. Bessie Chapman, above, boasts a record of 43 years of service with the Company.





RIDING HIGH . . . The Kyrat Polo team, composed of G-E employees of the Switchgear Divisions, Philadelphia, goes into action as polo season opened recently. At left, these G-E girls pause before path ride: Alice Leighton, Stella Zlatkus, Jean Pacitti, Mary Waters and Mary Dunn.

MOTOR and GENERATOR

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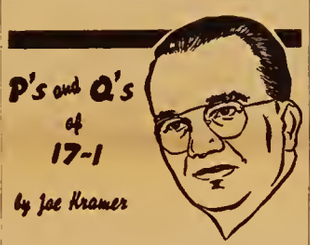
Thought for the Week: "If you want to be beautiful, sweet, serene and lovable in your old age, better begin now. That result is not attained at the last minute."

ODDS AND ENDS . . . You can't appreciate home until you have left it; money until it's spent; your wife until she's joined a woman's club, nor Old Glory until you see it hanging on a broomstick on the shanty of a consul in a foreign country. . . . Looking around the office at the various sunburns, kinda reminds you that maybe they have given the country back to the redskins. . . . Hope all of you have a nice vacation and return safely. As for your reporter, I intend to make a front porch campaign of it. If anybody wants to run over yours truly, they have to get me on the front porch. . . . PREPARED: We are willing to bet that Bert Spencer's boyhood companions in the old "Skunk Patrol" will be proud of our Bertram when they read this story. The Boy Scout motto is "Be Prepared" and Bert believes in following that teaching to the limit. Last Sunday, Bud Fisher drove to Clear Lake in search of a cool spot and after arriving met Bert. The usual greetings were exchanged and Bert inquired if Bud had been swimming. Bud replied that he didn't have a bathing suit. Sez Mr. Spencer, "You should be like Boy Scouts, always prepared." Saying this Bert began removing his clothing, much to the embarrassment of Mr. Fisher and the ladies who, knowing Bert, didn't know what to expect. "See," said Bert, displaying bathing trunks under his trousers, "I was in about an hour ago." . . . THERE IS: Speaking of Boy Scouts, Art Druce and Lyle Daugherty met a man who evidently remembered his boyhood training. The Rover Boys were returning from the lake, and Lyle probably thinking of the fish he didn't take from the lake, forgot to check the gasoline supply. As a consequence at about 11 p.m. and several miles outside Waterloo the car came to a stop and the boys started their trek in search of gas. After they had walked quite a distance down the highway toward Waterloo, a motorist drove alongside and inquired, "Are you boys having trouble?" When informed that they were, he backed his car around Lyle's and pushed them into Waterloo. That should convince skeptics that à spirit of courtesy still exists among motorists. P. S.: May we suggest that in the future, the Rover Boys check their gas. Next time they may not be so lucky. . . . QUIET: Since Jim Mitchell is on leave of absence and Pappy Archbold is taking his extra week of vacation, things are so quiet you not only can hear a pin drop, you can hear some of the boys drop off to sleep. . . . LIFE'S TRAGEDY: From "Junior" Brosius, raconteur of Bldg. 31-1, we received the following story. Charley Fisher, who lives out Laotto way, came to work the other day in a happy frame of mind. He sat down at his desk, thrust his hand into his pocket and the look of happiness was replaced by one of consternation. "What will happen to me shouldn't happen to a dog," he remarked, "my wife has to use the car today, and I carried the only set of keys to work."

Volmerding Has 40th Anniversary



H. F. Volmerding, Purchasing and Stores section, in Bldg. 18-4, recently celebrated his 40th anniversary with the Company. On this occasion he was presented a certificate denoting his long service at General Electric. Present at the time he received the certificate were: (l. to r.) Fred White, R. L. Flightner, E. T. Dahlin, Paul Lenz, Mr. Volmerding, H. S. Shields, C. H. Starke, G. D. White, Purchasing Agent, and A. E. Leider, Mgr. of Production Service division.



The advanced scouts for vacation information have just returned and we are happy to report road conditions and fishing are very good. . . . Scout Ed Arthur and Henry Wichern investigated the possibility of catching fish the past week. Ed traveled to Wisconsin and returned a card saying the fish he caught weighed up to 5 pounds. Henry returned and has reported that there are still plenty of fish left to be caught. He was noncommittal about his experiences fishing. . . . The scout we sent to investigate road conditions was Paul Geiger and he reports conditions of the roads in the South are very good. Also that the Smoky Mountains are still in the same location. . . . We are sorry we won't have a report from George Mosshammer on conditions in Chicago as he is spending this week there. George is going to see all the high spots, including the Railroad Fair and other places of interest. He will spend a good part of the time at Roselawn and also he is going to visit Gary. . . . Ed Brosche is traveling to Florida to check on a lake located just outside of Orlando to see if a hurricane has blown the lake dry lately. . . . Ted Brockmeyer and his wife Alice of Bldg. 17-3 are motoring South to Mammoth Cave and other parts of interest in Kentucky and Tennessee. . . . Andy Degler is going to spend his vacation picking fruit. Andy says the heavy crop this year is due to his scientific pruning of trees this spring. . . . Cliff (Tidy) Coombs is going to spend his vacation in Fort Wayne. Cliff had consulted the almanac and discovered fishing for those two weeks was not going to be very good, so he rented his cottage out for the vacation period. We imagine Cliff left that new G-E refrigerator full of frozen fish for the renters. . . . Curly Sprague is going to spend his time teaching his boy to use a sling shot which Curly has perfected in the past six months. . . . Bill Franke said he doesn't have any definite plans, but will probably take a motor trip east into Pennsylvania. We wonder if the Dodgers will be playing in Brooklyn that week. . . . Bill Grimm is motoring Southwest to visit his father-in-law. . . . If Gerry Humbarger can regain his strength or horrow a hoist to take on his vacation, he is going to do some fishing. Gerry reports the kind of fish he catches require a lot of strength to pull them in. . . . Anyone wishing some company at the lake should contact Clarence Doctor. As yet, he hasn't received an invitation and would appreciate spending his vacation with someone at the lake. . . . We know that a straight line is the shortest distance between two points, also that as a crow flies the mileage is considerably reduced. Now, Ed Arthur reports that it is only 80 miles to Knoxville as the Hudson rides. . . . We are glad to welcome Bob Kessens to Bldg. 17-1 organization. Leo Nyboer would like for Bob to quit smoking those gas-filled cigars or turn off the fan in back of him so that it doesn't blow the air over to Leo. . . . Frank Gitter and Loyal Decker are going to spend considerable time sampling the beef they put in the deep freezer the past week. . . . Whether Ernie Riley is going to California this summer or not is a question. It was reported in early spring that outside pressure just about had Ernie convinced he should make the trip to California. There is no late information available at the present time. . . . Eddie Kronmiller is going to the lake the first week and intends to spend two or three days of the second week in Chicago. . . . May everyone have a pleasant, safe and enjoyable vacation. Will see you again in two weeks—have a good time.



Vacation time is here again and everyone is hoping to enjoy it, each in his own way. Some will stay home to do the things that have been accumulating, others will just rest. Those who own cottages as well as those fortunate enough to be able to rent accommodations at the nearby lakes will spend their time relaxing there. In this group we find Herb Franke, who will be at his regular spot in Rome City; True Sheets at Pretty Lake, and Ray Lepper, fishing of course, in Gilead Lake. . . . Hilda Walda expects to catch the limit at Evans Lake in Michigan, and Ed Glusenkamp goes on up into Wisconsin to try his luck. . . . Gladys Elliott will visit relatives in Wisconsin, and Mary Stewart plans to fly to North Carolina to be with her sister. . . . Al Sonnenberg is driving through Wisconsin to see the Dells, up to Duluth, Minn., and back via upper peninsula of Michigan. Roy Blessing plans a similar trip though longer which will extend into Canada. . . . Erna Mann is accompanying a conducted tour through Colorado. Virginia Gebhart and her husband are driving to Colorado; and Irma Miller and her party expect to see Yellowstone Park, Salt Lake City as well as stops in and around Denver. Bessie Potts and her husband will drive to Long Beach, Calif., to spend their vacation with a daughter. Your reporter will visit her brothers, one in Colorado and another in California. . . . Helen Hardy will accompany her family to Philadelphia where they will visit relatives, and Betty Williams and her sister are taking a trip to Niagara Falls. . . . To Herschel O'Dier, who is recuperating from an operation, we wish a speedy recovery.



George Myers is spending his vacation in Michigan. . . . Wanda Bailey has been on the sick list. . . . William Heim was a recent visitor at the office. . . . The new test engineer is L. Max Lane. . . . As of July 21 Lohnas McIntosh is the proud father of a baby girl. Congratulations, Mac. . . . Christine Andrews doesn't drive very much, but the day she drove back to work, it turned out wrong for her or we should say the other driver turned out wrong—result, two cars colliding. . . . Our sympathy is extended to Jim and Harry Staley on the death of their brother-in-law. . . . Paul Hancher is going to spend his vacation in Michigan. . . . William Kohls was a proud grandfather this week. Bill says he now has in his family a daughter, son-in-law, and a granddaughter born on July 20. . . . Everyone probably knows by now that Frank Braun has purchased a red Oldsmobile. The other day "Braunie" told Mina Lampy to look over his new car when she went home as it was parked beside her Nash. So after work Mina rushed out to see the Olds but there wasn't any red Olds at the side of the Nash or any in sight. Next day Mina asked "Braunie" about not finding his Olds beside her Nash the night before. "Braunie" said he has become so accustomed to walking that he forgot he had walked and left his car at home. In fact, Mina is almost sure it will be sometime before "Braunie" gets used to driving instead of walking. Now the only thing that is in question is just how many miles do you get to the gallon, "Braunie"? . . . Oh yes, Ralph Roop, Tool Room, is finally proud to say he now has a granddaughter. . . . Our sincere sympathy to Rolla Jackson upon the death of his wife. . . . We wonder how Rita Wellman can get her work out on Thursdays. She claims it's so-o-o-o easy. . . . The Chevies have it this week. Zula Holloway and hubby are purchasers of a new black Chevy. It sure is going to be nice driving on their vacation trips. . . . Why was it you went to Celina last week, Reva? Was that trip necessary? Anyway hope you had an enjoyable evening. . . . Leonard Meyer is a regular attendant at the Geels Music Ranch. Is that what keeps you so supple, Leonard? . . . Till her Walt comes Leona Tinner is counting the hours. . . . What do you make of a situation like this when a fellow employee goes frog hunting and comes back with three legs. Could it have been a freak or do you think there was a stripe in the back? Jay Moser, is that the way the frogs are out your way? . . . Ercie McConnell and family will be vacationing at Spider Lake, Minn. . . . The John Owens family are also at Spider Lake, Wis. . . . The "Berne Irishman" Sweeney is back on end play throttle operation. How about some of those Irish whistling ditties again. . . . Pat Girod claims she won't have to get ready to go anywhere for the next two weeks. She's probably enjoying vacation at the little homestead. . . . Emma Goldner, are you going to ride the ski lift again this vacation? We hear you are going East again with your family.

When you take a chance in traffic, someone else might have to take the consequences.



Thought maybe you all would like to know how your fellow coworkers are going to spend their vacations so we did some asking and here is what we found out: Gilbert Walker is going to California and we do hope he doesn't stop off in Michigan and forget to go on. . . . California also beckons Melba Flanders, Gloria Mechling, Carl Metker, and Ardola Johnson. . . . Louella Hockemeyer is going to Nebraska, Colorado and Texas. . . . Martha Scherzinger will vacation at the Dunes in Indiana on Lake Michigan. Also going to Michigan are the Louie Clarks, Margaret Hilgeman and her husband, Emery Tucker and Eva. They all think the fishing is better up there. But Reggie Eggeman will spend her time at Lake Gage, Evelyn Payer at Lake Pleasant, Alma Doctor at Adams Lake, Henrietta Deck at Ridinger Lake, and Florence Rekeweg intends to do some fishing at several lakes. . . . Paul Ginder is going to Minnesota to catch his fish. . . . Speaking of fishermen, Donna Lindly showed them all up when she caught an 11-inch bluegill at Hogback Lake. . . . Lorinda Byerlein and Kathryn Hepker can be found at the Smokies, as can Louie Souers and his family. They are going on East then. . . . Frank Buhr is going to Washington, D. C., to see his daughter. . . . Malinda Gehle will be enjoying the wonderful views of Colorado and so will Grace Ober. . . . Elsie Frede will be visiting relatives and friends in Missouri, and Hazel and Chris Stauffer are visiting friends in Arkansas. . . . Tom Dickerson will be in Chillicothe, Ohio, with relatives. . . . Helen White will spend a week at Hamilton Lake, and Merle Keesler can be seen in Danville, Ill., for several days and then later at Lake Gage. . . . We wonder if Margaret Hilgeman is taking her piano along on her vacation? . . . Ralph Gilbert is going to spend his vacation at Tommy's Beach (Broadway and Taylor.) . . . Henry Grepke doesn't have to worry about this hot weather when he's riding in his new Ford. They say he wears his overcoat when driving. Anybody wanting to buy gasoline for 20 cents a gallon should see Henry. Since he has that new car it makes more gas than he can store! . . . I guess Al Rebber turned out to be a pretty fair cook. . . . Louie Barrow is looking for extra work during his vacation, he wants to get in practice baby sitting, anything 18 years and younger. . . . Ed Boedeker says that he is going to do a lot of painting in the next two weeks. Watch that paint brush, Ed, $8 paint brushes are hard to get, and also watch that hot sun because we want you back in two weeks. . . . The boys in Test and Inspection wonder where Waldemar Schmidt is getting all his money. We hear he is giving $100 bills away. If you have that kind of money to give away how about putting four or five under Alva's door some night and then ring the doorbell? . . . Pondo has a very happy expression for Monday morning. I suppose it is because of that nice two weeks that is coming up, or did you find your voice again and plan on taking up singing again? We hope it is about the two weeks. . . . Herb Braun doesn't look like Waldemar, but I think we will call you Smitty just the same. How about $100? . . . We wonder what kind of tricks Nahrwold is going to teach the baby on his two weeks. . . . Say, Les Hubbartt, will you please make your fish stories believable when you get back from that fishing trip? . . . We suggest that Carl Harmon had better get that car or he will have to get two new pairs of shoes in place of one. . . . Harry Berry says that it won't be long before the boy will be able to carry him. . . . We are wondering how Elmer Koehlinger's car runs. They seem to get along fairly well together. . . . In case you ever make any porcupines for dinner don't ask Thelma Wyss for the recipe. Last week she put one-half pound of hamburger for each pound of rice. Anyone like rice? . . . We all miss Marie DeVaux who has been transferred to Bldg. 4-5. Come back and see us, Marie. . . . A very happy birthday to Mildred Gaffen. Mildred Coleman, Gertrude Bender and Flo Gilmore. . . . If you want any pointers on square dancing just ask Eleanor Kohrman, who is a pro. I hear Irma Huhn knows her stuff, too. . . . Florence Byers' daughter Phyllis had her picture in the brown section the other night. She won a bike on kids' day at Swinney Park. Anyone want to buy her old bike. It's in good shape. . . . I wonder if Dr. Soest still has chickens. No one has heard lately. . . . Marie Griffin and Marie Martz will be found at home most of the vacation time putting the finishing touches on their housecleaning. Clara Patterson and also Florence Byers can be found at home. Everyone else I talked to either was going to stay at home and rest or take short trips here and there. It has been suggested that Clarence Renchler let his wife go away for a vacation, and he stay at home and take care of the children. . . . We all wish a speedy recovery to Freda Farley, who is in the hospital recuperating from an operation, and hope that Elihu Lee is well on the road to recovery. . . . My advice to all is that you make the best of your vacation, enjoy it to the fullest 'cause there won't be another until next summer! . . . P. S. We were very much worried through most of the last week for fear the good record of the above scribe would go by the board. It seems Helen's brother-in-law came in from the lake cottage after some clothing and by mistake picked up Helen's clean laundry she had dampened down for ironing. Although she finally got things pretty well straightened out, she is still looking for a beach towel that seems to have disappeared. However, we are satisfied now that Helen won't have to use all this week's pay in order to be presentable for another week.—Signed, THE INNOCENT BY-STANDER.

600 Fort Wayne Children Receive Treatments To Stop Dental Decay



"Say ah!" About 600 Fort Wayne and Allen County children did—and at the right time and place, too! As a result there are going to be less aching teeth among the small fry. At least that's the idea behind the mass application of sodium fluoride treatments currently being administered under the supervision of the State Board of Health at the YWCA.

Two of the youngsters who will benefit by the treatments and the resultant reduction of dental decay are shown here. They are children recommended for such care by Hospital and Home Service. This Red Feather agency of the Community Chest was instrumental in bringing the demonstration unit to Fort Wayne and has planned and carried out the details necessary for its operation. Four treatments are given to each child. A dental record is kept and parents are advised when dental defects are found.

The demonstration team consisting of a dentist, two dental hygienists and a clerk, arrived in Fort Wayne and commenced treatments at St. Vincent's Villa and at the Allen County Children's Home. Then they moved into the YWCA gym and went to work on their biggest job administering treatments to about 70 children each day. The Girl Scouts, another Red Feather service, helped in keeping the children amused and quiet while they waited their turn in one of the three dental chairs set up in the gym. That's the modern scientific approach to stop that "little ache from growing into a big pain," and eventually cutting down on the number of dental caries in children's teeth.



Hospital and Home Service also has a dental clinic which last year provided dental care for more than 300 children referred by schools, doctors, and other Community Chest agencies.

We could sum it all up by saying —less holes in the teeth—more money in the family budget—and better health for the little guys and gals that are growing up in Fort Wayne.



This is No. 1: Betty and Franklin Ross will celebrate their first wedding anniversary tomorrow. Mr. and Mrs. Norm Oetting will celebrate theirs Sunday. . . . **Golfer's Gab:** Nate Horton bowed to Hugh Folsom in golf last week-end. Now Nate has to carry both bags and shine Folsom's shoes for two weeks. . . . **Birthdays:** Congratulations to Betty Ross, whose birthday is Aug. 1 and Thelma Voirol, whose birthday is Aug. 4. . . . **Wee Bits (not wabbits):** Lou Davis is sporting a new Pontiac. Congratulations, Lou! . . . We are most happy to report that Bob Loveland returned to work after a two weeks' vacation—fishing he said—but no stories. At least he didn't fall in. . . . Happy to have Lee Beard back from a two weeks' vacation in Mexico. . . . We want to wish a happy vacation to Ray Jones and family, who are traveling to California and various points of interest, including Yellowstone, Grand Canyon, Estes Park and Yosemite Park. While in California Mr. Jones will present a paper at the summer AIEE Convention. . . .**Auld Lang Syne:** P. O. Noble was honored by the female alumni as well as active workers in the FHP Engineering Division at a picnic luncheon last Monday noon at Foster Park, in honor of his birthday and approaching retirement. The gals presented him with a very handsome fly rod with this central thought in mind—Congratulations, Paul. Good luck in your future endeavors. We all hope you've enjoyed being with us. We've loved every minute of it. . . . **Reward:** For information leading to the apprehension of the person or persons who plugged in a heater under Ernie Hick's desk. Warm—eh, Ernie? . . . Happy Vacation, everyone!!!!!



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

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CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, August 15, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—A necklace made of 18 strands of yellow beads. Found in front of Bldg. 18.

FOR SALE

COAL OIL RANGE—Five burners, right hand oven, excellent condition. A-16161 or 1612 St. Mary's Ave.

FRYERS—3½ to 4 lbs., $1 each or $11, dozen; ½ mi. north of Markle, Ind. or Pbone Markle 100-OR.

REFRIGERATOR—G-E monitor top, 6 cu. ft., like new A-69261.

GIRL'S BICYCLE — Good condition, painted blue and white. $20. H-89506.

100 WHITE ROCK AND NEW HAMPSHIRE PULLETS—Six mo. old, commencing to lay. $1.76 each. A-98109.

BEAGLE PUPPIES—Eligible to register. A-19958.

BLACKBERRIES AND SWEET APPLES—H-46047.

CUSTOM BUILT CAR RADIO—For '41-'48 Plymouth. Never Used. Make me an offer. 4107 Lillie St., H-02163.

MAN'S BICYCLE—$18. H-67594.

1947 ROYAL ENFIELD—Newly overhauled. Will sell for $100. A-39267.

THREE-PIECE LIVING ROOM SUITE—H-20481.

DUNCAN-PHYFE DINING ROOM SUITE—Like new. E-4187.

22 IN. SUNBEAM STEEL FURNACE—And stoker, complete with pipes and controls. $100. 4017 Webster St.

1947 CROSLEY SEDAN—Clean. A-97605 or 1316 McClellan St.

FOR RENT

NEW COTTAGE AT LAKE PAPAKEECHIE—With bottle gas stove and good boat. Sleeping room for five with extra cot. A-49265.

COTTAGE ON RANDALL LAKE—Near Coldwater, Mich., sleeps six, open second week in August. Orval Smith, R. R. 2, Convoy, Ohio.

SLEEPING ROOM FOR GENTLEMAN—Newly decorated, lovely location on South Fairfield, near bus line, breakfast served if desired, home privileges. H-60091.

NICE SLEEPING ROOM — In refined home, always hot water, telephone and plenty of closet space, men only. 3031 Reed St. or H-2916.

COTTAGE AT WALL LAKE—Refrigeration, inside toilet facilities, two boats. H-3470.

WANTED

CHILD'S SIDEWALK BICYCLE — H-19604.

USED TEETER-BABE—A-87012.

WANT TO RENT A CARAGE—Close to 1100 block of Janes St. A-98411 after 6:30 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS

GENERAL HAULING—Gravel, crushed rock and cinders. H-78313.

THANK YOU NOTE

I WISH TO THANK MY MANY CO-WORKERS—At Broadway and Taylor St. for their thoughtfulness. Carl (Slim) Fuller, General Service Div.

Apprentice BROADCAST

by MILDRED ELLIS

The question of the day—What are your vacation plans? Here are a few of your fellow apprentices plans: Dick Frede is going to the lake to do a little fishing the first week and plans to spend the second week at home working in his garden and doing some painting around the house. . . . Don Miller plans to take his wife on a trip through the Smokies and on to Florida. . . . Bob Finton plans to enjoy himself at home and will go to visit some relatives in Cleveland. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sebold plan to spend a few days fishing, a few days in Detroit and the second week sightseeing in New York City. . . . Paul Wuttke will be taking a two weeks' summer cruise in the Marine Corps Reserve at Camp Lejeune, N. C. . . . John Leffers will take his wife to the beautiful vacation lands of scenic north Michigan. . . . Fred Borton has planned a trip to northwestern Oklahoma where he will do some fishing, range riding and loafing while his wife shows off the baby. . . . Frank Woenker and family will spend a week at the lake, and Frank hopes to take in a couple of big league ball games. . . . Bob Birkenbeul is planning to go to Pennsylvania and hunt bear with some of his ex-army buddies. . . . Homer Carson plans to spend his vacation taking various motor trips with special emphasis on the skyline drive in the Smoky Mountains. . . . Dick Wagner will spend his two weeks fishing in upper Michigan. . . . Carl Hubartt plans to get lots of work done on his house and will still find time to go fishing and sailing in the new boat. . . . Harold Fremion is taking a trip to Kansas City and Denver to visit some of his old army buddies and will end up in Cheyenne, Wyoming to see their great "Frontier Days." The second week Harold will spend at Pretty Lake resting up for summer camp. . . . Garland Roby plans to take his family to Columbus, Ga., where they will spend two weeks visiting one of Roby's army buddies and family. . . . Ronnell Allen plans to go home, (Covington, Ind.) and will do some fishing and just take life easy. . . . Warren Berkheiser is planning a trip to the lake where he will do some fishing. . . . Second Lt. Warren Brown will head an advanced detail of men to make preparations at Camp Atterbury for summer camp. His specific duties will be preparing the camp site which will consist of readying the buildings, cutting grass and putting up "Officers Country" sign. Brown says he will endeavor to inspect the golf course and officers' club daily. First Lt. Wayne Bergman may accompany Second Lt. Brown on his tour of duty. Lt. Bergman is transportation officer. His duties will be concerned with motor transportation. . . . Milt Goeglein and family plan to go to Wisconsin for a few days. After they return Milt will work on their house. . . . Merle Aughinbaugh will go on a two weeks' fishing trip on the Manistee River in Michigan. . . . Everett Schmidt will play the role of full time carpenter and plumber during his vacation. Our hats off to one of our country's new pioneers. . . . Hillard Butcher will really live his vacation. He plans to relax around home—reading, eating watermelon, drinking lemonade and romping with the kids plus a sprinkling of visits to the aunts and uncles. . . . Dick Reinking and friends will head for the West Coast. How far they will go nobody knows. . . . Kenneth Zurbuch, John Clendenen, Emmett Rasor, and Joseph Raupfer plan to spend their vacations at home loafing and getting lots of little odd jobs accomplished. . . . Mark McNulty and family will spend their first week at the lake fishing and spend the second week cleaning the fish they catch the first week (?). . . . Joe Rowan plans to spend his first week at the lake and the second week he will go to Chicago to see an all star game and to visit an old army buddy in Ohio. . . . Jack Kirlin and family plan to take life easy. They will go to the lake and sail their new boat. . . . Lew Davis and wife are planning a big trip to San Jose, Calif. They plan to see the Yosemite National Park and the Rocky Mt. National Park. . . . Ralph Obringer plans to get lots of work done around home the first week and will spend the second week at the farm. . . . Myron Auer will take an extended vacation, pitching horseshoes, fly casting, playing baseball, eating—all activities to be done with the left hand. . . . Charles Mowery will spend the first week getting ready for the big day when he will marry Esther Geels Saturday, Aug. 6. . . . Mr. and Mrs. James Hoppel will be honeymooning for the two weeks.



All those who were not at the office picnic at Pokagon State Park the other Sunday missed a good time. The baseball game was really a "doozy." I haven't been able to find which team won, but Vera Kruge insists her team was always one run ahead no matter how many runs were made. Frank Treece says his team won also by one run. Florence Casey was the scorekeeper but she said she forgot to count the runs. Which team paid you what, Casey? . . . Faye Jordan has decided to give up baseball and take up card playing as a hobby. She only got to first base twice but was still suffering the effects four days later. . . . Florence Casey decided she really could swim if she could keep from bumping her knees on the sand. Wonder where she was swimming—in the lake or in a kiddie's pool somewhere. . . . Herb Jesse promised to do some singing at the picnic, but he spent most of the time on the beach sleeping or else just resting. What's your trouble, Herb, getting old or just tired? . . . No matter what Florence Casey does she always has a problem. She bought a car last week and now she is spending all her spare time trying to find a place to park it so she won't get a little red ticket. She's had several suggestions but none is the solution. Butch Vegalues told her there was plenty of parking space at Municipal Beach. Someone else suggested Zollner's Stadium. Be patient, Casey, maybe someone in the neighborhood of Parkview will build a garage and rent you part of it. . . . I found out why Herb Jesse was wearing his watch on his right wrist the other day—it was a reminder to make a phone call. To me, that seemed rather funny. He never forgets to bring flowers to members of the fairer sex. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to the Ray Girvin family on the recent death of Mrs. Girvin's father. . . . The Grinding Room gang received a letter the other day from Jim Laisure. We're glad to hear that Jim is home from the hospital and well on the road to recovery. . . . It won't be long before all of us will be starting on our vacation. Have fun, be careful, and hurry back safely.



"A man who trims himself to suit everybody will soon whittle himself away."

It was our aim to tell you where everyone on the entire floor was going to spend his vacation but since this was a quite a task and space would not permit the listing of all in one issue we will give you the ones we were able to contact and try and give the balance after vacation. Among the interesting trips planned are those of Nolan Geyer and Erv Lange. Erv and two companions are going to Canada on a fishing trip and after traveling as far as they can by car they will board a plane that will take them to a lake that can only be reached by this means. There should be some fish in such an out of the way place as that, and we will be expecting a big fish story when you come back, Erv. Better take a few pictures for proof. . . . Nolan Geyer said that he is going up into the northern woods of Canada just as far as he can go and is going to stay the entire two weeks. Working in the Punch Press section one can readily understand why he would want the quietness of the woods, but the question is how will he be able to stand the din after the two weeks are over? . . . The others we have classified as follows: FISHING TRIPS Art Maske and Marvin Rutz in northern Wisconsin. . . . Jerry Koehl, Max Clum and Fred Fenner in Michigan. . . . At the Indiana lakes, Herman Wegman, Don Kinn, Don Myers, Homer Hill, Don Shroyer, Gene Wheeler, Archie Evans, Paul Bender, Don Witte and Dave Slater. . . . RAILROAD FAIR IN CHICAGO Bob Esterline, Frances Grimm, Vance Burnau and Paul Koldewey. . . . MOTOR TRIPS Glen Keck, Jack Dobson, Walter McCormick to eastern states including the large cities. . . . Cliff Dowden and Carmilita Fough on southern trips. . . . REMAIN AT HOME. We found quite a few for various reasons are staying at home this year. Al Knight, Frank Valentine, Roy Chapman, Dick Raber, Lena Shaw, B. W. Breeden and Jeanette Blough. . . . Joe Haas will spend the two weeks at Camp Le Jeune with the Marine Reserves. . . . Charley Grim and wife bid their son, Charles, Jr., farewell last week. He is on his way to Germany to serve 31 months with the Army overseas. We wish him Godspeed and trust that his parents will soon be reconciled to his absence realizing that 31 months isn't forever.



As everyone is getting ready to go on vacation, the talk is where everyone is going and what they are going to do. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Verne Dafforn are the proud parents of a baby boy named Jackie Lee. Congratulations, Verne. . . . The report of Wayne Coak who was in an automobile accident is that he is improving slowly and would be glad to see any of his friends. The co-workers wish him a speedy recovery. He is at the St. Joseph Hospital, Room 217. . . . We hope to see Jean Parrish back with us soon. She recently went on a sick leave.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING FOR VACATION?



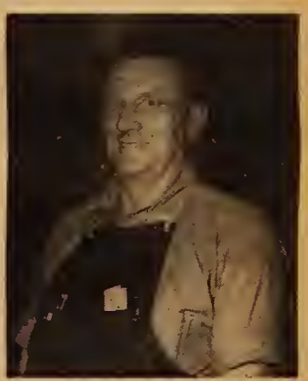
MARY MILLER
Decatur

"I'm spending my vacation at the Wisconsin Dells."



GWEN STIENBARGER
Bldg. 4-6

"I'm taking an Atlantic voyage. I sail from New York on the Queen Mary to my native land in North Wales, Great Britain. I know it will be a most glorious vacation. I haven't seen my parents for the past three years."



LUTHER CHILDERS
Taylor St.

"I want to catch up on my work around the house. The first week, I'm remodeling my garage; and the second, I'm figuring on resting and driving up to the lake."



EMMA D. LYTAL
Bldg. 26-4

"I hope to stay home and sew curtains. We are planning on a trip later. There will be plenty of activities in town, as the State American Legion convention will be held in Fort Wayne."



MALCOLM D. BENDER
Bldg. 19-3

"I'm going to take my wife and family on a fishing trip in northern Michigan."



Yippee, it's here! Now all those vacation folders can be put in purses and glove compartments, as everyone starts out for two weeks. However, Maude Goodrich and Pete Heckler jumped the gun a week. They started their vacation this week. (Lucky third weekers). . . . Bob Walt had his first week last week. . . . Let's have a safe two weeks. Don't try to put a year's relaxation in two weeks. It won't work. . . . By the way, I see by the safety board we have had 199 days without a lost time accident. Bet Hap Hazard is down in the dumps over that. Let's try now for 299 days. . . . Bertha Furge hopes that the mice take a vacation too and forget to come back. . . . Leona Scott, Zelma Woods and their husbands are heading for the West. . . . Betty Pressler and husband are New Jersey bound. . . . Dorothy Johnson and husband are going to Rice Lake, Wis. . . . Violet Adams must be going to the moon. She has a new rocket Oldsmobile. . . . Hedy Harrison is going to Tampa, Fla. (Hedy, will you please sit on one of those nice green benches and rest for me?) . . . Virgie Mayer says that the extent of her travels will be a half mile up the Wabash river. Don't get lost! . . . Marie Dunfee is going to swing a paint brush and do her kitchen. . . . Harold Kiel and Erv Lange are also going to paint. That's all the plans that we have heard about at the present time. Hope everyone has a very good vacation. . . . Most people fall out of bed when the alarm rings. Thelma Oswald is different. She falls out of bed at three o'clock in the morning. . . . What is this we hear about Ivan Voirol's lunch bucket being a trading post? . . . Mary Wright has joined the "I gotta new car" club. It's a Nash. . . . Betty Pressler can't watch her figure and eat home made apple pie a la mode. Or can she? . . .



At last! It's here! "VACATION." The boys and gals of Distribution are going to be spread out all over these United States if all the vacation plans revealed are carried to completion. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Smith announce a new arrival. A brand new shiny Pontiac, and the Smiths are as pleased as punch. Mrs. Smith is our bubbling little Hazel Smith, in case any of you didn't recognize the more formal name. . . . Happy birthday last Tuesday to Xercie Sinish. Also, since we will be missing the WORKS NEWS for two weeks we will just wish a happy birthday to the following boys and gals who are having birthdays during the vacation shut down: They are Anna Sommer and Bob Jellison. Ah, ha, for once we got our wishes out ahead of that special day. . . . Seems that Xercie Sinish really showed the gals a good time over the weekend which they spent as her guest at her lake home. The main topic of conversation was what a terrific fisherman Lenore Hanley turned out to be. . . . Here's hoping you all have the grandest time ever on your vacation.

Lowella Koogle was house hunting in Bloomington again last week. . . . Last Monday Leona Hollis came to work on a wing and a prayer, plus a Model T Ford. Of course, she had to get out and push awhile, but she made it and only one minute late. . . . We think Esther Reiter and Julia Heuer should see about some new tires. Then a flat won't cause them to miss the bingo game. . . . The gal who wanted the grass catcher has one now. But we saw where she had a bandaged toe. She not only cuts the lawn, but her toe nails at the same time. . . . Did you see the mess of fish that Bill Martin had? I do mean mess—all bones. Joe Jensen would like to know where they catch that kind. He is going some place else to fish. . . . It's a happy birthday to Mary Jane Lockner. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Berdella Welsh in the death of her sister.

General Service SHORTS AND SNORTS

By Helen McOmber

Hi, everybody, I'm your new scribe! So I can't write! You don't have to tell me, I know it. So you're on vacation and don't want to read the WORKS NEWS anyhow. Good! That gives me a couple of weeks to practice. Only I don't expect to practice because I'm going on my vacation too. . . . Katie Steinman did a wonderful job on this column, I guess you all know. I hope I can continue to dole out the news as well as she has. . . . It's here, that vacation that everyone dreams about. Roger Pierson's dream is over, but he has his memories. He returned from his vacation last week to get back to the old grind. While spending time with relatives in El Paso, Texas, he witnessed a bullfight, visited Juarez, Mexico, and tried to mount a donkey. The latter must have been quite interesting. When he had finally maneuvered himself into an upright position, he found the donkey's tail where the head should be. (Only kidding, Roger.) . . . Rosie Thomas and Lois Ulrey are going to spend some of their time at the lake, taking life easy. Mary Jane Howe and I are planning a trip through the West via Monterrey, Mexico. So much for vacation talk until two weeks from now. . . . Helen Welch was quite abashed when a group of men from Bldg. 20-2 serenaded her the other day to the tune (using the word very loosely) of "Happy Birthday." . . . W. F. Timbrook and Louie Lothammer are interested in any talk about new cars. Timmy bought a new Hudson a few weeks ago, and Louie is the proud owner of a new Buick. . . . Whitie Van Auken says that he will give a little advice to anyone else going fishing in Spooner, Wis. He says that anyone getting there after he does might just as well stay home, cause there won't be many fish left. Optimistic aren't you, Whitie? . . . I hear Howard Boren's wife finally came to the rescue. I guess you'll think twice before tearing down the furnace again, won't you, Howard? . . . Harry Underwood has been on the Safety Committee since 1924. Keep up the good work, Harry. . . . A very happy birthday to Garfield Iverson, Carl Rehling, Juanita Widman, Helen Hlawek, Bill Grush, Ernie Hanauer, Walter Yopst and Yours Truly. . . . We hope everyone has a wonderful vacation. Take it easy though because we want to see you all back healthy and well after vacation.

Beware of a half truth. You may have gotten hold of the wrong half.



The topic of conversation around here this week has been, "Where are you going on your vacation." By the looks of things everyone is heading for Wisconsin to fish and sightsee. . . . Gladys Mosshammer Panazin went to the cemetery last week-end. She must have stayed a little longer than she was supposed to, because when she started to leave she discovered the gates were closed. After some time of struggling, she finally opened them. She says she was really getting scared, as she had no desire to stay in there all night. . . . Earl Fredricks came into work last Friday and he had a set of arms on him like Popeye. He said that he bought some southern bees, but rebel bees never could get along with Yankees. Their stinging him was just to prove the point. Earl says as far as he's concerned the Civil War has started all over again. . . . Clark Holmes returned from his vacation this week. He went up to Maine on the Canadian side and back through Boston. He says he traveled 2,600 miles, and the next two weeks he can rest.



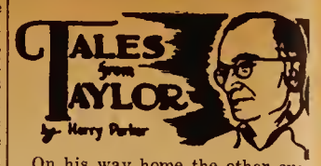
We are wondering just how many will read the columns this week? . . . Everyone all prepared for a wonderful two weeks' vacation? We are hoping you all have a grand time, and a word to the wise—Let's All Be Careful. . . . Johnny Wilson has just informed us he is going to California, instead of the Smoky Mountains. . . . Billy (Boy) Swafford has finally decided to go back to the "Foot Hills" of good old Tennessee to spend his vacation. He says that it will bring back memories of his boyhood days. . . . Theron Kitchen has invented a "Bluegill stretcher" so he will have a good supply of fish by vacation time. . . . Anyone in the need of exercise during their two weeks of relaxation, see Si Alspaugh. He is going to put in a new driveway. . . . Mr. Skevington is planning to visit his son in California and also Cleon Oyer is heading that way. Oyer said if Mr. Skevington would like to stop off in Yellowstone Park he and his wife will share a cup of tea. It seems Oyer has rigged up a "cooler" in the front seat of his car just in case the Mrs. should get too thirsty while traveling through the desert. . . . We have heard Clarence Shroeder is tired of carrying his dinner bucket to work. He rolls it now behind his car. By the way, Clarence, just what was in your bucket? . . . Everett Cox, after months of waiting, is now sporting his new "store teeth." . . . Russell Runkel is one proud fellow. He is raising some prize winning tomatoes this year. They are beauties. . . . We hear through the grapevine Harry Ross is going in the shoe shining business after his retirement. . . . Dallas Corson has finally gotten rid of the jiggers. At least that's what he thought they were. . . . When Mr. Bobay was asked who was supplying him with his fishing bait, he asked why? Some of the boys figured Earl Strong must be delivering the bait as he always seems in such a rush after work, and Art Torbeck seemed to have the evidence of digging them on his shoes and trouser legs. . . . Myrtle Barfell is certainly elated and very proud, her son Tom has made the Zollner Piston fastball team. Tom was chosen among the many rookies who tried out for the team. He is a catcher and has been doing a very fine job. . . . What's this we hear about Bill Weber never missing a carnival? . . . Alice Rodgers makes special trips downtown to get hamburgers for her cat Carnation. Alice was afraid her cat was gone for good, and when she found her she gave it a special treat. . . . Marceil Bantel fell asleep in her hammock and came to work "blistered" but good. . . . We wish to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Ralph Viland who died last week.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

Boy, oh boy, here we are starting that wonderful vacation we have been looking forward to for the last year. . . . Wilbur Shaffer, the big washing machine king, will probably spend all his vacation buying up old second hand washing machines. . . . Joseph Ort, who is quite a softball player, seems to always be taking all the glory. The other week Joe forced a man out just so he could score any runs they might make. . . . Bill Gepfert's wife would like to know if any of you fellows might have a WORKS NEWS from three weeks ago, as Bill didn't have enough pictures to go around. . . . Melvin Leykauf will soon be headed for the wilds of Wisconsin. He bought a special shirt just for the occasion. . . . Anyone having any old junky outboard motors see John Kennell. He would like to have one for his vacation. . . . We would like to wish Evelyn Schnepp a speedy recovery from her illness. . . . Paul Conrad plans to spend the biggest part of his time in Canada. . . . Robert Quinn is going to spend one week at the lake and the other one moving. . . . Russell Aker says he's going down in the hills of old Tennessee. . . . "Vacation Daze" is now coming close to reality. Division 91, Bldg. 26-2 office personnel are planning the following jaunts: Herman Conrad, Waldron Lake; Kenny Disler to Florida, then a side trip to Cuba. . . . Mildred Fett plans to stay at home. . . . Phil Cartwright will still try to catch turtles at the lakes in Michigan; Louis Swager, no vacation planned, just getting married then on a honeymoon. . . . R. L. Mann is planning a Michigan motor trip; Joan Foltz, just a short trip to California. . . . W. D. Giltz is going to Florida. He wants to see French bathing suits on the beach. . . . Ed Grote is digging up maps so he will be sure of getting lost on the way to the Smokies. . . . Johny Wagner will be a home girl on her vacation. . . . Dusty Rhodes is going fishing at Wall Lake. . . . Carl Stout is staying home and thinking of last year's trip to Texas. . . . Eula Black is going to Wisconsin, Illinois and Michigan. . . . Mildred Sadler is going to the Lake at Colon, Mich., (the magic capital of the world). . . . Howard Fritz will take short trips from Fort Wayne. . . . Leonard Harsch will do baby sitting for two weeks. . . . Sam Macy will be home most of the time, maybe a short trip over in Ohio and Danville, Ill. . . . Roy Dierstein plans to hold down the fort on Kinsmoor. . . . Remember, folks, a vacation is not a road race, drive carefully, so it will be a pleasure trip.



On his way home the other evening Henry Bubb purchased a dozen doughnuts. His wife placed them under a cake cover until mealtime when they consumed a few of them. Before retiring Henry thought he would eat one or two more, which he did, and then went to bed. His wife had the same idea, but when she lifted the cover she noticed the doughnuts were completely covered with tiny red ants which Henry had failed to detect. She called to him to come and look at them. He did and said that he thought they tasted a trifle sour and that doughnuts with ant frosting were not to his liking. . . . Clarence Stove, our eccentric fisherman, sometimes baffles us. For instance he has some property at Big Turkey Lake, keeps his boat at Crooked Lake, his bait at Loon Lake, then does his fishing at Snow Lake. Now figure that one out, if you can. . . . Phillip Schroeder has been duly mugged and is now ready to be initiated into the ranks of Quarter Century Club members which includes a ducking off the end of the big pier at Oliver Lake at the time of their annual picnic. While having his picture taken he asked if it would be permissible to have inscribed upon his photo these words, "I am also an eligible bachelor." . . . Kenny Miller was telling us a story about migratory ants. He said that last fall while working in his yard he noticed a continuous procession of extra large red ants headed in a southerly direction. This spring he happened to be out in his yard when he noticed a long line of these ants headed in a northerly direction. He told us that he really gave them a tough time. He said that he knows that these were the very same ants as he had put his initials on some of them at the time they passed through last fall. . . . Every time the candy wagon comes around Al Timme always takes a half dozen or so soda straws from the dispenser and puts them in his pocket. When asked the reason for this, he explained that he likes to use them as tapers to light his pipe as he sits by the fireplace during the long winter evenings.



Two close matches and one forfeit were the order in the last outing of the Owl Golf League. For a while it looked like the whole program would be a washout. "Ole Jupe" wanted to give Brookwood a bath.

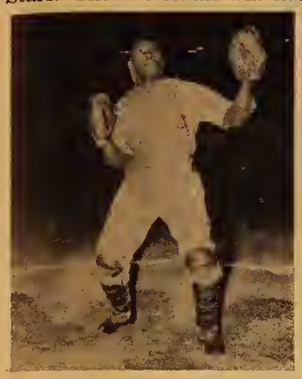
The damp weather didn't hinder Warren Wickliffe as much as his poor tee shots. He still managed a 38 to lead the Hot Shots in a two-point victory over the high flying No. 3 team. Frank Uhrick led his team No. 2 with a 40.

Earl Stauffer's "Cold Shots" picked on Walt Pook's team No. 5 to snap out of a slump. John Starke led team No. 1 with a 40-breaking 38. Bill Hein led Walter Pook's team with 42.

Team No. 4 won the first forfeited match of the year over the Jolly Boys, who didn't have soap and towels along for their weekly baths with the compliments of Jupiter.

Voltmen To Tackle Philadelphia Stars

The Voltmen will have an opportunity Saturday night to revenge their 5-0 loss several weeks ago to the Philadelphia Stars. The two teams will clash again at Dwenger park.



Catcher Stanley Glenn



Outfielder Ben Littles

The Stars were organized in 1932 by Ed Bolen, former manager and part owner of the nationally-famous Hillsdale team. The Stars were in the Negro National League for 16 years prior to their entry this year in the Negro American League.

The Stars are managed by one of the greatest Negro players, Oscar Charleston. He broke into baseball with the 24th Infantry in World War I. After leaving the service, he joined the powerful ABC's of Indianapolis. Through his brilliant playing with such teams as the Chicago American Giants, Lincoln Stars, Hillsdale, Homestead Grays, and Harrisburg Giants, Charleston became known as the hardest hitting player of his time. He is at present in his second season at the helm of the Philadelphia Stars.

G-E GOLF

By Hugh Dubdit

Last Wednesday, the Brassies picked up eight points while the group-leading Spoons were dropping one. As a result, the two teams are tied for first place with 14 points. Mashies are third, with 10, and Putters are fourth, with nine. John Skevington led the scoring parade with 38, Don Lynch had a 40, and Verne Foulks shot a 41.

We wonder what the attraction was in the Monday night league this week. There must have been something to watch besides the ball. Ralph Wickliffe, Don Dimke, George Hoopingarner and Bob Rowe all had 44, for the low score of the evening. The Apprentice team is in first place, with a total of 45. Lost Balls are second, with 15, and Dark Horses, third with 11. The stage seems to be set for a rousing finish, as the Apps play the Dark Horses next time out. They finish the season with the Lost Balls.

The fight for first place in the Tuesday evening group has tightened a little more this week. Optimists still lead, with 26; Dubs are second, with 25, and Nineteenth Holers are third, with 20. It appears anything might happen there. "Red" Braden must have been rather warm (before and after) when he fanned the one, and only on one attempt. "Red", however, came in with a good 37. Other good counts were turned in by Bob Hall, with 39; Jim Walley, at 40, and Dick Tobias and Bob Dent, with 41. Jack Jennings wishes us to warn the farmer near No. 14 to keep his barn door closed. It seems that Jack didn't know his No. 4 wood's strength and put his tee shot neatly through the open door.

Auscos Roar To 6-0 Win Over Voltmen

By Bill Hunt

The St. Joe Auscos topped the Voltmen, 6-0, on two hits last Saturday night at Dwenger Park.

Southpaw Lee pitched six and two-thirds perfect innings before Les Lockett singled to left. Then he allowed only pinch hitter Lee Pfund to hit also for a beautiful two hitter. Charlie Shipman deserves nearly as much credit when, after a bad first inning in which two hits scored a run, he allowed only two more hits until the fateful eighth. With two out, Hedinger dropped a mediocre throw by Stramm. Then he threw wild to the plate to allow a run to score. Two more runs followed on a hit by Callam.

Shipman fanned five, walked only two while allowing eight well scattered singles and allowed one earned run; errors at critical times gave St. Joe the rest. John Dudick's absence was very noticeable. His shortstopping might have made the difference.

Southpaw Lee might have been pitching the game for the Voltmen, except for the great managerial ability of Carl "The Manipulator" Kennedy, manager of the Auscos.

Auscos	AB	R	H	Voltmen	AB	R	H
Jones,3b	5	1	1	Stramm,3b	3	0	0
Scott,ss	4	1	0	Hormann,rf	4	0	0
Logan,1b	4	2	2	Lockett,lf	3	0	1
Winters,lf	4	0	1	Bohilya,1b	3	0	0
Fiore,rf	5	1	2	Chi'wicz,lf	3	0	0
Aeschil'n,cf	5	1	0	Hedinger,2b	3	0	0
Wes'camp,c	3	0	1	Sou'worth,ss	3	0	0
Callan,2b	3	0	1	Morgan,c	3	0	0
Lee,p	3	0	0	Shipman,p	2	0	0
				aDoehrman	1	0	0
				bPfund	1	0	1
				cCary	0	0	0
Totals	36	6	8	Totals	29	0	2

aBatted for Shipman in 9th.
bBatted for Stramm in 9th.
cRan for Pfund in 9th.

Auscos	100 000 032—6
Voltmen	000 000 000—0

Buds Down Voltmen In Array Of Errors

By George Hemmeter

The Voltmen were in hot water right from the start when they met the Benton Harbor Buds Friday, July 22, at Dwenger park.

Charlie Shipman, unable to find the plate, soon filled the bases by walking the first three men to face him. Snyder, of the Buds, flied out to right field, but then Richel dribbled a bunt down the first base line. While the Voltmen infield played London Bridge, the runners advanced one base. The next man hit into a double play.

The Voltmen perked up after the squelched Bud rally and managed a run of their own on a double by Les Lockett. Les has been playing heads up baseball both in the field and behind the bat.

After this brief spark, however, the fire smoldered and went out. Barney Morris, the Bud's pitcher, had the boys confused. He gave them only five more scattered hits.

Rash of Errors

Meantime, Charlie Shipman could not find the plate and a couple of more walks, five more hits, two of them home runs, combined with the ever present errors handed the Buds a nice lead of eight runs.

Cary took over in the sixth inning for the Voltmen. He pitched two hit balls, which combined with the ever present errors, accounted for two more runs for Benton Harbor.

Box score:

Buds	AB	R	H	Voltmen	AB	R	H
Wasak,ss	4	1	0	Stramm,3b	4	0	0
Todhunter,2b	4	2	1	Hormann,rf	2	1	1
Jabb,lf	3	1	0	Lockett,lf	4	0	1
Snyder,rf	5	0	1	Bobilya,1b	4	0	1
Richel,cf	5	2	2	Chinewicz,lf	4	0	1
Kovatch,c	5	1	1	Hedinger,2b	3	0	2
Mack,1b	4	2	1	Southw'th,ss	3	0	0
Leach,3b	4	2	2	Morgan,c	3	0	0
Morris,p	4	0	0	Holland,p	2	0	0
				Cary,p	2	0	0
Totals	38	11	8	Totals	31	1	6

	R	H	E
Buds	213 032 000—11	8	0
Voltmen	100 000 000— 1	6	7

Owls Edge Eckrich, 12-11

Wearing their hitting clothes, the G-E Owls softball team won over Eckrich by the score of 12-11.

The "wiener stuffers" led 11-8 going into the last of the seventh. Then old reliable Baker, the Owl shortstop and game-breaker-upper, hit a scorcher down third base line with three on base to end the game.

Stauffer, Drayer, Boyer and Greeno formed the batteries for G-E.

VOLTMEN Home Schedule

Saturday, July 30—
Philadelphia Stars

Tuesday, Aug. 2—
Benton Harbor Buds

Tuesday, Aug. 9—
St. Joseph Auscos

Saturday, Aug. 13—
Windsor Canada*

Tuesday, Aug. 16—
Benton Harbor Buds

Friday, Aug. 19—
Michigan City Cubs

*Double-header, starting at 7 p. m.

Regular games are scheduled for 8 p.m. in Dwenger park.

Voltmen Nip Clowns In Ninth Inning, 2-1

By BILL HUNT

The Voltmen played one of their best games of the season in beating the Indianapolis Clowns at Dwenger Park Wednesday night, July 20. Six hits, seven walks, and a very important error by Clown Shortstop Sherwood Brewer allowed Braden's boys to beat the very tough outfit from Indianapolis, 2 to 1.

The Clowns were rough to start with, as they slammed out three singles in the first inning to fill the bases with one out. John Dudick speared Sam Hairston's drive between short and the bag, tossed to Hedinger, who relayed it to Bobilya for the double play. They got lone singles in the second, third and fourth innings. Then in the fifth, Brewer walked, Drake forced him at second himself, and scored on Neal's line drive single down the left field line. Lee Pfund really got tough then and set them down with only one hit in the final four innings.

The Voltmen threatened from the start, but it took two walks and two singles to get their first run. In the seventh, Chinewicz led off with a walk and Hedinger dittoed. Then Morgan singled to right with Chinewicz stretching for home. Lacking mud cleats, he was out by a hair at home, as was Morgan trying to make it to second. Hedinger, however, scored from third easily on Lee Pfund's healthy single down the left field line.

Ninth Inning Decision

The game was won in the ninth when Morgan walked, was sacrificed to second beautifully by Pfund, went to third on pinch hitter Holland's infield out and scored when Gabby Hormann placed a hard roller between the shortstop's legs, after fouling off a dozen balls ala Appling.

The play of the game was John Chinewicz' running catch of Sam Hairston's low, hard liner to end the fifth. Also Les Lockett's running, leaping catch in the fourth of Len Pigg's drive.

Most unusual and deserving of praise was Gabby Hormann's throw to Bobilya in the sixth to turn Len Pigg's sure single to right into an out, right field to first.

Hilarious Comedy Acts

The Clown's floor show, which went on while their ball team played superb ball, was excellent and worth the price of admission.

King Tut made his appearance in a crazy-quilt, ball suit and his bag of tricks. He topped his act by appearing in the audience near the end of the game in street clothes and nearly had trouble before they decided he was not just a fresh spectator.

Joe Taylor juggled everything, except the midget BeBop, including eight baseballs. During the pepper game, he caught and threw the ball from practically any part of his anatomy.

Peanuts "Step and Fetchit" Davis split the crowd's collective sides in his painfully slow trek from the dugout to the first base coaching box at the start of each inning.

Goose Tatum got in the acts plus clowning on the ball field without hurting his excellent field at first base.

Clowns	AB	R	H	Voltmen	AB	R	H
Brewer,ss	4	0	1	Stramm,3b	3	0	1
Drake,cf	4	1	1	Hormann,rf	3	0	1
Neal,2b	4	0	2	Dudick,ss	0	0	0
Nelson,3b	3	0	1	Bobilya,1b	3	0	0
Hariston,rf	4	0	0	Lockett,lf	4	0	1
Tatum,rf	4	0	0	Chinewicz	3	0	1
Pigg,2b	4	0	0	Hedinger,2b	3	1	0
Merchant,lf	4	0	2	Morgan,c	3	1	1
Butts,p	3	0	0	Pfund,p	3	0	1
Gardinz,p	1	0	0	Sou'worth,ss	3	0	0
				xHolland	1	0	0
Totals	35	1	8	Totals	29	2	6

xBatted for Stramm in 9th.

Clowns	000 010 000—1
Voltmen	000 000 101—2

Works Lab, Apprentice Top League

In the Interdivision Softball League, Works Lab got eight of their 10 runs in the first inning. They defeated Winter St. last week, 10-7. This was the Lab's fifth win without a loss.

The Apprentice School scored three runs in the seventh inning to down Squares, 7-4, for their fifth straight win. The Apprentices will meet the Works Lab this week to decide the championship of the first half.

In the third game played last week, the Firemen outlasted the Fractional team to win 7-6.

Main Office drew a bye.

Box Scores:

Works Lab	AB	R	H	Winter St.	AB	R	H
Warwick,c	3	2	1	Thornberg,2b	2	2	1
Hunt,lf	3	1	0	Benecke,c	3	1	0
O'Connor,ss	1	0	0	Fraser,p	3	2	2
Hemmeter,ss	2	1	0	Zimmerlee,ss	4	1	1
Hanna,3b	4	1	2	Gettys,3b	4	0	0
Thompson,rf	4	1	1	Todd,lf	4	0	2
Ferverda,cf	3	1	2	Umphery,1b	4	0	1
Penkul,1b	3	0	1	Lash,ef	4	1	1
Trott,2b	4	2	1	Fremion,rf	2	0	0
Eggeman,p	2	1	1	Wuttke,rf	1	0	0
Totals	29	10	9	Totals	31	7	8

	R	H	E
Works Lab	800 020 x—10	9	2
Winter St.	110 014 0— 7	8	3

Firemen	AB	R	H	Fractional	AB	R	H
Holman,3b	4	1	2	Thomas,lf	2	1	1
Etter,ss	4	2	2	Lose,c	2	0	0
Webber,2b	3	1	2	Middaugh,cf	2	1	0
Plattner,c	3	1	1	Schmidt,1b	4	2	1
Meyers,lf	3	0	0	Gerardot,p	3	1	1
Stemmler,cf	3	0	0	Miller,3b	4	1	0
Long,1b	3	1	1	Augenb'gh,rf	3	0	0
Vance,rf	3	1	1	Winebr'n'r,2b	4	0	1
Blauvelt,p	3	0	1	West'h'ser,ss	4	0	1
Runyan,p	0	0	0				
Totals	29	7	10	Totals	28	6	5

	R	H	E
Firemen	301 003 x—7	10	2
Fractional	200 001 3—6	5	5

Apprentice	AB	R	H	Squares	AB	R	H
Goeglein,2b	4	1	1	Naslund,2b	4	0	2
Leffers,c	3	0	0	O'Keefe,cf	3	0	0
Junk,lf	4	0	1	Antallis,p	1	0	0
Lahrman,3b	3	1	1	Rogers,c	2	0	0
Berkheiser,ss	3	1	1	Sellers,c	2	1	1
Rasor,cf	4	0	2	Emiling,3b	4	1	0
Butcher,rf	2	1	1	Eaton,lf	3	1	1
Davis,rf	0	1	0	Kimball,rf	2	1	1
Taylor,1b	4	1	1	Reynolds,1b	2	0	1
Zurbuch,p	3	1	1	Robertson,1b	1	0	0
				Walley,ss	2	0	0
				Decrappeo,ss	1	0	0
				Rowe,p	3	0	1
Totals	30	7	9	Totals	30	4	7

	R	H	E
Apprentice	211 000 3—7	9	3
Squares	000 004 0—4	7	4

STANDINGS

	Won	Lost
Works Lab	5	0
Apprentice	5	0
Squares	3	2
Winter St.	2	3
Firemen	2	3
Main Office	1	4
Fractional	0	6

WHO WANTS PROFITS?

WHO GETS THEM?

OWNERS?—The people who have risked their savings in a business venture certainly *want* profits to repay them for the use of their money and for the risk they take.

But they don't always *get* profits, Ours is a profit *and* loss system. All too frequently a business hasn't anything left after paying all expenses.

But when there *are* profits, who gets them? Wall Street? The "filthy rich"? Let's see.

There are about 13 million stockholders in just the 428 larger companies which report their ownership. The hundreds of thousands of other corporations, which do *not* report their ownership, have entrusted to them the savings of further millions and millions of stockholders.

Two of every three dollars of dividends from these companies go to people who have less than $100 a week total income from all sources and who, after personal income taxes, retain 83 per cent of all dividends paid by corporations.

Any of these dividends that go to that rabble rouser's delight—the "filthy rich"—are promptly taken by federal income taxes averaging about 80 per cent. Actually, after income taxes, the "rich" get to keep only 4 per cent of all dividends paid by corporations.

There are an additional 10 million owners or "proprietors" of businesses which are not incorporated. These, too, are trying to do better than break even—trying to "make money."

There must obviously be some duplication in the above numbers. Once a fellow develops the saving habit, he may not invest in just his own business or in some one corporation's stock, but may think it prudent to spread the risk of his savings over two or more ventures and thus not have all his eggs in one basket. But still there must be easily better than 25 million individual citizens who are risking past savings or a portion of present income in one or more business ventures in the hope of profits.

But still more people are interested in profits.

SAVERS?—There are 78 million—three out of every four adults in the U. S.—with life and other insurance policies. The funds of insurance companies are to a large extent risked with business concerns or in investments directly affected by whether or not certain businesses, or businesses on the average, are operating profitably. Profits help make insurance safe and low in cost.

There are around 80 million citizens who own government bonds directly. About one-third of the assets of the insurance companies and of the banks are in government bonds. There are 70 million people with savings accounts, millions more now on pension or contributing toward a pension, and other numberless folks with future income in fixed amount of dollars. All these are interested in keeping the dollar good . . . keeping it from dropping in buying power as it steadily has in 15 of the past 17 years. Profits are one of the strongest agencies to prevent this damage to the value of money and hence to such savings.

GOVERNMENT?—Uncle Sam is greatly interested in profits—in fact, largely dependent on business profits to keep the government sound and keep the economy free.

Government income is high and its expenses for various kinds of aid and relief can be low when most businesses are profitable and only a minority are losing money. Profits provided between one-third and one-half of government income last year.

Profits are down this year, the relief load is up, and the government is already going to "deficit financing" which simply means it is living beyond its means and damaging again the value of everybody's income and savings.

Profits shared, in reason, with the government provide federal income that results not from higher prices to citizens but from the ability and energy applied by those managements able to operate within a given market price which is not profitable for others. Government likes such income.

Government has liked it too much. Profits have been taxed to the harm of the whole country. Company profits have even been taxed twice—as business earnings and again as dividends. This has prevented anything like the full progress possible.

Our standard of living is raised only by putting profit and other savings into new designs, equipment, and methods. The increase has averaged 3% over the past 40 years. Our standard of living cannot be raised 10% or 15% or 18½% in a year by trick legislative or other such means.

If our country is to progress faster, there must be renewed hope of profits to act as an added incentive to competition. And the profits needed for progress will come as the reward to those who succeed in operating efficiently within prices that are attractive to the public on products the public wants.

EMPLOYEES?—The well-being of employees is largely dependent on profits. Jobs are steady in times when most businesses are making a profit. Jobs are uncertain in times when most businesses have losses or even shrinking profits.

How much can be bought by employees with their pay is dependent on how steadily profits are reinvested in the means for each of the 62 million of us in the work force doing more for each other with the same, or even less, physical effort.

And almost all of the savers and owners mentioned above are, of course, employees. They are more and more recognizing that there are two ways to make money. One is in return for the interest, skill, care, and effort put personally on the individual job. The other is in return for intelligent risking of savings to back plans of a management thought likely to make a profit. One is pay for the work the employee does himself. The other is pay for the work his savings do.

EVERYBODY?—Who *wants* profits? . . . Who *gets* them? . . . Who profits from profits? . . . DON'T WE ALL?

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Few things are impracticable in themselves: and it is for want of application, rather than of means, that men fail of success.

—*Rochefoucauld*

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135 EMPLOYEES RECEIVE AWARDS FOR SUGGESTIONS

A total of $2,297.50 in suggestion awards were received by 135 employees recently. The top award of $265 went to Niland Ochsenrider of the Decatur plant. Mr. Ochsenrider's idea involved improvements to the conveyors.

Paul Raitz and Russell I. Semer, both of Tiffin, shared the second highest award of the week. Their suggestion on testing four stators, instead of one, netted them $200. John Wood, FHP Motor Div. 13, headed the local suggestors with an $170 award for his suggestion concerning loose stator iron.

Two awards of $135 each, went to Doyle D. Miller, Specialty Transformer Div. 91, and Homer A. Markley of the General Service division. Mr. Miller's suggestion pertained to scroll steel for shunts, whereas Mr. Markley received his award on his idea involving the boilers at the Taylor St. plant.

Next on the list was Louis F. Frankart of the Tiffin plant, who received $60 for his suggestion on checking resistance of wound coils. Fifty-five dollars went to Raymond R. Crippen, Specialty Transformer Div. 94, for his suggestion for treatment trays. Mildred Strickler, Specialty Transformer Div. 93, received $50 for her idea on coil saws.

M. W. Brosius, Motor and Generator division, was given $35 for his idea of steel substitution. Joseph Griffin, FHP Motor Div. 16, earned $35 for his idea on friction discs.

Walter Gibson, DeKalb plant, received $30 for his suggestion about the Cone automatic screw machines. Another $30 award was

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Niland Ochsenrider, Decatur plant, led the list of suggestors this week with a $265 award. His money-making idea was to change the conveyor to the packing table, so that motors come down one line instead of two. He is shown in the picture receiving his award. Left to right are: E. W. Lankenau, Decatur Plant Manager; Mr. Ochsenrider, and Charles Langston, his foreman.



John Wood, FHP Motor Div. 13 at Taylor St., is shown pointing out features of his $170 suggestion to his foreman, Joe Wyss.

Q-C Club Members Urged To Return Questionnaires

All members of the Quarter Century Club were urged today to return their questionnaires, telling whether or not they plan to attend the club's outing at Camp Limberlost Saturday, Sept. 10.

Self-addressed envelopes were included with all invitations. These must be returned by mail to A. C. Hartman, secretary, in order to assure a reservation. Thursday, Aug. 25, has been set as the absolute deadline.

BROKAW IS ELECTED TO PRESIDENCY OF DECATUR G-E CLUB

Fred Brokaw, Bldg. 1, has been elected president of the Decatur G-E Club.

Other newly-elected officers are Charles Cook, vice president; Barbara Roop, secretary, and William Kohls, director. Irene Holthouse is the appointed treasurer of the club.

Along with Mr. Kohls, the board of directors will also include former President Leo Hackman, Carl Smith, Mina Lampe, and E. W. Lankenau.

G-E Club To Hold Election Of New Officers Aug. 29-30

The election of 1949-50 officers of the G-E Club will be held Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 29-30. Every employee is eligible to cast a ballot.

Foremen and time clerks will distribute the ballots Thursday and Friday, Aug. 25-26. Any employee who fails to receive a ballot should contact his foreman.

Everyone should mark the ballot with an (X), voting for one candidate for each office. Completed ballots should be deposited in the clock-card boxes and will be returned to the G-E Club lounge.

All ballots from the Broadway plant will be returned to the G-E Club lounge by the time clerks, while the ballots from Taylor St. will be returned by the clerks to M. N. Brayer in room 351.

Time clerks will return the Winter St. ballots to William O'Neill.

The clerks will see personally that the ballots are delivered to their proper place before 9 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 31.

Test Engineers Elect Ruth Shull "Miss Ft. Wayne"



Ruth Shull

Ruth Shull, Bldg. 8-2, has been elected Miss Fort Wayne Works by the test engineers, it was announced today by Henry Lehmann, editor of News Letter issued weekly for all Fort Wayne test engineers.

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Partizans Plan Family Picnic

The Partizan Chapter of Elex will hold a family picnic Tuesday, Aug. 23, at 10:30 a.m. in Foster Park, pavilion No. 2. A potluck lunch will be served and each member should bring a covered dish and table service.

Marie Ehringer is chairman of the outing. She will be assisted by Anne and Marie Fox and Kathryn Cullen.

LOOK Magazine Features Stories Of Interest To G-E Employees

Two stories in the latest issue of **Look Magazine** are of special interest to Fort Wayne's G-E employees.

The lead article in the Aug. 30 issue is about "America's Happiest Town—Fort Wayne" and on page 96 is an article by President C. E. Wilson entitled "What Happens to a Corporation's Profits?"

The five-page illustrated article on the Summit City was written by Dr. Martin Gumpert, a specialist in sociological research, following an exhaustive survey of all communities in the U. S. with a population fo more than 100,000. Author of "You Are Younger Than You Think," medical hooks, fiction and poetry, Dr. Gumpert is also a practicing physician.

After establishing certain standards and measuring other com-

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Edward Bradbury, Bldg. 17-4, is shown with his family on their farm near Yoder. Mr. Bradbury is featured in the latest issue of LOOK Magazine. LOOK Photographer Philip Harrington took the picture above.

FORT WAYNE WORKS
NEWS

Don Campbell.....Editor

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American Industry Is Owned By Millions Of Americans

Probably no fallacy is more widespread or persistent than the mistaken belief that only rich people are stockholders.

In America this is far from the truth. As might be expected in a country where the ownership of homes, automobiles, radios, refrigerators, and so many other things is commonplace in all economic groups, there also is broad ownership of industry.

No one knows exactly how many stockholders there are. But on the basis of income tax statistics and other sources of information, it is estimated that about 15 million people are the direct owners of stock. Furthermore, additional millions who pay insurance premiums and have bank accounts are indirect owners of stocks and bonds, because insurance premiums and savings are largely invested in the securities of American business.

The total number of security owners—direct and indirect—is placed at well over 50 million. The income and financial security of this large number of persons, representing the big majority of American families, depends to some extent on stocks and bonds—and, therefore, on the profit-making ability of American industry.

The stockholder is one of America's real forgotten men. He gets little sympathy from anybody—probably on the theory that if he can afford to own stocks, he is doing all right. Yet he has real grounds for complaint. If business conditions are poor, his income may be cut to little or nothing, and the value of his investment may be reduced and even wiped out. If business conditions are good, his income, as a rule, does not increase in proportion to that of other groups. In addition each dollar he receives is taxed twice—first, as earnings of the corporation, and second, as personal income when he receives it in dividends.

Who is the stockholder? He is one of millions of Americans in all walks of life. He is the fellow whose willingness to risk his savings has made it possible to equip the American worker with the most and best power and machinery in the world—which have made possible an increase in productivity to such an extent that today's worker earns real wages that are more than twice as large as those of his grandfather with only two-thirds as many hours of work. Further advances in the American standard of living must come as always from further increases in productivity . . . which means constantly improving skill and efficiency on the part of workers and more power and machinery through investment by stockholders.

Under present conditions, people are showing an increasing reluctance to become or remain stockholders. They need an incentive that would be simple to give. That incentive would be provided: by public recognition that the stockholder performs an essential service . . . . by acceptance of the stockholder's right to a fair return on his investment . . . . by support of a tax program which would remove from the stockholder the burden of double taxation which he alone bears.

Fair treatment of the stockholder is an excellent way to assure improving standards of living for all of us.

—EMPLOYEES BULLETIN, Weirton Steel Company

Every Workman Is A Miniature Corporation

What it costs you to just get by—enough to keep body and soul together—is what corporations call the "break-even point". Whatever you earn above that is "profit" you can use as you like—for savings, a car, a better home.

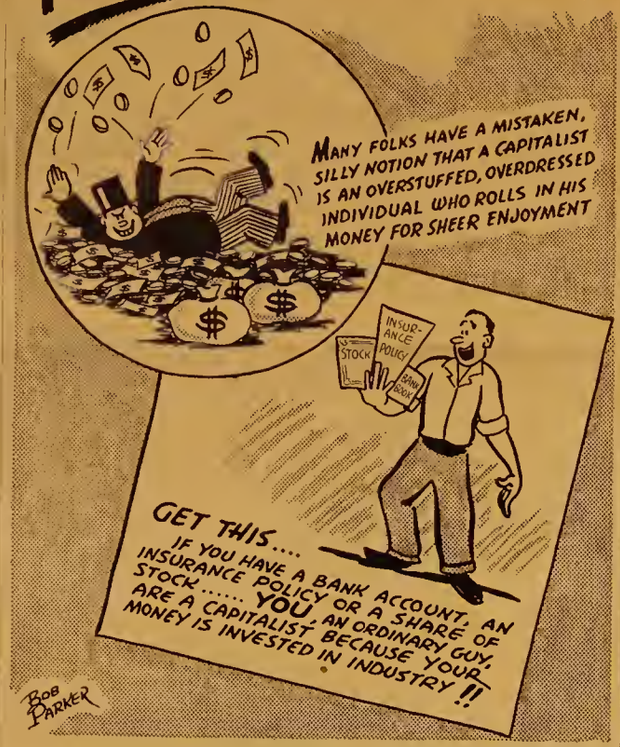
It's the same with a company—what they earn above the "break-even point" they spend for better equipment, or save for carrying them through depressions, or invest in new products. (Only a small part goes to the investor, who made the company possible.)

Since 1929, the "profit" of the average American—the excess over necessities—has increased 302.7%; the profit of the average American corporation has increased 134.5%. Worth remembering, when the soap-box orators scream about "excessive profits". When will they begin objecting to yours?

Source: U. S. Department of Commerce

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YOU ARE a Capitalist!



WHAT'S NEW IN PLANTS & LABS

A machine which used 2,000,000-volt X rays to inspect bombs and shells in the war will be adapted for work in cancer treatment and research, the X-Ray Corp. has announced. The machine will be installed this summer in the Hospital for Joint Diseases, New York City, and is the first of its type as well as the largest ever produced by the Company for medical use. Medical opinion is that the unit will concentrate on the cancer a tremendous quantity of destructive radiation without subjecting intervening tissues to excessive amounts, and it is expected to reduce treatment time. A special building will be constructed to house the equipment for protection against radiations.

The world's first mobile betatron, a 10-million-vole X-ray generator whose rays are capable of penetrating 16 inches of steel, is now being installed at the Naval Ordnance Laboratory, White Oak, Maryland. The massive betatron is uniquc in that it may be aimed in any direction, whereas all other betatrons, cyclotrons and similar nuclear research equipment of this type are held in a fixed position. It will be used at White Oak principally for studying the complex internal assemblies of mines, torpedoes, and other items of Naval Ordnance.

A new device for measuring the energy distribution of 100,000,000-volt X-rays, produced by the giant betatron in the research laboratory is announced. The new technique makes it possible to obtain in a few months data which would have required 300 years working time by older methods.

BRIDGEPORT—A radically new-type heater cord, known as Preen-X, and a heater cord-set incorporating Preen-X, are announced by the Construction Materials Department. The new insulation utilizes an entirely new principle, eliminating the asbestos applied over individual rubber insulation on older-type cords. The new development is the outgrowth of a highly successful ignition cable developed by G-E.

SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q. What is the best way to train one's memory? Does it help to memorize long lists of facts?

A. We consulted Dr. Ernest M. Ligon, Chairman of the Department of Psychology at Union College, on this question. He says: "The term 'memory', has about dropped out of our psychological terminology. We now speak more functionally of the capacity for memorizing. Probably it can be applied but not appreciably improved. What this means is that memorizing long lists of facts as such is of little or no value. What is valuable is memorizing materials in the area in which the person needs to memorize. The only person who would profit by memorizing telephone numbers is someone who had to remember telephone numbers. If he needs to memorize research data, that is what he should practice with. The apparent improvement is due to increased organization of the data of this field—that is, he has more things to tie to—and not to the improvement of some mythical faculty called memory."

Q: How does the Moon control the tides?

A: They are caused by the gravitational attraction of the Moon, and also of the Sun. The water on the side of the Earth toward the Moon being nearest that body, is pulled most and bulges out above the mean water level. The water on the far side of the Earth from the Moon is pulled least, even less than the body of the Earth itself. The Earth is pulled away from that water, leaving another bulge in that side. As the Earth revolves each day, these bulges go past causing high tides, and between the bulges then are low tides. Local conditions, and the pull of the Sun, which has a tide-raising force about half that of the Moon, cause considerable complication to this simple picture.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



135 Employees Receive Awards For Suggestions



Joseph Griffin, FHP Div. 16, received a $35 award for his suggestion to change the friction discs on winding machines.

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made to Blanch E. McDonald, Specialty Transformer Div. 94, for an idea on clamping fixtures.

Twenty-five dollar awards went to Dale B. Peden, FHP Motor Div. 15; Perry C. Walters and Jacob S. Sappington, FHP Motor Div. 19; and Wilson P. Jones, Specialty Transformer Div. 93.

The employees receiving awards ranging in various amounts from $5 to $20 are listed below:

FHP Motor Div. 1: Howard C. Taylor (three awards), and Frank Brindle.

FHP Motor Div. 13: Donald I. Macon, Louis A. Gocke, Lois J. DeLong, Paul L. Brandt, John P. Bastian, Hubert Sherlock, John O. Weaver, Brice Martin, Robert W. Hendrickson, and H. G. Cowan.

FHP Motor Div. 14: Martha J. Lee, Louis Hinen, and Walter F. Hinrichs (two awards).

FHP Motor Div. 15: Margie Y. Rall, Dale B. Peden, Lynn L. Crawford, Harold Blauvelt, Leonard Jenne, Joe Parent, Merl E. Bryie, Virgil Allmandinger, Walter Amacher (two awards), Edwin C. Rodenbeck, and Willis K. Dillman.

FHP Motor Div. 16: Earl Yoquelet, A. E. Maske, Ida Sinn, Eugene M. Rosswurm, Robert L. Schuelke, Eldin E. Roby, Roy W. Molthan, Garland K. Keister, Thurston Howell, Joseph Griffin, Charles Grim, Ross M. Domer, Nina C. Clifton, David H. Bastian, T. Michael Walker, Eugene J. Dahman, Burdella M. Welch (two awards), Maude M. Goodrich (two awards), Stephen A. Sallot, Jr., and Donald H. Witte.

FHP Motor Div. 17: William Wiegman, Allen W. Telschow, Robert L. Krugh, Joseph E. Kramer, Walter J. Koehlinger, Fred E. House, Raymond C. Fulghum, Harold H. Fletter, Joseph Eifrid, and Cloyd P. Carder.

FHP Motor Div. 19: Nora Williams (four awards), Harold D. Orr, John R. Miles (two awards), Ruby A. McBride, Mary A. Herb, Lloyd Runyan, Jacob Sappington, Clarence Roth, Elmore R. Hurt (two awards), and Elmer Jockel.

FHP Motor Div. 10: Robert J. Shirey, Vesta Good, Cleon O. Oyer, and Daniel D. Geary.

Decatur Plant: Raymond Franz, Ambrose Gase, Frank Rowley, and Clarence F. Drake.

Tiffin Plant: Walter R. Lonsway, Hillis H. Askan, and Earl N. Krause.

DeKalb Plant: Lorraine Roof, Russell Robinson, and Walter Gibson.

Specialty Transformer Div. 91: L. F. Harsch, Charles F. Holtsclaw, Robert A. Bunyan, and Donna Backofen.

Specialty Transformer Div. 93: Levona M. Porter (two awards), Nona M. Hedges, Ernest Clark, and Wilson P. Jones.

Specialty Transformer Div. 94: Norma Voelker (two awards), Donald E. Waldrop, Murray J. Sherman (two awards), Robert Schmeling, and Frieda C. Kaiser.

Danville Plant: Dan Parker, Roland W. Montgomery, Claude L. McWhorter, Jr., Verlin Biggs, William Townsley, G. E. Tabels, and John R. Doney.

Motor and Generator Div.: Osmer Eix, Dean E. Shaffer, William E. Wittmer, Richard D. Kite, E. G. Marschand, and Robert H. Stute.

Wire and Insulation Div.: William C. Wright, Emmett M. Rasor, Carl M. Junk (two awards), Ray E. Fisher, Alfred E. Eisenacher, and Melvin J. Bill.

General Tool Div.: E. T. Ueber

General Service Div.: Darrell Richmond, George Lamboley, Louis D. Hopper, Robert W. Guingrich, George R. Hughes, John Madden, and Dorsey Wendell.

Distribution: Robert L. Arnett

Miscellaneous: Albert Hutchisson and Mary I. Heymann.



For her suggestion to move the location of the coil saw, Mildred Strickler, Specialty Transformer Div. 93, received $50. She is shown, above, explaining the application of her idea to her foreman, Glenn Hobbs.

Foremen, Safety Committeemen Given Copy Of Anti-Jaywalking Ordinance

Foremen and safety committeemen were given copies of the new city Pedestrian Control Ordinance this week by the Fort Wayne Works safety section.

The anti-jaywalking ordinance was passed recently by the City Council to regulate and control pedestrian traffic and provide a penalty for violators.

Police will begin enforeement of the ordinance Sept. 1. However, they will give only warning tickets until Oct. 1. After that date, arrests will be made.

The new ordinance includes the following two provisions:

When walking, cross at corners and obey traffic signals.

When driving, give pedestrians the right of way on all turns and at any intersection where there are no signals.

The zone to be covered by the ordinance includes the area from the Pennsylvania Railroad to the St. Mary's River, and from Van Buren to Hanna St.

According to MBA statisties, 72% of the disabling injuries to Fort Wayne Works employees during the first six months of this year occurred off the plant premises. It is hoped that many of these accidents will be avoided through the enforcement of this new ordinance.

Test Engineers

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Each week since April 15 the test engineer's publication has carried the portrait of a girl who they named as Miss Fort Wayne Works of the Week.

The News Letter staff then met and selected four finalists from the list of 14 cover girls. All test engineers at the Fort Wayne Works were then given ballots and permitted to vote for their choice for the title.

The News Letter staff has presented Miss Shull with a gift on behalf of all the Fort Wayne test engineers.

The test engineers' Miss Fort Wayne Works has been with the Company sinee 1943, except for two years when she served in the U. S. Navy Hospital Corps.

She is the secretary for MBA.

Markley Earns $135 For Idea



Homer Markley, General Service division, recently received $135 for his suggestion to change the wiring of the blower motor for the boilers at the Taylor St. power house. This pieture was taken when his award eheck was presented to him. Left to right are: John Lare, William West, Orville Smith, Mr. Markley, Ralph Craig, William Altekruse, and Ralph Latham.



Chet Price is painting his house. That is, he is trying to do the job. But between rains and stirring operations we doubt if he will get done by late fall. He said that everytime he gets his paint stirred up, it starts to rain putting an end to the painting. He also tells us that this has happened innumerable times and that he is about to give up the ghost. . . . Art Brandenberger tells us that if one carries a sprig of rag weed in his pocket this person will never be bothered with prickly heat. George Cowan immediately went outside the plant door and came in with two sprigs of iron weed, thinking that it was of the aforementioned variety. Art said that he also carries a buckeye to ward off the rheumatiz, and a rabbit's foot for good luek. He must be a firm believer in old wives' tales. . . . Kenny Buster Miller's disposition was a little on the owly side the other morning. When asked about it, he explained that he was up all night performing the duties of a midwife for his dog who presented him with five nice puppies. . . . Ward Grim appeared upon the seene Monday morning with another one of those Lake Papakeechie hair euts. This one was the super variety. His face was also adorned by one excellent box car shave. The contrast between the head and the face was so great that one could not fail to notice it.

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parably-sized cities in the United States accordingly, Dr. Gumpert pegged Fort Wayne as first in happiness. He polled teen-agers on their feeling about their home towns, traveling salesmen about their favorite cities, and made careful checks of the various income levels and per capita buying power in each town. Dr. Gumpert further considered the religious and social activities of the communities under survey and their business diversity.

Spends Three Weeks Here

Author Gumpert compiled his information several months ago when he spent three weeks here with Ben Kocivar, a department editor for **Look**, and Philip Harrington, photographer. The group took pictures and interviewed city officials and local business and labor leaders.

In his article, Dr. Gumpert points out that there is a minimum amount of frustration and no fear in Fort Wayne. He adds that older people are proud of their city, and teen-agers content to stay here.

Dr. Gumpert praises the city's recreational programs, schools, labor relations and industrial progress, and lauds the lack of extreme poverty, widespread slum areas, and organized vice.

Author Gumpert further maintains that while Fort Wayne is two years behind in fashion, it is 20 years ahead in vision.

He states that the majority of people live here to work and raise families, not to retire.

70% Own Homes

In reporting that 70 per cent of the citizens own their own homes, Dr. Gumpert declares, "People think about and spend their money on homes, automobiles, hobbies, children and churches."

"In many factories," he adds, "more than one-third of the workers have been on the job over 25 years."

"All in all, Fort Wayne seems to be a city without peaks and without lows," Dr. Gumpert concludes, "but with an average far above that of other cities."

Included in the 14 photographs accompanying Dr. Gumpert's article, are a shot of Dallas Smith and Cecil Onion, both of Bldg. 4-4, and officers of local 901, UE-CIO, and of Edward Bradbury, Bldg. 17-4, and members of his family. The picture of Mr. Bradbury was taken on his 88-acre farm in Lafayette township as he was showing his son how to operate the boy's tractor.

Wilson Discusses Profits

The article by Pres. Wilson points out that a high percentage of profits must he ploughed back into the business to boost its future earnings.

In a discussion of General Electric's annual report for 1948, Mr. Wilson states that the net income for the year was $123,835,000.

"This figure on net income," he states, "must be viewed through the eyes of three important groups of people: the stockholders, the employees and the customers. Each of these groups has its own appeals and wants."

Pres. Wilson then analyzes the flow of this money to the Company's approximately 250,000 stockholders, 196,798 employees, and to millions of customers who want a better product at a lower cost.

"The daily life of a corporation is a constant effort to balance the wants of these groups. To lift wages and dividends, the corporation must sell more goods; and this means that it must make a better product," Mr. Wilson explains.

Must Advance Together

In conclusion, General Electric's president states:

"All three groups should advance together to a higher standard of living. The short-term benefit of any one group must not be allowed to endanger the long-term benefit to all.

"That is our objective. It is the objective of all business. And that, we believe, is the American way."

Every time you draw a breath Uncle Sam spends sevcral hundred dollars. The taxpayer has one alternative—rather a grim one.

Rounds Out 30 Years At G-E



Floyd Loraine, FHP Motor Div. 15, recently rounded out 30 years with the Company, at which time he received a congratulatory letter. The picture above was taken during the presentation of the letter. Left to right are: T. W. Sheets, H. G. Siebold, E. F. Sonday, Mr. Loraine, Ed Gebhart, and Ivan J. Jones.

Information Clinic

The following is the third in a series of questions and answers selected at random from those asked at the recent Informative Conferences. Additional questions concerning problems relating to jobs, business conditions, or any other matters are encouraged. Employees are requested to use the Information Clinic form below.

QUESTION

Are the branch plant operations proving successful?

ANSWER

The opening of our Decatur, Ind., plant in 1920 was the first attempt by the Company at conducting branch plant operations. Due to the success of the Decatur operation, many more branch plants have since been established. Branch plants have proven highly successful where the production is limited to a single product line. Our Tiffin, O., plant, which manufactures stators and rotors of a common diameter, is an excellent example of the advantages to be gained through a small, branch plant operation.

QUESTION

Is the present recession normal?

ANSWER

We are told that the present recession or re-adjustment period is what might be normally expected to follow a postwar production boom. Industry expanded its manufacturing facilities to meet the abnormally high demand for peace time goods. With the meeting of this demand, it is only natural that there should be a gradual cut back in production to a more normal level. However, it would appear that that level will be considerably higher than pre-war.

QUESTION

How soon will things pick up?

ANSWER

Our market research and commercial experts can predict no substantial increase in business for the next four quarters (one year). Nor do they see reason to predict any general slump below present averages. They do expect a gradual return to higher levels, however, after the next four quarters.



From what we can gather everyone had a very nice vacation in one way or another, at least we hope so. . . . Vaughn Sheets spent his enlarging the kitchen of his home. We are at loss as to the reason. His family is not getting any larger. Could it be, Vaughn, that you plan to have your co-workers out from time to time for a Sunday chicken dinner, or would it be beef and noodles, your favorite? To us it makes no difference, we will come anyway. . . . Harry Beltz visited Canada. Harry says he never knew they raised so much tobacco. . . . Bill Rohe tells us that it always pays to read what the signs have to say. In this way you can keep your face from getting red. . . . If Orval Doherty would have only known, it would not have been necessary for him to go to the lake for a swim. While Orval was at the lake a water pipe burst at home which made it necessary for him to use a row boat up and down the cellar stairs. . . . Truman Buckles enjoyed his vacation at his lake cottage, until he found out that the Indians regained the sewer in Indian Village—then one big headache. . . . Your guess is as good as ours, as to those fish stories. We have really heard some whoppers, but we have decided to wait and tell you about them when they start coming down to somewhere near their actual size.

Insulation News

As we all expected to hear, everyone had a simply wonderful vacation. This roving reporter turned "Nosey Rosey" for today and here are the results of vacations around Bldg. 12-3. . . . Dorothy Baumgartner (better known now as the "Gay New Yorker") is finding it mighty hard to be content in our fair city after being a resident of the Hotel Astor in New York. We are taking a small contribution to buy the "Times" for Dorothy, so that she won't get too homesick. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gebert joined another couple for a trip to the Smoky Mountains. Earl almost had to stay in Kentucky though. He forgot his razor and he just couldn't convince those hillbillies that he was really from Indiana. . . . The Insulation gang received a post card from Bill Glenn. Now there is a true Hoosier for you. The post card was from Evansville, Ind. It's the thought that counts though, Bill. . . . Marie Gehle went out to inspect the wild and wooly West. Marie won't vouch for the wooly part, but she says it sure enough is wild. . . . We heard rumors that Josephine Balsamo operated a popcorn stand during vacation. We imagine that she got that becoming tan from the bright lights around the popcorn stand. If the truth were known, it was really acquired at Lake Wawasee. . . . Bob Martin and his wife went for the folders that said "See the New England States." Bob says the pilgrims did a bad job of settling, because as far as he could see it was still uncivilized. . . . Joe Kramer said his vacation would be rather dull except for taking his family to the lake for a couple days. Can you imagine a vacation being dull with five children to keep entertained? . . . Hans Muller took his little girl to see the zoo at Toledo. Hans says that the only ones who have more fun than people are monkeys. They were so fascinated that they stayed all day. . . . If you were wondering why Crooked Lake has such a low lake level, we can give you the answer. Bill Hattendorf spent his vacation there. Need we say more? Abe Andrews says that since Bill cleaned out the lake, he advises all you ardent fishermen to stay away from Crooked Lake for the rest of the season. . . . So it seems that all enjoyed their two weeks. To you who may have that "after vacation letdown," we say, cheer up! It's only a year until next August.

The Japanese House of Representatives is sending some members to watch the U. S. Congress in action. This is apt to make them wonder how they lost the war.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

INFORMATION CLINIC

FORT WAYNE WORKS

C. H. MATSON, Works Manager

BLDG. 18-2

I would like more information about..

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Signed.....

Location.....

STRAIGHTEN UP!

YOU'LL LOOK BETTER
YOU'LL FEEL BETTER



Safety Supervisor Inspects Device That Prevents Injury To Fingers



F. T. Clarke, (right), Supervisor of Safety for the Apparatus Department, hears Gerald Crum (left) tell how his finger was saved by using a hook (indicated by arrow) instead of his fingers in removing material from a punch press die.

Mr. Clarke is holding the damaged material and the hook, which was badly chewed-up when the press unexpectedly tripped.

Paul Noffze, (center), die setter, has a right also to be pleased with this "no injury accident." This hook is part of his collection of tools and gadgets which are used as mechanical fingers to place material in the die. Paul and the other employees working on punch presses in Bldg. 26-1, Transformer division, never try to make one plier design handle all kinds of materials. They make the tool fit the material. These tools range from simple duck-bill pliers to 110-V electric magneto.

Mr. Clarke made an inspection tour recently of the Broadway and Taylor St. plants.

Apprentice BROADCAST

by MILDRED ELLIS

James E. Hoppel, son of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Hoppel of 1534 Taylor St., became the bridegroom of Maxine Rinehold Saturday evening, July 30. The ceremony took place at the Westfield Presbyterian Church.

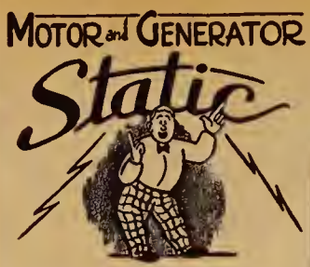
As the groom approached the altar, he was the cynosure of all eyes. Blushing prettily he replied to the questions of the clergyman in low, but firm tones. He was charmingly clad in a two piece suit consisting of coat and pants. The coat of some grey wool material was prettily draped above the shoulder and had a very tasteful fullness under the arms. A pretty story was current among the guests that the coat was the same one worn by his father and grandfather on their wedding days. Mr. Hoppel would neither affirm nor deny this sentimental touch. The groom's pants were of the same grey wool material and were suspended from the waist falling in a straight line almost to the floor, revealing just an artistic glimpse of blue hose worn right above brown leather shoes with lacings of the same color. The effect was very chic. Beneath the coat the groom wore a snow white shirt, encircled with a collar, under which he wore a loosely knotted blue tie, which gave a studied effect of carelessness, which marked supreme artistry in dress.

The groom's man's costume was essentially like the groom and as the two stood at the altar, a hush of awed admiration enveloped the audience. Neither Mr. Hoppel nor the groom's man wore a hat.

After the clergy man pronounced them man and wife, Mr. Hoppel presented his bride with a cavemanish kiss.

As the bride led the groom from the nuptials, it was noted that she wore orange blossoms.

MOTOR and GENERATOR Static



Thought For the Week: An intelligent man seldom needs advice; an unintelligent man can't use it.

Ed Foley, our "Greek" division editor, is enjoying a third week of vacation. We miss his happy smile and ability to get news but the poor old man really needs the rest. . . . News is scarce—everyone seems to have enjoyed their vacations, but have nothing to say about them.

Ramblings 31-2

Back to our desks and the drafting boards, we find the majority of us are here. The exceptions include a few lucky people who get three weeks vacation in a row, namely, Ray Hamilton, "Tiny" March, Joe Shelly, Ross Van Horn, Claude Charles, and Charles Thompson. . . . On our sick list we have Charles Waltemath, Sam Stillwell, Art Fruechte, and Paul McKeeman. Paul sprained his ankle during maneuvers for the National Guard. . . . Speaking of maneuvers, Don Kent is maneuvering for the Air Guard this week and next. . . . On checking further we find another face missing, that of Paul Gratny:

He was born in Kansas
He was bred in Kansas
And when he gets married
He'll be wed in Kansas
To his little Sunflower
From the Sunflower State.

Paul was married to Shirley Varnum August 14 at Yates Center, Kans. . . . Three apprentices who worked with us before are back again for another session with M-G drafting. They are H. C. Fremion, C. Z. Hubartt, and Ralph Obringer. . . . "Curly" Mannan almost lost his bathing trunks while demonstrating one of his dives for his daughter at Lake James. The dive must have been a fancy one.

. . . Bob Walworth has some new techniques in mountain climbing to show "Tiny" March. While motorcycling in Pennsylvania, Bob avoided getting jammed between cars by making his cycle climb up a mountain. Rough riding; Bob and his wife were thrown from the motorcycle. They ruined the front wheel of the cycle and their new riding boots, but they are O.K.

We have finally discovered what Dr. Gumpert was talking about in his article, when he said that Fort Wayne is two years behind the times in fashions. As we went from one news stand to another this week, we kept getting the same explanation from all the clerks: NO NEW LOOK!

Appointments Announced In FHP Motor Divisions



H. B. Carter



J. H. Behm

The appointments of H. B. Carter as Assistant Manager of Engineering, Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, and J. H. Behm as Division Engineer, A.C. Motor Engineering division, were announced recently by J. J. Clarkson, Manager of Engineering, Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions.

Mr. Carter is a graduate of Kansas State College, receiving the BS-EE degree in 1927. After his graduation, he entered the Company's test course at the local works. The next year he was assigned to the FHP Motor Engineering division in charge of split phase motor design.

In 1939 he transferred to the Decatur plant as a section engineer. Mr. Carter returned to Fort Wayne in 1941 as an engineer in the Magneto division. He later became Section Engineer of that section.

Went To Kokomo Plant

He then became Supervisor of Engineering at the Kokomo plant, and in 1945 came back to Fort Wayne as Section Engineer of the A.C. Motor section. Since 1948 he has been Division Engineer of the A.C. Motor Engineering division, FHP Motor divisions.

At the present time Mr. Carter is a director of the G-E Club, a member of the G-E Squares, Fort Wayne Engineers Club, American Institute of Electrical Engineers and the Reserve Officers Association. His hobbies include fishing and photography.

He is married and has two children. The Carters live at 1707 Fairhill.

Behm Is Syracuse Graduate

Graduating from Syracuse University in 1929 with a BS-EE degree, Mr. Behm first came to General Electric as a test engineer at the Schenectady Works.

He came to Fort Wayne in 1931 and until 1943 did design engineering work in the FHP Motor Engineering division. From 1943 until 1945 he was Assistant Section Engineer of the Aircraft Motor section. He then was appointed Assistant Section Engineer of the A.C. Motor section, and when the section was made a division he became Assistant Division Engineer.

Mr. Behm is a Professional Engineer, a past president of the G-E Squares and a past president of the Kirkwood Park Civic Association. His hobby is redecorating his home.

He is married and has one son. He lives at 3415 Kirkwood drive.

Roebel Receives Retirement Gifts



On his last day with General Electric, John Roebel, of the General Tool division, received several retirement gifts from his co-workers and friends. Left to right in the picture are: Lloyd Welbaum, Hubert Suelzer, Lowell Welker, Ralph Foust, Frank Druhot, Gus Rodenberg, Mr. Roebel, Carl Einseidel, Rein Lepper, George Hartman, Charles Abbott, Edwin Kammeyer, and E. D. Steward, his foreman.

Quarter Century Club To Celebrate 35th Anniversary



FRED KIETHABER
Employed 1888



WILLIAM RAIDY
Employed 1887



H. C. BEERS
Employed 1887 - Died 1923



FRED F. MILLER
Employed 1887 - Retired 1924

The 35th anniversary of the Fort Wayne Works Quarter Century Club will be celebrated Saturday, Sept. 10, at the club's annual outing at Camp Limberlost, Oliver Lake.

The club had its beginning on Oct. 2, 1914, when 30 employees met to organize a section of the General Electric Quarter Century Club of the Schenectady Works.

The first formal meeting of the club was held at the Anthony Hotel on Jan. 17, 1916, when A. F. Rohrer, president of the club at Schenectady, suggested that the Fort Wayne members form their own chapter. There were 27 members present at this meeting.

Barnes Is First President

E. A. Barnes was elected as the club's first president and M. S. Wilson, its first secretary.

In some way it happened that the name of William Driftmeyer does not appear on the list of charter members, although he was an active participant in every stage of the plant's early development. He took part in the arrangements for

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WM. MURPHY
Employed 1888 - Died 1926



HERMAN REHM
Employed 1885



W. P. KINDT
Employed 1889



D. S. MYERS
Employed 1888
Transferred to River Works 1920



SAM BROWNSBERGER
Employed 1889 - Retired 1923



C. S. REHRER
Employed 1885 - Retired 1926



F. J. HUNTING
Employed 1888 - Resigned 1922



JAMES J. WOOD
Employed 1877



WM. SCHULTZ
Employed 1884



SYLVESTER RICHARDS
Employed 1889 - Retired 1925



STUART REHRER
Employed 1888



JOHN [illegible] KRESS
Employed 1889 - Retired 1922



ANTHONY MILLER
Employed 1889 - Died 1917



HARRY J. EVANS
Employed 1889 - Died 1917



GE[illegible]D
Employed 1882 - Retired 1925



E. A. BARNES
Employed 1889



J. E. HALL
Employed 1889



WM. BRENNAN
Employed 1889 - Retired 1925



M. S. WILLSON
Employed 1885 - Retired 1923



J. F. KIESS
Employed 1884 - Retired 1926



WM. DONNELL
Employed 1888 - Died 1924



ALEX SCHLOTTER
Employed 1889 - Died 1923



ARTHUR L. HADLEY
Employed 1889



WM. WURTLE
Employed 1889 - Died 1924



CHARTER MEMBERS

Tricks In Transformer
—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Johnny McMaken

Everyone looked quite refreshed this week, as they came back off their vacations. . . . Paul Conrad was in Canada fishing. He says he really got the walleyes. . . . Bill Gepfert spent his time relaxing on the farm. . . . Melvin Leykauf said he had a wonderful time in Wisconsin. . . . Herman Conrad stayed at home so he could beat the drums in the American Legion parade. . . . Doyle Miller spent his time at the Allen County Fair. In fact, he liked the Hep Cat show out there so well that he wanted to buy it and wanted Jim Stauffer to go 50-50 with him. He liked Baby Dumplin's act the best. . . . Joe Collis went to Chicago and had quite a time. . . . Carl Deitsche also went to Chicago for a few days. . . . Russell Peabody spent the biggest part of his vacation listening to the juke box at Monroeville. . . . Richard Kramer went speed boat riding and the boat turned over, giving him quite a scare. . . . We would like to extend our belated sympathy to Paul Stiverson upon the death of his father. . . . We are all very sorry to hear of the illnesses in the families of Howard Oesch, Alrich Johnson and Rowand Parker, and would like to wish them a speedy recovery. . . . Paul Noffze says he will be honest, no fish. . . . Fred Thieme, in driving down the center of the highway, hit a flower bed and blew out two new tires.

Sample Shop News, 26-2

Now that vacation is over maybe I can scare up a little news from the Sample Shop. . . . We are glad to see Brownie back to work so soon. She had a minor leg operation during her vacation. . . . We are sorry to hear that Jean Fry's boy was taken ill during her vacation, but he is feeling better now. . . . Harry Brattian spent his vacation at his summer lake home. . . . Millie Strickler spent her vacation seeing the sights of Chicago. . . . Mr. Hobbs would like to take up laying linoleum for a pastime as that is what he did during his vacation. Please don't take me serious on that remark. . . . Lucille Stover spent some of her vacation mixing concrete so her Dad could make her some new steps. How about coming out to my place, we need some new steps. . . . I went to the great land of Northern Michigan and I caught plenty of fish, too, but I don't go into detail as you know how fish stories go. I did see a baby cub bear about 150 pounds which stayed right behind the cabin we occupied.

35th Anniversary

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the Langley dynamo and arc lamp in July, 1881, which resulted in the organization of the Fort Wayne Jenney Electric Light Company, the predecessor of the present Fort Wayne Works of the General Electric Company.

At the present time, three charter members of the club are still living. They are E. A. Barnes, A. L. Hadley, and F. S. Hunting. Mr. Hunting left the company in 1922 and is the organization's only Honorary Member.

Charles E. Becker, Harry Prange, S. E. Palmer, W. N. Wehrs, and J. H. Rehrer are 50-year members.

First Woman To Join

The first woman to join the Fort Wayne Quarter Century Club was Jennie Wright, who was elected to membership on March 21, 1917.

The club's first outing was held at Tri-Lakes on Sept. 11, 1917. The outings have been held every year except during the war period. This year will be the fourth year that it has been held at Camp Limberlost.

As of January 1, 1949, the total membership was 1,520. This includes:

Men, active	1,144
Men, retired	246
Women, active	103
Women, retired	27

The latest figures show a total of 1,554. Up to July 1, a total of 47 new members were added to the roster. Thirteen deaths have been recorded during the first half of this year.

Congratulated For Long Service



Edwin Kammeyer, General Tool division in Bldg. 19-4, completed 30 years' service with General Electric recently. At that time, he received a congratulatory letter. Attending the presentation of the letter were: (seated, l. to r.) Lowell Welker, Mr. Kammeyer, R. C. Renfrew, foreman; and Frank Druhot; (standing, l. to r.) C. A. Brenner, Division Supt.; Charles Abbott, Reinhold Lepper, Ralph Foust and Harry Mitchell.



"1949 Vacation Shutdown" — those magic words have now lost their charm. All we have to do now is rest up from our vacation, accumulate a little in preparation for the next big events, first Labor Day, then Thanksgiving and Christmas. We look back and wonder just where the year has gone and what we have accomplished. Speaking of the passing of a lifetime in such a hurry—here are a few words of wisdom by the "great philosopher" Garland "Sid" Raney of Bldg. 18-3

"I strove with none for none was worth the strife
Nature I loved, and next to nature—Art
I warmed my hands before the fire of life.
It dwindles—and I am ready to depart"

The girls in Bldg. 18-2 had a luncheon in the dining room for Mary Brouwer on Thursday. She is leaving us to await a "Bundle from Heaven." Best of luck, Mary, and we all offer to be baby sitters for you. . . . Our good friend Jerry Simpson is at home after a sojourn in the hospital. He would like to have us tell all of his friends who called upon him in the hospital that he really appreciated their visit. . . . Chester Lichtenberg and his family enjoyed a trip to Colorado during the vacation time. . . . C. H. Weber and family spent their vacation in California, making their headquarters in San Francisco. . . . The A. S. Johnsons headed south. They don't mind the hot weather. . . . Jean Ehringer, Bldg. 18-1, who left the Friday before vacation, was presented a very pretty Eisenberg pin by her friends. . . . We would like to offer our very best wishes to P. O. Noble. From all reports he must have had a grand farewell and it will take him the greater part of his leisure time to look over the many useful gifts presented to him.

Vacation News From Bldg. 18-4

Gloria Koebel and her husband vacationed at Lake Gage. . . . The fish did not bite very well, but Mr. Kellermeier enjoyed his fishing spree in northern Minnesota. He said he would like to live there—only—the weather is too cold. . . . Carter McLaughlin combined painting with his fishing. . . . The Leiningers (John of Bldg. 18-4 and Dorothy of Bldg. 18-1) travelled to Boston, Mass., and the New England States. . . . Phil Singleton and family enjoyed the comforts of Lake James instead of traveling. Little 10 month old babies would rather stay put than travel. . . . A. Reynolds visited his alma mater—Iowa State, attended All Star football and baseball games in Chicago with a little golfing in between. . . . The Shields, of course went home to South Carolina. . . . Annabell Redding, with her family, enjoyed a beautiful motor trip to Mackinac, through Northern Michigan and then to Chicago. . . . Esther Sears did some vacationing at Rome City and Chicago too. . . . Jean Grant did a lot of resting, as did Betty Mueller. . . . Marjorie Meyers really did things up brown. She and her family travelled over 2,617 miles to Cleveland, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, through to Montreal, Grand Island in Canada, on to visit the New England States. Oh yes, New York City, then to the boardwalk at Atlantic City for some bathing then back home. . . . Paul Lenz "did" Chicago too, and said he saw many people from Fort Wayne. . . . Virginia Worden spent a week in Colorado where she visited Pikes Peak, Garden of the Gods, Estes Park, etc. "Nothing like the grandeur of the West." . . . Edna Welch visited relatives in Indianapolis and at Sylvan Lake. . . . H. F. Volmerding "just rested," he said. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Doyal White just enjoyed being home and relaxing. . . . Fred White had a wonderful vacation. Where? When? It doesn't matter, just a wonderful time. . . . It is impossible to cover the "post vacation" news thoroughly—but from all reports it would seem that the weatherman was wonderful, the highways wonderful, the fishing wonderful! So—isn't it wonderful to be alive?

The most popular brand of cigarets in many homes is pop's.

Store Begins To Fill Reservations For New Models Of G-E Mixers

The Employees' Store is now filling reservations for G-E mixers, Ray Fischbach, store manager, announced today.

To date 75 reservations have been filled. Notices will be sent to those on the list as soon as more mixers are made available.

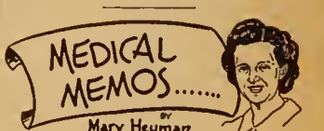
A shortage of mixers was created earlier in the year when a new model was designed and production changes were needed. These new models are now in full production and contain many improvements over the old style. The completely redesigned, portable



mixer (shown above) weighs only 3½ pounds without the base and occupies considerably less space.



Hope you have missed our column recently but will look forward to it each week in the future. . . . From all reports of our co-workers in Personnel their vacations were a huge success. The majority returned a few shades darker than before, due to the contacts of "Old Sol". "Go West for a grand vacation" is the advice of many this week. Those who enjoyed the beauty and natural splendor of the Golden West were Jean Smith, who journeyed to Colorado, and Marian Davies, who is exclaiming over Los Angeles and a breathtaking horseback ride through the mountains. Laurene Procise and Marian had exciting experiences while horseback riding and are quite content to stand for awhile. . . . Mr. Freeman is vacationing at Rocky Mountain National Park. . . . Cora Polhamus rested at the Sand Dunes. . . . Don Campbell went home to visit his folks. . . . Ceal Romary went to the lake, but is a little modest about telling fish stories. . . . Again we hear the pitter patter of little feet in the hall — those of George Waldschmidt, whom we all welcome back after an operation. . . . We wish a speedy recovery for Irene Meyers' father, who is still a patient at Lutheran Hospital. . . . Believe it or not, Herschel Smith has proven himself to be quite a trapeze artist and for proof he has a sore chin. What about those muscles, Herschel? Aren't they sore? . . . Our choice for a "quickie" this week was Ivan Rinehart's reply to Irene Meyers' exclamation "You're wonderful." He very matter of factly stated, "I know; all the girls tell me." . . . Your former reporter, Iris Knapp, is now the proud mother of a darling baby girl. Congratulations, Mom and Pop! . . . These are busy days for Al Hartman, who is keeping occupied making preparations for the Quarter Century Club picnic. Sounds like they are going to have a good time. . . . Happy birthday, Ceal! . . . We will leave you for this week with this thought, "Happiness is not something you find; it is something that must be created."



Here's to the chigger with a head no bigger
Than the point of a tiny pin.
But the welt he raises hurts like blazes
And that's where the rub comes in.

We hope everyone had a grand vacation. Even though there may have been a few cases of sunburn, poison ivy, chiggers and such minor discomforts, they were small in comparison to the relaxation and happiness we received. . . . Dr. Garton mixed some fishing and relaxing along with work at his home. . . . Dr. Murdock was subject to call, so his vacation will be later in the season. . . . Lakes in Michigan beckoned Olive Walters. . . . Lyle Rupert took life easy, except for a few short trips. . . . Mabel Wilson headed towards her cottage at Turkey Lake. . . . Just to be different, Berneta Welbaum was on duty in Bldg. 21 during the shutdown. . . . Alta Bishop was in the clouds and on her honeymoon as Mrs. Lou Mayle. . . . Bertha Schrader's sister from Napoleon, O., was a visitor. . . . Imo Jean Schwartz and Florence went to Niagara Falls and Canada. . . . As for me, accompanied by three nurses who were classmates, we turned the Plymouth south and were New Orleans bound.

4-1 Floorage

By Marie Lantz

It's back to the work bench—now that the two-week recess, more commonly called, "our vacation," has ended. But has it? For many memory will keep those happy hours alive and revive reminiscing. Many were lured lakewards in response to rod and reel; some traveled to distant or different places; others were content to stay at home to catch up on tasks undone. Fisherman's luck ran rampant for some; for others it lagged. George Hahn and Ray Flueger, of "Oh where, oh where did our little worms go" fame, actually beat the bait problem and fished. Luck was theirs at Big Lake for George and Wisconsin waters for Ray. . . . Bill Oberlin, who stayed at Lake James, motored to Michigan for his heavy catch. . . . It is now appropriate to call him "Big Bass Berdleman." For proof Roy plans to show a snapshot of the 5¼ pounder he caught at Pretty Lake. . . . Paul LeCoque divided his time between the angleworm and the birdie. He fished in Michigan, but his greater love, golf claimed most attention. . . . Avery Spayde was another angler not content with Hoosier fishing. Hamilton Lake was his habitat and Michigan his fishing spot. . . . Richard Polston, a newcomer from the Winter St. plant, was devoted to the paint brush and the fishing pole. His house got a coat of paint; Dick got a coat of tan and Barbee got a fisherman. . . . At Rome City, Howard Hoffman was another lucky angler as was Ray Dotzer at Big Long Lake. Ray also was a visitor at the Henry Cluts home at Shriner, Tri-Lakes. According to Henry, Ray was busy watching beach belles, but Ray insists he watched Henry handle hot-stuff. In other words, Henry installed a furnace. . . Among those unfortunate anglers whose luck lagged was George Bear at Blue Lake, Galen Kreigh at Ridinger, Maurice Humphrey at West Lake and Harry Kokosa at Clear Lake. . . . Not long ago but far away was Ruth Nordyke's trip through the scenic Smoky Mountains. . . . Jane Crisemore and husband got gills in Wisconsin, where they visited the Dells. Jane came back to bad news; an eight-year-old nephew, who lives in Muncie, became a polio victim. His condition is reported "fair" at present. . . . Chicago cast a come-hither invitation to Chester Hill who had an enjoyable visit with relatives at the Windy City. . . . Herman Baumgartner spent three weeks traveling through the great Southwest. He saw Hollywood and six national parks. . . . New Orleans was the destination for Kurt Trapp, who traveled by train to visit his daughter there. . . . Howard Taylor was westward bound, visited brethren away out Ogden, Utah way. Howard reports that they believed everything he told them—and, we suspect, his tales may have been as tall as their mountains. . . . Ed Green, another newcomer from Winter St., painted his house, then made a trip to New York and Niagara Falls in his new Chevrolet. . . . The board walk beckoned to Jim Rohlman who drove to that famed Pageant City, Atlantic City, and back. . . . Another "motor-minded" is Ed Johnson who drove down to Southern Illinois. . . . It is rumored that Kenny Zinc enjoyed his Michigan trip so much he went back for the second week. . . . Then again, there were a number of stay-at-home vacationists. Among them we list Alva Barker who put a basement in—under his year-around home at Little Cedar, Tri-Lakes; Fred Higgins who painted his house and Adam Flager, Kuzler, Howard Koehl, Yours Truly, Carl Brehmer and Lois Waterson who just puttered about the premises. Lois, who lives in Huntertown, visited in near-by localities, spent a day at Bixler Lake. . . . Lest we forget—there's more on Moore. Jess went fishing at Old Lake, and, remembering his wife's plea to bring home some fish—he did—ones he purchased at a local grocery store.

Celebrates 30th Anniversary



Adele Wietfeldt, FHP Motor Div. 17 at Taylor St., recently celebrated her 30th anniversary at General Electric. She received a congratulatory letter on her long service with the Company. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Mary Green, Mildred Behler, Virginia Emerick, Harley Springer, Mary Beihl, Nellie Williams, Luella Ternet, Adele Wietfeldt, Mabel Moser, B. B. Gausepohl and Rebecca Fogwell.



Who's Excited: On Monday morning the exciting stories of places our members visited began to unfold, and what a tale it is. . . . Seems the Smoky Mountains was the leading point of interest. Mr. Saurbaugh, Dot Fletter and Betty Millhouse were our representatives to that scenic spot. . . . Hazel Smith and Del Bucher gave Niagara Falls and Canada a look-see, and Helen Elbert visited Mackinaw City, Mich. . . . Del Bucher had a little trouble keeping on roads that went as far as he was going. Generally speaking the trip was a success. . . . Teresa Arend took in Cleveland and Lake Erie. She's a wee bit stiff from carrying a boat to the lake so she could go boat riding but it was fun anyway. . . . Hilda Krause went way out yonder to the Sunflower State, then down to the big rabbit country of Texas. Hilda says no state in the union has rabbits as big as Texas, in fact she sent a picture to prove it. . . . Buck Buchanan also went out where men are men, etc., and took in Mother Nature's panorama of beauty. . . . A card from Eileen Fitch revealed that she spent her vacation taking in the sights of Fort Wayne, Ind. . . . Lenora Hanley had a G-R-A-N-D time in the Big Town (New York, that is). . . . The rest of the boys and gals spent their 10 days in and around Fort Wayne and its numerous lakes.

INCREASE IN STOCKHOLDERS IS REVEALED

The General Electric Company has a total of 250,591 stockholders as of June 17, 1949, the record date of the dividend payable July 25, William W. Trench, Company Secretary, announced recently.

This notes an increase of 1,134 stockholders over the total of 249,457 reported for the corresponding period of 1948, and an increase of 705 stockholders over the total of 249,886 reported for the previous record date of April 25, 1949, Mr. Trench said.

More than 25 per cent of the stockholders are small holders owning from one to 10 shares, the Company Secretary said. Brokers, banks, bank nominees, and other business enterprises total less than two per cent of all stockholders, while trustees, guardians and other fiduciaries number about 10 per cent.

LeLeury Dies

Aarwood R. LeLeury, 46, of 1645 Steup St., died at 1:30 a.m. Monday in St. Joseph hospital. He had worked in FHP Div. 17 at the Taylor St. plant.

Survivors include his widow, Edna; mother, Mrs. Ruth LeLeury; a sister, Mrs. Dale Harbaugh, and three brothers, Jack, Robert and Bean, all of South Bend.

Services were held yesterday at the Pasco funeral home, at Greenfield, Ind. Burial was in Park Cemetery, Greenfield.

Scientists reveal that the chirp of the cricket is not a love call. Just a nuisance.

A mockingbird in Mobile, Ala., built her nest on a ferris wheel. Guess she wants her young ones out in the best circles.



Ho-hum another vacation gone with the wind! Only 343 days until the next one. You can start marking them off one by one, save your pennies for that trip next year and look over the pictures you took this year and enjoy your vacation all over again! . . . Les Hubbart says that there is every kind of fish that you can think of in Crooked Lake, but that they don't bite very often. . . . Mardo Tobias had good luck with his fishing. He caught all he could use and brought some home. . . . Paul Ginder said they only had to fish about half an hour a day to catch all the fish they wanted to eat. He was fishing in Minnesota. . . . Marie Griffin kept calling all day long trying to get an appointment at W. & D's so she could get her hair cut, when suddenly she remembered that it was Monday and they were closed. . . . Alva Foulks is sporting a new Chrysler. He says that he is a salesman too. Anyone needing a car, see Alva. . . . Carl Smith has gone back up to Bldg. 4-4. Sorry to see you leave 1x29, Carl. . . . Evelyn Petgen has moved into her log cabin and says it is wonderful in the country. . . . Frank Brindle was in an auto wreck and has a banged-up ankle. Hope you will soon be back to work, Frank. . . . Edna Hergenrader is in the Methodist hospital recuperating from an operation. Hurry and get well, Edna. . . . Jerry Kraft who formerly worked with us was married August 6. Lots of luck and happiness to you and Mildred. . . . Speaking of "The Egg and I," Eleanore Kohrman was slightly late one morning just before vacation so she threw some lunch in a sack. Among other things she threw in was a fresh egg. Some cook! . . . We are sorry to hear of the death of the mother of former co-worker Carol Eastes. . . . Our sympathy to Louie Barrow whose grandchild died while we were on vacation. . . . THE INNOCENT BYSTANDER advises Mr. Mettler if he wishes his picture in the Roto-gravure section in the future not to depend on just one picture—but to have more than one shot taken.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, August 22, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Pair of glasses with clear plastic frames. Lost in Bldg. 4 or Fairfield parking lot.

FOUND—Gold stick pin with gold chain. Turned in at Bldg. 19 gate house.

FOR SALE

WARDROBE TRUNK—E-1345.

GREEN HOBNAIL BEDSPREAD—Pressure canner, small electric heater, black formal, colonial dress, garage windows, screen; name your price. E-38782.

WOOD LATHE—Dunlap, 38 in. with 9 in. swing and Craftsman highest quality cutting tools, like new, $30. H-32035.

1937 DESOTO SEDAN—Radio, heater, recently overhauled. H-60781.

TWO-PIECE LIVING ROOM SUITE—H-58213.

G-E WASHER—Good running condition. 3235 South Harrison.

SIX STORM WINDOWS, 28x71—Six window screens, 28x71; two-wheel trailer. A-69482 mornings.

EXTENSION LADDERS—36 ft., reasonable. A-85972.

HORTON IRONER—Portable model, in excellent condition, reasonable. H-37843.

MAN'S BICYCLE—26 in., good condition. $10. H-66332.

AXMINSTER RUG—9x12, light blue and rose pattern, about seven years old but kept in good condition. $10. H-03238.

FOR RENT

COTTAGE AT WALL LAKE—Refrigeration, inside toilet facilities, two boats. H-3470.

ONE ROOM MODERN COTTAGE—Sleeps four, Oliver Lake, Aug. 27 on. A-70951, 615 Sturgis.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS TRANSPORTATION — John Kinnell, from New Haven. Works in Bldg. 26-1 from 7-3 or 3:30. 938 Power St. or New Haven 6613.

The Partizan Chapter of Elex extends a cordial invitation to Elex members who have retired or married and are no longer employed at General Electric to join the Chapter. The club meets once a month.

Anyone interested in joining should contact Kathryn Cullen, president of Partizan, H-0571, or Margaret Tomson, the secretary, H-44134.



Some of the highlights of vacations and of the fishermen's stories are: Al Rondot and wife were fishing one day and they started into the cottage with 27 fish, but when they arrived at the shore he only had three left. Al, you had better watch for the holes in the bag. . . . Wedding bells rang for Evelyn Johnson to George Sanson Wednesday, August 3. Best wishes, Evelyn. . . . Those bells also rang for Don Rose. Congratulations, Don. . . . If anybody is interested in golf see Art Bashelier. He won a new set of golf clubs last week.



"Stup"—I want to apologize for my error "Female Alumni" in the last issue. Can't make any excuses—should have known better. . . . Shower: The girls of the Production Division honored Deloris Soule and Celest Moran with a bridal shower on Monday evening, July 25. The party was held at the home of Irene Whelan. Towels were hemmed for the two bride-elects and several contests were enjoyed. Deloris was presented with a waffle iron and Celest, a light weight electric iron. . . . Vacations Across the Nation: The Tabulation Section was well represented. Mary Olsen spent her time at Glenwood Springs, Colo. Dorothy Balens journeyed to Washington, D. C., and went by plane from there to Norfolk, Virginia. Ella Cox, Joan Cormany and John Oldenkamp went out to sunny California. Ella tells us that the weather in Los Angeles was marvelous, but she was happy to return home. Frances Jailor saw the straits in Northern Michigan. Reba Coffock met with misfortune at Toledo, Ohio. She and her husband crashed into a telephone pole in order to avoid crashing into a car, which had stopped suddenly in front of them. They really wrecked their new Nash. Reba escaped with severe bruises. They were on their way to upper Canada, but had to return to Fort Wayne via train. We all hope you are feeling better, Reba. Better luck next year! . . . Leonard Krumbigel visited the Toledo Zoo. Irene Whelan and Abbie Hartman were two "stay-at-homes". . . . Al Voltz had a nice vacation tanning and fishing at Webster Lake. Keith Ross spent his vacation in Colorado and the Black Hills. Bob Sharrow vacationed in the West, Grand Canyon and Yellowstone National Park. . . . Delores Giltz visited Florida and the Smokies. She caught a bucket full of fish while in Florida. . . . Mabel Waggoner, Wilma Kirby, Marge Walker and Betty Rose were New York visitors. Mabel also visited Northern Michigan. . . . Ray O'Keefe visited South Dakota and Colorado. Stanley Tomkinson and Julian Stark spent their vacation at the National Guard encampment at Camp Atterbury. . . . Forrest Carlson took what was supposed to be a short cut on his drive to Des Moines, Iowa. It turned out to be 40 miles longer. . . . Misfortune: Dick Heard has been driving his car with a hole in the windshield for a long time. During his vacation, in Northern Michigan, he had a new windshield mounted on his car. You guessed it! The following day while driving on a gravel road, a rock bounced up and put a hole in it. . . . Wedding Bells: Mary Ohlwine, Developmental, became Mrs. Wilmer Leitch in Albion, and Deloris Soule beeame Mrs. William Koch Saturday, Aug. 6; also Carl McKay was married during vacation in Georgia. Best wishes to Deloris, and Mary. Congratulations, Carl. . . . Frank Moody seems to have "gotten the clue" from the gals—shoes off equals comfort in hot weather. . . . Sympathy: We all extend our sympathy to Lou Davis whose mother died while he was vacationing in California. . . . Cricket: Norm Oetting uses his bathtub for a cricket cage. This works fine except that they keep Norm awake at night. Does anyone know how to "De-Noise" crickets? . . . Water Wings: Ask Paul Ohnesorge about swimming lessons. It seems that after taking two lessons Paul was given a refund. They gave him up! . . . Odds and Ends: Wier Anderson still has three puppies for sale. . . . Happy birthday to Walter Gerke, August 6. And we all hope you like your new home. More Vacations: D. C. Reek and family, Wisconsin. Carl Vizithum and Judy Clark, Pennsylvania. Mary Ellen Duer, home in Ohio. Ruth Burris, home in Western Kansas. Nate Horton, Oklahoma. It was so cold there that they had to use blankets at night. Mildred Heinkle and family, Detroit. They saw the Chicago-Detroit baseball game. Kate and Joe Gardt, Saulte Sainte Marie, Mich.; also Mackinac Island and Traverse City. Kate acquired a new hobby, making bears sing. See Kate for details. . . . O. R. Foltz and H. C. Bradley went fishing in Northern Michigan. All Mr. Bradley "got" was a sunburned lip.



What supervisor called his own telephone number and couldn't understand why he got the busy signal? . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Snyder; their baby was born July 22. A girl, weighing 7 lbs. 12 oz. Janet Lou and mother are both doing nicely. . . . If "Pappy" Grier didn't have such big feet, he wouldn't have so much trouble letting up on the accelerator. We thought he would break this new Buick in right. . . . Walt Neimeyer laid over a day in Denver, Colo., so Mr. Skevington could catch up with him. We also hear Walt was showing his traveler's checks to the gang and his wife's name appears on them. Poor Walt won't be able to go any place alone. . . . Wilbur Poehler worked last Saturday and then went to Wabash to buy a new suit. What's the matter with Fort Wayne, Wilbur? . . . Russell "chop-chop" Scherrer has his new set of teeth. It's amazing how well he can eat an apple. . . . We hear Mrs. Fred Vogt still has a tough life. Her husband Fritz, purchased a new lawn mower and she still has to use the old one—poor woman. . . . Walt Niemeyer is going to the great state of California, and we imagine he will still talk shop if his old buddy is on the same train. . . . The big City of Zanesville will get a new family now. The Forest Grims intend to live there. . . . Fritz must be getting old. We saw a bottle containing a liquid from the Fountain of Youth. Is it that bad, Fritz? . . . We don't imagine Mrs. Daniels will carry the door key in her purse since Danny had to remove the hinges from a door in order to get in the house. He didn't work last Saturday and Maxine did. . . . Louie Botteron is still asking Herb Sesslar how he should go about overhauling the family car. What's the matter, Louie, won't it run yet? . . . Myrtle Barfell took an extra long walk last Saturday. She got off at the East Gate and found it locked. . . . Tom Edison (Bill Lavine) plays at inventions. Don't forget, Bill, sometimes neighbors object to loud noises. . . . We've all heard of a horse throwing a man, but Ife Holmes has that story beat. Last Saturday morning his chair threw him—right on the floor. . . . Belated birthday wishes to Mr. Holloway and Mr. Bobay. . . . Happy birthdays for August go to Louise Roberts, Bertha Witte, Russell Runkle, Walter Kritzman and August Zollinger. . . . The Van Hoozens and Curtises had a lovely time last week-end except for upsetting the picnic table on the men. Iced tea flew all over the place.



"A big heart is better than a big house."

Vacation was not long enough for Hilmer Drayer. He didn't awaken until 9 a.m. last Monday. He had driven 900 miles to get home in time for work and then didn't get in until noon. He wants to get used to working gradually so a half day is enough to start with. . . . Jim Kavanaugh did better than most of the tool room boys. He got as far as Chicago where he ran into a bridge tournament and he was lucky enough to come out with a first in the Chicago Cardinals Open Pair game. . . . Joe Haas survived two weeks of intensive training at Camp Lejeune. He claims the worst obstacle was the heat. It was over 100 degrees every day. . . . We extend our sincere sympathy to Jerry Koehl whose father died while attending a Daisy ball game. Jerry was sitting with his dad during the game. . . . Ed Bienz took a trip down the east coast. . . . Steve Sallot went to the Lower Peninsula in Michigan to do some fishing. The size of his fish are used for bait around here. . . . For you housewives interested in a different way to cook potatoes, Gene Wheeler has discovered a new way quite by accident. To conserve time he cooked them in a pressure cooker and tried to hurry them by removing the lid a bit too soon. I believe they could be called a sort of "upside down" potato. They went to the ceiling, where parts of them remained, and others came zooming down all around the place. Me?—I'll take 'em fried. . . . Owen Cartwright took a trip through the Smokies, Virginia and North Carolina. . . . Mary Beaman is back to work after an illness of almost two months. . . . Herb Langer went to the lake for a few days and can only say the neighbors' "drinks" were cold. . . . Some are wondering why Floyd Garland hasn't mentioned his golf score recently. . . . Dale Springer visited friends in Pennsylvania during vacation. . . . Harold Hohman spent a restful two weeks at the lake. The fish didn't even bother him. They didn't seem to bother Walt Buesching either, but he tried to get them. . . . Ralph Walda had a good time on his trip to Arizona and New Mexico.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

James Mitchell, Donna Backofen, Luella Bixler, Goldie Kelly, Frank Romanowski, Milford Toney, Loraine Moran, Rosella Farrell, Warren Jackson, John Banks, Kenneth Beek, Opal Brayton, Olnie Kincaid, Mildred Snyder, David Kelker, A. C. Fruechte, F. W. Cooper, Kathryn Beltz, and Lillian Kidder.

Left Hospital

Edward Hauke, Sherman Stilwell, Kenneth Beck, Norbert Hans, Freida Farley, and Elihu Lee.

Returned To Work

Alice Nichens, Elmer Zelt, Joseph Middendorf, William Glenn, Theodore Roehm, Genevieve Manecke, Herbert Bobay, Catherine Parkins, and Robert Skinner.

A Boston judge told a ventriloquist he'd have to choose between his dummy and his wife. He chose the dummy. Probably just wanted the last word in any argument.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT DO YOU THINK THE VOLTMEN'S CHANCES ARE FOR RETAINING THEIR CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE?



WILLIAM C. MILLS, JR.

Bldg. 26-5

"In my opinion, it is hard to predict the future of any ball team, for so many things can happen. However, I think the Voltmen's chances will be good, with luck and loyal support from the fans."



DOROTHY JOHNSON

Bldg. 17-3

"Yes, I think the Voltmen will retain their Championship title in 1949. With good management, great team work and all G-E fans behind them, they are bound to come through."



HENRY PAPENBROCK

Bldg. 19-1

"Chances are good. They have good pitching, rather light hitting. The fielding at times is very good. They are members of the strongest semipro league in the country, and I don't believe they have quite as tough competition in Wichita."



BILL DOEHRMAN

Bldg. 20-1

"Getting away to a poor start in the beginning of the season, they are now playing better ball. To retain the Championship again this season, however, they will have to improve the infield. They are a little weak at short and need a good left-handed first baseman. Pitching is good and they have a good catcher, and I would say the outfield is fairly good."



LOIS DREWETT

Taylor St.

"I think that once they can start to click, there is no reason why they can't retain the title. If anyone can bring them through, I think Manager Braden is the man for the job. I'd certainly like to see them do it."

Majors Win Four Games

Drop Second Bid At ASA Tourney To Ossian, 4-0

The G-E Majors' softball team won their first start in the ASA sectional tournament at Ossian, Tuesday, July 9, from Diehl's of Garrett by a score of 1-0.

The only run of the game was scored in the second inning on two hits and an error. Feldheiser, the pitcher, got two of the club's three hits.

Ewing came up with the fielding play of the night when he took a low line drive to right and threw it to second for a double play.

Line score:

		R	H	E
G-E	010 000 0	1	3	1
Diehls	000 000 0	0	3	2

Feldheiser and Baals; Deibele and Bowman, Lobb.

The Majors lost their second game in the ASA tourney Thursday, July 11, to the Ossian Boosters by a score of 4-0.

Ossian scored two runs in the fourth on two hits, an error, two walks, and a fielder's choice and two more in the fifth on a single and a hit to right that bounced in the parked cars for three bases and scored one error. Stanski got two of the Club's three hits.

Line score:

		R	H	E
Ossian	000 220 0	4	4	2
G-E	000 000 0	0	3	2

Hoopengarner and Young; Waltke and Baals.

In a game Thursday, July 28, the Majors defeated Harvester, 7-0.

There was no scoring until the second, when Somer led off with a single. Bucher struck out, then Lawson doubled, scoring Somers. Feldheiser singled, scoring Lawson. Following that play, Anderson struck out and Stanski singled. Baals flied out to third. There were two runs and four hits in that inning.

Stanski's single, Baals' sacrifice and Yarman's double scored another run in the fifth.

In the sixth, Bucher led off with a walk, Lawson singled, and Feldheiser struck out. Anderson then singled scoring Bucher. Stanski singled, scoring Lawson, while Baals fouled out to the catcher. Yarman then singled, scoring Anderson and Stanski. The final play was Morkoetter's out, third to first. The tally for that inning was four hits and four runs.

The hitting for the game was led by Stanski with three hits and a walk in four times up. Yarman had a double and two singles in four trics. Lawson had a double and single in three times at bat. The game was called at the end of the sixth at the time limit.

Line score:

		R	H	E
G-E	020 014	7	11	0
Harvester	000 000	0	3	1

Feldheiser, Hower and Baals; Leffers, Van Way and Bohay.

The Majors' next game was against City Light Thursday, Aug. 4. They won, 4-3.

Morkoetter led the hitting with two 3-base hits in three times up.

Line score:

		R	H	E
G-E	010 030 x	4	4	2
City Light	002 100 0	3	3	3

Sitko and Walker; Waltke and Somers.

Again the Majors chalked up a win. They defeated Zollner Reserves Tuesday, Aug. 16, by a score of 3-2.

Two runs were scored in the second on a walk to Stanski, a three-base hit by Baals, and a single by Yarman. The winning run was scored in the sixth when Yarman was hit by a pitched ball. He went to second on a wild pitch, took third on an infield out, and scored when Larson was safe on an error.

Zollner scored one run in the third on three singles and scored the other run in the seventh on a walk, single, wild pitch, and a long fly to center.

Line score:

		R	H	E
G-E	002 001 0	3	5	2
Zollner	001 000 1	2	5	1

Feldheiser and Somers; Lipp and Saalfrank.

Completes 30 Years Of Service



Clarence Meeks, General Tool division in Bldg. 19-5, recently celebrated his 30th anniversary with the Company. A number of his co-workers attended a presentation of a congratulatory letter to him. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Julian Franke, Jr., August Rodenberg, Mr. Meeks, C. A. Brenner, Division Supt., Glenn Staight and Chester Burgette.

G-E Hams Drop Magnavox, 11-4

The Magnavox softhall team suffered their first defeat of the season at the hands of the G-E Hams at Packard park recently. The Club handed the boys from the East End a thorough thrashing with a 11-4 victory.

Magnavox's loss enabled the Hams to enter a three-way tie for the league lead. Harvester, who lost only one game this season, is the other team tied for first place.

The play-off will be held after the completion of the double elimination tournament which began Tuesday, Aug. 16.

The Hams, ranging in age from 37 to 56 years old, have shown a marked improvement during their last several games, and have good hopes of winning the league title this year.

You're sure of a world of prosperity if you work hard, save—and attain success.

G-E GOLF

By Hugh Dubdit

The second half, final standing in the Winter St. group shows the Brassies on top, with a point total of 32. Putters finished second, with 26, and Drivers were third, with three. John Skevington led the individual scoring, with a 37. Don Lynch, W. S. Kirke, and M. F. Patrick turned in cards of 42. The leading individual averages were held by Dick Szink, with 39.2; John Skevington, 39.3, and Don Lynch, 39.6.

The Dubs of the Tuesday night group shot 18 strokes under average to trim the Optimists by 15 points and move into first place, with a total of 40 points and one night yet to play. The Nineteenth Holers picked up 12 points to move into second place, with 32 points. The Optimists, former leaders, now are third, with 11 points. Bob Hall came in with the best card of 37, followed hy Red Braden, 38; Dick Tobias, 40, and Paul LeCoque and Bob Dobbins, with 41.

G-E has again entered the annual Midwest Industrial Golf tournament to be held Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 20 and 21, at Mount Clemens, Mich., with Briggs Manufacturing Co. as host. This tourney was held at Akron, O., last year and drew 28 teams, with more expected this year. Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. was the winner, with a 619 count. Studebaker was second, with 620. The scoring is based on the 36 hole total for a team of four. Denton Manecke, golf chairman, announced that this year's team will include Willie Adams, Red Braden, Dick Szink, and Warren Wickliffe.

Plans are also underway for the annual Studebaker and G-E match to be played in Fort Wayne this year.

Saturday, Sept. 17, has been set as the date for the Blind Bogey. This is open to all G-E golfers, whether they play in the league or not. All that is required is payment of green fees by the golfers. Many good golfing prizes are awarded each year. Let's all make plans to get into this year's Blind Bogey.

Hanna Appointed Station Manager Of G-E Stations

R. B. Hanna, Jr., a native of Fort Wayne, has been appointed Station Manager of the G-E radio broadcasting, frequency modulation, and television stations WGY, WGFM and WRGB, Robert S. Peare, Vice President in charge of Public Relations, has announced.

As Station Manager he will be responsihle for all non-technical functions of the three stations. He joined the Company after his graduation from Butler University in 1929 as a student in the business training course. He later transferred to the Publicity division. He was then placed in charge of the "House of Magic" at the New York World's Fair of 1939 and 1940.

During the war he was a member of the Signal Corps, holding a captain's rank when placed on inactive duty in 1945. In February, 1946, he was named head of the conventions and exhibits work in the Advertising and Publicity Department. Since September, 1948, until his recent appointment, Mr. Hanna has been Manager of the Exhibits, Lectures and Services division.

WORKS LAB TAKES FIRST HALF TITLE IN SOFTBALL LEAGUE

In the feature game of the week for the Interdivision Softball League, the Works Lab played heads-up ball to defeat the classy Apprentice team, 6-4, and win the first half championship. This was a hotly-contested game, with Works Lab taking advantage of Apprentice errors to come up with four runs in the sixth inning to put the game on ice.

In another close game, Winter St. defeated the Squares, 10-8, to earn a third place tie with Squares and Firemen.

The Firemen ran all over the Main Office team to the tune of 18-3. Fractional drew a bye.

Due to the number of games rained out, the second half will be played in a single elimination tournament. The winner of this tourney will meet the Works Lab in a two out of three play-off for the season championship.

Box scores:

Winter St.	AB	R	H	Squares	AB	R	H
Benecke,c	4	0	0	Naslund,2	3	2	2
Wuttke,lf	4	2	3	O'Keefe,cf	4	0	0
Thornberg,2	5	2	3	Eaton,lf	5	2	0
Zimmerlee,ss	5	2	3	Emling,3	5	0	2
Fraser,p	1	2	0	Kimball,rf	3	1	2
Lash,cf	4	0	0	Sellers,c	3	0	0
Umphery,1	4	0	0	Reynolds,1	2	1	2
Gettys,3	3	2	1	DeCrappeo,ss	2	1	1
Fremion,rf	3	0	0	Blackwood,p	3	1	0
Totals	33	10	10	Totals	30	8	9

		R	H	E
Winter St.	302 041 2	10	10	3
Squares	022 121 0	8	9	4

Firemen	AB	R	H	Main Office	AB	R	H
Meyers,3	6	3	3	W. Konow,c	3	1	1
Etter,c	5	3	2	Hensick,1,p	2	0	0
Blauvelt,p	4	2	2	Fry,3	3	0	0
Weber,ss	4	2	1	Miller,1,p	4	0	2
Long,1	5	2	2	Mossburg,cf	1	1	0
Runyan,2	5	1	1	A. Konow,lf	4	1	0
Stemmler,lf	5	2	3	Michals,2	4	0	0
Holman,cf	5	2	2	Stewart,ss	3	0	1
Parrish,rf	4	2	2	C. Miller,rf	3	0	0
Totals	43	18	18	Totals	27	3	4

		R	H	E
Firemen	127 061 3	18	18	3
Main Office	001 002 0	3	4	6

Works Lab	AB	R	H	Apprentice	AB	R	H
Hemmeter,ss	3	1	2	Goeglein,2	3	0	1
Warwick,c	3	0	1	Butcher,2	1	0	0
Thompson,cf	4	0	1	Leffers,c	3	1	2
Hanna,3	4	0	1	Lahrman,3	2	0	0
Ferverda,rf	4	0	0	Rasor,cf	3	1	2
Beltz,p	4	2	2	Berkheiser,ss	2	1	0
Benkal,1	3	1	1	Davis,rf	3	0	0
Trott, 2	3	1	0	Junk,lf	3	1	2
Hunt,lf	2	0	0	Taylor,1	3	0	1
Simmonds,lf	1	1	0	Zurbuck,p	2	0	0
				Birkenbeul	1	0	0
Totals	31	6	8	Totals	26	4	5

		R	H	E
Works Lab	010 014 0	6	8	3
Apprentice	001 300 0	4	8	7

FIRST HALF STANDINGS

	WON	LOST
Works Lab	6	0
Apprentice	5	1
Squares	3	3
Winter St.	3	3
Firemen	3	3
Main Office	1	5
Fractional	0	6

Monday Night Ladies' Bowling League

Bowling time is here again! Any girls interested in bowling for the Monday Night Ladies' League should fill out the blank below and send it to either Voyce Brumbaugh, Bldg. 4-4, Ext. 2356, or Melinde Gehle, Bldg. 4-3.

Name .....

Address

Home .....

Work .....

Phone

Home .....

Work .....

Average .....

Voltmen To Defend Title At Wichita

Oldtimers To Play Annual Game Aug. 25

The annual Oldtimers' baseball game will be played at Dwenger park Thursday night, Aug. 25, starting at 8 p.m. At the present time, 27 players have signed up for the G-E Oldtimers and the Carrington team.

The two teams will consist mainly of players from General Electric, but will include some outside the Company. The G-E'ers will be managed by Elmer Wagner, Bldg. 19-3, secretary-treasurer of the Fort Wayne Baseball Federation, and Red Carrington, president of the loop.

The game is sponsored by the Federation as an annual benefit for baseball. Funds obtained from admissions will be used to pay doctor and hospital bills for young amateur players in the Federation League. Last year's game proceeds covered the bills of the boys throughout the year, and the surplus will be used to huy new equipment for the players.

The game will continue until each team runs out of players who are able to take the field. Attendance prizes will be given again this year.

Tickets for the game are 50 cents. Any old G-E players interested in participating Thursday should contact Elmer Wagner, Bldg. 19-3, Ext. 2108.

Touching The Bases

by Walter Histed

M-I LEAGUE STANDINGS

(Includes games of Sun., Aug. 14)

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
St. Joseph	26	13	.667	—
Lafayette	23	16	.590	3
Benton Harbor	22	16	.579	3½
Michigan City	21	16	.568	4
VOLTMEN	14	30	.318	14½
Windsor	10	26	.286	14½

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Benton Harbor, 10, Windsor, 7
Michigan City, 7, Benton Harbor, 3
St. Joseph, 9, VOLTMEN, 6, (10 innings)
Michigan City, 4, VOLTMEN, 0
St. Joseph, 5, Lafayette, 4
VOLTMEN, 7, Windsor, 3
Windsor, 1, VOLTMEN, 0
Benton Harbor, 6, Michigan City, 0
St. Joseph, 10, Windsor, 7
Windsor, 3, St. Joseph, 1
Lafayette, 4, VOLTMEN, 2

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Line Scores of Games:

Benton Harbor .....016 021 000—10 11 2
Windsor .....002 012 110— 7 11 3
Orphan, Morris and Young; winner, Orphan.
Goyeau, Hegstrom and Milan; loser, Guyeau.
Home run—Jahh.

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Benton Harbor .....101 100 000—3 8 3
Michigan City .....400 101 01x—7 13 3
Stanley and Kovach.
Brewer and Hofferth.
Home run, Schultz.

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Lafayette .....300 001 000—4 8 0
St. Joseph .....100 001 21x—5 11 1
DeLion, Emrick and Hixson; loser, DeLion.
Katz, Lee and Westerkamp; winner, Katz.

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Michigan City .....000 000 000—0 5 1
Benton Harbor .....200 002 20x—6 10 2
Brewer and Hofferth.
Orphan and Kovach.

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St. Joseph .....000 514 0—10 13 1
Windsor .....000 142 0— 7 9 2
Stewart, Katz and Douglas; winner, Stewart.
Goyeau, Sandard, Cyrul and Mike; loser, Goyeau.

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St. Joseph .....100 000 0—1 4 0
Windsor .....102 000 x—3 8 1
Fields and Westerkamp.
Cyrul and Milan.

The Atlantic pact is O.K. if it gets pacific results.



The Standings

ODD

No. 3, Shanahan	+55
No. 1, Stauffer	—13
No. 5, Pook	—32

EVEN

No. 6, Craig	+100
No. 2, Stanger	—39
No. 4, English	—71

With the greatest of ease and contempt for convention, Walt Pook, Butch Junk, Bill Hein, and John Arnold knocked the high flying Hot Shots down a peg or two with a convincing nine point pasting. This was the first time this season that the boys from across the street (and Bldg. 27) tasted defeat. None of the Hot Shots broke 40 and played only even with their team average. Pook's boys took advantage of this and shot 17 under their average to gain the victory.

The currently hottest team in the Owl League, John Shanahan's Team No. 3, gave Bernie English's boys a 17 point beating. Fred Urich led Team No. 3 with a cute 41, while Bernie English was low with a 51 for his boys.

Team No. 1 (they can't win for losing) took it on the chin by three points from the Jolly Boys. Ray Stanger led the winners with 43, while Earl Stauffer led the losers with the same total.

Atkinson Wins State Pistol Championship



Ray Atkinson

Ray Atkinson, sharpshooter extraordinary of Bldg. 31-2, won the state pistol championship Sunday, Aug. 14. The state matches were held at Bristol, Ind., Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Atkinson, president of the Indiana State Pistol Association, came in fifth at the regional matches at Flint, Mich., held July 16 and 17.

The G-E Voltmen will leave next week for Wichita, Kan., to defend their national semipro baseball title, it was announced today by the G-E Club management.

The following statement was released by the club's management to accompany the announcement:

"The Voltmen will defend their National Semipro Basehall title held since 1947 again this year.

"The G-E Club management made every attempt to give Fort Wayne a winning ball club during 1949. The personnel from the winning teams of the past did not choose to remain with us another year and entered professional ball. The rebuilding program is only now beginning to show results.

"That is what makes baseball the great game it is today. The champion yesterday is not always the champion tomorrow. Competition is a great thing.

"The Michigan-Indiana League is one of the strongest in the country. It is better than most of the minor leagues and could dominate the Wichita Tournament. The competition was just too keen for the Voltmen during most of the season.

"The management was very hesitant about sending a team to the national tournament that is not capable of truly representing the General Electric Club and Fort Wayne, the City of Champions. Neither can Fort Wayne be accused of being afraid to defend their championship.

"With recent additions to the Voltmen and the further addition of pitching strength, they may be championship contenders. They are going back to Wichita to win further honors in seeking their third straight national championship."

Buds Hand G-EVoltmen 8-2 Defeat

By Bill Hunt

The Voltmen hitting and pitching was ineffective Tuesday night at Dwenger park as the Buds outhit the G-E team, 15 to 5.

Scott Cary did an excellent fireman job, as he allowed only four hits and no runs in four and one-third innings. The damage was done, however, hy that time despite slight uprisings by the Voltmen in the sixth and seventh innings.

Barney Morris allowed no further hitting after the sixth wben Hormann led off with a single, Corriden douhled, then Lockett scored Hormann on a long fly to center. Stramm reached third on a walk, an infield out and passed ball, was thrown out at the plate after Morgan's fly to center.

John Corriden kept the Buds in hand for a little while, as he made brilliant catches for the first and third outs in the second inning. The first drive was ticketed for the fence between right and center, but John raced over and stabbed it backhand to steal a hit. The other was back and to his right. He sprinted back and took that going toward the fence.

The new infielder, O'Farrell, looked good in the field; as did Stramm, Dudick and Bobilya, who managed an errorless, plus one double play, game.

Box score:

Buds	AB	R	H	Voltmen	AB	R	H
Green,lf	4	1	2	Hormann,rf	4	1	1
Todhunter,2	3	1	1	Corriden,cf	4	0	1
Phipps,3	5	1	1	Dudick,ss	4	1	1
Mack,1	4	0	1	Lockett,lf	4	0	1
Leach,ss	5	0	1	Bobilya,1	4	0	0
Kovatch,c	5	1	1	Stramm,3	3	0	0
Jabb,rf	4	2	2	O'Farrell,2	3	0	0
Richel,cf	5	2	4	Morgan,c	3	0	1
Morris,p	5	0	2	Pfund,p	1	0	0
				Cary,p	2	0	0
Totals	40	8	15	Totals	32	2	5

Buds .....004 130 000—8
Voltmen .....100 001 000—2

G-E Owls Lose To Police, 6-5

The G-E Owls softball team lost a heartbreaker to the Police just before vacation. The final score was 6-5.

Inability to hit with men on base spelled defeat instead of victory for the Owls. Joe Marvin and Bill Roberts fashioned a no-hitter against the Owls, hut gave eight walks and committed two errors.

Line score:

G-E .....102 100 1—5	0	3
FOP .....000 210 3—6	9	2

G-E Stauffer, Boyer; Greeno. FOP, Marvin, Roberts; Buty Schafenacker.

STANDINGS

	W	L
Salisbury	13	3
FOP	9	4
Ind. R & W	7	6
G-E	5	6
Eckrich	0	13

A Chicago man, married 50 years, says he has had a happy life because he has never quarreled with his wife. Obviously, neither plays bridge.

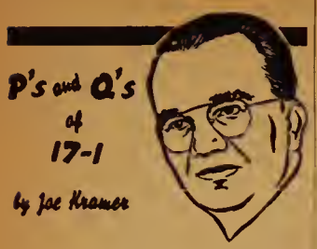
G-E Club Softball Team Battles For League's Championship Title



The G-E Club's Ham League softball team is now playing in a double-elimination tourney to determine the league championship. The team, after a successful season of only one loss, is now tied for first place with Magnavox and Harvester.

This is the third season for the Hams, who are all over 35 years old. The G-E nine finished in first place the first year and last season was runners-up for the championship. The league plays Tuesdays and Wednesdays at Packard park.

The 1949 team is manned by: (l. to r., back row), Coach Sam Baumgartner, Leo Almandinger, Pres Slack, Carl Reiter, George Langenberg and Manager Bill Schible; (l. to r., front row), Georgc Ort, Fritz Bergman, Elmer Hazelett, Tony Wichman, Clarence Waterson, Orlando Surface, Clyde Musser, Bill Holloway, and Oscar Rodenheck. The bat boy is Ronnie Wichman.



We hope everyone has gotten rested up from their vacation by today and will be able to decipher some of the Yiddish which is to follow. As you know, it is necessary to write the column on Monday and we weren't quite rested up, so please excuse the mistakes. . . . The fellows in Group 19x71 and 19x72 want to thank Ed Brosche for the card he sent them from Florida. Ed is taking his third week vacation completing his trip to Florida and the Southwest. . . . From the looks of Leo Nyboer's forehead, we would say he spent a considerable part of his time in the sunshine. Was the fishing any good, Leo? . . . Ed Arthur reports that there is a tree at Holton Lake in Michigan that is so tall and straight that you have to lay on your back to see the top. . . . We are sorry to report Cliff Coombes did not catch any fish during his vacation. . . . Clarence Doctor returned from the hills of the north country with new ideas of farming. Doc says it refers to stripping. We hope he doesn't mean strip teasing. . . . Congratulations to Clyde Crabill on completing 30 years with the G-E. . . . Henry Wichren was seen motoring south to the Beerman rancho near Poe. . . . Joe Collins reports watermelons are ripe and in good shape from Hope, Ark. . . . George Silk spent his vacation adding to his house. He has moved outside activities to the inside. . . . We are sorry Ernie Riley didn't see San Francisco Bay this year. Instead, Ernie went to Bay City, Michigan. . . . Ed Martin is reported to be looking around for spaghetti business. Further details on this development next week. . . . Vic Leakey is going to take some lessons in casting. Vic made a mistake and threw his fishing plug at his partner's head instead of in the lake. . . . Even with the number of G-E people on vacation there was still a goodly number to be seen downtown shopping on dollar day. E. P. Tickel was seen hright and early Thursday morning going into W&D's but from the avalanche of women encountered at the door, we don't know if Tic was able to get in or not. . . . Paul Geiger took over telephone repairs out near Hoagland while Clarence Doctor was on his vacation. . . . Loyal Decker reports he made a trip to the north and put his tag on a deer which he intends to go after this winter. . . . Believing that he needed practice in arising early in the mornings after his two weeks' vacation, Ray Epperson started the last few days of the second week by getting up at 5:30 a.m., the normal time he usually gets up when working. This was evidently too hard on Ray's system for when Monday morning came around he failed to awaken even though he had set two alarm clocks. . . . Red Braden made a pretty good showing in the recent golf tournament even though he had trouhle on a number of holes. Red finished just 11 strokes out of first place. . . . Virgil Hartman reports that the deer in Pennsylvania are very plentiful this year. He had an enjoyable two weeks. . . . Frank Hickman reports fish in Crooked Lake are still plentiful. Frank evidently didn't have too much luck with the cane pole these past two weeks. . . . Addie Masbaum has promised to bring in some of the pictures she took on her trip to Colorado Springs. Addie says that they traveled in real style—slacks, pedal pushers and shorts. The only reason she hated to come back to work was that she had to start pinning her hair up again. . . . We wonder why Wally McKay didn't bring back a sack full of Arkansas sand for Vic Hall's tired aching feet. . . . Tavie Popa reports that the State of California is all that their C. of C. claims it to be. While we were sweltering back here in this Indiana heat, Tavie was enjoying herself in nice cool breezes of San Diego. Tavie was visiting her sister Ann and seeing the town. . . . Colorado Springs was also visited by Miriam Valentine, who reports the scenery was beautiful. . . . Anyone knowing of a woods that contains squirrels, please contact Joe Kramer as he is looking for a place to go squirrel hunting come Aug. 22.

A New York doctor has worked out a reducing plan that's simpler than adding two and two on your fingers. It requires no diet and no exercising . . . which should make it number one on the hit parade of ladies who like to reach for a sweet and still be able to touch their toes. It's all in your mind. You stretch out on a couch and concentrate on your muscles . . . and if you don't fall asleep you start building muscles, while the bulges disappear like hotel towels. We wonder what happens if you get sleepy and start thinking of bulges instead of muscles?

Noble Is Honored At Two Parties



P. O. Noble was honored on his retirement from General Electric Tuesday, July 26, at the Squares hall. Many of his associates and friends throughout the Company attended the party and presented him with a camera and tools for his workshop. In the above picture Mr. Noble and Joe Staak, of FHP Sales, are seeing who can "shoot down the most ducks."



Fifty-five girls from FHP Motor Engineering and former employees of the division held a combination surprise birthday and retirement party for P. O. Noble, former FHP Motor Engineering Manager, at Foster park Monday noon, July 25. J. J. Clarkson and Howard Miller were guests at the picnic. Following a comical skit, the girls presented Mr. Noble with a flyrod and line.



Now that everyone is back from vacations, they all have a lot of interesting things to tell. Here are a few of the places each one visited: Marion Hardwig, California; Bill Crouse, New York and went deep sea fishing; Berniece Kratzsch, New York and Washington; Wayne Weimer, Big Star Lake; Jackie Boxberger, Charles Elzey, Lawrence Klaren, Clara Cohagen, and Cecile Hinton, Niagara Falls; Pearl Barry, New York City; Gladys Williams, Jim Baker, Frances Batzner, Oral Hiser, Minnie Mennewisch, Fletcher Cumbey, Miller, Pat Lahr, and Freddie Lein-George Harmeyer, Mary Mann Miller, Pat Lahr, and Freddie Leinker, Chicago; Jerry Bevan, Rust Gick, Paul Gressley, George Gorrell, Phyllis Borkenstein, Pauline Malone, Tom Woodward, Oliver Schafter, Rollie Fawcett, and Roger Bebout, Michigan; Gladys Getts and Arthur LeCoque, Florida; Zella and Kenny Disler, Florida and also flew to Cuba; Agnes Reinking, Pikes Peak; Joe Troendly, Kermie Griffith, and Rosalie German, Wisconsin and Minnesota; Hilda Vance, Washington, DC; Orval Smith, Marian Boerger, and Bill Mooney, Randall Lake; Tom Hildebrandt, Lake James; Al Topp, Hamilton Lake; Norb Sordelet, Lake Everett; Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Pape, Crooked Lake; Louise Perry, Green Lake. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Francis Nelson spent their honeymoon in Canada. . . . We expect Faye Russell back about Christmas. He went to Oregon in his Kaiser. . . . Opal Runnion bought a new home. She is being married Sept. 10. . . . Martha Foelber has left the cost section to be a full time housewife. . . . Ced Persing looks well fed lately. He won dinner-winner a week before vacation. . . . Clarence Raney went down in the hills so he could take off his shoes. . . . All the boys want to know when Bill Fowler is going to roll up his sleeves. . . . Bob Enz proved to be a horseshoe champion during vacation. . . . Al Oeschle couldn't take his vacation because he was a dime short on his check. . . . If you see a flashy new black Dodge going by you know it's Maradean Bucher. . . . The Borkensteins also have a new Oldsmobile. . . . Ralph Van Osdale won the prizes at the Coldwater Lake boat races. What do you mean, Ralph, making such big waves so the little boats can't get over them?

Speed Champ



Ralph Van Osdale, Bldg. 26-4, is shown shortly after he won the Class C Service division of the recent regatta on the St. Joe river. He then went to Toledo to enter the races at that city. His boat, a pleasure runabout, is powered by a 22 h.p. Johnson outboard motor, and can attain a speed of 50 miles an hour.



Back from vacation
With a smile and a grin
Two weeks of pleasure
Then here we are back again.
We hope you enjoyed
Each hour of the day
And as ready for work
As we were for play.
If you went to the lake
The East or the West
We are glad to be back
But we did enjoy the rest.

The poem was submitted by one of the girls. We thank you very much. . . . Some vacation activities were: Ivah Grandstaff went to Missouri. Alice Brockmeyer went to Kentucky and Tennessee, going through Mammouth Cave and other points of interest. Mabel Schaaf went to Chicago to the Railroad Fair. Mary Foster went to Detroit and Cleveland. Burdella Welsh went to Yellowstone park; Josephine Motter to California, and Caroline Becker to Niagara Falls (Second honeymoon?) Elizabeth Wert, Edith Bohde and Jenny Zimmerman took a motor trip through Michigan. Ellen Dittlinger joined the paint slingers and painted her house. . . . I can't figure out why Betty Lupton was advising people not to go to Kansas City on their vacation. . . . Guess Lewie Hoffman was really ready for vacation. Friday the last day before vacation and the big events coming up, one of the girls asked him to fix her machine. He told her the only way he could make it down the aisle was via piggy back. . . . It's a happy birthday to Mary Zirkle, Augusta Boehm, Pauline Kirchner, Mildred Schoenlein and Charlie Rice. . . . Sorry to report that Hilda Jensen is on our sick list. . . . It is reported that Delores Wonderly is just going to have to get a pair of stilts. . . . Mary Wright was so excited about her vacation to Iowa that when she went to the candy lady, she walked off without paying her bill. . . . Can you imagine this? Leona Hollis and Naomi Robinson were laughing so hard they nearly lost their teeth (so they say). . . . It's howdy to all our newcomers on the early bird shift. Hope you like us. . . . Line 562 gave a surprise potluck for Lowella Koogle, who is leaving us the last of August. They also gave her a going away gift. Happy landings.

LOSE A DOG?

There is a small, black, rat terrier at the Frank Haflich farm that would like to be united with her owner. Last Thanksgiving Day, a hunter employed at G-E, took "Tiny," as she is now called, hunting with him on the Haflich farm, two miles east of Bluffton.

While hunting, he lost the dog. All searching proved futile and the dog was believed to be dead. However, as most stories end, this one too has a happy ending. After several months, the dog appeared at the Haflich home, and has made her home there ever since.

Mr. Haflich would like very much to have "Tiny" reunited with her master. Her owner can obtain further information by contacting Ross D. Haflich, 3101 S. Broadway, or calling H-9433.

It's a shaky reputation that is built on things you are going to do.

Burglars who stole a crate of corsets may be letting themselves in for a long stretch.

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> Of all men, distrust most the man who tries to turn one group of Americans against another group of Americans.
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> —*Theodore Roosevelt*

Suggestion System Contest Is Announced

Elex Opens Membership Drive

The Elex Club membership drive will open Tuesday, Sept. 6, and continue until Friday, Sept. 16.

With "Build With Elex" as the slogan of the drive, the contact members will ask each girl during the 10 days to join the club for the 1949-50 season. Dues for the year, as in the past, are $2.

Plan Membership Session

A "kick-off" breakfast will be served at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 6, in Bldg. 16-2 for all first-shift contact girls. At the breakfast, they will receive the material necessary for the membership campaign. The second-shift girls will have a similar snack session at 1:30 p.m. in Bldg. 16-2.

I. H. Freeman, Supervisor of Personnel, will select a "lucky" membership card again this year. The girl having the winning num-

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Ballots Are Distributed For G-E Club Election



Harold Carter



Erven Huth

Harold Carter, Bldg. 4-6, and Erven Huth, Bldg. 20-2, are candidates for the presidency of the G-E Club. The election will be held Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 29-30.

Foremen and time clerks distributed the ballots yesterday and today to all employees.

The completed ballots should be deposited in the clock-card boxes, and will be returned to the G-E Club lounge.

Candidates for the other offices are shown on page 4.

Deep-Sea Lamps Flown Here From Cleveland

Through the efforts of the Fort Wayne Works and local lamp department representatives, two special, deep-sea diving lamps were flown here Wednesday morning from the G-E Lamp Dept. headquarters in Cleveland for use by Navy divers to aid them in the search for the body of Bernice Bremer, 6. The little girl, her sister, brother, and cousin drowned August 14 while attending a reunion at Clear Lake.

Fred Waring Show To Salute Wilson

Fred Waring and all his Pennsylvanians will salute Charles E. Wilson, President of General Electric, on the anniversary of his 50th year with G-E on the "Fred Waring Show" Thursday night, Sept. 1. Among the selected arrangements for the special occasion will be a new Livingston Gearhart composi-

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Employees To Receive Bonuses In Addition To Regular Awards

For the period extending from Sept. 1 through Nov. 15, a total of $500 in merchandise certificates will be awarded as bonuses for the best suggestions contributed by employees of the Fort Wayne Works of the General Electric Apparatus Department, according to an announcement made today by A. C. Hartman, chairman of the Fort Wayne Works suggestion committee.

A total of 10 certificates, each redeemable at the Employees' store for $50 worth of merchandise at employee prices, have been allocated to the Fort Wayne divisions, according to the following schedule:

"Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, two certificates; Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, one certificate; Motor and Generator divisions, one certificate; Works Service divisions, one certificate. Employees in all divisions may compete for the remaining five certificates.

Eligibility rules which have governed the submission of suggestions in the past will be followed in this contest. All suggestions must be submitted to the suggestion system committee not later than Nov. 15. There is no limit to the number of suggestions that an employee can submit.

Commenting on the special awards for which suggestors will be competing, C. H. Matson, Works Manager, stated:

"Never before has the competition for business been so keen. In

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Supervisors' Meeting To Feature Professor, Aeolian Choir Sept. 12

The G-E Supervisors' Club will open its fall series of events at a meeting Monday, Sept. 12, at 8 p.m. in the Squares hall.

Louis H. Dirks, dean emeritus of DePauw University, will speak on the topic, "Horse Sense."

The program will also include music by General Electric's Aeolian Choir. The choir is composed of employees at the Decatur plant and is under the direction of David Embler.

A short business session will open the meeting.

Foreman Plan Stag Picnic

The annual stag picnic of the Foremen's Association will be held Saturday, Sept. 17, at Voigt's Retreat, near New Haven.

Latest Issue Of ADVENTURES AHEAD Will Soon Be Mailed To Subscribers

A "how-to-make-it" article is a leading feature in the September-October issue of *Adventures Ahead*, General Electric's bi-monthly magazine for teen-aged children of employees.

This article, titled "Silver Lines a Cloud," not only tells how to make silver jewelry step-by-step, but also relates how C. A. (Bud) Traphagen, of the Company's Erie Works, got started on a silver sideline.

Tuberculosis struck Bud. At a sanitorium, while he was recovering, he took up silver jewelry making. During his recuperative peri-

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LABOR DAY

The Decatur, Broadway and Taylor St. plants, in general, will close on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 5.

C. A. Matson

Works Manager

Over 800 Expected To Attend Quarter Century Club Outing

More than 800 members have signified their intentions of attending the annual Quarter Century Club outing, which will be held Saturday, Sept. 10, at Camp Limberlost, Oliver Lake.

Yesterday was the deadline for all reservations.

Name badges and meal tickets will be issued after 8 a.m. on the day of the outing at the Broadway gate. Those driving direct to the lake will obtain their badges and tickets there.

All attending the outing will receive a special gift as a souvenir of the event. Members must be at the onting to receive one of these

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Barbara Meyer, Bldg. 6-1, and Doris Downs, Bldg. 4-6, are shown with the 10 G-E toasters that will be presented as attendance prizes at the Q-C Club outing.

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Don Campbell ..... Editor

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An Idaho Schoolboy Says: "Dad's Safety Means My Safety"

The following essay was written by an Idaho schoolboy. It's so simple and right to the point, that we ask all fathers to take the time to read it. Children think Dad is pretty special. Don't spoil the picture.

"Dad's safety is something that the average boy or girl doesn't think about until they've been asked that question. Then as they try to give reasons they realize just how serious a question it is.

"The first thought that came into my mind was that Dad's safety means happiness instead of sorrow.

"As long as my Dad is safe I know I can go to school every day and give my whole attention to my studies. After school I can take part in athletics or other events. This gives me the chance to build up my body as well as my mind.

"Dad's safety means my safety. What Dad has learned about safety he can teach me, by telling me and also by example.

"As long as my Dad is safe we can do things together. But if he should have an accident, then I might not get to have fun with my Dad any more."

—From the National Safety Council

Do You Know About Your Contacts With Social Security?

Every General Electric wage and salary earner has two points of direct contact with the Old-Age Survivors Insurance system of the Social Security Administration, under which employees in commerce and industry are earning insurance protection for themselves and their families.

Your first point of contact is the job you hold as an employee of the General Electric Company. Because you hold the job you do, you are a participant in the Old-Age and Survivors Insurance program. You are contributing part of your wages under the program, and the General Electric Company is matching your contribution. Through your work, you are earning wage credits to qualify yourself or your family for future benefits.

Your second point of contact is the field office of the Social Security Administration in room 305 of the Post Office Bldg. The field office has three main functions. They are:

1. Handling claims for Old-Age and Survivors Insurance payments. This is the most important function, since no benefits may be paid until the qualified person files his application.

2. Issuing new and duplicate Social Security account number cards.

3. Helping to make sure that the Social Security record for each wage and salary earner in commerce and industry is complete and accurate.

Every employee should safeguard his Social Security account number card. Your Social Security record is kept under the name and number on that card. Each employee should have one number, and one only, for a lifetime. Thus, if you lose your card, you should ask the field office for a duplicate card, bearing your old number, so that wages earned in the future in covered jobs will be recorded in the account where your past wages are recorded.

All of the services of the field office are free. The field office is prepared to answer any questions you might have.

There are two times in particular when the field office should be consulted by you or your family. They are:

1. By you, when you reach the age 65—to discuss the filing of a claim for benefits.

2. By your dependents when you die—to find out what benefits may be payable to them.

For further information, stop in at the Social Security Office in room 305 of the Post Office Bldg.

GUILTY!



POLIO

Editor's Note: The following is the first in a series of questions and answers regarding the current polio situation. They have been prepared from reliable sources by Dr. L. E. Burney, State Health Commissioner. Every effort has been made in the following questions and answers to furnish authoritative information on the subject with the object of relieving undue fear and alarm through the presentation of accurate information and knowledge.

What is poliomyelitis?

A common communicable disease. Poliomyelitis usually runs a mild course, without paralysis. The majority of cases will go unrecognized.

What are the usual symptoms?

Common symptoms are fever, sore throat, headache, stiffness of neck and back, nausea, vomiting, and constipation.

What causes polio?

Poliomyelitis virus. Other diseases caused by viruses are measles, mumps, and chickenpox.

How is polio spread?

By contact with nasal discharges, sputa, and fecal discharges of infected persons. The virus of polio is so widespread that contact with it sooner or later is inevitable. Flies have been found to carry the virus but there is no reliable evidence of spread by insects, food, water or sewage.

What is the time period between exposure and onset of the disease?

Usually 7 to 14 days, but may be as short as five days or as long as 35 days.

How long is the patient contagious?

Probably not longer than seven days from onset of disease. State Board of Health regulations require 14 days isolation of the patient.

Should families having a member with polio be avoided by neighbors?

No, except children should not come in contact with the patient until 14 days have elapsed since disease began. There is absolutely no reason for adult neighbors to avoid parents of a poliomyelitis patient or refuse to visit their business establishments.

Who is susceptible to the disease?

The greatest number of cases occurs among children from infancy through the ninth year. It is rare in babies under six months of age.

Average age at time of contracting the disease is higher in rural areas due to postponement of exposure at earlier ages.

Why don't more grown-ups get the disease?

By the time most people have reached the age of 20, they have developed an immunity through having had the disease in a mild form or having had repeated contacts with the virus.

What is the risk to pregnant women during the polio season?

Some authorities believe pregnant women are more susceptible to polio than non-pregnant women. The difference in susceptibility is not great, if any. Normal babies are born to women having polio during pregnancy or at time of delivery.

Do operations bring on polio?

No. Unless an emergency exists, nose and throat operations and dental extractions should be postponed during a high incidence of the disease. Nerve endings exposed by such operations may permit entry of the virus and conceivably cause a more severe form of the disease.

WHAT'S NEW IN G-E PLANTS & LABS

SCHENECTADY—Complete ready-to-install substations designed for use on rural systems and available in any one of four basic arrangements are now available from the General Electric Company. The new "Rural Package Substations" are designed and manufactured as a unit. The fabricated steel structure, transformers, switchgear, lightning arresters, all components, necessary hardware, erection diagrams and drawings are included in each installation.

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LYNN—General Electric has announced a fluorescent street light which engineers say provides the most comfortable light yet devised for motorists and pedestrians.

"A product of almost two years engineering development, the new fluorescent street light supplies a softly diffused, virtually glareless light," according to A. F. Dickerson, Manager of the Company's Lighting and Rectifier divisions.

"It was developed for public demonstrational use by electric power companies and municipalities," he said.

These pioneer installations will enable them to investigate, at first hand, the possibilities of fluorescent street lighting and to compare its performance and characteristics with present-day lighting."

He described the new street light as a cigar-shaped aluminum tube in which two pairs of eight-foot-long fluorescent lamps are mounted. Two long, highly-polished reflectors, mounted back to back, direct the light from these lamps through clear plastic windows to the street pavement.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



Membership Drive

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ber will be admitted free to all Elex parties during the year.

As was voted at the 1948 Fall Conference, girls desiring to join Elex must do so during the month of September. After Oct. 1, the membership will be closed for the balanee of the elub year.

Election of Offieers

The first big event of the club will be the election of offieers, to be held from Sept. 19 until Sept. 23. The slate will be announced in the WORKS NEWS later, and ballots will be counted Sept. 26. Installation of officers will he held Monday, Oet. 10.

Eva Tucker, Bldg. 16-1, is ehairman of the eleetion eommittee. Her committee members are Dewey Wiekliffe, Bldg. 19-2; Susie Jones, Winter St.; Mamie Allen, Bldg. 4-2; Loretta Bloom, Bldg. 26-5; Eva Fisher, Taylor St.; Margaret Taylor, Bldg. 4-6; Mable Schaaf, Bldg. 17-3; Helen Coddington, Bldg. 31-2; and Helen Bilski, Bldg. 8-2.

A few of the outstanding programs planned for the coming year will be a one day trip to Chicago, possibly to the Railroad Fair, in September; a program featuring Elsa Maxwell in November; the annual Christmas party, and Kathryn Turney Garton's book review in January.

The annual conferenee will be held in Chicago at the Palmer House in Oetober.

Suggestion Contest

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order to maintain a steady flow of orders upon which is based our production schedules and our employment, it is necessary that we keep the prices of our products competitive and be able to guarantee reasonable shipping dates.

"In the past, suggestions from employees have been very helpful in accomplishing these purposes. It is especially important now that more suggestions relating to the business of the Company be received. These suggestions may be: (1) to improve the quality of our products; (2) to propose suitable new products to manufaeture; (3) to improve methods of manufaeture; (4) to improve equipment including tools, jigs, fixtures, etc.; (5) to reduce the costs of produetion, (6) to eliminate eonditions that are hazardous to health or safety."

In 1948, one out of four General Electric employees, company-wide, submitted a suggestion, and one out of every three suggestions submitted was accepted and paid off in suggestion awards, for a total of more than $277,000.

"Suggest a Better Way" is the slogan for the current contest and all employees are urged to partieipate.

STORE AT TAYLOR ST. TO SELL SAFETY SHOES

Safety shoes will be available at the Taylor St. Employees' store beginning next week. The shoes will be sold from 12:30 to 1 p.m. daily. These speeial hours are being instituted to make possible the purchase of safety shoes at a different time than the regular store hours, so that adequate serviee can be given all customers.

Friends Give Joe Mougin Big Send-Off



When Joe Mougin left the Company recently to retire, his friends of the Motor and Generator division in Bldg. 19-3 gave him a big send-off. Left to right in the above pieture are: Ed Schaeher, Mr. Mougin, Harry Skevington, Cliff Mugg, August Busse, James Riehardson, Charles MeClure, Walter Wolf, Jr., Russell Grim, and R. M. Hartigan, Manager of Manufacturing, Motor and Generator Div.

Information Clinic

QUESTION:

A few days ago a person called at my house and asked my wife a number of questions concerning General Electric. He stated he was making a public opinion survey. Is such a survey heing sponsored hy General Electric?

ANSWER:

Yes, for the past several weeks an employee and public opinion survey has been conducted throughout Fort Wayne under sponsorship of Fort Wayne General Electric.

In 1946 a similar survey was conducted. At that time it was revealed that there were a number of our aetivities and programs with which our employees and the public were not very familiar. Some unfavorable attitudes were being influenced by misunderstanding resulting from misinformation and laek of information.

Sinee 1946 the Company has inaugurated a number of new programs, the purpose of which has been to make General Electric an even better place in which to work and to contribute more towards the betterment of the community. In an effort to determine how successful these programs have been in improving employee and public attitudes towards our industry, a survey was started during the vacation shutdown and should be concluded by the first of September. The results of this survey will be published in the WORKS NEWS and the local press as soon as they have been tabulated. Persons conducting the survey include six high school teachers and two public school principals.

QUESTION:

I would like more information ahout Calrod units on electric stoves. How can they be repaired when hroken?

ANSWER:

The Calrod heating unit, itself, cannot be repaired. It must be replaced by a new unit. Orders for this unit may be made at the Employees' store or by contacting your G-E appliance dealer.

QUESTION:

Since you have published an editorial on "Keeping Fit," why not publish lists of exereises for the various occupations of your people?

ANSWER:

Material on the subject of exercises for various oecupations is now being prepared by Dr. H. W. Garton, Works physician. This feature will be published in the WORKS NEWS as soon as this report is completed.

QUESTION:

It is rumored that employees of the Fort Wayne Works may be required to wear identification buttons, as was done during the war. Is this true?

ANSWER:

At several of the plauts of the General Electric Company where apparatus is being made under contract for the armed forces and rating a confidential or secret classification for security purposes, the wearing of identification buttons has been resorted to. At present no such equipment is being manufactured in the various divisions of the Fort Wayne Works. For this reason, employee identifieation buttons are not required. However, if and when any such contracts are received, it is likely that such a procedure will be required.

Dry pavements would be safer if so many of the drivers weren't all wet.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

INFORMATION CLINIC

FORT WAYNE WORKS

C. H. MATSON, Works Manager

BLDG. 18-2

I would like more information about

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Signed.....

Location.....

Quarter Century

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gifts, for none will be available following the outing.

Ten G-E toasters will also be presented as attendanee prizes.

A star-studded program of entertainment has been proeured as a feature of the day. Headlining the variety show will be a featured entertainer from the Paramount Attraetions ageney, in Chicago; a barbershop quartet will provide a eoneert of old-time melodies; and Mrs. Mildred Germanson and Robert Coeherille, favorites of the Q-C outings for the past several years, will again delight the crowd with a group of semi-classieal songs and ballads.

Other novelty aets are still being booked and will be announced later.

The numerous recreational faeilities, whieh will be available throughout the day, include:

Softball, horseshoe, shuffleboard, badminton, card games, tennis, basketball, table tennis, boating, bathing, and golf.

Apprentice BROADCAST

by MILDRED ELLIS



Our "southern friend" Ron Allen is having quite a time adjusting to our northern ways. Two days in a row after he passed through the chow line he discovered he had forgotten his silverware. . . . All year around we hear about the seasonal "eatches" which Morton has made. But this time he has come up witb something a little different—a large owl. We hope the game warden doesn't catch him for catching owls out of season. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Lewis Davis whose mother died quite suddenly during vacation. . . . Frede and Schmidt have been having thumb pounding contests at Schmidt's new house. To keep from pounding holes in the plaster Schmidt had Frede lay his thumb over the nail heads while driving nails; then Frede was chastised by the contractor for putting plaster board upside down. . . . We hate to spoil your week-end by mentioning the fact that elasses will start September 6. . . . Since Miller is in Transformer drafting he has a clean floor on whieh to patter his bare footsies. . . . Bergman had an eventful vacation with his summer camp. First, someone stole his jeep; then the polio bug got one of his men, otherwise everything was "ship shape" or whatever the army uses for a "well done" job. . . . It was a big day last Friday for Harry Meads who graduated from the Apprentice Sehool as a Machinist-Toolmaker, and today is the big day for Leon Lahrman who is the first Draftsman Apprentice to finish the course. Good luck, fellows. . . . "It's all right to put roofing shingles on upside down if the house is tall and no one ean see the shingles," says Frede. . . . Ralph Obringer is the proud papa of a Studebaker. His meehanieal past times are of better quality now—for the latest thing in valve settings on autos see Ralph. The car will run afterwards—as far as New Haven, that is. . . . What is Harry Meads' attraction at Crooked Lake? Normally one would think it was the fish, but observers say it's a brunette. . . . Our congratulations to Millie on her engagement. The draftsmen ask just one favor of you—Millie, and that is to stay on the job until all of us are through with the VA and all its records.

Wilson Points To Favorable Outlook For Business Future

In a quarterly message to General Electric stockholders recently, Charles E. Wilson, G-E President, emphasized the favorable long-term outlook for an expanding economy, despite the adverse effects of the current period of readjusting to a buyers' market.

"Because of its varied lines, General Electric is feeling the effects of the readjustment in varying degrees," Mr. Wilson said in a report on "The Business Outlook" which accompanied payment of the Company's 208th dividend. The dividend was 50 cents per share of common stock.

"There is still a substantial backlog of orders for our lines of heavy apparatus. But in our lines of consumer goods, with the possible exception of the rapidly growing field of television, supply has caught up with demand," he said.

Consumer Pipelines Filled

"In consumers' goods," Mr. Wilson said, "the pipelines of supply, which in the early stages of the struggle seemed so inadequate for the demand, have at last been filled. It is a matter of logic that if the sources of supply had not been expanded beyond a normal growth, the job of filling the pipelines would never have been completed. To that extent a period of readjustment is both necessary and desirable. While facing the inevitable difficulties of readjustment, it is important to remember the objective. We are not readjusting permanently downward. We are readjusting from a period of abnormal growth to one of normal growth and expansion.

"The problems of readjusting today are complicated by a cautious attitude on the part of the consumer. No longer impelled by a fear of inflation, the harassed consumer, so long accustomed to waiting in line and then having to take whatever was available, is today doing some waiting of his own choice.

Ahead Of Buyers' Market

"Now that the consumer can get what he wants without waiting, he is willing to wait and see if he cannot also get it at a lower price. It imposed a temporary problem for the producer. But it is not a lasting problem for the producer who has a continuing policy of offering a good product at a fair price. That has been the policy of General Electric, and the record reveals many examples of our effort to keep prices as low as possible long before the arrival of the buyers' market."

While the falling-off in volume buying has made some lines of products unprofitable at present prices, Mr. Wilson said the situation was not serious unless aggravated and prolonged by other factors. One factor, he added, "which would have disastrous results, would be any increase in wage levels." Increased labor costs "would force prices up again, narrow the market, and put some real iron in the public's decision not to buy what we have for sale. The inevitable result would be further curtailment of production and employment."

No Reduction Advocated

Although the Company opposed previous rounds of wage increases because of their inflationary effects during a period of shortage, Mr. Wilson said that General Electric is not advocating a reduction in wage rates at this time. "So long as there is a fighting chance for us to overcome the adverse psychology of this market and make our adjustments to decreased demand in terms of lower costs and harder selling, we feel that wage rates should not be lowered."

Mr. Wilson reiterated an earlier forecast that the decline in industrial production, now well started, may continue until about the second quarter of 1950, when production is expected to turn up.

"If we can convey to consumers our own conviction of the soundness of today's product values, and if business men can avoid the extreme pessimism which would lead them to cut drastically their expenditures for additions and improvements to plant and equipment, then there seems to be no reason for more than a relatively mild production decline during the period of readjustment," Mr. Wilson said.

Store Announces Price Reductions On Coffee Makers

Price reductions ranging from $1.35 to $3.40 at employees' prices for G-E coffee makers were announced today by Ray L. Fischbach, store manager.

The new employees' price schedule for coffee makers is as follows:

	New Price	Previous Price
P14 (range)	$1.30	$ 2.70
P16 (non-automatic)	3.45	4.80
P15 (non-automatic)	4.15	6.20
P17 (semi-automatic)	5.50	7.60
P18 (fully-automatic)	9.00	12.40

The price reductions became effective this week at all G-E Employees' stores.



The fully-automatic G-E coffee maker is shown above.

Watch the Voltmen flag pole for results of the games at Wichita.

Latest Issue

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od at home, he continued making pins and rings. His wife and teen-aged sons became interested. Now, Bud is too busy with his job as Personnel Manager at Erie to take much part in the jewelry business, but it's carried on by the teen-aged sons. Patterns for two simple jewelry designs are included with the article.

Technical Course Explained

Nineteen-year-old Bernard Wemple has written a first-person account of activities and the work involved in the technical course for laboratory assistants that General Electric conducts under the General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory. It's the lead article, titled "I'm Going to Be a Lab Assistant." Bernard is one of a group of teen-aged high school graduates taking the course.

Full Of Adventure Stories

Other features in the forthcoming issue stress the romantic side of the life and adventures of other young General Electric employees.

One, "Of Cannibals and Mutineers", recounts the thrilling story of Ray Moeller, commercial engineer in the Meter and Instruments division of the West Lynn Works, who has only recently returned from an 18-month sailing cruise around the world.

Another story, "Portias of the Present," is about Ruth E. Bennett, in Schenectady, and Lucile Lomen, in Richland, Wash., who are the Company's only girl lawyers.

Motorless Planes

In "Soaring Is a Science" young readers will learn all about gliding or soaring in motorless planes as told by Hans-Rene'Comte of IGE.

Another IGE man, Thomas Tudor Loveday, now undergoing training at Nela Park, is the subject of "By Any Other Name." This article tells of his youth in Switzerland and of his exploits as an undercover man for the Army in Europe.

Traces History of Light

Nela Park also comes in for attention in the first installment of "The Story of Light," which traces illumination from the days of the cave man to the present.

"Afloat Ashore" tells about the Sea Scout Ship Stanley, sponsored by the Stanley Club at the Pittsfield Works, and of activities supervised by the skipper, R. Neil Dalton.

James A. Steele and G. B. Olson of the Works Laboratory at Bridgeport have written two interesting experiments that can be made at home, under the title, "Science in Capsules."

Cartoons, photographs and drawings are used to illustrate the magazine which will be mailed soon to the homes of young subscribers. "What's on Our Mind" jogs the memories of those readers who have not yet turned in the questionnaires that appeared in the July-August issue.

Fred Waring

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tion for orchestral presentation portraying a whirring dynamo, and which is appropriately called "General Electric Dynamo".

Employees are invited to listen to the Thursday night program, scheduled for 9 p.m. on Station WGL.

G-E Club Candidates

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT



Carl Reynolds
Taylor St.



Gayle Griffith
Winter St.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT



Sue Siedel
Taylor St.



Virginia Mollet
Bldg. 31-2

SECRETARY



Dick Kent
Bldg. 18-5



Dick Gallmeyer
Winter St.

DIRECTOR



Walter Lamboley
Bldg. 4-6



Ray Lindemuth
Bldg. 18-5



Our sympathy, to Phyllis Tanner, Bldg. 18-1, whose husband Lt. William H. Tanner was fatally injured last week in an airplane crash during training maneuvers of the Indiana Guard, Grayling, Michigan. To you we say—

"Out of the earth—the rose
Out of the night, the dawn
Out of my heart with all its woes
High courage to press on."

Many, many General Electric Co. friends of Joseph Sigl, the druggist on the corner of Broadway and Washington, were grieved to learn of his death last Friday. The passing of old friends brings us to the abrupt realization that we only pass this way for a short time, so it behooves us to make the most of our time.

Bldgs. 18-5 and 4

Patricia Beebe is the proud owner of a beautiful ring received on her birthday. . . . Bldg. 18-5 bids farewell to Patricia Waterman, Patricia Beebe, Dorothy Klug and Dorothy Ehrsman, we will miss you all. . . . Pat Olinger is now ready to face and mount a horse again after her vacation on a dude ranch in Colorado. . . . Everyone has now had time to rest up from their vacation, and it is a good thing for Goldie Archibold, Bldg. 18-5, that we did not have more than two weeks' vacation. She would have died of malnutrition, for she went to Mexico and just couldn't eat since everything was fried in goat butter. Goldie had a diet of iced tea! (ye scribe had better spend sometime in Mexico!) . . . Pity the poor mice—just think in the Photographic Section they have mice of the Popeye variety, strong enough to open a drawer and eat candy (Norma Jean Snyder can vouch for the statement) then—could find nothing but empty larders. Conditions must have been very bad for they were noticed around Mr. Diven's desk feasting on Tums. . . . Herman Kappell painted his automobile during vacation. He stated that the car is good to look at—but he would much rather work at G-E. Wonder if he has a painter's license? . . . By the by, did you notice that it was none other than a G-E truck that carried "Miss Indiana" in the Legion parade? . . . Marie Mueller, Bldg. 18-5, went to Grand Haven, Mich., on her vacation. She intended to stay only one week—then come home and clean house. At least she had honest intentions — anyway, housecleaning can be done anytime and vacation only comes once a year. . . . Our good luck to Al Bassett, test engineer, transferred to Motor and Generator. Hope he will not forget his friends in Bldg. 18-5. . . . Fonda Cook, Bldg. 18-4, reports a very profitable vacation. Anytime you do not have to pay a painter $3 an hour, that is profit! . . . The A. E. Leiders, Bldg. 18-4, spent the weekend in Chicago. They were accompanied by Mrs. Leider's parents who are returning to their home in California after a brief visit here.

Bldg. 18-3

Eugene Miller is now the proud uncle of Joan Elaine, the week old daughter of his brother, E. P. Miller of Bldg. 31-1. . . . Rose Smead spent the vacation time doctoring a cold. May we suggest "an apple a day etc." . . . At various times during the shutdown Niagara Falls was visited by Irene Draper, Doris Rohnemus and Phil Arick of Bldg. 18-3. . . . Prewarned —Delores Brinker of Bldg. 18-3 and Mary Brinker of Bldg. 26-2 vacationed at a resort about 40 miles from Chicago. I understand the name of the resort is "Recharge." Girls, you can't say they did not warn you in advance that they were going to charge you double for everything! . . . Arnold Konow spent all of his vacation painting—returned Monday to recuperate. . . . Emily Guth is vacationing in Michigan this week.

Bldg. 18-1

Looking the Payroll group over Monday morning—it would seem they all had a grand and glorious time on their vacation. They are a few shades darker, but have a world of pep to tackle the job of paying us all. . . . Mildred Whitmer is absent due to illness. . . . Works Service Accounting said farewell to Marion Smith last Friday. It is the consensus that the children in the Waynedale Schools are very fortunate in having her as their new school marm. . . . Next week we say our farewells to Chester Lichtenberg who will assume new recreation duties after September 1.

Foreman Completes 30 Years



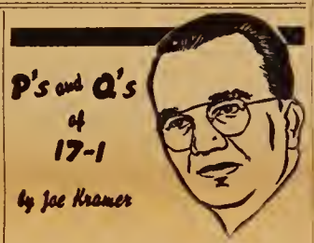
Martin Macke, Foreman of the Salvage section, recently completed 30 years' service with General Electric. On his anniversary, he was presented a letter congratulating him on his long Company service. In the picture, which was taken at the time of the presentation, are: John Lare, Ed Trahel, Mr. Macke, Chester Johnson, William Altekruse, and Jake Holle.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dikty

This being our first reporting since before vacation, we can only now report Ted Schlup's involvement in an auto accident about four weeks ago. It is alleged that Mr. Schlup got behind the wheel of his low-slung powerful vehicle and roared away, and then—Wham!!! After the dust had died down and echoes of chashing fenders had ceased, the officers of the law asked Ted to favor the city court with his presence the following morning, which Ted did, accompanied by his legal counselor. What happened after that event as yet we don't know. You might ask him if you're curious. . . . Elmer Wagner's office girls have a habit of having a certain thing happen to them, but after due deliberation Susie Wagner says that she doesn't believe the chair could be responsible. . . .

Mrs. Ralph Perry (Neoma Klaehn) is back with us after marriage, a honeymoon and vacation. We're glad to welcome her back. . . . Frank Elder has finally got his '37 Packard "Old Ironsides" going, and Ken Hart, his chief engineer, reports everything ship-shape in the engine room for the time being. . . . Frankie Enderle visited a while in St. Louis on his vacation, and we heard that he stopped in Chicago just long enough to learn a lesson in big city life. "It was a bit expensive, but live and learn," says Frankie. . . . As for vacations Shirley Cunningham, Ada Phillips and Fayne Harter visited the Black Hills. Lee Anderson and family toured Northern Michigan and Yellowstone National Park. Manford Lee and wife enjoyed three weeks in sunny Florida. Bill Wittmer and wife looked over the Smoky Mountains. Eileen Gault visited in San Francisco and Sacramento, Calif. Joe Laisure, wife and granddaughter, Edna Etzler, Wymond Ritter and family, Henry Muehlenbruch, Robert Buck and family, Gladys McMillan and Robert Stute and family visited Sault Ste Marie. Irene and Wayne Nichols and Frank Kartholl and wife visited Cincinnati. Robert Lauer and family spent their vacation at Lake Gage and Detroit. Bill Hale and his wife were at Coldwater Lake and Ralph Smith was at Big Long Lake. Frank and Marilyn Schlink visited the railroad fair in Chicago. Fred Friedman is on a fresh water cruise for two weeks in Lake Michigan. Bill (hurry up) Hoke made a fast trip in a few days to Rocky Mountain National Park. The Armature Winders are wondering why Al Johnson needed an extra day for his vacation out West. Did he get lost or just tired? These vacations are a great thing. I don't know which brings the greatest amount of pleasure, anticipating before we go or reminiscing after we get back. Nevertheless if you want to know what "Home Sweet Home" really means, go away, but don't lose the key. . . . We extend our sincere sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Willis Bunyan in the death of their son.



George Mosshammer has left the truck gardening business and is now engaged in house repairs. George recently purchased a house and is busily engaged adding the modern conveniences. At the present time, he is doing necessary plumbing and electrical work. George is looking forward to the time when the peach trees in the back yard will cast enough shade so that he can sit in the shade of the old peach tree and partake of liquid refreshment from an ice tub. . . . We were all glad to welcome Ed Brosche back from Florida. Ed must have spent a great deal of his time basking in the vitamin-filled air of Florida. . . . Ed Martin has switched from spaghetti business to car business. Ed is in the market for a good used automobile. He has been seen recently sitting on his front porch because he does not trust the tires on the old car. . . . Clarence Doctor was so anxious to use his new combination salt and pepper shaker that he went into a neighbor's garden and picked some half ripe tomatoes to bring in his lunch to show the gang in 19x72 the unique way the lid slid back and forth. . . . It is a new addition at the Kramer rancho. Mike Kramer's pet cow, Mary Jane, recently had a calf. Mike is now asking for suggestions of a name for the new calf. . . . We are glad to see Carl Fisher back to work in the automatic section after his recent accident. Carl said even though his arm was in a sling he still had time for a little fishing. . . . We wondered what happened to our friend Red Braden last Friday until we learned of the golf tournament being held in Michigan. Playing conditions up there were excellent but Red just couldn't get the ball where it should be. . . . Orval Haver reports that he had a wonderful time during his vacation in New York and Atlantic City, but the heat in Atlantic City was 10 degrees hotter than what it was in Fort Wayne. . . . John Quinn also returned from his vacation last Monday. We don't know whether John was just too modest to talk about the fish he caught or whether he experienced the luck we usually do and caught no fish at all. . . . Congratulations were in order to Elmer DeVaux. He is a proud papa of a baby boy. . . . Ray Epperson is showing pictures of some large bluegills that were caught during his vacation. We wonder if the fish were caught by Ray or if his young daughter caught them. . . . Frank Martin is trying to get two more converts to his long black cigar smoking league. He has passed out cigars to Clyde Crabill and Ed Brosche. Now we are waiting to see which of these two pass out first. . . . We are happy to report that it was a baby boy at Henry Gollmer's house. Henry is a former co-worker in Division 19. . . . Jack Lewis is through with Model "T" Fords. It seems Jack bought a 1937 Dodge and was experiencing some difficulty keeping it running until his young son explained to him that the gear shift was there for a purpose and not to hang his hat on. Jack spent a couple of days in the southern part of the country practicing the shifting of gears. Now that he has found the routine of starting and getting into third, he is quite happy about the whole thing. . . . We have heard of throwing bad candy bars away, but there is some discussion in trying to reason out why Clarence Doctor threw a Goodbar away last week.



"Many people are 'dolling up' on a 'dollar down'."

Things have really quieted down in and around the tool room since vacation. George Miller and Charlie Layman are both gone now. The one had as much "wind" as the other, but George had tbe edge with his line. . . . Your reporter with Hilda Krause enjoyed the 20th Annual Music Festival in Chicago last Saturday night with 94,998 other people. . . . There are a few owls working on the first trick again: Steve Sallot, Frank Bly and Owen Cartwright. . . . Paul Bender is back after three weeks' vacation. . . . Our foreman in group 16x42, Vance Burnau, lieutenant in the CAP joined with other members of CAP in searching for the little girl who drowned in Clear Lake August 14. They used a portable generator and an underwater light. They were equipped with two-way radio communication from the cabin cruiser to shore. . . . Walt Buesking looks like a pretty tough guy, but it is a well known fact that he isn't wearing the pants in the family. As proof we offer this story. Walt and a few of his cronies in the tool room were down at the corner the other day enjoying some refreshments when who should come along but Mrs. Buesking. "Let's go," says she, and Walt went without as much as a goodbye. . . . Virgil Foyle is a very busy man these days. He is building a five room and bath ranch-type house. His wife is giving him a great deal of assistance. Fred Fenner went out to see it one day and he said they are doing an excellent job. Good luck to you, Mr. and Mrs.

Veora Habig Edits News Column For Personnel Division Employees



Veora Habig

Veora Habig, Bldg. 8-2, is the new Division Editor for "Personnel-ities." A G-E employee since 1934, she first worked as an inspector at the Winter St. plant, then transferred to the Transformer division. Before coming to Personnel in 1945, Veora was a leading operator and instructor in the Miscellaneous Inspection section, Bldg. 17-1.

Reporting is no new task for Veora. At one time she edited a WORKS NEWS column, "Feminine Viewpoint." She also was an assistant Division Editor while she was in the Transformer division. Her previous WORKS NEWS assignment was Division Editor of "P's and Q's in 17-1."

Veora has also been active in General Electric clubs. She has held every office except treasurer in Elex. She was president of Elex in 1938-39. She still is a member of the executive board and does all the "book work" for Elex. She has also served several years as a director for the G-E Club.

Sports, in general, is her hobby. Veora especially likes football, baseball, basketball and bowling. Recently she has added fishing to her many talents in sports.

Although she has not as yet set up a reporting staff, Veora has been assisted by Ceal Romary of the Works Library.

Floor Lore from 41-41

by BOB MOBBERLY

Road maps, travel folders and vacation advertisements have all been put away once more for another year. Of course, the memories of those two weeks shall linger on for many a month, of two weeks well spent and well enjoyed. . . . Old Mr. Stork paid Herb Jehl a visit Monday, August 16, and left Herb and his wife a baby boy as his calling card. Congratulations to both of you, Herb, and we hope Betty and the newest Mr. Jehl will continue doing well. . . . Harold Mettler, pardon the pun, brought forth the fruits of his labor in the form of apples from his orchard. From our samples, we agree that they were very good, Harold. . . . We welcome Charlie Griffith as our new second shift foreman as of last week. Best of luck, Charlie! . . . We are glad to see Elmore Hurt made it back from that long western jaunt. Really takes time doesn't it, Elmore? . . . The Repair and Return section rated high in the recent Look Magazine article on Fort Wayne. Two members of our section, Dallas Smith and Cecile Onion, were pictured in the article. . . . For the first time we have some feminine members on the second shift. We welcome Ethel Fabian and Jeanette Conrad into the "Night Owl" group.

Top Floor Topics Bldg. 26-5

by WALT POHLER

Vacation is over and everyone reports a fine time. Some of our people traveled quite a few miles. Alma and Frieda Kaiser drove to the Black Hill country. L. N. Sordelet fished in Minnesota. Walt Mertz went to Hot Springs, Ark. Bill Braun fished in Michigan. Bill Mills fished at Lake George. Since there were no unreasonable fish stories, we are inclined to believe that some fish were caught. . . . In a very pretty ceremony, before members of the immediate families and some friends at the Methodist Church at Poneto, Ind., at 12:30 p.m., Sunday, July 31, Ruby Musselman became the bride of Herbert Rapp. After the ceremony, the families enjoyed a wedding dinner. The newlyweds then departed on a wedding trip to San Francisco, Calif. They followed the northern route going, and the southern route coming back. Mr. and Mrs. Rapp are building a house in Churubusco and will make that their home. All of us extend our very best wishes to the bride and our congratulations to the groom. . . . Most of you have heard about the new golf league we have on the floor. This is a handicap league and the members are Walt Mertz, Howard Winters, Richard Pierce, Richard Hurst, Howard Shipman, Francis Gnau, Carl Hanson and Walter Pohler. Bill Braun is the official photographer of the league. Bill Mills was Howard Shipman's caddy. Francis Gnau won first prize with a net score of 29. Walt Mertz and Howard Winters tied for second with a net score of 35. We would be very happy for any other fellows on the floor who play golf to join us. We play at Brookwood at 4 p.m. Thursday evenings.

Notes About People

Betty Harkenrider, after working on radio for a long time, is now working on luminous tube and ignition units. . . . Dorothy Campbell spent her vacation visiting Grand Rapids and vicinity. She gained 12 pounds so she must have been resting. . . . Mary Ely spent part of her vacation in the vicinity of Washington, D. C. She reports that the trips to Mount Vernon, Alexandria, Va., and Arlington National Cemetery were most interesting. . . . Your Division Editor, having lived in Washington, D. C. for one year while still in the military service, joins Mary in recommending this area as a vacation spot. . . . Thelma Henry reports a very interesting trip to Omaha and vicinity, especially the day spent in Council Bluffs. . . . Edith Johnson and husband were at Torch Lake, Mich., for a week. They caught plenty of fish and hunted snakes and lizards. . . . Ruth and Bob Whonsetler visited Niagara Falls, New York City, and Washington, D. C. They especially enjoyed driving through the mountains. . . . Ron Koldewey and his family vacationed in Colorado and Idaho. He reports that the mountains out there are really beautiful. . . . The vacation rush is over and we promise that we will try to have an article each week.

Division 141's News Beams Raconteur

by MARTHA BRENNER

News has really been flying after our vacation. . . . Walt Niemeyer sent a card to Mildred Orr saying he had a date with Betty Grable August 18. . . . Being warned about trying to drive his Buick to California, the latest report from Cleon Oyer states he is trying to make a deal to trade the Buick off for a "Burro." We are sincerely hoping he makes it back in time so he doesn't lose his service. . . . Walter Doctor went to Cincinnati, to visit his relatives. (He went to the zoo.) . . . Herb Wise had an outing all planned in Wisconsin, but we hear his wife changed his mind and they went to Oklahoma City. For the proof ask Johnny Wilson to see the card he received from Herb. . . . When it comes to rushing things Katherine Norr certainly did. She went to see Santa Claus on her vacation up in New Hampshire in the White Mountains. She wasn't seeing things either; you could pet the reindeers. . . . Ann Johnston, Zella Sheehan, and Rosemond Schooly have decided that sitting on the upper deck of boats will give you quite a sunburn. . . . Bill Lavine went fishing and caught the limit. . . . We hear there are "Fancy Speed Boat Rides", on Shriner Lake by Garwood Arnold for $25 each. (If he gets his motor back). . . . Herb Seslar spent his two weeks at Devil's Lake, Wis. The first night a "night flyer" blew its whistle, and poor Herb thought the train was coming right through his tent. . . . Elmer Buck wanted to see some "wild country" and drove to Northern Michigan. In fact he drove so far he got on a dead end road and trying to get back to civilization he burned up the generator in his car. After a lay-over of a couple of days a dog team brought him a new one. . . . Alice (Wrong Way Rogers) due to a "down pour" was so excited she got on the Huntington bus instead of the bus to Bluffton. Thanks to the driver, he informed her of her error. . . . George Miller took advantage of the rain last week when he got his landlord out in the rain and pointed out the places the spouting, etc., leaked. . . . Bob Kissinger and Ernest Cutter we hear are quite chummy these days. . . . Forest Grimm sold his farm. Poor Mrs. Grimm had to do all the hard work. . . . We wish to congratulate Joe Cochoit who was married July 26. Much happiness to you both. . . . "Grandpappy" Holloway is all smiles the past week. His first grandchild was born. He now comes up with the story it takes the baby's grandfather to put her to sleep.

Personnel-ities

by VEORA HABIG

Our congratulations to Ruth Shull who was elected "Miss Fort Wayne Works" by the Test Engineers, which proves that they are excellent judges of feminine pulchritude in addition to mechanical technicalities. We heartily agree with their selection and would also give her an additional vote for having a pleasing personality. . . . Much comment has been made this past week about LOOK magazine's article on our "Happy City." Naturally we are proud to have the national spotlight focused on Fort Wayne, but we were nevertheless a little disappointed when none of the pictures that were taken at our Elex Mother and Daughter party appeared with the article. However, one of them was shown in W&D's window display and it was easy to recognize our Audrey Thomas in a group picture. . . . It is being rumored that Herschel Smith is starting a matrimonial bureau and can readily advise anyone interested on all the reasons why they should forsake the role of single blessedness and middle aisle it. Herschel is a good salesman, we will admit; so be careful, Herschel, you may have to look for a new secretary. . . . The employees and friends of Col. Chester Lichtenberg met Wednesday to bid him farewell and wish him every happiness as he retires. On behalf of the group, John Welch and Ray Hoffman presented the Colonel with a gift and a scrapbook as a token of their esteem. We hope that as he pursues his many activities, he will find time to pay us an occasional visit. Good Luck, Colonel. . . . We wouldn't care if Ceal Romary had birthdays more often, as the cake she served as a treat to her co-workers was delicious. The singing telegram delivered by the "Personnelity Trio" was out of this world—but not far enough out! . . . Our division seems to be operating in full swing as Mr. Freeman, Irene Meyers and Bill Allen return from their vacations. . . . Our thought for this week is "It's not by man's purse, but by his character, that he is rich or poor."

Serves Company 30 Years



Celebrating his 30th anniversary with General Electric, John Neukam of the General Tool division, recently received a congratulatory letter. Attending the presentation of the letter were: (l. to r.) C. A. Brenner, Division Superintendent; John Roemer, Louis Paluszak, Clarence Wiedelman, Mr. Neukam, Chester Reynolds, Carl Schone, and George Spittler, Foreman.

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AT THE CONTROLS . . . Charles E. Wilson, right, president of G.E. and Robert B. McColl, president of the American Locomotive Company, wave from the cab of the nation's first gas turbine-electric locomotive. Developed by G.E. and American Locomotive Company, the 4500-horsepower locomotive was officially unveiled recently at the Erie Works.



CATCHING BUTTERFLIES . . . These scientifically-designed plastic forms are used by G-E lighting engineers to demonstrate patterns of light emitted from various types of street lights and to show how light can be distributed effectively on the street. Resembling huge butterflies, they are displayed by model June Raymond at world's largest outdoor-lighting center, Lynn, Mass.



GLASS CHEWER . . . Highlight of one of the sessions of the Apparatus Department Safety Conferences held recently at the Erie Works was the demonstration of a machine for disposal of used fluorescent light tubes. Members of the Safety Committee watch F. T. Clarke, Supervisor of Safety for tne Apparatus Department, feeding tube into the machine which chews it into tiny particles.



TEXAS BEAUTY . . . Winona Cox of the G-E Dallas Office was selected Dallas-Ft. Worth queen during recent contest sponsored by National Press Photographers Association; she later represented Texas, New Mexico and Arizona in Atlantic City. With her are Jimmy Adair, Manager of the Dallas Eagles and Dick Burnett, Owner.



FIELD DAY . . . Thousands of Schenectady Works employees, their families and friends, turned out for recent GEAA Field Day, featuring stage shows, midway rides and field events. Here W. A. Gluesing amuses the youngsters with his G-E House of Magic show, one of highlights of the Day.

G-E High Quality Helps To Bring in the Sales

The traditional high standards of quality built into all General Electric products are being stressed more than ever today, when we need every bit of business we can obtain to keep our factories busy. Since sales make the jabs, every additional item sold makes that much more work for some G-E employee. Able but reluctant buyers must be tempted back into the market by offering them products af such high quo they will buy eagerly once mor

All of us can help in th even higher values into the p Pictured on these pages are ployees whose special job it is maintain and constantly improv of all G-E products.



High quality starts with good design. Henry Fliegler, engineer, Anthony Yourkovik, draftsman, and William Schettler, drafting supervisor, Erie, work on assembly drawing for new Under Car Power Plant equipment.



Proper plant layout contributes to high quality products. Warking on scale model of plant layout for new Turbine Building at Schenectady are from left: A. McCorquodale, plant layout man, and J. B. Klopp, supervisor of manufacturing layout and appropriations.



In the hands and hearts of every employee rests the General Electric reputation for quality products. Only through the skill, care, and effort of each one of us will this reputation be sustained, and jobs made more secure. George Koch, above, typifies the production worker, key man in the Company's quality program.



The accuracy of the tools, dies, and molds is vital to the quality of the finished product. Sheldon Crocker, in the tool room at Pittsfield, produces precision mold for television cabinet on Keller machine.



Regular inspection on the production line eliminates defective products. Virginia Hart and Ruth Pierson, inspectors, carefully check plastic lamp shades at the Decatur, Illinois, plant.

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Aircraft transmitters and receivers are tested in a cold chamber at zero temperature. Shown emerging from the "cold box" is M. F. Capri, test trouble shooter ot Electronics Pork.



At Bloomfield, air conditioning equipment is tested for compressor leaks, motor vibrotions, ond noise. Testers here are M. Moyerick, W. Naruki, C. Siebert, W. Thomos ond M. Klos.



J. E. Betts, laboratory engineer of the Construction Moteriols Deportment, tests rubber compound in milling operation on wire and coble insulotion ot Bridgeport.



No G-E product is too smoll nor too large for quality testing. Test engineers at Schenectady ore shown moking commutation odjustments and heat run on two 5000-hp steel mill motors. At control panel are O. L. Shoy and P. D. McGuire, ond on platform above, from left ore: G. R. Roth, E. N. DeVoult ond P. B. Boswell.



This testing laborotory ot Nelo Pork contains sockets for over 12,000 incandescent lomps of all types ond sizes. Life test racks burn doy and night on a regulor schedule, ore time recorded ond ore constontly patrolled by veteran inspectors.



Quality does not stop ot the factory door. To insure many years of trouble-free service, General Electric backs up its products with service facilities across the country. Here Peter J. Walsh, right, supervisor of Appliance Service Center at Boston, and H. H. Herbert, clerk, ossist a customer who has dropped her iron.

Candid Camera



ACE TRUCKER . . . Elected to represent General Electric, Melvin Beuchler, center, truck driver at Fort Wayne Works, recently won first place in the first annual Truck Roadeo in competition with nine other trailer and semi-trailer truck drivers. Here he is showing Ed David, foreman holding trophy presented to Mr. Beuchler, and C. D. Uncapher, Superintendent of Distribution, certificate he received last year from General Electric for having driven 29 years without a chargeable accident.



'49er SPIRIT . . . On their way to the annual All States picnic were these be-whiskered General Electric employees of Ontario, Calif. Works: Floyd Dotson, Melvin Coker and Jake Breaux. G-E men grew beards for the city-wide contest and women donned period dresses and sunbonnets as part of the '49er activities sponsored by local Chamber of Commerce.



FUN IN THE SUN . . . These bathing beauties didn't skip any of the merriment at Somersworth, N. H., General Electric Employees Social and Athletic Association Outing held recently under cloudless skies. From left to right, they are: Carrie King, Joyce Flint, Doris Slayton, Louise Eschmann, and Mary Berry.



OLD-FASHIONED JOY RIDE . . . Frank Randall, artist in the General Office, is on his way to picnic celebrating his 40th anniversary with the General Electric Company. With him are Rita Jovais, artist formerly with his division, and Chris Rugh, also of General Office, at the wheel of his 1913 Ford museum piece.



FLOWERY WELCOME . . . Sales representatives, visiting Allentown Works to see how toasters are produced, were met by lovely receptionists who distributed flowers from toaster-shell baskets. From left: Margie Tenchia, Jeannette Kriegsman, Eleanor Schaffer and Joyce Kershner.

Celebrates 30th Anniversary



C. F. William Oberwitte, Receiving section in Bldg. 6-1, recently celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric. He received a congratulatory letter for his long service with the Company. Those friends who attended the letter presentation were: (l. to r.) Richard Robertson, A. E. Leider, Production Manager; Dewain Freshwater, Barbara Meyer, Harry Beaty, Ruby Flaugh, Dale Porsch, Mr. Oberwitte, Marie Alleger, Marie Renz, Paul Klage, James Vevia, Mary Warren, Ruth Schroeder, Tom Dent, and Doyal White.

MEDICAL MEMOS.....

by Mary Heyman

Vacations are over and isn't it fun to think of the good times we had, and to begin to plan what we would like to do next year! . . . Alta Bishop changed her name to Mrs. Louis Mayle in a beautiful ceremony July 31 in the South Wayne Baptist Church. The reception was held at the Chatterbox at the Hotel Van Orman. Best wisbes are sent from the entire section to both for many happy years. . . . It took more than flash floods and showers to keep some of the hardy folks from attending the street fair in Ossian. Lyle Rupert, Berneta Welbaum, Mae Mulvane, Minnie Fryback, Imo Jean Schwartz, and Florence Hoevel were busy taking in some of the sights of the midway—and some food too without a doubt. . . . We are all looking forward to the day when Mrs. Orff will be recovered and back with us. . . . Imo Jean Schwartz has been having a busy time this week. Her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Radner arrived Sunday from Seattle, Wash., to spend a few weeks before going on to Princeton, N.J., where Lawrence will attend Princeton University. . . . Berneta Welbaum will be spending her vacation in Kansas. She was on duty during the shutdown, so is taking life easy while the rest are back on the job. . . . Mary Woods, retired matron who was employed in the Medical Section for a number of years, was recently inquiring about our folks here. We are so glad you haven't forgotten us, Mary. . . . Dr. Garton was at the Danville Plant on business on Monday of this week. . . . Minnie Fryback entertained as house guests over last week-end, Mr. and Mrs. Phrot Mills of Mount Clemens, Mich. . . . Ethel Carriger, former nurse at Winter St., has returned to the city after spending the past eight weeks at the Epworth Forest Camp at Lake Webster. . . . These few lines are dedicated to all who suffer from hay fever:

I sneezed a sneeze into the air,
It fell to earth, I knew not where,
Hard and cold were the looks of those
In whose vicinity I snoze!

Transformer Tattles

BLDG. 26-4

by Mary Ann Miller

Faye Russell finally came back from his vacation. He said he would have been back a week earlier, but he had to push Chryslers over the mountains with his Kaiser. . . . John St. Claire got his hair cut, at last. . . . Ask Faye Russell if he thought he saw anything in Oregon that Tom Hildebrandt hadn't seen. . . . Fletcher Cumbey got all dirty last Tuesday night changing a tire, because his wife wasn't there to do it for him. . . . Dutch Norwalt took Archie Rian to the lake fishing and Archie broke all of Dutch's fishing equipment on six inch bluegills. . . . We hear Frank Keck is buying a new home. Good luck to you, Frank. . . . Dutch Norwalt is all set for the fishing season. He has plenty of crickets to last him the rest of the summer. . . . Mary Moses is leaving us today to be a full time housewife. . . . Lucille Neviles has a new pet rabbit. . . . Ray Horstman and Claude Hughes were eating huge ice cream cones in Albion on vacation. Can you imagine that? . . . Say, George Harmeyer, the boys want to know who your buddy was when you were at the races up at Rome City. . . . Al Helwig and Benny Keller just came back from a three weeks' vacation. . . . Ralph Smith went fishing last Saturday, and all he came back with was the usual suntan. . . . Ask Dutch Norwalt why he and Archie Rian rowed all over the lake taking his champion motor for a ride. . . . Good carpenter wanted: See Jelly Mennewisch. John Mueller need not apply. . . . We hear that Marian Boerger is sporting a new car. . . . The "Busco Kid" built a two-car garage and needs a name plate for over the door. Can anyone help him? . . . Bessie Chapman came back to work from a three weeks' vacation. . . . Congratulations to Bill Rectanus on his new trousers. . . . Speaking of being absentminded, we think Bill Rectanus is the one. He had Glen Hobbs call him at 1 a.m. to tell him the name of a good lake to fish. By morning he had forgotten the name and had to go to a different lake. . . . Forgot to mention last week that Nora Coburn went to Clear Lake on her vacation. . . . Sorry to hear about Helen Hunt's sudden illness. We wish her a speedy recovery and that she will be back to work soon. . . . We hear Mike Dunscombe is recovering nicely from his operation. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fosnaugh (the former Doris Henry) announce the birth of a son, Gregory Allen.

Idea Brings $55 Award



Raymond Crippen, Specialty Transformer Division 95, recently received a $55 suggestion award for his idea to redesign treating trays, thus reducing the damage of transformer coils. He is shown at the right explaining the suggestion to his foreman, R. J. Koldewey.

Spiritual muscles are as dependent on exercise as physical ones.

WIRE RAVELINGS

by AL HAMBROCK

Something we seldom see: Clarence Coulter, Bill Rohe, Lou Maier and David Bastian without a cigar between their teeth; Vaughn Sheets, Bill Irwin, Carl Hankel, Forrest Gill and Jack Fyock without a pipe. Oh, yes we forgot Ray Kierspe is a cigar smoker too, that is, if someone is good or dumb enough to furnish the cigars. Some things we do see: In Wimpy Lemper's desk drawer. Powder, powder puff, two boxes of snuff and a pair of old shoes. What no lipstick? . . . If Guy Oberlin had all the money he has spent on that old jalopy for repairs, etc. he could now be the proud owner of a brand new Cadillac Deluxe. Get wise to yourself, Guy, and junk that junker. With a new Cadillac, folks would think you were in the chips. . . . Since Truman Buckles is having so much sewer troubles, Wimpy Lemper says he will help him out temporarily by loaning him one of his WPA projects. That's mighty nice of you, Wimpy. . . . Rumors indicate that Herb Scherer will soon be the owner of a brand new Chrysler. . . . Jake Arnold has had another operation and is already back to work. You just can't keep a good man down. . . . Loretta Geradot has returned to work and is looking fine. Happy to see you back, Loretta. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Cy Ort, who were married 25 years ago August 19 in a double wedding ceremony. Mrs. Ort being a twin her sister was married to Cy's cousin. Our congratulations to them too. . . . We haven't heard of anyone leaving this good old U.S.A. lately. We mean those people who believe, preach and practice Communism.

It's Windy Here

by JOAN AUBREY

First of all we want to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gollmer on the birth of their son Stephen John born Aug. 17. Both mother and son are doing fine. . . . Some people carry this idea of rest on a vacation just a little too far. Charlie Gable started his resting when he arrived home after work Friday before vacation. He sat down on the back steps and looked at his lawn and decided it should be cut but thought he should rest a little first. The reports on just what awakened him from his "little rest" are quite varied but the most reliable one has it that the neighbors called the pulmotor squad after the fourth day of immobility thinking he had passed on to the great beyond. However, they found that he was just doing a Rip Van Winkle, and after some effort were able to arouse him. He looked around through a five day growth of whiskers and decided the grass was too high for him to cut with his hand mower. He very conveniently remembered that one of his coworkers was equipped with both rotary and sickle bar power mower and managed to get into his car and drive out and suggest to the co-worker that he come in and cut Mr. Gable's grass as part of his vacation. Therefore, one afternoon several days later tractor, rotary mower and sickle bar were loaded into a trailer and transported to Mr. Gable where operations were carried on until dark. Not being able to complete the job before dark the equipment was left there and arrangements were made to finish the job in the morning. Upon arriving in the morning the friend found that Mr. Gable had already left for Indiana Dunes State Park on his vacation. Fortunately the friend has a third week later during which he will take a vacation. . . . We want to wish Marg Stodgell a happy birthday August 22 and Dorothy Heinzelmann August 26. . . . What happened to all the big fish stores we were expecting to hear after vacation? For some reason no one was very proud of their fishing trips. Even Mr. Dennison could only say the weather and scenery were wonderful.

2-2 TALES

By BELLE BUCHAN

Now that vacation is over, we are looking over and enjoying dozens of pictures and listening to many fish stories. . . . And speaking of vacation, Perry Esterline reminds us that it is only 48 more weeks until next vacation. Isn't he a cheerful guy. . . . Ralph Armey spent a part of his vacation running between the Municipal Beach and the fair grounds. It seems that he and Ina started for the fair, but got on the wrong bus. By the time they discovered their mistake tbey were nearly to the Beach. Oh well, walking is never crowded. . . . Norma Krall returned to work this week after several months' illness. Welcome back, Norma. . . . Vern Castle is combing his hair now with a wash cloth, due to a crew cut. Says he can sleep five minutes longer now. . . . While we are talking of hair, has everybody noticed the cute little "Charley Chaplin" that Jack Welch grew during vacation. It is a good thing that we only had two weeks or Jack would have had to join the House of David.



After a two weeks' vacation, we are all knuckling down to another year of work. It was a fast two weeks for a lot of us, according to reports, fishing was very good. . . . Wisconsin and Minnesota can't be beat. Bluegills were Edna Callow's favorite bites and good ones, too. Her family toured and fished in upper Wisconsin. . . . Mina Lampy and the Forest Owens family had a scenic trip in Wisconsin and did some fishing. Forest posed with a beautiful catch. Hayworth, Wis., was their most talked of place. . . . A cousin in Florida was really happy to entertain Ed Hesher and family. He has some fine tales to report on, especially, the one on the razorback hogs. . . . Chicago, with its Railroad Fair was quite interesting this year. Ralph Cauble, Lloyd Ahr, Andy Andrews, and Ray Schott had a time in the Windy City. They all came back in A-1 shape. . . . The Decatur golf course was frequently visited by local employees. Willie Morgan and Esther, George Womack, and Annie were putting on those greens. . . . Vida Lammert was at home remodeling her adobe. It will be quite snazzy when it's finisbed. . . . Mary Fenning and family enjoyed a few days at Turkey Lake. Haven't heard whether fishing was good or not. . . . Milton Brown visited his sister in Chicago and put part time in fishing on Lake James. . . . There were several marriages performed. One was Linda Bultemeier who took Richard Striker for her husband. The treat was fine, Linda. Linda is planning to live on a farm around Geneva, home of our famous Indiana writer, Gene Stratton Porter. . . . Columbus, Ohio, has some fine features. Bob August and wife spent several days with relatives, also the little wife did some shopping. . . . Alvera Lose, did you get anywhere during your vacation? So far there's no report on it. Nora Smitley, did you keep entertained on the farm? . . . Evelyn Thurston treated her group on her birthday. Many more happy ones, Evelyn. . . . We have another birthday. Happy birthday, Mable Eyanson. Did your hubby buy you something pretty? . . . A little on the flying vacation trips, Kenny Beard flew to Detroit to a ball game. Josephine flew to Flying Farmers Field Day at Glenview Navy Base, Chicago. . . . A proud G-E father was Laverne Sprunger. His wife presented him with a daughter. Laverne is building a new home for his family and is doing most of the carpenter work himself. . . . Everyone is pretty well back in harness after the two weeks' vacation, but you still hear some talking about the wonderful time they had and pictures are still being shown that were taken. . . . The new Oldsmobile is owned by Kenny Gaunt. . . . Barbara Roop had to take another week off work, due to an automobile accident, but she is able to be back with us again. . . . George Myers and Bob Striker are still on a diet, we understand. . . . The voice of experience—Ray Leitz—speaks: "I didn't know it cost so much to give a wedding for a daughter." Now Ray says he wouldn't mind if he had another daughter to get married in a couple more years as he would have time to save up a little money for the occasion. . . . Oh yes, Margaret Wolpert became Mrs. Wilbur Lengerich during vacation. Best wishes, Margaret. . . . The other day Leonard Meyer tore his pants quite badly, and he had to go around holding his pants and hunting for Hilda. So finally he did find Hilda and she had to take some tape and tape the hole shut for Leonard, but gee, the embarrassment until he found Hilda. Some on Leonard's line suggested that Leonard bring an extra pair of pants to work in case of emergency. . . . Our sympathy to Abe Richert upon the death of his father during the vacation shut-down. . . . We also extend sympathies to the families of Raymon Johnston and Lohnas McIntosh. Two young sons of Raymon's were struck with polio, and one son of Lohnas also has recently contracted the dreaded disease. At this writing the boys' conditions are not considered critical. All of us hope for complete and speedy recovery.

Receives Congratulations For Service



Clyde Crabill, FHP Motor Div. 19 in Bldg. 17-1, recently completed his 30th year at General Electric. At that time he received a congratulatory letter, as well as the best wishes of his co-workers. Seated in the picture are: (l. to r.) Frank Quinn, Foreman; Ernie Riley, W. H. Franke, Division Superintendent; Mr. Crabill, Frank Gitter; Ed Kronmiller, Foreman; and Henry Wichern. Standing are: (l. to r.) Marion Spague, Paul Geiger, and Norman Bender, General Foreman.



Our deepest sympathy to Edna DeLeury in the sudden death of her husband. . . . We wish to announce that Ernest Clark was the guy who had the first lucky number in our vacation pool and Thelma Loveless held second. . . . Lavona Porter has moved to the city and is having trouble in keeping her shoes on now. . . . Garnett Currie is planning her new fall wardrobe from the Glamour Magazine and the help of her co-workers. She may turn out to be a fashion plate. . . . We hear that Lois Bailey is saving her money to buy a farm. In the meantime she is shopping around for a good manager. Here is a chance for some ambitious fellow who can pass the test and enjoys outdoor life. . . . We bid farewell to Homer Huffman, Melvin Boercherding and Dan McCrea. Good luck, fellows. . . . Hazel Scott has a little dog she calls Caesar. Oh how that dog rates. We are told that the comfort of the dog comes first. . . . Ruth Freeland has a soft spot in her heart for all living things, be it man or mouse. Her sympathies were given to a little mouse that got caught in the trap that she herself set for him, and it goes like this, Sorry little fellow, the funeral is tomorrow. . . . Dan Reuille doesn't want his name in the news anymore, so he has promised to be a good little boy. . . . When Whitey Leiberenz goes to the cement room, he pops through the first swinging door he comes to. The ladies room looks very nice since being redecorated, doesn't it, Whitey? . . . The gang gave their best wishes to John Collins by presenting him with a wool blanket and some towels for his wedding gift. We wish you many years of married bliss. . . . Elaine Lingerich has left us to start on a bigger and better career. She is waiting for her little bundle from heaven. The best of luck, Elaine. . . . Dale Stuckey purchased a farm and as far as he was concerned everything was in order. Later a little item turned up about a bill for the lightning rods. The next time, Dale, it might be better to read all the small print first.

Office Offerings

Sorry, we haven't much news from the office this week. The big move was made last Saturday and everyone is singing, "Where are you now that I need you." Maybe by next week, we will have located most of them.

Safety Section To Distribute Leaflets Explaining Portions Of New Pedestrian Ordinance

A series of six leaflets explaining the new city Pedestrian Control Ordinance will be distributed to all foremen and supervisory personnel by the Fort Wayne Works safety section starting this week.

Each leaflet covers portions of the ordinance, as well as cartoons illustrating each section. These leaflets are also being distributed by mail, at civic meetings, on street corners in the business district, and to employees at other business and industrial firms in the city.

The new ordinance provides essentially that all pedestrians cross at corners and walk according to the traffic lights, and that drivers must give the right of way to pedestrians at all intersections where pedestrians are complying with the terms of the ordinance.

The Fort Wayne Police Department will begin warning violators of the ordinance on Sept. 1. The department will then inaugurate strict enforcement of the regulations on Oct. 1. Fines for violation of the ordinance will be not less than $2 nor more than $10.



Well what do you know—two weeks already in toward your next vacation. Before you know it, time will fly by and it will be vacation again. Oh, happy day. . . . Ida has the right idea. She is going to start her Christmas shopping now so she will be done early. Such ambition. . . . Congratulations are in order for Mary Ohlwine who became Mrs. Wilmer Leitch August 6. All our best wishes for your happiness. . . . Congratulations too are in order for Polly Van Horn who has a new daughter, Linda Kay, born Saturday, August 13. Best wishes to mother and daughter from all the gang. . . . Some people traveled miles down South during vacation, like Cy—while others traveled from the back to the front of the house putting sidewalks in, like Larry Reed. Some fun. . . . Herman Deister says he got all the way to Decatur on vacation. Wonder how he could stand such a long trip. . . . Ruth Baker's vacation wasn't so pleasant, at least the part where she met suddenly with an anchor and knocked herself out. Ruth was standing on the edge of the boat and meant to step back to secure her footing but missed her step, fell and cracked her head on an anchor in the bottom of the boat, and really saw stars. Hope you feel better now, Ruth. . . . While Don Gerardot and family were on vacation they stopped at a cabin in Albany, N. Y. Early next morning they ate breakfast there and started on with their trip. After about 70 miles Don stopped to put oil in the Chevy, you see he carries his oil with him, and discovered that the suit cases were missing. They drove back to the cabin in Albany to pick them up and since it was nearly noon decided to eat lunch at the same place they had eaten breakfast. This little trip cost them a day of their vacation. However, they must have liked the food to drive all the way back to eat dinner in the same place they had eaten breakfast. What about it, Don?

Too many people look upon marriage as a beau knot—and untie it!



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, August 29, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Brown cosmetic bag with draw string top, mirror bottom. Gift from husband while in service.

LOST—Pair prescribed ground, green sun glasses.

LOST—Pair ground safety glasses in a brown case.

FOUND—Fountain pen, black trimmed with gold. Found on Lindley Ave. near gate house.

FOUND—Padlock on Lindley Ave. parking lot.

FOR SALE

FOUR TIRES—5.50x16, in good condition, reasonable. H-25182.

PEDIGREED COCKER PUPPIES—One male, two females, from champion stock. Ideal for show pets, hunters or breeding stock. E-37203.

SMALL JOHN DEERE TRACTOR—with attachments, good as new. A-19931.

RAT TERRIER PUPPIES—Six weeks old, paper broke, $5 and up. H-70355.

BABY SCALES—Daybed, lamp, davenport with slip cover, reasonable, 3024 S. Hanna.

DARK GREEN COAT AND LEGGING SET—Size 8-9, princess style, nearly new, $7. A-95064.

SMALL HOUSE TRAILER—Sleeps four, refrigerator, sink, wardrobe chest of drawers, cupboard; priced for quick sale. H-76272 or 3937 Hoagland.

WALNUT 3-PIECE BEDROOM OUTFIT—Including mattress and springs, good condition, reasonable. E-38901 Saturday or Sunday.

MALTED MILK MIXER—H-01322.

G-E SWEEPER—Good condition, very reasonable. H-66483 after 4 p.m.

STEVENS SEMI-AUTOMATIC—22 calibre, like new, $25; RCA portable, ac, dc, radio, like new, $29. A-3724.

TWO-PIECE MOHAIR LIVING ROOM SUITE—Three-piece bedroom suite, coil springs, felt mattress. A-60743.

1937 DODGE COUPE—Good condition, new tires, $225. 1209½ Boone.

G-E MONITOR TOP REFRIGERATOR—5.5 cu. ft., $75, good condition. A-1888.

GIRL'S BIGYCLE—Standard size, good condition. $12. H-60951.

LOT—N.E., 107x135, cash or contract; two bows, 60 lb., quiver and arrows; 20-gauge shotgun, box of shells, $12. H-74081.

KITCHEN SINK $5—Gas stove, $15, right hand oven, both good condition. H-65522.

COW—H-28539.

BABY BUGGY—Reasonable. H-81565.

GIRL'S SCHWINN BICYCLE—Good condition; upright piano, mahogany. H-74891.

SOUTHWIND GASOLINE AUTO HEATER—With attachments, like new, $18. A-2035.

WANTED

SIX-ROOM UNFURNISHED HOUSE—Any location. A-80171 and ask for Devona Clayton.

THREE-ROOM UNFURNISHED APARTMENT—For one lady. E-32712 after 4 p.m.

PAIR OF OLD FASHIONED SAD-IRONS—With handles attached. A-63042.

BOY'S 20 or 24 IN. BICYCLE—Second hand. A-65133.

THANK YOU NOTE

JOE MOUGIN WISHES TO THANK—His co-workers for the many nice things that were done for him on the last few days before his retirement, and also for the splendid gifts he received.

FOR RENT

SLEEPING ROOM FOR MIDDLE-AGED LADY—Large, newly decorated, large closet, innerspring, new rug, hot water, telephone and breakfast privileges. H-91512.

TWO ROOMS AVAILABLE TO GENTLEMEN—Near bus line. 1144 Oakdale drive. H-3822.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Ruth Bonewitz, from Columbia City. Works for Mr. Schuman, Bldg. 26-3, from 7-3:30. Extension 418.

MOTOR and GENERATOR Static



Thought For the Week: "Work for all you are worth and you'll be worth more."

AIN'T: Sam Baumgartner listened to so many soap operas during his vacation that he was almost at the point of believing that "Life Can Be Beautiful." Sam was really riding high, fishing was good weather fine. He was with some very pleasant acquaintances, had money in his pockets and no worries. For the sake of publication we will say that Sam and one of his pals were in an ice cream parlor drinking malted milks. About the time they started their second malted, two young ladies entered and took the booth back of Sam. Suddenly the boys heard one of the girls remark, "Sam, will you come here?" Sam's expression changed from bewilderment to pride. He had been called. As he turned to arise, in trotted a little black dog which had looked at him in a scornful manner as if to say, "Me, not you." Sam sank back in his seat, "Nice dog," he remarked to his pal. Part of life's beauty was gone. Later they drove over to visit Art Druce and Sam chose to sit in a large rocker at the cottage. As he leaned back the rocker tipped and our hero did a turn and a half. By this time wounded in spirit and body, Sam decided that life ain't so beautiful. . . . LICKED: Dick Hobson, our baritone, met us in the aisle. "How was fishing?" we inquired. "Fishing," he remarked, "I had so many I am tired of the name, 'fish.' I caught them with every type bait, even on a bare hook and had so many I didn't know what to do with 'em. But the best way to catch them was by clapping my hands." "Clapping your hands," we asked, looking dumb. "You realize that I am a musician," he replied, "then you realize that I understand the effects of sound on man, beast, fowl or fish. I discovered that by going out in a boat on a dark night and clapping my hands in a certain way the fish would jump in the boat. I had a boat full in a few minutes." We looked at him in a manner intended to convey doubt, murmured, "yep" and walked away. We were licked. . . . THE HORN BLOWS: Pete Dannecker now has a complete understanding of the recent movie, "The Horn Blows at Midnight." Peto bad his pride and joy, his new Ford, parked in the Dannecker driveway. The family was tucked in bed and suddenly the wee hours of the morning were shattered by the blast of an automobile horn. Muttering threats against the wretch who would disturb decent citizens at that hour, Pete rolled out of bed intent upon giving the culprit a piece of his mind. When he rushed out of the door, he discovered that it was his own car. With the aid of Junior and under the glares of the neighbors watching from their windows, he finally stopped the noise. Next morning he decided to drive to the garage and as he stopped at each red light he was awarded more glares when his horn began to blow whenever he stepped on the brakes. . . . HATS OFF to Betty Eisenacher who recently won the "Gold Star" driving award. It is reported to be safe to pass anyone who has received this award as an extended arm will mean either a right turn, left turn or stop. All kidding aside, Betty, we are mighty proud of you and still say, "Hats Off." . . . CONGRATULATIONS are in order for the new fathers in our section. Eddie Horman became a father of a boy named, Michael Thomas.

We wish to Announce
the Second Miller Production
"An Angel from Heaven"
starring
JOAN ELAINE MILLER
First Appearance, August 20, 1949
5:30 A.M.
Weight 6 lbs., 5 oz.
Director, Ernest P. Miller
Producer, Rita Ann Miller
Technician, Dr. Harvey L. Murdock
Asst. Tech., Mary Buchheit
Now appearing at 1315 Jackson St.,
Fort Wayne, Ind.

Sleuthing

IN BLDG. 4-6

By Gil Baker and Walt Gerke

HOUSE WARMING: Everyone who could locate baby-sitters and could get away for the evening attended Walt Gerke's house warming last Friday evening. Everyone enjoyed themselves. . . . WELCOME: The DC Division welcomes Johnny Leffers back into their fold. The AC Division wishes to welcome Test Engineer Robert Ziese to their division. . . . SPOILED FISH: Judy Clark and Marge Walker ate at the Belmont Flagship last Friday noon. As they were about mid-way through their lunch, the manager rushed up and informed them the fish was spoiled and not to eat it. Later Judy said they had noticed a "cheesy taste." . . . FLOOR SITTER: Jim Capps is another member of the floor sitters club. They say he had great poise. . . . BIRTHDAYS: Happy birthday to Claude Voss, August 17; Harry Balz, August 25; and to Wally Clayton, August 29. It is extremely difficult to decide whether Harry or Claude received the nicest (?) and the most birthday cards. . . . ENGAGEMENT: Bernice Fisher became engaged last week to Jerry Freiburger. The wedding will take place October 22. . . . IT'S A LONG WAY TO WAYNEDALE: Anyone wanting to know about a shortcut to Waynedale through Poe see Milt Goeglein and Jack 'O' Kirlin. . . . SOME HAPPINESS, SOME SADNESS: All the members of Bldg. 4-6 wish to congratulate Joan Poos on her announcement of her wedding. The ceremony will take place September 24. We are sorry to hear that she will be leaving us a week prior to her wedding day. She has always done a great job in writing "Sleuthing in 4-6." All the luck in the world to you and your husband-to-be, Joan. . . . VACATIONING: Ray Jones has been bombarding members of his office with picture cards of the beautiful west and making us all have that "Wish we were there" feeling. Ray again passed on his favorite remark to us when he was on vacation and we were slaving, "Give the place back to the Indians." . . . WOT HOPPENED? Harry Balz seemed poised for any fast job Friday, for he was figuratively setting on the edge of his chair. Thursday night while hunting crickets for a weekend fishing trip, he stirred up a hive of wasps. He was stung three times with two of the places on his hands. See Harry about the third. . . . GLAD TIDINGS: We are happy to hear that Gordon Goodrich and his wife have located a new apartment.



Rain: That stuff that falls at 3:25 when your umbrella is home. . . . Are you in the groove yet? We noticed Gertie Wheat was. She had her usual afternoon lunch of a banana and doughnuts. . . . Ida Sinn, Helen Biddle, Thelma Oswald and Stella Kemp were on their third week of vacation last week. . . . Erma Landes was also off to Canada taking in the sights. . . . Mary Wright is on her third week taking in the sights of Kentucky. . . . Mabel Schaaf spent last weekend at Grand Rapids, Mich. . . . Gertie Dammeyer reports that they caught plenty of fish on their vacation. She was the first to report that. Most have said, "they weren't biting." . . . Glad to report that Grace Jones, Rosella Farrell, Hilda Jensen and Ann Kensill have returned to work after being on the sick list. . . . We had to bid goodbye to Harry "Curly" (Kokomo bull story) Chism last week. Our loss is Bldg. 4-4's gain. Just don't forget your friends in Bldg. 17 though. . . . Don't know what else George (Abraham Isaac) Soule did on his vacation, but he did raise a cooky duster. His wife said she knew that he didn't shave it off because his name hadn't been in the NEWS for a long time. That will do it, Abie. . . . Ethel Keller is going to change the song, "All I Want for Christmas is My Two Front Teeth." Her version will be one tooth by Labor Day. . . . Alice Brockmeyer might have made it to work on time when they had a flat tire, but Ted jacked up the wrong side of the car. . . . It's a happy birthday to Helen Kaminski and Edith Paxson. Edith received many cards and hankies. . . . During vacation Lorena Buuck was a bridesmaid for her cousin's wedding. Did you catch the bride's bouquet? However, we won't breathe a word about city life getting you down. . . . Floetta Zartman doesn't think it pays to cut weeds with a sickle. . . . It's congratulations on the blue bootied tax deduction at the Bill Worden's. Bill was a former co-worker. . . . Leona Hollis kept the Kendallville fair going last week. She was there every night. . . . Some of the main winders had a party and went to see Helen Weigle Schiffli. There were no pictures taken because Lorena Buuck forgot the flash bulbs. . . . Naomi Robinson was certainly busy last week. She just didn't have time to take in a fire drill. . . . We wondered what all the excitement was down by Rose Dowling's machine. It was a locust paying a visit. Herschel Case showed the visitor the door and everything was peaceful again. . . . We noticed that "Pop" Castle has a new short hair do these days. . . . Does anyone have a picture of a hootin-nanny? If so, give it to Delores Wonderly. . . . It's howdy to the newcomers on the early bird shift. Those who came from second shift will probably find that the old pillow wants to wrap around their necks when the alarm rings, but they'll get used to it. . . . Verda Deal must have been upset. She came to work wearing one stocking, and the other was around her neck. . . . Delbert and Marcille Thomas celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary last Friday.

A dude ranch is where it's too painful to ride horseback by the time you learn how.

Inquiring Reporter:

DO YOU THINK THE STORY IN "LOOK MAGAZINE" GIVES A TRUTHFUL PICTURE OF FORT WAYNE?

ROBERT TILL

Taylor St.

"Yes, I think the story does give a true picture because Fort Wayne is a city of opportunity. Where could you find a happier group of people than in a community where everyone has an equal opportunity?"



GEORGE HORNER

Bldg. 26-1

"Not necessarily. I was born in Fort Wayne and I imagine I will stay here the rest of my life. I agree with part of the article, but not all of it. I don't see where we are 20 years ahead in vision, and I would have liked to have had the writer explain his reasons for making that statement. I guess I don't know the right people. I don't know a family which makes the average income they say we make in Fort Wayne. It seems to me they put that a little high. The story wasn't too bad, but I think they built it up a little too much."



HERMAN SEXTON

Bldg. 27

"Yes, I think so, as far as it went with the story. But for a city that's supposed to be the happiest, I think there is lots more that could have been added."



MARY BEAMAN

Bldg. 17-2

"From an 'over all' picture and generally speaking, yes. Our town is a good example of our American way of life. A personal thought from song and verse, 'be it ever so humble, there's no place like home,' and 'ain't God good to Indiana, our own Fort Wayne'."



ILENE HARDISTY

Bldg. 28-2

"I think Fort Wayne is a happy town, but not without fear. I thought the article was good and interesting, but was disappointed in that I thought it would be longer and especially have more about the General Electric Company."



General Foremen Cite Leaders In Safety Inspection Reports



Charles Fisher, foreman of the punch press section at the Decatur plant; Harold Hart, foreman of Div. 13 Test at the Taylor St. plant, and Joe Mougin, foreman of Motor and Generator maintenance, (above) rated the highest of all foremen for their safety attitude, accident investigations, consideration given shop safety committee and inspection reports, and for encouraging safety committeemen activity.

The safety inspection reports of all general foremen were announced today by Herschel L. Smith, safety engineer, for the first quarter of this year.

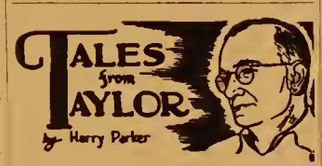
The reports contain the standings of each foreman, whose safety activities are analyzed by the general foreman of each division at the Fort Wayne Works.

The report from every general foreman is based and each foreman graded on the following items:

Foreman's safety attitude and personal conduct; accident investigation, potential and lost time; consideration given shop safety committee reports; consideration given safety inspection reports; safety committeemen activity; safe practices, discipline, instructions; working conditions, ventilation, light; physical hazards, guards, etc.; housekeeping; equipment; building conditions; planning, and dress of employees.

The following foremen were rated highest in their division or plant during the first quarter of this year:

Fred Castor, FHP Div. 1; Loyal Liddy, Div. 13; Lowell Arnold, Div. 14; Jess Hahn, Div. 16; Clarence Gardt, Div. 17; Loyal Decker and Victor Hall, Div. 19; Wilbur Putt, Div. 20; Harold Hart, FHP Test; Walter Wolf, Div. 91; Don Hirschfelder, Div. 94; Joe Mougin, Motor and Generator; Otto Rodenbeck, General Tool; Robert Hatfield and Martin Macke, General Service; John Ruhl, Wire; Earl Gebert, Insulation; Paul Merkert, Distribution; Richard Gebert, Apprentice; Charles Fisher, Decatur; Galen Simon, Tiffin; Don List, DeKalb, and Wilbur Bonebrake, Danville.



As the writer of this column, I wish in this manner to express my sincere gratitude for the many beautiful cards sent to me by my friend "Dimples" on her mad dash around the country. Being an airline hostess she must have been using a jet job in touring the country as I received cards from coast to coast and border to border. Not being able to get away this year outside of attending the Chicago Railroad Fair, evidently she felt sorry for me so in this manner she thought perhaps that she might make up to some degree what I had missed. . . . Mable Miller informed me that she had some of my property over at her home. Asking what it might be, she told me that it was a pair of bats. They were cavorting around over her bed one night last week, driving her nearly frantic until her husband got up and succeeded in eliminating the flying rodents. . . . Kenny Miller could not afford to take a vacation trip this year and gives us the reason. Since the arrival of five new puppies at his home, he said that now that he has five more mouths to feed and groceries being at their present figure he had to forego a trip this summer. . . . We have heard a good many fish stories since the vacation period ended, but none of them were of a sensational nature with one exception. This has to deal with Sam Allmandinger and Quentin Romy's fishing trip into Canada. It seems that they were fishing on one lake without much success, so they made a portage to another of goodly size. They proceeded to the center of this body of water when their motor gave one loud snort and quit. Being a long way from shore without gasoline and oars they stood up in the boat emitting lusty yells for help until they were finally rescued by the Canadian Mounted police.



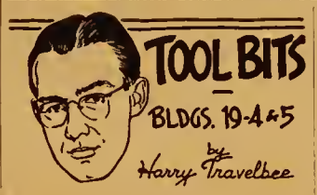


Another vacation is gone, but not quite forgotten. Everyone is pretty much in the groove again, looking forward to next year when traveling, fishing, and just plain resting will be the highlights. . . . Has everyone noticed Tez Trump's new "China Clippers"? With those bow ties and that "Million Dollar Smile," he is quite a guy. . . . Anyone wanting linoleum laid, see "Boodles" Bendel, that is if you're not in any hurry. . . . Harold Canfield has returned to work after spending some time in an Indianapolis hospital. Welcome back, Harold. . . . Carl Fuller, who was injured, paid us a visit the other day. He is looking good, but won't be back for some time due to a cast on his back and one on his ankle. Hurry back, Slim. . . . Harry Rohrbaugh didn't have any fish stories to tell after vacation. That really has us stumped. . . . From the looks of the bandage on Gilbert Hilt's finger, he really drives a mean hammer. (Wonder what he said.) . . . We are happy to learn that Virgil Kline hasn't lost his appeal. Too bad, though, the appeal had to be wasted on the canine species. Now, why don't you hite the dog, Virgil? That would be NEWS! . . . The fellows say that Whitie "Joe College" Van Auken is wearing the special tee shirt so he can go to Spooner next year, Cabin Free. . . . The question is: How much will it cost Arnold Landis before his wife wins a figurine at the Ossian Street Fair? . . . The new aeoustic ceiling in the Engineering room is going to be rather tough on John Lare and Dick Gallmeier. It seems they can't make themselves heard from one end of the office to the other now. . . . A very happy birthday to Andy Frank, Harry Feaser and "Hoot" Gibson.

G-E Team Enters Midwest Industrial Golf Tourney



William Adams, Harold Braden, Dick Szink, and Warren Wickliffe (l. to r.) represented the G-E in the annual Midwest Industrial Golf tournament held last week-end. Briggs Manufacturing Co. was host for the event staged at the Hillcrest Country Club at Mount Clemens, Mich. Although the final tallies are not in yet, it is estimated that G-E placed tenth among the 30 or 35 teams entered. Mr. Adams paced the team with a low score of 150 for the 36 holes. Szink was next with 159 on the two-days' playing. Braden scored 162, and Wickliffe, 164.



The fellows with whom Bill Mowery rides have tried for the last few months to tell him of the hazards of matrimony, but Bill couldn't see the boys' side of it, especially since they are all married. He got married August 6. We wish you and your bride all the happiness in the world. . . . Charlie Bracht was married during vacation, too. All the best, Charlie. The office girls all say "thanks" for the nice box of candy, too. . . . Did you notice the tough time Harold Hoffman had walking after he came back from his vacation? He went horseback riding with his daughter at Pokagon State Park, and he says that the trouble was that when the horse was coming up, he was going down. . . . Russell Sage not only talked about the fishing in Wisconsin, but he brought back pictures for proof. . . . Herb Thiele is a mighty proud grandfather as a new granddaughter came into his life. We hear the little girl is now blessed with enough toys to last practically a lifetime. . . . Pearl Sehoaf and his wife had a fine vacation at Big Star Lake in Michigan. If anyone doubts the fish stories ask Elmer Auman about them. We did hear that Pearl is thinking of changing outboard motors. Why? . . . John Neukam celebrated his 30th year with the Company last week. We congratulate you, John, and wish you many happy and healthful years to come. . . . John Roemer had high hopes of becoming a violinist until he saw his picture (in John Neukam's 30th year picture) and realized that he had a double chin. His problem was that he didn't know which chin to put the violin under. . . . Docs John Hensler like fish? If you don't think so just ask him. We hear that he is considering going fishing himself. Maybe some of these fishermen in Bldg. 19-5 will get you a mess, John. . . . Jack Schemehorn really pulled a fast one. He orders a malted milk, drinks two-thirds of same, and then throws in a fly. He called the waitress over and she with a cry of horror, immediately runs and makes our friend Jack another malted. . . . Jim and Jean, the much talked about twins of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ehresman were seen riding down the street in a new red wagon. . . . Paul Weaver says the pike are so big up north where he vacationed that they pulled his boat over. . . . Agnes Ditlinger flew to Mexico City on a 15-day tour. She said she had a wonderful time. . . . Mrs. Forest Whonsetler wasn't taking any chances of being called a liar. She brought snapshots of her fish. . . . Carl Einsiedel was reported hiding out since the game warden caught his dog hunting ducks out of season at the lake. . . . Elmer Bly, who has retired, was presented with a sander at a farewell party given for him by the office and foremen at Foster Park recently. We all join in wishing you the very best, Elmer. Mr. Brenner showed his moving pictures of his trip to California and we all enjoyed them very much. We lost count of how many hotdogs George Spittler ate at the picnic. Good, weren't they, George.

Most of us give advice by the bushel, but take it by the grain.

Monday Night Ladies' Bowling League

Bowling time is here again! Any girls interested in bowling for the Monday Night Ladies' League should fill out the blank below and send it to either Voyce Brumbaugh, Bldg. 4-4, Ext. 2356, or Melinde Gehle, Bldg. 4-3.

Name .....

Address

Home .....

Work .....

Phone

Home .....

Work .....

Average .....

Touching The Bases

by Walter Histed

In answer to many inquiries about the advertising of Luke Appling, Dave Philley and other ball players coming to Fort Wayne with the Chicago White Sox for the exhibition game Tuesday night, July 12, and then not showing up, the following are excerpts from a letter sent to G-E Club officials recently by Charles A. Comiskey:

"I am very sorry that this unfortunate incident occurred. As you realize, it is entirely up to the Field Manager to select what players will play in exhibition games."

"I am very sorry that our Publicity Director had sent you mats (photographs) of Luke Appling, Dave Philley, Wight and the other boys who did not make the journey to Fort Wayne on July 12. I can understand your situation and I do feel that it was an injustice on our part in informing you that these men would be there and then not having them show up."

"If our Publicity Director had been more accurate he would have first checked, and then rechecked with Manager Onslow in finding out what players would make the trip to Fort Wayne to play the Voltmen in the exhibition game. A fellow like Luke Appling, after being billed and publicized as going down with the White Sox, should have at least made the trip, even though he did not play in the game, so that the kids would have a chance to see him around the stands and get his autograph.

"I was in the East at the time the White Sox went down to Fort Wayne to play the exhibition game, otherwise I would have suggested to Manager Onslow that Luke, at least make the trip down to Fort Wayne just so the Fort Wayne fans could get a glimpse of him. After all, I believe, as do millions of fans, that 'Mr. White Sox' is Luke Appling. For the past 20 years it has been the battle cry here on the South Side of "Come on, Luke," and any time a fan hears this expression he only thinks of one person, and that is 'Old Folks Appling.'

"I certainly hope that you can excuse us for giving you the wrong information as to what men would attend the July 12 exhibition game, and I certainly can assure you right now that if at any time in the future, our ball players are publicized to be present at an exhibition game, that they certainly will be there."

Small Motor League

All persons interested in bowling in the Small Motor League are requested to contact Joe Kramer, Ext. 406.

Friday Night Ladies' Bowling League

Any girls' desiring to bowl in the Friday Night Ladies' League are requested to fill out the blank below and send it to either Virginia Mollett Bldg. 31-2, or Bess Potts, Bldg. 4-2.

Name . . .
Address
Home . . . . . .
Work . . . . . .
Phone
Home . . . . . .
Work . . . . . .
Average . . . . . .

Michigan City Buds Shut Out Voltmen, 7-3

By George Hemmeter

The Michigan City Cubs defeatcd the G-E Voltmen by a score of 7 to 3 last Friday night, Aug. 19, at Dwenger park.

The toughest break for the Voltmen came in the second inning when, with two outs and a man on third, Lockett dropped an easy pop fly in left field. The Cubs then got a free pass and two singles to put three runs across the plate. An error by O'Tarrell and a double gave the Cubs two more in the third inning, followed by a single and a triple, accounting for two more the fourth inning.

The Voltmen scored in the second, when Johnny Corriden's single followed a double by Chuck Bobilya; and scored again in the third, when Shipman doubled and Dudick drove a clean two-bagger up against the center field fence. In the eighth, Lockett started what appeared to be a rally by hitting a clean single and scoring on an infield error. However, the next three men were retired in order.

After the fourth inning the pitching for both teams became quite effective. Shipman allowed only five scattered hits and Wallace allowed only three for the remaining five innings.

Wallace, the Cubs pitcher, was outstanding both on the mound and at wielding the wood, gathering a single, double and triple in four times at bat and striking out eight Voltmen.

CUBS	AB	R	H	VOLTMEN	AB	R	H
Yohe,3	5	0	1	Hormann,rf	3	0	0
Sunday,2	4	1	0	Myers,ss	4	0	1
Thomas,lf	3	1	2	Dudick,3	3	0	1
Fuchs,cf	5	0	1	Lockett,lf	4	1	1
Schultz,ss	5	0	0	Bobilya,1	4	1	1
Mettler,rf	4	1	2	Corriden,cf	4	0	1
Dotlich,1	4	1	1	O'Farrell,2	4	0	0
Hofferth,c	3	2	1	Morgan,c	4	0	1
Wallace,p	4	1	3	Shipman,p	4	1	2
Totals	37	7	11	Totals	34	3	8

	R	H	E
Cubs	032 200 000—7	11	1
Voltmen	011 000 010—3	8	4

G-E Voltmen Edge Benton Harbor, 3-2

The G-E Voltmen nipped the Benton Harbor Buds, 3-2, Tuesday night at Dwenger park in their final home game of the season in the Michigan-Indiana League.

Bill Ricks, star pitcher picked up by the Voltmen from the Philadelphia Stars, held the visitors to four hits.

Star of the ball game was Johnny Corriden, who came to bat four times and hit safely all four trips with three singles and a triple, driving in two runs.

The Buds took the lead in the first inning on two singles by Todhunter and Phipps and a long fly by Joe Mack. The Voltmen were not able to tally until the sixth inning, when O'Farrell led off with a single, Ricks fanned and Hormann drew a base on balls. Corriden then singled, sending in the tying run.

The Voltmen lost the lead in the eighth. Richel drew a walk to second on a balk by Ricks. Orphan was out from Ricks to Bobilya. Todhunter walked after Green was safe on a fielder's choice in which Richel was forced at second. Phipps singled in the run, to put the visitors back in the lead.

With one out, Hormann walked, and Corriden tripled, scoring Hormann with the tying run in the bottom of the eighth. Ebranyi was out on a line drive to first and Les Lockett sent a long double to left, scoring Corriden with what proved to be the winning run.

Box score:

BUDS	AB	R	H	VOLTMEN	AB	R	H
Green,lf	4	1	1	Hormann,c	2	1	0
Todh'nter,2	3	1	1	Corriden,cf	4	1	4
Phippe,3	4	0	2	Ebranyi,1	4	0	0
Mack,1	2	0	0	Lockett,cf	3	0	1
Leach,ss	4	0	0	Dudick,3	3	0	0
Kovatch,c	4	0	0	Bobilya,rf	3	0	0
Jabb,rf	4	0	0	Austin,ss	3	0	1
Richel,cf	2	0	0	O'Farrell,2	3	1	1
Orphan,p	3	0	0	Ricks,p	3	0	0
Totals	30	2	4	Totals	28	3	7

Buds	100 000 010—2		
Voltmen	000 001 02x—3		



G-E Owls Take Double Header

The G-E Owls won a doubleheader Wednesday, Aug. 17. The first game pitted G-E against Indiana Rod and Wire, winning 4-1. Zollner was the second victim of the day, by the score of 13-9.

Baker, the peppery Owl shortstop, slammed a home run in each game to pace the Owls.

The summaries:

		R	H
G-E	201 100 0—4	5	
Ind. R&W	000 010 0—1	2	

G-E, Stauffer and Crosley; Ind. R&W, Sowers and Seilers.

		R	H
G-E	520 411 0—13	9	
Zollner	402 030 0— 9	8	

G-E, Stauffer and Crosley; Zollner, Schrimp and Hall.

Salisbury broke the victory skein of the Owls to the tune of 3-2 in a well-played game. Joe Pettrie held the Owls in check after a snappy double play with the bases full in the first inning, ending a G-E threat.

The summary:

		R	H
G-E	200 000 0—2	1	
Salisbury	101 010 0—3	7	

G-E, Stauffer and Greeno; Salisbury, Pettrie and Holmes.

G-E GOLF

By Hugh Dubdit

Plans are now complete for the G-E Studebaker match. Approximatcly 30 players from each team will tee off at Brookwood Sunday, Aug. 28, from 12:30 to 1 p.m. This will be an 18-hole match with a player from each team opposing each other.

On the last night of play, the Nineteenth Holers of the Tuesday League turned in a convincing victory over the Divot Diggers to move into first place. Led by "Red" Braden and Bob Kayser, shooting a pair of one over par 37's, the league winners picked up 18 points for a season total of 50. The Dubs, who had led the league, dropped a single point to finish second, with 39. The Optimists, Divot Diggers, Gas House Tigers and Forty-Niners finished in that order. Individual low cards were turned in by Bob Hall, 37; Bill Wickliffe, 39; Paul LeCoque, 39, and Jim Walley, 41.

Don't forget to make plans for the Blind Bogey, Sept. 17.

Ladies Bowling League At Taylor St. Organizes

All those desiring to bowl in the Taylor St. Ladies' Bowling League are asked to call Evelyn Blakley, Personnel office, Ext. T-488, or Jackie Elder, on Ext. T-433. Those wishing to bowl in this league should have their names in no later than Tuesday, Sept. 6.

Zollner Reserves Down G-E Majors

The Major League softball team lost to Zollner Reserves Monday, Aug. 22, by a score of 6-3.

Waltke and Morkoetter each hit a home run with no one on the bases. Stanski hit a double and scored on the rightfielder's error.

Benecke led the hitting for the winners with a douhle and a homc run.

Line score:

		R	H	E
G-E	101 100 0—3	4	2	
Zollner	100 221 x—6	9	2	

Waltke and Somers; Landquist and Ramage.

Averages:

	G	AB	H	Av.
Stanski	17	49	22	.450
Feldheiser	12	27	10	.370
Baals	16	46	14	.348
Esterline	9	19	6	.316
Anderson	12	27	7	.259
Morkoetter	18	55	14	.255
Yarman	17	49	12	.245
Somers	13	27	6	.222
Lawson	18	46	10	.217
Bucher	17	42	7	.167
Waltke	10	21	3	.143
Ewing	10	17	1	.059
Hower	3	5	0	.000



Each week this scribe promises himself and everybody else to push the Hot Shots into a far corner of the column and write about the other 20 golfers in the Owl Golf league. So help me it's an impossibility. Herewith is their latest attempt at making a shambles of the league records and convention. Lloyd Grider, Jim Sternberger, Warren Wickliffe, and Bob Craig shot six strokes over par for a total of 150. That, fellow dubs, is very fancy golf. For the statistics-minded, the average was 37½ strokes per man. How can golf like this be pushed into the background? It was incidental that team No. 1 fell by the onslaught to the tune of 11 points.

The Jolly Boys didn't care about the reputation of John Shanahan's High Flyers by pasting them with an 18 point beating. Jim Young led the winners with a 44, while Dick Bierbaum was low for the losers with 47.

Irvin "Butch" Junk turned in his best league effort of the year, a neat 44, but it wasn't enough to win for team No. 5. Bernie English, minus Bernie, won a three point victory.

The Standings

ODD

No. 3, Shanahan	+37
No. 1, Stauffer	—24
No. 5, Pook	—35

EVEN

No. 6, Craig	+111
No. 2, Stanger	—21
No. 4, English	—68

G-E Ties Zollner For Second-Half Horseshoe Title

The G-E horseshoe team tied Zollners for the second-half championship in the City Horseshoe League in a match held Tuesday night at West Swinney Park. The score of the game was 1,392-1,329.

The two teams will meet next Tuesday night to determine the title. Since Zollners hold the first half crown, winning this match would give them the league championship. If General Electric wins the game Tuesday, another match must be pitched for the loop championship.



Congratulations to Clarabell Sapp and Robert Pence, who recently became members of the Quarter Century Club. . . . Gilbert Walker is back from his long vacation, and one of the interesting things that happened to him was the hail storm he got into out in Nebraska. He said the hailstones were as big as golf balls but soft and would smash as they hit the windshield. . . . Albert Flory retires September 1. He says that all he wishes for is that he and his wife have good health so they can enjoy themselves at the summer home at Little Cedar Lake. All we can say is that "we hope you get your wish." . . . Gloria Mechling is back from her trip to California sporting a new Mexican jacket. It sure is a honey! . . . Donna Lindley went fishing up in Michigan over the week-end and came back with a beautiful sunburn and not too many fish. . . . Bonnie and Jim Bireley drove all the way to Springfield, Ill., just to see some motorcycle races. All you have to do is come out on the Bluffton Road and you can see all the races you want and it won't cost you a penny! . . . "Si" Slater really knows how to catch the big cat-fish! She catches such big ones that they eat up her bluegills she has in the livebox! . . . Louie Clark has his dog trained just right. Whenever he can't catch the fish he just sicks his dog on them and he, the dog, never fails to get it. . . . Here is a sight that I would have liked to have seen—Ruth Tutwiller spent some of her vacation with her sister in Hartford City and her young nephew took her for a motorcycle ride! Imagine that! . . . Frieda Knoche has a hobby of collecting salt and pepper shakers and glasses, especially those she can get without paying for, like the kind a restaurant has! . . . Marlow Shepler, otherwise known as "Shep," isn't a lover of pigeons, or is he? . . . Carl Harmon, you had better keep your mind on that car when you go to the Drive-In Show. The next time your horn may not work or maybe your wife will take a walk and then what would happen to poor Carl? . . . Frank Brindel didn't look when he came back to work on Monday, but you had better watch that walking. . . . Wendell Heckley looks good after a week of the Ossian Fair. I think he will make it O. K. . . . Pinky Barnes was glad to welcome home her two boys who spent most of the summer visiting at Marion, Ala. . . . Look for several more broomstick skirts! Clarice Woodruff just bought some more material and it seems as if that is all she knows how to make. If she has an old one she doesn't know what to do with, Reggie Eggeman would appreciate it, as she would like to make herself a few formals. . . . We're all happy to have Eleanor Whitehouse back with us again. . . . Carrie Edgar was up visiting us last week. Hope you get back soon, Carrie. . . . Ray Soest declares that farmers are really smart business men. This time he's buying chickens. Give the poor farmer a break, Ray! . . . Ruth Ann Schilling is getting fed up with bacon these days, especially since her mother won some groceries on, "I've got your number" program. . . . I hear Irma Henny is an enthusiastic square dancer too. She dances 'till sometimes 5 in the morning, and I had imagined she kept that figure by doing her own housework! . . . Marie Martz and her husband spent some time at Chicago, Milwaukee, and Muskegon on their vacation. . . . Lorinda Byerlein and Kathryn Hepker expect to attend the Railroad Fair at Chicago over Labor Day. . . . Don't believe everything Paul Bunyon tells you girls. Especially the one about putting a pound of popcorn in your pancake batter so the flap-jacks will turn over by themselves. It won't work; a friend of ours tried it!

Rounds Out 30 Years' Service



Herbert Mennewisch, General Tool division, recently completed 30 years' service with the Company. In the picture are a few of his friends congratulating him. Left to right are: Charles Backofen, Charles Bracht, Frank Glenn, E. J. Schafenacker, foreman; Glen Kline, Mr. Mennewisch, Paul Yentes and C. A. Brenner, Superintendent of the division.

Jackson Dies

Dee O. Jackson, 63, 2949 Reed St. died at 7:55 a.m. Sunday at the Lutheran hospital after being ill for several months. Mr. Jackson first came to G-E in 1919 and was working at Taylor St. when he retired last February.

Services were held at the Jule Schone funeral home at 1 p.m. Wednesday. The Rev. Orland Golden officiated and burial was in the Maplewood Cemetery at Decatur.

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Or Mom a new chapeau;
Must sister have a brand new dress,
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Are you going on vacation,
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Which is turning gray—your hair?

Why not join the Credit Union,
A good idea we'll say;
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Many Hundred Thousand Grand,
Is what we've loaned to you and you,
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You'll see your Savings grow.

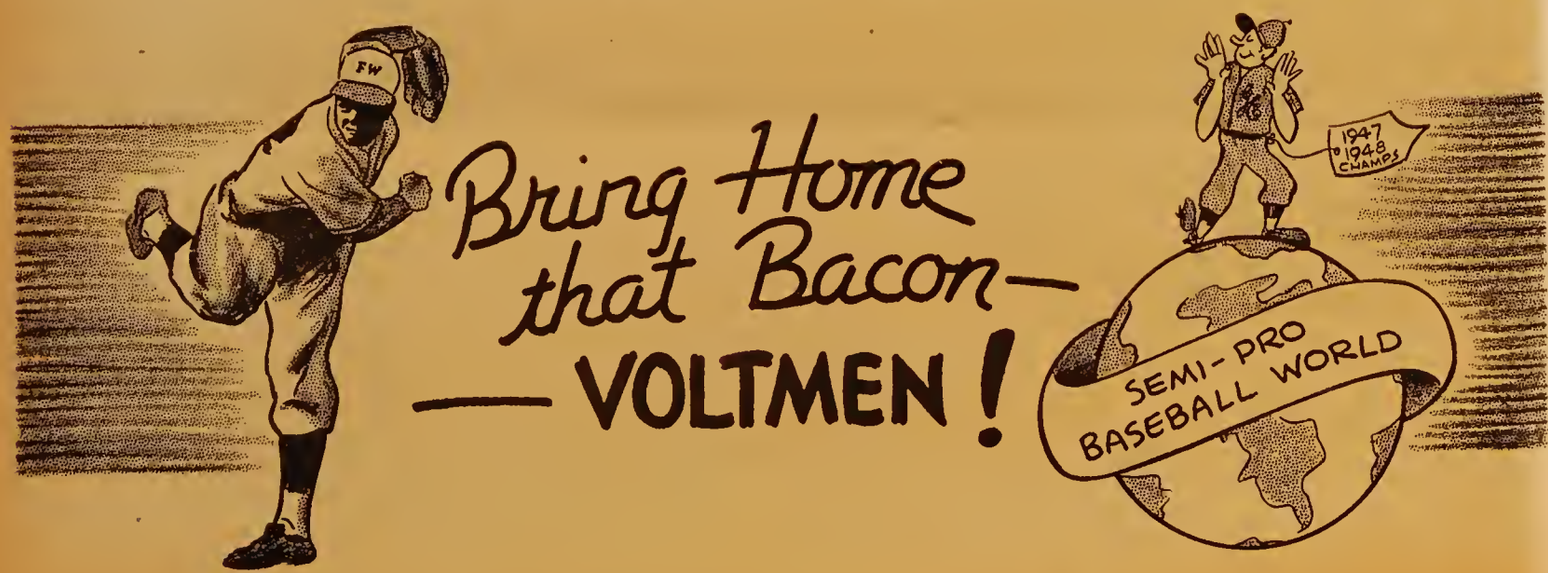
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Harold Whonsetler now has a new theme song, "I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles," since his recent stage triumph at a local theater. Congratulations, Harold, but you will have to watch out for those Hollywood scouts or we will be losing you from the tool room. . . . Russell "Hot Shot" Deveny brought in a large bluegill after his vacation to verify some of his luck, but everyone is wondering who the taxidermist was that he purchased the fish from. . . . John Driver is back this week after taking his three weeks together. John looks quite refreshed and rested. . . . Ernie Brown is attending the Moose national convention and isn't due to return until next week. In the meantime Jake Harshman, better known to his fellow workers as "Dimples," is giving us a lift with the welding. It has been nice to have you with us; we hope to see you again sometime. . . . Gurney Lindley, the man of many escapades, went to set his emergency brake on that new Kaiser while on his vacation. To his surprise, he found that he had the whole assembly in his hand. Was he surprised! . . . We recently had several visitors to the group, Cecil Forest and Ray Matthews. . . . Last Friday several of the fellows and their wives were invited out to Jack Pollock's house for the evening, but Jack forgot about the party and took his family to the police picnic. When he returned home he was reminded of the party, by the condition of his front porch, which was cluttered by considerable building material from a nearby construction project. . . . John Bastian, Walter Schelper and their families took in the Railroad Fair in Chicago while on their vacations and report it well worth seeing. . . . The most mileage was reported by Charles Myers who took his famliy on an 8,000 mile trip through the West. . . . Birthday greetings to Walter Schelper, who celebrated his while on vacation, and to Dewey Erne who celebrated his this week. . . . Last Saturday night, Ed Smethers and Belva Imel, with a number of other youngsters, were having the time of their lives riding the merry-go-round at the Ossian Street Fair.



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G-E Voltmen Roar Toward Third National Semipro Championship

(Special to the WORKS NEWS)

The G-E Voltmen, national semipro baseball champions of 1947 and 1948, served notice that they are out to break all national tournament records, by scoring a 6 to 4 victory over the Bellingham, (Wash.) Bells, in a game Wednesday night at Lawrence field in Wichita, Kan.

No team has ever been able to win more than two years in a row, but the Voltmen have a chance to accomplish the record feat starting tonight when they play the Golden, (Colo.) Coors to begin the series of games that will determine the tournament champs.

The G-E team already lays claim to being the second to ever win the championship title more than once.

Ring Bells To Tune Of 6-4

The Voltmen tallied two markers in the bottom of the first inning. A single by First Sacker Ebranyi and George Todhunter's sensational home run swat engineered these early counters. In the top of the third stanza, the Bells countered with a single run as Hurler Bill Aranson's double was followed by a sharp safety by Billy Hofeditz.

The G-E semipro champs then added two more runs in the sixth. Singles by Les Lockett and John Corriden, topped by Horman's double to the right-field wall, highlighted this uprising.

Going into the seventh frame, the Bells trailed by a 4-1 score. Then came the Volts first big test of the 1949 tourney. The rallying Bells scored three runs. Lee Pfund was then sent in to relieve Shipman. Pfund disposed of one hitter, but then dispensed a pass and a single. Braden then pulled another trick out of his bag by sending Bill Ricks out onto the hill. Ricks saved the day by zooming three straight strikes over the plate to retire a troublesome batsman and call a halt to the uprising.

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Harold Carter Is New President Of G-E Club

REYNOLDS, SIEDEL, KENT, LINDEMUTH ARE ELECTED

Harold Carter, Bldg. 4-6, was elected President of the G-E Club at the election held this week at the Fort Wayne plants.

Mr. Carter is the Assistant Manager of Engineering for the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions. He will replace Charles Wilt, who has completed his third term this year as president.

Other officers elected were:

First Vice President—Carl Reynolds, Taylor St.

Second Vice President—Sue Siedel, Taylor St.

Secretary—Dick Kent, Bldg. 18-5.

Mr. Reynolds, Supervisor of Production in Div. 14, and Mrs. Siedel, receptionist, will both be serving their third terms. It will be Mr. Kent's second term as secretary. He is supervisor of the reproduction and photographic section.

G. R. Lindemuth, Division Engineer of the Technical Service division, was re-elected as a member of the Board of Directors.

Program Is Announced For Foremen's Picnic

The Foremen's Association will hold its annual stag picnic Saturday, Sept. 17, at Voigt's Retreat, near New Haven.

The picnic will start at 1 p.m. and a special program has been arranged for 3:30 p.m.

Ernie Hanauer, G-E Fire Chief, will give a demonstration of fire extinguishing techniques, and Custer Dunifon will present his dog obedience show.

Mr. Dunifon is noted throughout the city for his school safety work. He has given numerous talks on safety at most of the schools in this area and has illustrated each talk through the use of his trained dogs.

LABOR DAY

The Decatur, Broadway and Taylor St. plants, in general, will close on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 5.

C. A. Matson
Works Manager

C. E. Wilson Completes 50 Years' Service



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Charles E. Wilson, President of the General Electric Company, today celebrates 50 years of service with the organization which he joined in 1899 as an office boy.

Born Nov. 18, 1886, in New York's lower west side, he left school when 12 years of age to help support his widowed mother, rose steadily through the years to positions of increasing responsibility, and in 1939 was elected President of General Electric. Except for his wartime government service, when he served as Executive Vice-Chairman of the War Production Board with full authority over all war production, Mr. Wilson has spent his entire career in the G-E organization.

In commenting today on Mr. Wilson's anniversary, H. V. Erben, G-E Vice President and General Manager of the Apparatus Department, stated:

"Every employee of American industry today can find in the career of Charles E. Wilson a design for living and working. It is a story of 50 years of devoted and intensely loyal service to his Company and to his country. Particularly it is a story that should inspire each employee of the Company, whose progress has been so materially helped by his genius.

"For 50 work-packed years, Mr. Wilson's great enthusiasm and drive have been directed toward making our Company a better one in every way for the hundreds of thousands of Americans, who are the Company's employees, stockholders, and customers.

"In the Apparatus department, it is fitting that we pay tribute to Mr. Wilson as he marked the fiftieth year in an unselfish and productive career. This tribute can best be paid by each member following the lead of Mr. Wilson in continually striving to make General Electric an increasingly better Company.

"I propose that during the next four months our department carry on a program of activities with this objective in mind. It is my sincere hope that each and every employee will participate in such activities and by so doing help contribute to the progress of the Company."

Starts As Office Boy

Starting as an office boy at the Sprague Electric Company, New York City, one of the organizations which went to make up General Electric, Mr. Wilson moved from position to position, learning everything he could. At night school he learned cost accounting, general accounting, and enrolled in successive correspondence courses in engineering. The cost of his course in electrical engineering he balanced by tutoring backward students in physics, mathematics, and other courses he had already completed.

He moved gradually up the ladder, becoming factory superintendent. When 21 years old, he married his childhood sweetheart, Elizabeth Maisch. They have an adopted daughter, Margaret.

By 1923, Mr. Wilson had become managing engineer in charge of General Electric's wire and conduit business with headquarters at Bridgeport, Conn.; and in 1930, had become manager of the merchandise department, in charge of engineering, manufacturing, and sales.

Elected A Vice President

He was elected a vice president of the Company later that year, and in 1937 was named Executive Vice President, a new position involving responsibilities for all Company departments. He moved to New York.

In 1939, he was elected President, and he took office on Jan. 1, 1940, succeeding Gerard Swope. Thus he

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Don Campbell ..... Editor

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Congratulation, Mr. Wilson, We Are Proud Of You

Late yesterday afternoon, in his office 45 floors above the turmoil of New York's Lexington avenue, a big, dynamic man ended another day of work. As he checked off his calendar, he marked the completion of 50 years of service with an organization which has grown, as he has, from humble beginnings to a position of great responsibility.

In 1899 Charles Edward Wilson and the General Electric Company both had next to no pasts, but limitless futures. Charles Wilson was 12 years old; G-E was seven. In the ensuing half century Charles Wilson has risen from office boy to president. The Company has grown from three plants to more than 100; there are more than 250,000 stockholders.

The same 50 years have seen the electrification of American industry, farming, and the home, and the rise of this industrial nation. Power, lighting, communications, entertainment, industrial processes, transportation, heating, refrigeration, have been transformed. Every article of daily life has been touched somewhere by the magic of electricity; newspapers and carpets, dams and blankets, skyscrapers and morning coffee.

During this increasing influence of electric power, and the consequent rising standard of living, the work week of the average American has been cut from 61 hours in 1900 to 40 hours today.

Thus, the Wilson story is not concerned with General Electric alone, but with the entire expansion and diversification of American industry, and all the forces that have made the country unique and strong.

It is also significant that in half a century Mr. Wilson has risen from his starting job as office boy at the old Sprague Electric Company to the position of President of General Electric. In this span of years he has grown with the magic of electricity and has left a path of greatness through his living and work for others.

That he made it the hard way is important to know. But that his life has been devoted to improving human relations is also important. Benefiting mankind has meant much to Charles Wilson, and helping the other fellow get ahead or overcome odds has been his primary concern.

His own credo exemplifies this way of life better than the thoughts of those who would eulogize him in the press.

Mr. Wilson once said:

"If there is anything that I can do in the conduct of my life and business to alleviate injustice, promote opportunities for all, and remove some obstacles in the road to human brotherhood, I will seize such chances and implement them to the best of my ability."

Monday We Pay Tribute To The American Workman

The Fort Wayne Works will be closed Monday in observance of Labor Day; a day which has gained the status of a national holiday, set aside principally to honor the millions of citizens who work with their hands.

It is eminently fitting that in this country a day has been set aside for this purpose. Our history from the very beginning has been that of men, who by the labor of their own hands, have carved homes for themselves from the wilderness —built roads, villages, factories and cities.

Our forefathers acquired by hard labor those things which we now consider the bare necessities of life and left us a heritage of honest endeavor and high purpose.

Gradually, at first, but with increasing effectiveness, conveniences and luxuries were added until today we enjoy more of the good things of living than any other people.

But the need of honest, effective work has not been diminished and the workman today enters new fields of endeavor with the same pioneering spirit displayed by the builders of this nation. The American workman does not subscribe to the creed that idleness is a blessing and work a disgrace.

In our observance of Labor Day Monday let us give serious thought to the many advantages which we enjoy as individuals and as a nation which have come to us because of the honest endeavors of the American workman.



POLIO

Editor's Note: The following is the second in a series of questions and answers regarding the current polio situation. They have been prepared from reliable sources by Dr. L. E. Burney, State Health Commissioner. Every effort has been made in the following questions and answers to furnish authoritative information on the subject with the object of relieving undue fear and alarm through the presentation of accurate information and knowledge.

What are your chances of contracting polio?

Indiana has averaged annually six known cases per 100,000 population during the past 10 years. Leaving out the age factor, this means you have approximately one chance in 16,666 of contracting the disease.

What are the chances of my child having polio?

For those under 20 years of age and based upon rates of some of Indiana's worst polio years, the chances are approximately:

1 in 1,000 of contracting polio
1 in 1,500 of contracting paralytic polio
1 in 3,000 of having permanent paralysis
1 in 10,000 of dying of polio

Should children be permitted to travel?

There is no objection to travel provided physical exhaustion due to long trips is avoided. It is undesirable to take a child into an area of high polio incidence.

Since so little is known of polio, what should local communities do to prepare themselves for situations in the future?

Plan for year around full-time public health programs. Improve community sanitation. Don't wait for a crisis to take action for community health measures.

Strive for sound health education programs to keep well informed in polio and all other health problems. The press and radio merit commendation for their splendid efforts in presenting factual and objective information on the polio situation in Indiana this year.

What is the death rate in polio?

It varies from 5-20 percent. The greater the number of non-paralytic and abortive cases reported, the lower the death rate. The greater the number of bulbar cases, where the virus attacks the stem of the brain, threatening the cells that control breathing and circulation, the higher the death rate.

What are the possibilities for recovery in poliomyelitis?

In an average group of 100 cases it has been found that:

50 will recover completely
25-30 will show slight after-effects

Should children be allowed to go to camp?

Yes, providing the supervisors follow the suggestions made above. However, children from epidemic areas should remain at home until high incidence subsides.

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SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

Q. How is it possible for an aviator flying around the Earth in, let us say, three days to see four sunrises?

A. This will occur if he flies toward the east, for the motion of his plane is added to that due to the rotation of the Earth. Suppose he flies around the Equator, where the days are always 12 hours long with sunrise at 6 a.m. local time. If he starts at noon, he meets the Sun sooner, and sees it set after 4.5 hours, while the people back at the airport will not see sunset until 6 hours after he left. Nine hours later, when he has flown 45 degrees of longitude to the east, he will see it rise. His second sunrise will come 18 hours later, instead of the usual 24. The third will occur after another 18 hours and the last, hours more, a total of 72 hours, he will be back at his starting 18 hours after that. After 4.5 point, at noon of the third day, having witnessed four sunrises while the people who stayed home saw only three. Flying westward, conditions would be reversed and he would see only two sunrises. These would come 36 hours apart.

Q. Is the use of leaded gasoline in an auto likely to plug the carburetor jets?

A. No. Leaded gasoline does not plug the carburetor jets, although plugging may be caused by gum in the gasoline. Such gum may be present in gasoline that is improperly made or handled regardless of whether it contains lead. In a gasoline stove, however, leaded gasoline may plug the jets where they are in close contact with the flame. At present about 98 per cent of the gasoline sold in the United States contains lead (in the form of tetraethyl lead), resulting in much greater overall efficiency than if this compound were not used.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



Partizan Chapter Names Slate Of Candidates For Election

The Partizan Chapter of the Elex Club will hold its annual election Tuesday, Sept. 20. The nominating committee has selected the following slate of candidates:

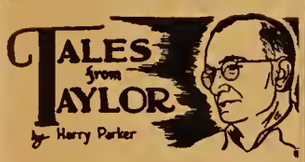
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Mildred VanHorn

Vice President
Selma Rodemeyer
Faye Voss

Secretary
Myrtle Bennett
Ann Fox

Treasurer
Helen Thiele
Catherine Wise

Edna Berdleman is chairman of the nominating committee, which includes: Lillian Wolf, Nora Kern, Agnes Schlotter, Annette Hastings, and Kathryn Cullen.



Vacation stories are still pouring in. Some have merit, some do not, so we try to bring you the best of the lot. This one has to do with the activities of Ralph Dunlap, who with his wife accompanied by Harold Hart and Co., went on a fishing trip into Wisconsin. Before leaving one morning on a trip into town for supplies Ralph wrote a note to the women asking them to clean the "dedd" (note the spelling of the word "dead") fish out of the live box in the boat. Upon his return he asked them if they had cleaned the fish. They told him that they took them out and buried them. Whereupon Ralphie had to rescue the fish from an untimely grave. On their return trip to Fort Wayne, he and his wife were driving ahead of Harold. Arriving in Gary, Ind., he ran past the switch taking the wrong highway. Harold gave him the high sign so Ralph dashed into a nearby filling station and after circling the pumps three or four times finally got back on the beam. . . . Most of the summer Marion Oman has been wearing shirts to work. They seemed to be made of a very queer looking material. In fact we have never seen any quite like it, but the secret leaked out. He salvages what is good out of the old lace curtains and has it made into these shirts. . . . Cecil Gordon in preparing to move out of her present four-room apartment found out that the moving van the trucking company sent was not large enough to accommodate furniture for an 11 room house. They had to send a second one to take care of the overflow. The wonder of it all is how in the world did she stack it all in those four rooms. . . . Now that Clarence Stove has his new Oldsmobile, Ed Moodie and myself thought that perhaps we might ride with him in style to the Quarter Century Club picnic this year. But Clarence has begun to offer all manner of excuses as to why he will be unable to attend.

Col. Lichtenberg Leaves Company For Retirement



Col. Chester Lichtenberg

Col. Chester Lichtenberg, retired Thursday under the General Electric Amended Pension Plan, has had a long and active career in General Electric and in civic, state, and national organizations.

His training at Columbia University in the City of New York, at the Army Industrial College, and the Army War College has been evidenced by his outstanding contributions to electrical engineering, refrigeration engineering, and military engineering, for Col. Lichtenberg is essentially an engineer.

Col. Lichtenberg has been a member of the Fort Wayne organization of General Electric for over 18 years. He was in charge of Commercial Refrigeration work at the Winter St. Plant from 1931 to 1940, and since then has been a member of the Staff of the Manager of the Fort Wayne Works. During most of this time, he was Chief of the Chicago Engineer Procurement District, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army.

Previous to coming to Fort Wayne, Col. Lichtenberg was Assistant Engineer of the General Electric Company's Switchgear Department at Philadelphia, and concurrently Chief of the Philadelphia Engineer Procurement District, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army.

Col. Lichtenberg saw service during World War I as a member of the Staff, Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army, and during World War II was an expert consultant to the Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army.

Col. Lichtenberg is currently Executive Director, Fort Wayne Civil Defense Council, a member of the Executive Board of the Indiana Society of Professional Engineers, Senior Vice President of the Department of Indiana, Reserve Officers Association of the United States, and a Director of the National Society of Professional Engineers. He is a Fellow of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a Life Member of the Franklin Institute of Philadelphia, an active member of the Society of Sigma Xi, a member of the Fort Wayne Engineers Club, and a member of practically all Masonic bodies.

Colonel and Mrs. Lichtenberg reside at 4624 Tacoma Ave.

Berghoff Explains New Pedestrian Ordinance At General Works Safety Committee Meeting

The new city Pedestrian Control Ordinance was discussed by Fred A. Berghoff, chairman of the Board of Safety for the City of Fort Wayne, at a meeting Wednesday of the General Works Safety Committee in Bldg. 8-2.

Mr. Berghoff outlined the main points of the ordinance and explained why it was introduced and passed by the City Council. He also listed the city's "hot corners," where most of the accidents and fatalities have occurred.

"Due to the size of Fort Wayne, a city of 130,000 people, a pedestrian ordinance is absolutely necessary in order to cut down accidents, as well as deaths, by jaywalking of pedestrians and carelessness of drivers," Mr. Berghoff stated.

The ordinance provides that all pedestrians must walk according to the traffic lights and that drivers must give the right-of-way to pedestrians at all intersections where they are complying with terms of the ordinance.

Yesterday the Police Department started giving warning tickets to violators. Then starting Oct. 1, a fine will be levied.

According to a new regulation pending passage by the City Council, violators will pay their fines at a cafeteria court on the second floor of the City Hall where parking tickets now are paid.

G-E Merchandise Certificate To Be Given As Bonus Awards In Suggestion Contest



"Take your choice."

That's what the Employees' store salesman will say to you if your idea is selected by the suggestion system committee as one of the 10 best between now and Nov. 15.

A total of 10 certificates, each redeemable at the Employees' store for $50 worth of merchandise at employee prices, have been allocated as bonuses, in addition to regular awards, for the contest to be conducted by the suggestion system. The certificates have been designated, according to divisions, as follows:

Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, two certificates; Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, one certificate; Motor and Generator divisions, one certificate; Works Service divisions, one certificate. Employees in all divisions may compete for the remaining five certificates.

Eligibility rules which governed the submission of suggestions in the past will be followed in this contest. All suggestions must be submitted to the suggestion system committee not later than Nov. 15. There is no limit to the number of suggestions that an employee can submit.



Each item of merchandise shown above and at the left sells for less than $50. The certificates can be used to purchase or apply to the price of any merchandise on sale in the store.



Anyone who is educated in the art of lip reading should watch Tom Blackwell for a few minutes each day and try to learn what he says to himself about so much. . . . Dorothy Jensen reports she was in the burricane of Florida last Friday. She spent her vacation at Miami and Cuba. Reports are tbat she enjoyed her vacation very much. . . . We hope Forest Brunner has a speedy recovery. He is in the Lutheran Hospital. . . . Dick Young is a fancier of homing pigeons. That is he was until he began to release his birds. At the present time 18 of his 20 releases have winged tbeir way to new homes. Better luck next time, Dick. . . . Leola Carrier said it wasn't the refreshments she had the otber night. She did have a real-for-sure bat in the house.



Art Everett isn't going to let us down on the fish stories tbis year—no sir! Art spent his vacation at Bemidji, Minn., and really caugbt some dandies—such as a 36½-inch pike, weighing 11 lbs. 13 oz. That one won him a prize, incidentally. He does regret not using the pistol he had in the boat though. Can't you just see Art sitting in tbe boat with an itchy trigger finger waiting for some 20-pounder to go gliding by? . . . George Coplen reached a new high in fisb stories. Says a three-pound smallmouth bass jumped into his boat. Not that we don't believe it, but as long as tbey're jumping in, why not ban any under 10 pounds? . . . Can it be that A. R. Vegalues has tired of the moniker "Butch" affectionately bestowed years ago? The recently acquired hue of his trusty Packard might indicate that he wants to trade "Butch" for "Kelly" or maybe "The Green Hornet." Incidentally Butch, did the new green improve the pick-up of the old bus? . . . In case anyone has been wondering about the haze in General Service Cost and Payroll office, it isn't on fire. It's just Forest "Bug Bomb" Somers on the prowl for unsuspecting flies. . . . Since vacation is over we hear about Pete Carpenter's generosity with bouquets of the Power House petunias. . . . All who went to the outdoor show of tbe "Taming of tbe Shrew," saw Pete's tumbling act. Real good, Pete. . . . How about showing us that letter of commendation you received on your vacation work, Joe. Not everyone is so lucky and you haven't even told us of the gift. . . . 'Taint safe, Don, when a box of matcbes explodes. That was our advice when we saw Don Porter come to work with his hand bandaged. . . . Vacation mail has been coming from Louie Krinn and others, reporting good fishing and some not so good. One card says, "Work, you slaves," another says, "Having a good time, glad you're NOT here." . . . Sam Mastro's garden is furnishing the good vitamins for many a fellow workers' table. . . . Bud Meese is now living in his new home in Highland Gardens. . . . Scotty is enjoying his new air conditioner so much he nearly decided to take it with him on his Chicago vacation trip. . . . Ernest Lowe, Ray Morse and Arthur Ream celebrated birthdays during August. . . . One look at Grover Walker's yard shows his ability in raising beautiful flowers. Have you been taking lessons from Sam or Scotty, Grover? . . . Ray Bailey tells us Emily is all excited about school now. She has recovered from her siege of virus pneumonia. . . . We are a little late in telling you about Dayton Franklin who arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ream. Congratulations, he is a fine baby.

Celebrates 40th Anniversary



Alfred L. Ulmer, Bldg. 4-6, celebrated his 40th anniversary with General Electric Tuesday, Aug. 23. Attending a presentation of a certificate to commemorate the occasion were: (l. to r.) J. J. Clarkson, Mgr. of FHP Engineering Divisions; R. H. Johnson, Mr. Ulmer, and L. R. Beard.

Information Clinic

QUESTION:

I would like more information about the vacation shutdown period. Would it be possible to schedule the annual shutdown at an earlier or later date so that vacation time would not coincide with the peak of the annual polio epidemic? Children are undoubtedly exposed more to infection on vacation than at home.

ANSWER:

This inquiry has been referred to several doctors who have been active in the local polio campaign. It can be a very serious problem and deserves serious consideration. In view of the facts available, it is difficult to state whether or not such a change in the schedule of vacations would lessen the probability of polio infection. Considering the recent epidemic, the peak occurred during the vacation shutdown. As there is usually a two-week period between the exposure to polio and the appearance of polio symptoms, it can be said that the majority of the cases reported locally were contracted prior to the shutdown while the victims were supposedly at home. This might deny the suggestion that the possibility of contracting polio is greater while children are on vacation than while at home. However, it is unfair to pass judgment on this suggestion based on only one year's experience.

The records show that in previous years the peak of the epidemic has varied, which would make it very difficult if the suggestion was correct to anticipate the best time to close the Fort Wayne General Electric plant.

The doctors contacted remarked that the best known means of guarding against polio would be through the educating of parents to more closely supervise their children during the epidemic period. This would require keeping them from exposing themselves unnecessarily in crowded places or where the likelihood of becoming infected is the greatest. This is true whether the children are at home or on vacation with the family.

The medical advisors for Fort Wayne General Electric will keep themselves advised of any new developments so far as polio prevention is concerned and, as in the past, local management will take such action in the future as the medical authorities advise for the good of employees and employee families.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

INFORMATION CLINIC
FORT WAYNE WORKS

C. H. MATSON, Works Manager

BLDG. 18-2

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Ward Staley has acquired several goats, and now he is having difficulty in selling the milk. Mr. Wolf agreed to purchase half of his supply, but Ward is still attempting to persuade his uninterested fellow workers to buy the remaining half of his wares. Of course, he still has one small problem and that is how to entice the animals to let him get close enough to even try his skill at milking. Good luck to you, Ward. . . . Belated congratulations to Jim and Loriene Pugh. They are the proud parents of a baby girl named Sharon Elaine. The happy event took place July 27. . . . If there are any of you who don't laugh at your own jokes see "Light Bulb" Ecenbarger. He thinks his new jokes are so funny he's thinking of writing a joke book. . . . Dick "Double or Nothing" Wagner was up bright and early Monday to go squirrel hunting. He claims he shot three squirrels, the first two witb the same shot and around the corner at that. Hmm! . . . Others who have squirrel hunting this week are Don Dimke, Dick White and Bill Smith. Apparently hunting is good this season because all the fellows said they brought home the bacon. When you go squirrel hunting and bring home bacon when it's 69¢ a pound, that is good. . . . Another great hunting expedition to the wilds of Northern Indiana had to be called off last week when Aughinbaugh had to play ball. . . . The way Morton tosses gears around it's a question whetber Gebert will have more or less teeth in his head. . . . It's easy to understand how some of the fellows acquire their nicknames, but why they call Dick "One Shot" Wagner when it takes eight shots to get one poor little squirrel or why they call Bill "Dead Eye" Smith when he can't hit the broad side of a barn is beyond me.



Last week in the column we had a tale told by Gordon Smith about Charles Gable. Here is Mr. Gable's story in response: It seems that Mr. Smith is quite talented in the art of story writing and telling of tall tales especially about grass cutting for fellow co-workers. However truth is always stranger than fiction. It seems that besides cutting grass for fellow co-workers—during vacation, Mr. Smith was also building a shed on the back of his lot. The neighbors feeling sorry for him offered to help and also called some friends in who were carpenters in order to protect the scenery of the community. The friends upon arriving at the scene of activity and confusion immediately set to work while Gordon directed activities from his chair under the tree while talking to and entertaining the women folk. Some hours later the neighbors and carpenters emerged from the shed well pleased with their efforts to still find Gordon visiting with the women and enjoying the refreshments which one of the working neighbors provided, but did not get a chance to enjoy. . . . We want to say hello to Paul Horstmeyer and hope that he is feeling much better. . . . Happy birthday to Bill Caston Sept. 4. . . . Have you noticed the number of new gold ball point pens floating around the office this last week. There must have really been a super salesman around.

Elex Club To Hold Election, Membership Drive

17 Are Named As Candidates

The Elex Club's 1949-50 election of officers will be conducted from Monday, Sept. 19, until Friday, Sept. 23. The following slate has been picked to vie for the various offices:

PRESIDENT

Mary Lieter, Winter St., was the travel chairman for the club's 1948 season.

Betty Puff, Bldg. 4-6, acted as the first editor of the club's magazine, the "Echo."

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Eva Creigh, Taylor St., has served as a contact girl for the club.

Bea Lantz, Bldg. 17-3, has been a member for about 20 years.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

Alice Dahman, Bldg. 4-5, has been associate editor of the "Echo" and also a contact girl.

Mary Wyss, Winter St., was a contact girl and the Thanksgiving Dance chairman.

SECRETARY

Geraldine Schmidt, Bldg. 31-1, has served as a trustee on the board.

Thelma Stone, Bldg. 18-1, has been a contact girl.

DIRECTORS

Jo Alles, Bldg. 4-2, has served as a contact girl.

Lois Drewett, Taylor St., has worked on the utility committee.

Mabel Miller, Taylor St., also has served as a contact girl.

Lucinda Pettit, Bldg. 4-5, has been contact girl for her floor.

Loraine VonBehren, Bldg. 26-3, was the artist for the club's bulletins last year.

TRUSTEES

Helen Engle, Bldg. 4-3; Alice Fuchshuber, Bldg. 16-1; Betty Garber, Bldg. 4-6; and Helen White, Bldg. 4-4, all have served as contact girls in their various sections.

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Bldg. 4-5



Loraine VonBehren
Bldg. 26-3



Jo Alles
Bldg. 4-2



Mabel Miller
Taylor St.



Lois Drewett
Taylor St.

Contact Girls Start Campaign

The annual Elex Club campaign for members will begin Tuesday, Sept. 6, and continue until Friday, Sept. 16.

During this period, contact girls will see all potential members and invite them to join the club for the 1949-50 season. Membership can be obtained by paying the $2 dues.

Membership will be open two weeks following the end of the drive. After that time, membership will close for the remainder of the club year. This decision was made during the 1948 conference.

A "lucky" membership card will be selected again this year by I. H. Freeman, Supervisor of Personnel. The girl holding the winning card will be presented free tickets to all Elex parties during the year.

The drive will officially open Tuesday at a "kick-off" breakfast, served at 8:30 a.m. in Bldg. 16-2, for the day girls. The second shift contact girls will commence their drive with a snack period at 1:30 p.m. in Bldg. 16-2. At each session the contact girls will receive their material for the membership drive.

A number of outstanding programs have been planned for the coming season. Some features planned so far are a trip to Chicago this month, the installation of officers, an Elsa Maxwell program, the annual Christmas party, and a book review by Kathryn Turney Garton.

Elex To Sell Cook Books

The Elex Club has a number of illustrated cook books for sale. The book can be purchased for $4 from contact girls, the Personnel office at Taylor St., from Evelyn Blakley, or at Irene Meyers' office in Bldg. 8-2.



Plans are being made by everyone for the Labor Day vacation. Isn't it wonderful what you can do with just one extra day. Most everyone is going to take a fling at fishing again. From all reports it's getting better, how could it be worse? . . . Ed Klomp was to have received some roasting ears from one of the girls, but Roger Crabill's hunger got the best of him. He suggested cooking them and finally won out. Imagine Ed's surprise when the corn disappeared and he didn't even get an ear. Of course, Roger wasn't hungry any more. After all this corn he decided to sell his lunch and Bill Schultz paid 35 cents for Roger's chow, which consisted of two carrots, one tomato and half a sandwich. Now the last we heard, Roger's lunch bucket was for sale —complete with thermos for 40 cents. Such high finance. . . . If you want to know when and where they are biting, see Tony Miller. He is the only one that knows the secret and is always willing to go. Especially on Saturday morning so he doesn't have to help his wife with the washing. . . . Cy Seymour seems to be in good spirits. He still thinks Boston has a chance to cop the title. . . . Roger Crabill finally bought a car, or a reasonable facsimile thereof. It's one of those "If I would of known that before I got in I would never of taken a ride" cars. It serves two purposes; one, is transportation; two, butter churn. Put your can of cream on the seat, start the motor and you are guaranteed butter in three minutes. . . . Did you gaze at the fishing trophy awarded to Wilford Fett for catching the largest (?) bass on Peron Lake? It is said the fish in this lake are so large a 50-pound test line is suggested. One of our fellows decided to try this Angler's Paradise—result one tiny bass not yet out of babyhood. The question now is—was the bass Fett caught the only one of its kind and is the lake now empty of "keeper" size bass or was his just another fish story? . . . Norm Jones is trying to talk his girl friend into marrying him and is looking for a ring. How about the one you get with a merry-go-round ride? Will this do? . . . Mrs. Lowe has received several awards at recent shows for her beautiful flowers. Congratulations. . . . We now have a local thespian in the crowd. "Emmie" Stock is now appearing with the Civic players. He played in "Taming of the Shrew" at the News-Sentinel outdoor theater and will appear in "House of the Sea," which will be presented soon. Good luck from the gang. . . . Fritz Stauffer enjoyed this week as his third week of vacation and Maurice Crow will be "resting" next week. These lucky people. . . . That was some fish Don Thomas caught. In fact it was almost as big as Don, 16½ pounds and 39 inches long. A real whopper. . . . Happy holiday, folks.



For the answer to the question as to what happens when the immovable object meets the irresistible force, take a good look at Kitchen's Chevy. . . . This week the tool room was invited to Vondy's for a fish fry. . . . Someone should inform Joe Sallot that the railroad company sells round trip tickets. . . . We are assuming that the Fort Wayne Police are too busy to look for these people who swipe melons. At least, Waldo Martin is still with us. . . . Little Long Lake is cleaning itself, and by now John Heine should need a new supply of shear pins for his outboard motor. . . . Birthday greetings for September go to Ruth Curly, Martha Lee, Victoria Walzer, Ina Armey, Zella Sheehan, Fred Kiel, Jes Devaux, Carl Heemsoth, Clarence Rothgeb, and Paul Shive. . . . The Earl Mossburgs have an addition to the family. A baby girl. Congratulations, Mom and Pop. . . . Gay Huey found out how hot it really gets on the desert. When she went to take pictures she found her camera had melted. . . . Elmer Buuck is looking forward to being grandpa. His son got married recently. . . . Just why is it Fritz Volgt goes out to play golf one night and shoots a 41 then turns around the next night and shoots a 48? Could it be his opponent Mr. Campbell shoots a 45. The boys still think he threw the match. . . . Also Fritz is trying to rent a room to have money for bowling. Could it be that he bets with the wrong party? . . . Believe it or not but Louie Botteron must have his hot rod in shape. He drove all the way to Chicago and back during vacation. . . . Johnny Wilson has a real system. He wants all his friends to buy his favorite beverage just in case there is any left over so he can have it. P.S. Bill Curtis, however, never obliges. . . . When Walter Niemeyer was visiting in California he had quite a chat with "Cully" Nieman, a former employee of Bldg. 4-5. . . . Eugene Blew was getting honey out of a bee hive, and it looked from all indications that the bees got him. . . . Cleon Oyer has been bragging to some of the gang that his Buick really performed "but beautiful" he said it was nothing to get 15 and a half gallons to a mile. No wonder he bought the burro to come back in.

Helen McOmber Edits Column For General Service Division



Helen McOmber

Helen McOmber, Bldg. 20-2, is the new Division Editor of "Shorts and Snorts, General Service Division." She succeeds Katie Steinman who is leaving the Company soon.

Helen has been working for the General Service division since she came to G-E in 1947. She is now a time clerk in Bldg. 20-2.

Her spare time is taken up by sports and dancing. Helen enjoys basketball from the spectator viewpoint, and bowling. A girl who "gets around," Helen journeyed to Mexico for her vacation this year.

PRODUCTION SERVICE SUPERVISORS, FOREMEN SEE SOX-YANKEE GAME

Twenty-five supervisors and foremen of the Production Service division left early Sunday Morning for Chicago to see the White Sox and Yankees battle it out.

Although it rained all the way to Chicago, the sun came out in time for the double-header. The Yankees took both games, and the last one was called because of darkness.

According to those who went, there wasn't a dull moment from the time they left until the time they returned to Fort Wayne. To pass the time away enroute, the boys played cards continuously, and even when they ate lunch and dinner. One of the main reasons for attending the games was to see Joe DiMaggio, and he didn't let them down, because he hit a home run for the Yanks.

It takes a girl to find out that a gay blade often is very dull.



Now that things have settled down for a while, we will start having our column in the WORKS NEWS again. . . . Charlie Penn was in the cafeteria one day talking about his fishing trip up in Wisconsin. He told the boys while they were sitting on the lake they lost their anchors. Harold McVay, who had been sitting there taking it all in, asked Charlie what they used for anchors. Charlie said it was no problem, that he started fishing, caught two perch, knocked them in the head and used them as boat anchors. Charlie then told them that they ran out of bait, and, of course, again Harold McVay wanted to know what they did then. Charlie told him that he looked in his tackle box, saw a rubber band, put it on the hook and fished over the side of the boat. A fish saw the rubber band, grabbed it and swam off with it. When it got the rubber band stretched out far enough the rubber band flipped it back against the boat. The impact knocked it out and all Charlie had to do was to reach over and put the fish into the boat. McVay's face of course, is red for biting twice, and Charlie is still chuckling to himself. . . . Jackie Elder and Peggy Bandt went to Chicago to take in the Railroad Fair. Before Jackie left she noticed in the paper that anyone going to the Fair would be given free tickets if they stayed at the Sherman Hotel. Jackie was all smiles as she never received anything free in her life and sure was going to take advantage of this. When she got to Chicago she noticed where the tickets were selling for 25 cents each. She was very unhappy so she never applied for her free tickets. She said she knew there would be a catch to it—$10 for a room and a 25 cent ticket free. . . . Walter Colchin had a nice vacation up in Canada. According to reports he was among the big wigs. . . . Ed Brockhall took Andy Anderson out and taught him how to fly fish. When Andy got so good he was catching more than Brockhall, Brockhall decided to get a new student, so he took Andy's son out. When the day was over Andy's son also had caught more fish. Ed isn't looking for any more students, we hear he's fishing by himself now. . . . Ruth Cavender went to Texas for her vacation, but it seems she had all her trouble before she left Fort Wayne. She started off with a flat tire (on her car) and never had any trouble after that. That's pretty good luck for a Ford, Ruth. . . .

Wilson Completes

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became the fourth president of the Company he had joined 40 years earlier. The other presidents were Charles A. Coffin, Company founder; Edwin A. Rice, Jr., and Mr. Swope.

For two and one-half years, Mr. Wilson served as President. Then, in September, 1942, with the United States struggling to increase production of war materiel, Mr. Wilson resigned all private business connections and went to Washington at the request of President Roosevelt, to become Executive Vice Chairman of the WPB. Mr. Wilson was again elected a director and President of General Electric Sept., 8, 1944.

Ralph Keller was asked what he did on his vacation. He said he went fishing, but no fish. . . . It is nice to see Elmer Scheer (he went to Manistee River to fish for pike with a fly rod and claims he did all right). Ed Brockhall (who claims he went fishing too) and Wayne Worman (he didn't say what he did) back to work after their third wecks' vacation. . . . Little Georgie Ryan is getting his home all fixed up for his son who is coming home on leave in the near future. . . . Have you noticed the black eye and peeled nose Kenny Bainbridge has been wearing the last few days? He says he got into an argument with a socket wrench. . . . Jackie Elder was having quite a time getting around last Monday. The story is she went home over the week-end and while her dad met her at the bus station, the cows got tired waiting at the barn and decided to go back to the field. Jackie told her dad that instead of walking both ways she would drive him to the field and he could walk back. She must have been so excited about driving her dad's car that she started running and her dog thought she was playing so he ran in front of her and she went sprawling head-over-heels. The person who told this story wasn't sure but we would like to know if you were still able to drive the car after that. . . . Wanted—An A1 secret service man to catch the culprits who robbed Charlie Engle's watermelon patch at Crooked Lake. Charis wondering how they might have tasted. . . . Ruby Stoops has forgotten how to "baby-sit." Leave it to the grandson to let her know when it is time to eat. . . . The big Ossian street fair was a huge success due to the appointment of Ed Donaghy as one of the Deputies of the affair.

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by KENT SAGENDORPH

PUBLISHED ON THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF MR. WILSON'S FIRST EMPLOYMENT IN THE GENERAL ELECTRIC FAMILY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1899

A FELLOW named Charlie Wilson came out of his office one night, not long ago, and hailed a cab to take him to a restaurant. It was only a short trip—a few blocks. But Wilson didn't arrive as soon as he usually did. There was an interruption. Oblivious to the passing of time, Wilson was hunched forward in the seat of the taxicab, arguing with the driver hot and heavy.

The driver had nonchalantly made some comment over his shoulder to the effect that the little fellow had no chance in America any more. At this, his gray eyes flashing behind his rimless spectacles, Charles Edward Wilson went into action.

The driver didn't know that his passenger was president of the General Electric Company, and himself one of the nation's most conspicuous examples of the little fellow who made good. Wilson didn't care who the driver was, as a person. He was championing a cause, defending the bright field of American opportunity. To Wilson, the driver's cynical and somewhat defeatist viewpoint needed immediate correction. In his view, being right demands that a man get up and say so. He doubts that old proverb which says that truth will prevail. He knows, better than most men, that truth will seldom prevail, unless ably, sincerely, and continuously defended.

The ability to recognize the truth in a morass of equivocations and the nerve to defend it any time, anywhere, has distinguished the Wilson career for the past 50 years. He is a conscientious seeker after the simple truth—the basic facts about everything he does in industry, officially in his numerous public capacities, and personally as a man.

For more than 30 years he has been credited with possession of a crystal ball of some kind. He has been right in his forecasts many and many a time when he was simply being honest and direct. Long ago, according to his friend Dr. Daniel E. Poling, Wilson developed a talent for measuring every problem on a queer kind of scale. It is just a scale of values: what's right or what's wrong. Wilson wants to know whether it's good or bad—will it help the Company, the people of the organization, and the country in general.

Wilson is not the only top-ranking industrialist who has advocated more consideration for the forgotten "little guy," whether he be customer, stockholder, or employee—but he was one of the first. He has consistently kept his eye on a hypothetical, composite citizen of the United States, and has directed his activities toward that one man, always. Since the war Wilson has emerged as a symbol of the new social consciousness of Big Industry toward the people of the country. He has been faithfully personifying that viewpoint ever since Teddy Roosevelt was in the White House.

Nature has equipped Wilson splendidly for his role as a defender of human rights in the field of industry. He's big and impressive, prodigiously strong, possessed of something a reporter once called an "electric personality." Wilson's handclasp is likely to be more crushing than he realizes. While thus greeting a stranger his probing eyes hold and scrutinize him as if the man were under an x ray. He is not conscious of this piercing quality in his glance. Wilson's spectacles are rather thick-lensed, and magnify the size of his eyes. Actually he is as much interested in every new personality as the visitor is in Wilson himself. This visual scrutiny tells him as much about the man as anything that is said.

He talks in a resonant voice reminiscent of FDR's, but faster in cadence and much more emphatic. His broad shoulders and strong hands point up his physical size, which is further emphasized by his erect, shoulders-back posture. He was once described as "erect as a major of infantry," which is an understatement. He looks more like a major general.

Entirely lacking in subtlety, Wilson usually drives straight for the point of a conversation and keeps his mind focussed on it. Associates can tell what he thinks of a new situation by his hands. They are seldom still, sweeping upward in emphasis, outward in circles of frustration, running over his forehead and brown hair in moments of thought, and meditatively rubbing his neck while he is delivering one of his quieter comments. His body rocks back and forth in his chair as he finds fresh arguments. To add emphatic exclamation points to his con-

versation he often brings his huge fist down on the top of his bare desk, which once belonged to Thomas A. Edison, with a resounding thwack which can be heard out in the hall. The desk top has warped under this pounding until it's loose, but Wilson is unaware of the sound.

Keeping Fit

Even sitting in a chair, Wilson squeezes 60 seconds' worth of action out of every minute. For a man nearly 63 years old his energy seems boundless. Associates sometimes break into a run trying to keep up with his long legs on the street. He packs 210 pounds on his six-foot-two frame so unobtrusively that the only bulge that is ever noticed is a slight double chin. People seldom see that, either, unless he drops his head to look for something in a desk drawer. Most of the time his calm manner conceals whatever inner nervousness he might feel. Occasionally he smacks one fist into the other palm, a gesture he acquired years ago as an athlete.

Keeping fit, to Wilson, is the secret of keeping going. When he was in his middle forties he was working out in the ring, regularly, with Jack Delaney, at that time a leading light-heavyweight contender. He plays a fast round of golf, in the eighties. But it doesn't relax him; handball and similar aggressive sports do that. A fight with a 180-pound marlin is his idea of a delightful afternoon. Every year he tries to spend two weeks off the Florida keys looking for the big ones; the only regular vacation he permits himself.

Being president of General Electric is a 24-hour-a-day, seven-day-a-week job, which Wilson regards little differently from that of assistant plant superintendent or office boy, both of which he once held. His scale of living certainly has not kept pace with his expanding income and responsibilities. He lives comfortably but simply in Scarsdale, like many another Westchester suburbanite.

There is a cook in the house, but he and Mrs. Wilson don't need a staff of servants; they value their privacy. They live alone in the house now that their daughter Margaret is away attending a university. There is only one car in the garage. That's a Cadillac in which Mrs. Wilson is driven to the stores, and to pick up her husband at the Scarsdale suburban station or the airport.

At the house, Wilson himself answers the phone. He may come to the door if the bell rings, newspaper in hand, peering quizzically at the visitor like a million husbands everywhere. To him, the day of the millionaire industrialist with his vast estate and his yacht is gone forever. Wilson is not a wealthy man, not even close to being a millionaire. He lives on a more modest scale than some of his own associates, but probably enjoys less time at home than they do.



This note of modesty, mixed with actual reticence about his home and family, disappears when he finds public or private rights at stake. Ever since he was a child he has been quick to challenge official arrogance or indifference. He comes by that trait naturally. He was born on the lower west side of New York, in a dingy house on Leroy Street near Hudson Street, on November 18, 1886, in the notorious Eighth Ward.

His father, George Wilson, had been a foreman bookbinder by trade; his earnings were modest, and he and his wife Hannah and the baby Charles just managed to live in a semblance of comfort. Charles was the only survivor of several brothers and sisters who died in infancy.

George Wilson was an American of Irish parentage. Hannah was English, of pure New York stock for three or four generations. About the time of Charles' birth his father talked of moving to Australia. He felt that there were greater opportunities on that continent, and his closest friend at the bookbindery agreed with him. They planned to make a new start "down under," and grow up with the new country. Charlie's mother talked him out of it, at least temporarily. While the decision was still pending, George Wilson joined the milling throng celebrating the opening of Brooklyn Bridge to the public, on May 30, 1883. While the bridge was crowded, a woman fell downstairs at the Manhattan approach, precipitating a mob scene which turned to panic when someone screamed that the bridge was falling.

Starting School

Thousands of persons were crushed in the melee; twelve were killed and scores injured. One of those injured was George Wilson. He never completely recovered, and he died six years later, in 1889.

Hannah Wilson forthwith went out to make a living for herself and her child as a practical nurse. Charles grew up in a most unusual environment—a fine Christian home which, oddly enough, was located in "Hell's Kitchen," a region of violence, crime, and debauchery.

When he was six, he started primary school on West 28th Street, and later attended P.S. 32, on West 35th Street between Eighth and Ninth Avenues. There he became conscious of his environment for the first time. That waterfront area, from Ninth Avenue to the Hudson River, and from Canal to 33rd Streets, produced more Sing Sing convicts than any other part of New York, according to Lewis E. Lawes. It was the toughest part of town in a day when stevedores carried knives and brass knuckles just to go across West Street for a beer in a waterfront saloon.

Charlie's mother was a remarkable woman, of more than ordinary courage and resourcefulness. A boy on the streets didn't have much chance in that place. She determined to keep him off the streets and out of trouble. She implemented her home training with what few neighborhood facilities there were, mostly the Sunday School of the Central Baptist Church. At that time it was situated on the south side of West 42nd Street, between Seventh and Eighth Avenues, just off Times Square.

"Know what's right. Do what's right. Then you'll never go wrong," she repeated.

Keeping a boy on the right path in such a neighborhood was a long, hard campaign for any mother. "Hell's Kitchen" boys were surrounded constantly by drunks, thieves, brawlers, and cop-fighters. In P.S. 32 the police were always bursting in and carrying away some boy from Charlie's class as a petty thief or a delinquent. Every time this occurred, Hannah Wilson's determination grew stronger.

P.S. 32 was an old-time school that kept pounding away at

grammar-school fundamentals, hoping to salvage some of its problem-children before they became incurable. It was full of rugged individualists. Charlie was one. One of the teachers, John F. Condon, the "Jafsie" of the Lindbergh case, was another. Nobody knows what happened to most of those boys. Sing Sing and Clinton Prison might supply some of their names. Charlie's, happily, wasn't there; he kept clear of trouble.

When he was in the seventh grade he was a "pretty brash kid"—oversize for his age, pretty tough, already noted for his readiness to battle any time for what he thought was right. There were probably a number of reasons, good or bad, but one day, during this term, Charlie decided, impulsively, to quit school. He left P.S. 32, and that was all the formal education he ever had.

Later one of the teachers met him on the street and asked him to come back, at least for the graduating exercises of his class. But Charlie couldn't. He was 12 years old, big enough to go to work, and now he had a job. That was all he could see at the time. He craved a chance to earn a few dollars a week and ease the burden on his overworked mother.

It was some time later in the year when Charlie gave up his odd jobs and went down the block on 34th Street to the smelly factory of the Sprague Electric Company, between Tenth and Eleventh Avenues. The place was making electric conduit and fittings and smelled like a case of spontaneous combustion in an old suit of painter's overalls. It brewed a weird concoction of asphalt and other compounds for insulation, boiled in vats in which great piles of conduit were dipped.

Bill Ruete, the six-foot-two superintendent with the handlebar mustache and the derby, roared with laughter when he saw that Charlie was serious. But he gave the lad a job as office boy for three dollars a week. The wall calendar said the month was September, 1899.

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Charlie Wilson and the Sprague Electric Company began their careers together. The company was only four months old, a corporate "marriage of convenience" between Frank Sprague and Edward H. Johnson, his business partner. Sprague was a former U.S. Naval officer, thin and wiry, with blond hair and mustache, and a prominent Adam's apple which bobbed up and down inside his stiff-starched collar.

Sprague was a brilliant electrical engineer, while Edison was an inventor. So back in the early days of the electrical industry, it was Sprague who figured and experimented and learned how to apply much of Edison's electricity to the practical problems of power and light companies, electric streetcars, and in 1897, an electric locomotive.

Sprague invented the first practical electric cable, and used it in Edison's original Pearl Street, New York, generating plant. He developed the first real electric motor, so good that Edison withdrew from the manufacturing end of electricity and turned it all over to Sprague. Then appeared Sprague's electric elevator, his electric streetcar, his mine hoists, and industrial power devices.

Johnson built the devices Sprague invented. His interior conduit and insulation company manufactured the cable that Sprague worked out for Edison. Johnson was Sprague's partner in the Sprague Elevator Company. They had sold out to Edison once before, in 1889, when the Edison General Electric Company was formed. They aimed to sell again, and soon, with a fully developed railroad electrification system. Sprague was hard at work testing a control system for an electrified



train. It was the basic development of the future New York Interboro Subway and the New York elevated railway system. Intrigued by a miniature train model which was at the plant, Charlie Wilson did his first inventing—he developed an idea for an electric switch control. However, he was unable to interest more mature minds in the project. Later another inventor sold substantially the same device for a million dollars. Thus did Charlie's "first million" slip through his fingers.

The Sprague Electric Company was a combination of all these activities. Its cable and insulating devices were manufactured in the former Johnson loft building on 34th Street, a seven-story brick structure with a tiny office on the ground floor. Charlie Wilson was the errand runner, the message bearer, and the special-delivery department for everything up to and including coffee and cake. Few offices had telephones in 1899, and customers sent messenger boys to the factory with rush orders which Charlie delivered.

In 1899 and early 1900, at the time when Charlie first went to work there, Sprague was seldom seen in the plant. He was usually at the Sprague apparatus plant in Bloomfield, N. J., supervising the construction of a test train for demonstration to the New York Elevated System. In 1900 he began running the train experimentally, and Charlie sometimes had to rush cable and control boxes out to the test track. In the morning Charlie distributed mail throughout the various offices. The rest of the time he followed Bill Ruete, gazing up at the huge man in open-mouthed admiration.

Charlie scarcely remembered his own father, who died when he was three. He adopted Bill Ruete as a synthetic father, which flattered the big, bluff boss beyond words. Their liking for each other grew into a firm friendship which lasted as long as Bill Ruete lived.

Charlie's great ambition was to be just like Ruete—just as big and strong, just as good a boss, and just as rich. At least Charlie thought that Bill was rich; he had a diamond stickpin that loomed up on his big four-in-hand necktie like the headlight of an Erie locomotive. That diamond fascinated Charlie. Desperately he wanted one like it. Ruete grinned and flashed it at him often, to make him work harder.

Charlie had little time to run with the gangs of "Hell's Kitchen." His pent-up energies were released in an improvised boxing ring at the Sprague plant. Later there was another ring at Christ Church House on 36th Street. In between times he was enrolled for exercise courses at the West Side, 57th Street, and 23rd Street YMCA's—and could even be caught doing roadwork in Central Park. Back to P.S. 32 he went, taking a course in stenography, and others in shop practice and physics at Mechanics Institute. Within a year or two he was graduated

from office boy to assistant shipping clerk, with a boost in salary to $8 a week.

"That," he said many years later, "was the happiest day of my life. No other promotion except one has meant so much to me." The other promotion was to his present job.

He plunged into his job with renewed energy. He was working a 59-hour week, but drawing pay for 60 hours because the bookkeeping was easier. He put in enough overtime to balance out, and more. He enrolled in more night-school courses.

In 1903, General Electric purchased Sprague's interest in the company, which became known thereafter as the Sprague Works of the General Electric Company. Soon afterwards Ruete said, in an offhand way: "Charlie, you're the new cost accountant." Charlie Wilson didn't even know what accounting meant. He had never heard of cost accounting. Ruete said he'd better learn, so Charlie signed up for another night-school course, at Universal Business Institute.

Year after year, in dogged work, Charlie learned. "Ruete was pretty good at that," Wilson chuckled recently. "He gave me all sorts of jobs." Combined with his shop and accounting courses he also kept up with his academic education as well as he could. He grew out of adolescence into early manhood. At 18 he was as tall as Ruete: six feet two.

First Patent

"The finest thing Ruete ever did for me," Wilson says, "was to make it possible for me to divide my time between office activities and shop jobs." Part of the time he would be on payroll work, for example, and part in the toolroom. It was in large part the experience he derived from the latter that enabled him in 1919 at Maspeth, to develop and gain his first patent on the Wilson cable machine, which made possible an increase of from 3500 to 17,500 feet per day.

Wilson's robust constitution and his size singled him out for attention as an amateur boxer, too. As boys will, he sometimes played with the idea of going into the professional ring, but his mother wouldn't hear of it. He turned instead to basketball, then developing rapidly as a gymnasium sport, and played on some of the early teams with the famous Johnny Beckman and against Nat Holman.

He went bowling with Bill Ruete and played handball with some of the YMCA crowd. Ruete taught him how to tie a tricky knot in his necktie, and the importance of keeping his fingernails clean. To this day Wilson's hands are immaculate, as white and carefully kept as a surgeon's. He met a few girls, among them a brunette named Elizabeth Maisch. He was surprised to learn that she lived only a few blocks from him. He was 19; she was a year or two younger, so small that she came up only to his shoulder. After he met her, he wasn't interested in any other girl.

They kept company for two years. He was making $21 a week by that time and felt confident that with prudence he could afford to get married. Elizabeth felt the same way. They were married on his 21st birthday, November 18, 1907. He had been working for Sprague for nine years.

Shortly after their marriage, the Wilsons formed a firm attachment that had an important and lasting influence in their lives. Mrs. Wilson saw pretty clearly what the church had done for him. It became their habit, and pleasure, to attend church regularly. When Wilson became a man it became plain to him that two influences—his mother and the church—had kept him on the right path and out of the alleys of "Hell's Kitchen."

"Religion has been part and parcel of my living," he told the Baptists. "I got started early, thanks to a wonderful mother who knew her church and loved it, and who took me by the hand and led me to Sunday school and church. I was too young at first, to know what it was all about, but she kept me there until I found out what it was all about, thank God. I have never been able to get away from either of them—Sunday school or church."

Every Sunday for 15 years, Charlie and Elizabeth Wilson went to the Central Baptist Church. From attending a Sunday school class, Charlie graduated to teaching one, and then to the post of superintendent of the Sunday school. Throughout his boyhood and early manhood the Central Baptist Church knew him as a loyal and enthusiastic worker. As long as he lived in New York he attended faithfully.

At the Sprague Works, Charlie Wilson slowly progressed from one job to another a little bit harder, and then to several jobs simultaneously. He held the title of factory accountant, but at the same time began straightening out production bottlenecks. Year after year Charlie Wilson sweated, and improvised, and worked out better production methods, and learned how to get a job done. In 1914 he became Ruete's top assistant with the impressive title: "Assistant General Superintendent."

For a while Charlie Wilson and Bill Ruete stood about the same height and weighed approximately the same. Then Ruete's girth expanded, as older men's will. His hair grew white as snow and more luxuriant than ever, parted neatly on the right and combed back away from his leathery forehead. Bill Ruete's mustache was a white, neatly clipped banker's model by World War I. The diamond stickpin flashed as proudly as when Charlie first saw it. Ruete wore it every day where Charlie couldn't avoid seeing it.

When the sales of Sprague building-equipment type of electric panelboard and switchboards needed a boost, it was Charlie Wilson who was handed the assignment. Selling was something else he had to learn.

His first harsh taste of sales work came in 1914 when the Company summarily dumped the switchboard problem in his lap. Wilson plugged along with it until 1923, when he could report that sales of all the catalog list of industrial electric supplies were several hundred per cent above the old figure.

More Work

World War I found Wilson ready to take on more work. Immediately after the Armistice, General Electric bought a new conduit plant at New Kensington, Pa., which was added to the group. Wilson found himself next to the top man in these plants, plus carrying the extra burden of sales manager of the panelboard and switchboard divisions. All these administrative responsibilities slowly matured him in three of the basic branches of industry—manufacturing, sales, administration.

General Electric accomplished a major change shortly after World War I. The Company's first phase of growth had come to an end. Charles E. Coffin, electricity's pioneer merchant and the founder of the General Electric Company, held the presidency until 1913. In that year he became chairman of the Board, being succeeded as president by E. W. Rice, Jr. In 1922, both Coffin and Rice retired. Owen D. Young succeeded Coffin as Board chairman, and Gerard Swope replaced Rice as president.

Thus was born a smooth-running industrial team which for 18 years established new records and made new friends for General Electric throughout the world. They brought the Company into the top rank of American business and kept it there, increasing its sales, its output, and its earnings. Both men became internationally famous—Young especially so because of his historic connection with the "Young Plan" to rehabilitate Germany after World War I.

Swope had no sooner taken over the presidency than he made a swing around the country visiting each General Electric plant. In the fall of 1922 he arrived at Maspeth, Long Island, where he found the erstwhile Sprague 34th Street plant installed in a bigger building. Wilson was out in the plant. Swope gazed up at him, shook his powerful hand, and felt the impact of Wilson's eyes upon him in that characteristic swift appraisal.

Gerard Swope never forgot the meeting nor the impression Wilson made upon him. Wilson passed quickly to something else; he was too busy to stop and chin with the new G-E president, even though it was nice to see what such a big tycoon looked like. It is plain that in 1922 Wilson regarded the presidency of General Electric on somewhat the same plane as the presidency of the United States, and almost as unreachable for an ordinary fellow like himself.

Swope kept quiet as was his custom. He just made a mental note. Wilson had worked for the Company 23 years, and had risen to the post of assistant general manager of two plants. He had a good record in the sales of panelboards and switchboards. It was a good, steady record of progress from office boy to assistant general manager, but General Electric was full of similar case histories.

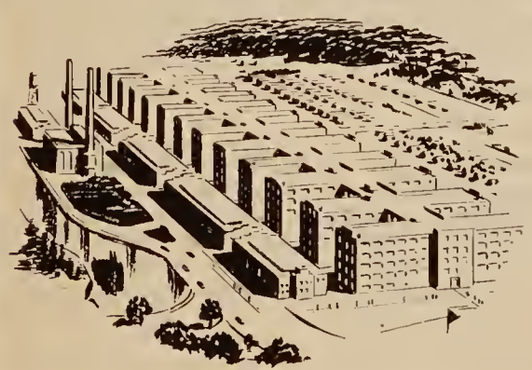
For 17 years Gerard Swope never referred to that meeting, and he never let Wilson know that he remembered it. But there came a day when he made a speech in which it became apparent that Swope remembered very well.

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Bill Ruete didn't live to see his protege begin his remarkable rise in General Electric's national organization. The genial old boss had begun to feel his age by 1923 when Swope directed that the Maspeth plant be moved to Bridgeport, Conn. It was to be amalgamated with the larger plant there under the title: Bridgeport Works. Thus it was Charlie Wilson, now 37 years old, who commanded the removal operations. Wilson carried on his multiple functions the same as ever, but took more and more of the burden from Ruete.

Wilson was heartily in accord with Swope's decision to move the plant. He saw the necessity for centralizing as much production as possible, so that all work on one product—design, development, and manufacture—might be carried on at one point. Electrical equipment, by its very nature, grows obsolete long before it wears out. Changes came fast, and Wilson wanted to keep his cable and insulating devices ahead of the market.

Ruete wasn't sure the move was a wise one. He felt lost in Bridgeport. He no longer held the resounding title of general superintendent of this enormous plant. He had become consulting engineer of the conduit and wire division. Wilson took over the administrative load with the title of managing engineer. The inactivity of a consultant's life aged Ruete more rapidly than ever. He lived only until July 7, 1924, and died with Wilson at his bedside.



As his life ebbed, he took Wilson's hand. "You know, Charlie," he said, "that stickpin of mine has been the secret of your success. It's done more for you than it ever did for me. You worked your head off. Now look where you are. So, here it is. Take it, to remember me."

He closed Wilson's fingers over the stickpin. Then he added: "And I want you to give my micrometer to Sam Powell, in the conduit shop. I want him to remember me, too."

If that micrometer had been made of solid gold, Sam Powell couldn't have treasured it more. Charlie Wilson reverently took the diamond stickpin home and locked it up. Nothing but the most important occasions could induce him to wear it. Something of Bill Ruete's magnetism passed from him to Wilson with the gift. More than ever, Wilson determined to be like him.

The following year, 1925, Wilson stepped up to the assistant general managership of the Bridgeport Works. A dozen new headaches descended upon him, besides his cable, outlet box, and conduit divisions. Electric fans, among the first consumer devices bearing the familiar G-E monogram, began to be made now in Bridgeport instead of in Pittsfield, Mass. Scores of wiring devices were added to the line—sockets, switches, terminal blocks, all sorts of gadgets electricians needed to install service.

It was an unglamorous, really drab sort of business. It had none of the excitement of the Schenectady Works, where every week bigger turbines and spectacular motors and generators made news. Wilson stubbornly plugged away at a long list of colorless wiring supplies. His challenge, then as today, was mostly from within himself. He had only himself to satisfy about faster production, wider sales coverage, and better design. No one was prodding him. To electricians, a conduit was a conduit, and they weren't expecting it to look any different.

Home appliances, however, fascinated Wilson as they did Swope, because they gave direct access to the buying public and increased the need for electric power. Washers and other appliances slowly appeared in the catalogs as an answer to the changing times. There was a domestic revolution in progress in America. The hired girl was vanishing by the thousands, every year. She had a better job. Housewives perforce had to do their own work. They turned by the hundreds of thousands to what Swope called "the electric servant." Soon there were millions of women doing their housework largely by electricity. The conclusion was implicit that in appliances lay a magnificent future for the Company.

A New Trend

Gerard Swope was the first General Electric man to sense this trend. The emphasis up to that time had clung to turbines, generators, and power-company equipment: what the Company called "apparatus." In the early days, electricity was used entirely for lighting. Streetcars came clanking along about 1885, followed by subways, elevators, mine hoists and other industrial and commercial applications. Originally, in the early days, it was customary to run a skeleton force at generating plants in the daytime; just a few men to take care of the streetcar load and a few factory installations. The amount of current used by housewives was microscopic, and largely accounted for by the incandescent lamp.

The domestic load grew very slowly. Houses were wired for lights exclusively at first, then an outlet was added in the

kitchen for the iron, and one in the basement or on the back porch for the washer.

"Broaden the base!" demanded Swope in 1925. "Take the services of electricity to more people. That will get you more customers." Every appliance, even every electric iron, multiplied by a thousand homes in a city, meant more kilowatts on the lines, more transformers and meters, new generators on long-line transmission towers. Domestic demand evened out the peaks and valleys in the industrial consumption of power. Swope computed that not more than 25,000 customers bought apparatus for commercial and power-plant use. But some 25,000,000 customers were ready for new devices for their household floor plugs.

"Industrial load may vary," Swope declared, "but that household demand will remain. No matter what changes in their fortunes confront them, people will not go without the advantages of electricity."

Hard-knocks School

From 1930 onward General Electric planners lived and worked to cover America with appliances. Wilson started to school again—the hard-knocks school of national merchandising. He and his associates drew a lead on appliance customers by the million—in homes, stores, offices, hotels, every place where people needed the extra boon that electricity could bring to their living and working conditions.

Year by year more appliance production came to Bridgeport. Ironers came in 1931, domestic washers in 1935, and domestic radio receivers the same year. Wilson grew right along with this appliance volume. He became assistant to the vice president in charge of the merchandising department in 1928, and by 1930 he was up to his ears in appliance development, production, and sales.

In 1930 when the volume of capital goods fell off all over the country, General Electric was fortunate in having laid the groundwork for a big-volume business in consumer goods. General Electric's apparatus business fell off 82 per cent below 1929 levels, but sales of household electrical items were less affected than other lines. Meanwhile, the Company was forging ahead with the "monitor top" refrigerator, and a growing list that included cleaners, electric ranges, and radio sets.

Swope's prediction came true. When the depression began to pinch, people sold their stock, their cars, their other luxuries, but they used more domestic current than ever. The appliance volume appeared just in time. In December, 1930, Wilson was named a vice president of the General Electric Company, and took his seat as a charter member of the newly formed Appliance Sales Committee to help draft policies for bigger sales.

When Wilson's promotion was announced, he was 44 years old and apparently at the peak of his physical vigor. Today, 19 years later, he looks just the same. Why this is so, and why the pressure and pace of Wilson's life haven't aged him, no one can explain. When he came to Bridgeport in 1923, as soon as he and Mrs. Wilson had located a house, Wilson signed up with the famous physical trainer, Andy Parker. Here he renewed his interest in handball and boxing. Andy Parker's gym enthusiasts numbered many handball experts, among them the then light-heavyweight boxing champion, Jack Delaney, who, teamed with Wilson, took on all comers.

By that time, about 1925, he was still a pretty good amateur heavyweight, enthusiastic about the sport. He found time to follow Dempsey's title bouts from ringside seats. During the Firpo fight Wilson was so close to the ring that Dempsey almost landed in his lap, when the "Wild Bull of the Pampas" knocked him through the ropes. Wilson was one of the thousands who got soaked in the thundershower that historic night at Philadelphia, September 23, 1926, when Tunney took the title from Dempsey.

Boxing, larruping a golf ball, bowling a little, Wilson kept his body tough and his wits sharp. In Bridgeport he emerged gradually as one of the city's well-known personalities. His fame was helped along by his fondness for makes of automobiles which promptly became orphans. His income was enough to provide more modern vehicles had he desired them. Instead, he coaxed and prodded a succession of touring cars whose names have long been forgotten—"vintage models" at that.

For a time after moving to Bridgeport Mr. and Mrs. Wilson attended the First Baptist Church, going home after service. It was not difficult, however, to persuade young Mr. Wilson to teach a Sunday school class. It was a different church, in a different community, from that he had known in New York. Some General Electric shop workers attended regularly, along with a few Bridgeport business men and a teacher or two.

Gradually this class evolved into a community discussion group called the Young Men's Forum. "We had just about every type Christian you could think of," Wilson recalls. "We had some who weren't even Christians at all. They came from every denomination, but we never had any trouble over that. We'd give a month to studying Roman Catholicism, for example, then a month looking into Christian Science. We even roamed around in Mormonism. And, believe it or not, we got something out of all of them. I learned then that I could never hate anybody, be he Protestant, Catholic, or Jew."

Wilson likes to lean back and recall his 18 years of active church work in Bridgeport. "I learned," he says, "that the time to get rid of racial and religious discrimination and intolerance is in the days of our youth. It's all right to preach sermons to those of us who are older. But that's getting there too late. The time to plant ideas is when the mind is young."

On December 16, 1937, Wilson was transferred back to New York and given a new title and a new job, which had never existed before—executive vice president of the General Electric Company. He was elected to the Company's Board of Directors, and he thus emerged from the operating departments into the topmost-level administrative bracket in the whole General Electric enterprise.

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Charles Edward Wilson was on his way to becoming a nationally known industrial figure. The creation of an executive vice presidency seemed to most business observers a device to groom Wilson for the presidency. Reporters asked Swope about it, irritating him and embarrassing Wilson. Swope said no, he was not grooming anybody. Advancement in General Electric, declared the sharp-minded president, was on merit alone. Wilson had come up through the ranks and merited his title.

But the speculation about Wilson continued. Swope and Young wrote a paper for the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. Therein they explained the Company's principle of succession; how it was a continuing process with every responsible official developing others to take his place, but leaving the final decision to the Company officers.

Swope frequently addressed himself to regional meetings attended by G-E managers and executives. One such meeting was held in Schenectady in December, 1937, about a month before Wilson's promotion was officially announced. Swope



led up to the subject gradually, describing the Company's expansion and its prospects for the next 20 years. Just how vast that was to be, not even Swope could foresee. He described the Company's 87,000 employees, and its $150 million annual payroll.

After some remarks on the virtues of thrift, Swope launched into a personal theme. He had recently observed his 65th birthday, he said. He felt fine. The doctor had examined him that morning, and pronounced him in good shape. But "one never knows what is going to happen," he added, "so I have selected two young men to help me carry the burdens. The first is C. E. Wilson, executive vice president, and the second is Philip Reed, who is to become assistant to the president."

He explained how Owen D. Young and he had developed a policy about executive retirement at, or near, age 65. It was now time to apply that policy to themselves. He recalled that day in June, 1922, when he first met Charlie Wilson in the Maspeth plant when he was assistant general superintendent. "His progress since then," Swope remarked, "you know."

With a wry smile and a chuckle, the great man looked down at the audience, which contained a smattering of engineering and scientific degree-holders. "One very interesting thing," he mused, "and I glory in it, to you highbrow people particularly, is the fact that *he is not a college man.* It shows that it is the man himself who is coming through."

Informally, speaking as one of the General Electric family to his fellow-executives, Swope proclaimed in the most sincere terms his great admiration for Wilson as a man. "Maybe Charlie would have been a better man with a college education," he said, "but he has done the best he could without it. He has had a broad experience . . . he has sympathy for the basic fundamentals of the General Electric Company."

Swope concluded with these words: "I am still going to act as president . . . I hope!"

Nothing he could have said would have expressed more lucidly the relationship between the famous Gerard Swope and his comparatively unknown right-hand executive. The business world turned to look at Wilson more carefully. "Who is Wilson?" was the great question in U.S. industry. "What is he going to do?" He was not listed in *Who's Who* but it was not hard to explain him.

Cushioning Period

Wilson was the operating man who had been selected to bring the Company into tune with the times, which in 1938 sounded ominously warlike. It would be Wilson's job to guide the Company through whatever chaos might lie ahead.

The year following Wilson's new honor was a sort of cushioning period for both men. In effect, Wilson ran the Company as a sort of general manager, while Swope helped him fit his hands more firmly to the controls. Ruete had been a second father to Wilson. Now there grew up between Wilson and Swope an intimate and affectionate bond based on mutual respect on a high plane, mutual confidence, and Swope's feeling of satisfaction that the Company was in good hands.

Accordingly, on November 17, 1939, Swope and Young announced their resignations: "We took up our burden together and we wish to lay it down together." Simultaneously, the Board of Directors elected Wilson to the presidency and Philip D. Reed to the chairmanship of the Board . . . one day short of the double celebration of Wilson's 53rd birthday and 32nd wedding anniversary.

News of the change in General Electric's administration made headlines in all the big-city business pages, in spite of competition from the Nazi war machine abroad. At the time it was announced, the Nazis were winding up their whirlwind invasion of Poland. The French and English were mobilizing, and once more a disastrous conflict broke loose upon the western world.

Wilson's aged mother joined his wife in smiles, hugs, and congratulations. "I always knew you'd get there, Charlie," his mother declared. "You've got the right stuff in you." The celebration at the Bridgeport Works, which had always claimed Wilson as its own, was noisy and hilarious. General Electric's New York headquarters was kept busy answering newspaper appeals for photographs and biographical data. The calmest figure in the lot was that of Wilson himself.

Somehow the $90,000 salary and other benefits that went with the job didn't impress Wilson as much as the flood of good wishes that poured in from General Electric plants and offices all over the world. Most of those names were those of men Wilson knew personally. Hundreds of them were on friendly first-name terms with him. The magazine *Fortune* opined that the change in management had incidentally welded the whole organization somewhat closer together—alerted it for the big job to come, and given it new spirit.

Effects of War

If ever a huge, scattered organization had to pull together in harmonious teamwork, the time was 1939 and 1940. General Electric was one of the first firms to feel the effects of the oncoming war. Slowly at first, then faster, military demands marched in on the Company, requiring it to find space for new production and men to handle new jobs.

At every turn Wilson had found himself stymied by the conventional production procedures which had evolved through the years. Some products, especially appliances, actually spent more time in transit than in assembly. He thought about refrigerators, as an example. The compressor unit was made in Schenectady, the motor in Fort Wayne, the box in Erie. Assembly took place in Erie, and the completed product was sold from Cleveland.

For years General Electric management had been wanting to integrate manufacture of these appliances, each in its own plant. Managers of various works might get orders for small parts for new devices, parts which they were especially equipped to make. They could make the parts and ship them, but they had little opportunity to improve the whole appliance. Now, with so much stock crated in box cars and stalled on railroad sidings throughout the country, Wilson knew he had to stop the system and substitute something else, as a step to greater productive efficiency and lower costs.

Stopping it, in normal times, would have been an industrial nightmare. It would mean moving huge factories—resettling an army of employees, most of whom owned their own homes

and were important people in their communities. Stopping this intricate and increasingly expensive criss-cross of assemblies in transit entailed building up again from the foundations—new plants, new tools, new working forces. But a catastrophic world war, with all its confusion and tragedy, with its need to convert every plant into part of the arsenal of democracy, was about to force such a stoppage upon General Electric anyway—and eventually it would mean starting all over—and starting right.

Wilson did what he could to reduce the time lost in transit, meanwhile sparring for an opening to attack the main problem. He had a beginning in the radio division at Bridgeport. There, the appliance division set up a little laboratory of its own, and went forward with development. Design, improvement, and constant change went along smoothly with actual production. Sales and accounting were handled from the same point. The success of the division proved Wilson's theory.

"Wilson faces a huge task in rationalizing the engineering, production, and merchandising of the myriad products in appliances, where margins are thin and improvements come fast," commented *Fortune* in 1940. "Before he is done, he will have full need of the beef and brawn he built up boxing in the Bridgeport YMCA."

Wilson smiled grimly when he read this. He felt that the burden which appeared so staggering to these industrial commentators was simply a test of patience and quickness in taking advantage of an opportunity. Forty-one years with the same problems had case-hardened him. His top-level associates were not worried about his need of beef and brawn.

Simple Habits

They knew he had a strange side to his character, mostly hidden from the world behind the facade of his title and his impressive surroundings. At heart, he thought of General Electric in terms of the Sprague plant. He had a happy faculty for breaking the huge organization up into convenient chunks for easy analysis. Bigger though it might be, General Electric was a manufacturing business just like Sprague's. Essentially the two were the same, and Wilson refused to be cowed by mere size. He has the same habit today in thinking of the problems of almost 200,000 employees in terms of their impact on the individual.

Not even his title and his expanded executive status affected Wilson's ingrained habits of simplicity. When he was transferred to New York in 1937, he and Mrs. Wilson had to leave Bridgeport. They rented a house in Scarsdale, which they occupied happily for some years until the height of the housing shortage right after the war. They eventually had to buy the house in order to keep it—an experience a million other tenants have gone through.

Wilson commuted to Grand Central every day that he wasn't traveling—one of 30,000 people who arrive and depart on the crowded commuter trains. He enjoyed the eight-minute walk from the terminal to his office, and wouldn't think of taking a cab for that short distance. After he became president of General Electric there was no change in his scale of living or in his social outlook. He continued to see himself as just another fellow going to work in the morning, without special distinction—just with a few more jobs to do.

However, such an exalted post imposes a severe strain on any man's sense of restraint. Wilson could have joined New York's most exclusive clubs, bought a yacht, and blossomed forth as a self-propelled public figure. He did none of those things. Once he was recognized in a New York night club which he had visited for lunch, in company with a group of friends. He had been there only once before, but the head waiter bowed and said: "Do you wish your same table, Mr. Wilson?" This embarrassed him. "How do you like that?" he erupted. "It sounds as if I'm a regular customer. How did he happen to remember me?"

In his presidential office, Wilson lost no time settling down to the steady grind of decisions, conferences, and new projects. He tried to keep his time as productive as possible. He saw as many people as he could, trying to limit himself to a certain time to talk with them. Usually his self-discipline didn't work. It was not uncommon for a man who had a five-minute interview to so arouse Wilson's interest that he would be kept an hour, while the outer office filled with people waiting to see him.

Frequently the careful schedule for the day would be blown out the window when Wilson developed a sudden interest in something new. Shortly after taking office as president, in the midst of a very busy day, one of Wilson's helpers got a call from him . . . "come at once." Upon entering the office, he found the boss rummaging around in the bottom drawers of his desk, riffling through papers, looking completely baffled.

"It's gone!" he said. "I can't find it. What the Sam Hill did I do with that material I was collecting for Margaret's school paper? Did I give it to you?"

On his frequent trips he was the same Charlie Wilson so many General Electric people had always known. Sometimes he would telephone a plant manager from the railroad station, or the local airport:

"Bill, this is Charlie Wilson. I'm in town; can you see me if I drop out a moment? I should have written you, but I just came on anyhow."

Wilson always visualized his nation-wide force of employees in terms of the faces of his friends in the plants. He saw in each employee a friend whom he knew and understood. His solicitude for them as individuals explains much of his success, and some of his disappointments in labor matters. Thousands of General Electric employees don't realize the personal, "shopman's" angle from which Wilson approaches the problems of wages, benefits, and developing the pride of craftsmanship which distinguishes the General Electric worker.

Everywhere he went, old G-E employees crowded around him in the shops. "Hi, Charlie" . . . "Hello, Mr. Wilson. Remember me? I worked for you in Bridgeport." And Wilson did remember. He could remember what happened at their weddings, and when their boys fell out of apple trees and the later time they asked for days off to attend their sons' weddings.

His first year as president saw General Electric run up a 34 per cent lead on the previous year's sales. He was in good shape, and so was the Company, for the big fight that lay ahead. General Electric had not a dollar of bonded debt. It



had paid a dividend every year since 1899. Wilson was thinking of these things, of how matters stood, when he read the headlines in May, 1940, about the Germans breaking through at Sedan and streaking for the English channel. He picked up the telephone in his office. At the other end was Chester H. Lang, in Erie, attending a meeting of apparatus division sales managers.

"Chet," said Wilson, "unless I miss my guess, all hell's going to break loose. We will be in war work before you know it. I'm appointing a committee to bring the Company into readiness to go all out on government work. You're chairman."

He called it the Defense Projects Committee, to streamline General Electric and clear its decks for action. After Pearl Harbor it became the War Projects Committee and forged ahead without a break until after V-J Day. But from that moment when the Company committed itself to war work, until long after World War II was over, Charles Edward Wilson knew no more peace.

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Within a year after taking office, all of Wilson's early work in simplifying operations went overboard. But the blueprint for the big job was still there. The Army and Navy, as well as various European and Asiatic governments, practically mobilized General Electric. Washington looked to Schenectady scientists and engineers more and more for solutions to "insoluble" problems. This was especially true of those long-range development projects which called for special engineering and scientific skills which the Company had in such abundance. Wilson had foreseen this, and had taken steps. For example, he froze designs of radio receivers so that electronics engineers could be freed to work on war problems, such as the then secret radar. Civilian production slowed down, and after Pearl Harbor virtually stopped completely. Later there would be complete mobilization for such things as fire control, turbosuperchargers, jet propulsion, destroyer escorts, and bazookas.

At Erie, there was a huge celebration as the last refrigerator went down the assembly line. The plant workers addressed a monster letter to Hitler, saying, in the good old American way: "Oh, so you didn't think we'd fight, eh?"

Wilson and his staff men were everywhere, covering the country in great airborne bounds. The administrative job was tremendous. Demands for new devices came down on the Company like an avalanche. General Electric's production people advertised for, and signed up, thousands of subcontractors to make little parts, sub-assemblies, castings, and other portions of the astonishing electric implements of war.

To outsiders it looked as if Wilson was buried under the burden, but he appeared to thrive. Space was found, labor was recruited, contracts were accepted, and incredible and intricate devices started through development into production. Somehow, the huge organization was re-geared for a wartime task that far exceeded any peacetime effort it had ever known.

Frequently during his most crowded moments, Washington was on the phone. "The Navy wants———." "The Army's got to have———." "The aircraft program is bogged down because it lacks———." "The President wants to see you. Please come at once."

With a sigh, Wilson flew to Washington. En route, he admitted that, for a Republican, he was on fairly good terms with FDR. This was something Wilson couldn't see in terms of politics at all. From the moment of the first radio flash news from Pearl Harbor, he knew that the United States was involved in a serious emergency, perhaps the gravest crisis since the Civil War. He was prepared to do whatever he had to do.

Wilson found President Roosevelt in a serious mood. The demands of the armed forces were mounting every hour at a rate which seemed simply fantastic. The President had appointed Donald Nelson, of Sears Roebuck, as chairman of the new War Production Board. Nelson was a merchandiser, a man hardened in the competitive grind of national retail selling, and accustomed to thinking in millions. Roosevelt saw him as a good administrative head for the new Board, with Charles Edward Wilson doing the hard work of organizing and leading the wartime drive for Army, Navy, and Air Force production.

It seemed to Wilson, as he sat in the White House listening to FDR's persuasive voice, that he was being asked to take over an impossible job. Not at all, said FDR. The President regarded the War Production Board as a partnership; a team wherein Wilson was to run up the field with the production football while Nelson took out the tacklers and ran interference. Wilson's big initial advantage was the confidence reposed in him as a production man by the armed forces. Also, he brought with him that priceless gift for simplification, and penetration of almost any kind of a production problem. FDR laid it on the line without dramatics: it was Wilson's duty to accept. On that basis, he could hardly refuse.

In September, 1942, just after this White House conference, Wilson told the General Electric directors of his intention to accept Roosevelt's insistent plea. The directors agreed that badly as the Company needed him at that moment, the nation undoubtedly needed him more. They reluctantly accepted his resignation.

A Government Employee

Wilson immediately telephoned his wife in Scarsdale.

"Well," he sighed, "they accepted my resignation. It took me 43 years to become president of General Electric—and 43 seconds to get out of the job." It was as simple as that.

It took some time for him to adjust himself to the new state of affairs. His life since childhood had been the General Electric Company. He had never worked anywhere else, and had never wanted to. He had grown as the Company had grown.

To free himself completely from outside pressure, he voluntarily resigned from all connection with General Electric. He laid down his title of president, and his post as chairman of the Board and director of the General Electric Supply Corporation. His $175,000 income from salaries and bonuses vanished. In its place he became a Government employee at $8000 a year, a sum hardly enough to cover the expense of a small hotel apartment he occupied in Washington.

Travel mileage, plus the Government's ridiculous $7 a day living allowance, actually cost him many times that from his personal funds, and he was on the road continuously. Sometimes by direction, sometimes by custom, sometimes just because it seemed better that way, he picked up the check at numberless luncheons and dinners in Washington and elsewhere, which ate further into his capital. He had to maintain two residences, in Washington and at home. Serving the Government cost Wilson a large part of his savings, not considering his lost salary.

Senator Truman's investigating committee brought to light the most serious failures in gearing the industry of America to war. Wilson went to work on those problems first, trying to find out for example, why some aluminum extrusions took so long to fabricate and shape; why certain aircraft plants were chronically behind in their production quotas. He found out—and performance improved.

Everything he learned at General Electric about "rationalizing" production was just a beginning in this prodigious task. In addition, he had to gain the active co-operation of all the top men in both the armed services and industry. They had to trust him and follow his judgment. Admiral Robinson said: "Wilson was a better umpire than Bill Klem." General Somervell, General Arnold, Admiral Vickery, and Senator Truman sat with him day after day while they dug deeper and deeper. Jointly, they gradually unraveled the snarled situation.

Wilson successfully funneled critical materials into the channels where they were most needed. In early 1943 he rescued production quotas and began reaching out for bigger ones—more tanks, planes, aircraft, landing craft, escort vessels, and carriers. It was necessary to find materials to flow into the staggering Manhattan District project, later known as the Atom Bomb. He slept in the vibrating innards of big bombers, and grabbed sandwiches from the lunch counters of war plants. His name was becoming familiar to the people who worked in the plants, and to the millions who kept to their regular jobs and helped carry the war effort along. They read about him in the newspapers.

Split Functions

Later in 1943, the President split up the functions of the War Production Board. Out of this emerged the Production Executive Committee and the Aircraft Production Board. Wilson was chairman of both, and continued as executive vice chairman of the WPB.

Some weeks after D-Day the great question mark about the outcome of the war was settled. American production was so enormous that Europe was literally flooded with it. Official Washington suddenly realized that the war of making things was won; that victory was just a matter of time. Wilson decided to resign.

He wrote a long letter to the President recalling several prior occasions when he felt his emergency service was over and his resignation was justified. On each of those occasions the President had demurred, insisting that Wilson remain. By August 24, 1944, the date of Wilson's resignation, the issue was no longer in doubt.* He felt that the time had come for him to step out. What he accomplished, he left for others to judge.

He was applauded in editorials and hailed by commentators as one of the chief saviors of the nation. Out of this flurry of national gratitude came a movement for Wilson in the pre-convention phases of the Democratic national campaign of 1944. His name was mentioned as a possible candidate for Vice President. Wilson didn't think anybody was serious about it, and caused his name to be dropped when he found the party took it very seriously indeed. Wilson was still a staunch Republican, so he asked his friends to forget about the idea.

The nation joined the electrical industry in answering the question about what Wilson had accomplished during the war. He was awarded honorary degrees and medals of honor for achievement. He accepted few of these tributes, believing that he didn't justify any special attention. After a brief rest he came back to the General Electric Building on Lexington Avenue, in New York City, and made the rounds. He shook hands with his old friends and asked if they still remembered him. As if they could forget.

A Directors' meeting was in progress when he arrived. It turned out to be a testimonial session which, according to the minutes, "honored Mr. Wilson with expressions of great pride in the service which he had performed in the war effort of the nation."

Gerard Swope had been called out of retirement to return to the presidency, temporarily. Swope beamed up at Wilson, shook his hand, and graciously submitted his resignation at once. The Directors unanimously re-elected Wilson to all his old posts and titles. On that day, September 8, 1944, Wilson again became president of General Electric—in not much more time than the 43 seconds it took him to resign some two years previously.

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Before the War, General Electric had 34 plants with 29 million square feet of space. When Wilson came back, the Company had grown to 69 plants with 41 million square feet. Employment jumped from 76,000 to 170,000, and in addition there were probably an equal number of men and women dependent upon the Company through more than 2000 subcontractors.

More than $155 million in new plant construction had been started, and some of it finished. All of this new building was allotted to war work, and still there was not enough space.

The president of the General Electric Company sat in his plainly furnished office on the 45th floor of 570 Lexington Avenue and indulged in a bit of prognostication and recollection. His mind went back to the planned reconversion, the "blueprint for action." He tried to see the Company as it might be, five years hence. In his imagination he saw some of these new war plants bearing General Electric signs, while inside them, new products were born, developed, manufactured, and sold. In each of these new plants Wilson determined to incubate the germ of his reconversion plan—"integration"—the creation of a single product at a single point. There was also a tremendous amount of managerial integration to be accomplished.

Integration Starts

He lost no time. Integration, to him, meant the complete and harmonious co-ordination of the Company and its people, working together toward the common goal of better products in greater volume. It was the culmination of a campaign which began years before—long before Wilson took office. The vice presidents and the various committees had just gotten off to a fair start when the war came and turned everything topsy-turvy. The end of wartime production, then, must see the real beginning of peacetime, Company-wide integration.

Throughout the months just preceding the war a number of General Electric executives met occasionally at night, away from the plants, on their own time so that no criticism could be directed toward them for neglecting the burgeoning defense effort. Patiently they compiled surveys, analyzed products, made suggestions, and drafted the reports which were to guide General Electric through the reconversion labyrinth. They set forth what they would like to do if they had a free hand to locate manufacture at the points where common sense said it

*On August 24 the President wrote: "Dear Charlie: I have your letter tendering your resignation. You are correct in stating that originally I requested you to come to Washington to solve some of the problems connected with the aircraft and shipping programs. The wonderful record we have made in aircraft production and shipping construction is evidence of the splendid contribution you have made to the war effort. . . . With reluctance I accept your resignation. In doing so I wish to express my sincere appreciation of the patriotic service you have rendered at great personal sacrifice to yourself. At a critical time in our war effort your expert knowledge of mass production methods contributed to the success of vital programs that today are reflected in our successes on many battle fronts. Those who are charged with the direction of our armed forces have frequently expressed to me their appreciation of your intelligent co-operation. I am sure I speak for them and for the people generally when I say you have rendered outstanding service to your country. Sincerely yours, Franklin D. Roosevelt."



ought to go. So thorough was this technique, so directly did it concern the problems that all industry knew it must face up to after the war, that over 80 other companies sent representatives to Schenectady to meet with Wilson's "post-war planning committee"—laying the groundwork for what was later formally organized as the Committee for Economic Development.

Wilson took up these reports eagerly, and interlaced them with some later suggestions of his own. He watched the progress of these voluntary efforts with the greatest satisfaction. During the war he had developed, to an even higher degree, the true executive talent for delegation—a gift more priceless than rubies in a man who really understands the meaning of teamwork. He inspired committees, which in turn energized all their people to more "integrated" effort.

General Electric Team

This had the effect of "integrating" Wilson himself—into the General Electric planning team. That's really what it was. Research, engineering, plant location and layout problems, and a hundred kinds of riddles bobbed up in these meetings, and gradually were defined, charted, and filed away as projects.

The "General Electric team," as one executive described it, is apparent throughout the organization today. Its development can be traced easily to these prewar and postwar conferences, in which Wilson and the vice presidents, plant managers, sales and administrative executives, and everyone else who had a voice in the problem gathered about the table and aired their views. The final decision about plant locations and functions, of course, lay in Wilson's hands. But he did not speak until he was satisfied that everyone had had his say.

With him, the planners worked out a new concept of how to build electric products and put them together. The products were grouped into departments, each with a vice president who became, in effect, the operating president of an autonomous enterprise. Under him, plant managers and sales executives and directors of engineering worked closely with each other to build the department into a smooth-running operation, directed at various customer markets—since the objective was to sell more goods, not just to make them.

Company-wise, committees of several plant managers and executives were set up to consider the bigger problems. In every city where the Company operated a plant, local authorities were called in for consultation. General Electric had the expanded facilities and the increased personnel; now the rapid progress of the integration plan helped to put these to work effectively in postwar production. As a result, there began to appear a new postwar line of refrigerators, home freezers, radio-phonograph combinations, and pretty soon television receivers.

One of Wilson's constant goals was the employment of every possible wartime G-E worker in postwar civilian production. Immediately after the war, at Schenectady and at Lynn, Pittsfield, Erie, Philadelphia, Fort Wayne, and other major plants, the great shops set to work building the generators which America needed to replace outworn equipment, some of it 35 years old. Diesel-electric locomotives appeared at Erie, to give the nation more brand-new streamliners and retire the war-weary steam "teakettles."

In each of the cities which built these new products, Company policy tied in with community policy. Every department of General Electric, furthermore, had its own "bureau of standards" to check the quality of materials that went into its product. Each had its own development laboratory and its own sales and promotion sections. And each department became an individual entity, proud of its people and what they had accomplished.

Finally, some time during 1946, Wilson realized that he was tired. The reconversion job was far enough along so that he didn't need to watch it every day. He thought about taking a rest. He flew to Florida and went fishing off the keys with his friend Gene Lowe, skipper of a Miami cruiser. He appeared at a few dinners given him by professional and business groups where he revealed, on one occasion, that General Electric plants had multiplied from 34 to 112.

"They make everything from electric blankets to turbines," he stated. "We have a wonderful opportunity for bettering employee and community relations. We intend to get one foot in the door of every community where we do business, and aggressively seek understanding and support for the American enterprise system."

He became preoccupied with the dizzy inflation spiral and the wartime curbs which Washington still clamped tight on business and people in general. But more of his speaking time, after the war, was devoted to forthright pleas for common, basic human rights. At every opportunity he came back to the fundamental theme of tolerance, of equality of opportunity, of belief in an expanding economy, of the right of a man to make his own way in the world without governmental interference, and above all, he pleaded for real national unity, without bitterness and hostility.

Government Boards

If Wilson thought that his service to the nation was finished when he resigned from the War Production Board, President Truman hastened to correct that impression. At Truman's insistence, Wilson accepted appointment to the National Security Resources Board. That, he felt, was something he ought to have a hand in. Shortly thereafter, in 1947, Truman also appointed him to the National Labor-Management Panel, to help Cyrus W. Ching bring some sort of order into the chaos of labor-management relations.

"What goes on here?" demanded Wilson, in effect. It seemed to him that a precedent was being established. He appeared at a dinner of the Protestant Fund of New York with a comment on Truman's habit of appointing businessmen to Government boards. "The Electrical Workers' Union," he said, "might feel that Charlie Wilson ought to stay home and tend to the interests of his employees instead of running around trying to solve the world's problems. And I suppose certain stockholders of the General Electric Company feel that officers of the Company are not elected primarily to serve long weeks and months on Presidential committees. Finally, our Company

has customers, as you know. Satisfied customers rarely say anything, but dissatisfied customers seem to be sitting on a corner of your desk, or even perched on your shoulders, making a frightful racket for all the world to hear."

President Truman read Wilson's comment in the newspapers. He digested this protest for a while, and then characteristically added Wilson's name to another commission set up to study Universal Military Training. Before Wilson could reply to that, Truman followed through with an appointment connected with one of the most controversial issues of his first term in the White House—the chairmanship of the Civil Rights Committee.

Spare-time Statesman

News of this appointment again brought Wilson into the headlines. "Spare-time Statesman," *Collier's* called him. "Wilson has a bigger hand in the government of the United States than many senators and cabinet officers."

"We have customers in the southern states," Wilson replied. "This had made some of them violently unhappy; some took the position that I was personally responsible, and some are not too subtle in drawing a direct line between their unhappiness and their future relations with the General Electric Company."

Charlie Wilson tried in vain to get Truman to appoint someone else. "I'm not an expert on anything," he pleaded, "I don't claim to know any answers." But pressure from persons and groups who felt that he alone *could* come up with some answers changed his mind. He spent countless hours trying to rationalize his position on the whole subject of being a businessman in government. When he decided what to do, his answer was characteristically penetrating and to the point.

"There was a time," he said, "when managerial attention was concentrated almost entirely on making goods and selling them—on prices and wages, manufacturing techniques and selling techniques. Today we cannot give our whole attention to these things, any more than today's stockholder has a right to confine his interest to a regular dividend check, or an employee to keep one eye on the time clock and the other on his pay envelope. Industry is neck-deep in the sociological implications of its maturity.

"Look at it this way," he went on. "Managers are trustees for employees, investors, and the public. The morals and motives of business are on trial. It has been said that the whole enterprise system is on trial. Maybe so; it has always been so and it has never shrunk from trial. It doesn't seem to me that any businessman has the right to refuse an invitation from the Chief Executive, or from Congress, for that matter, to serve to the best of his ability."

Civil Rights

He accepted the chairmanship of the Civil Rights Committee and helped draft its report. He didn't take any position in the controversy surrounding the issue. He merely asked people to read the report, which defined the problem and outlined some proposed legislation. "I think," he remarked, "that if people would read the report, more good would be accomplished than if the program were legislated."

All these activities were carried on in what Wilson laughingly refers to as his "spare time." If he were booked for an important address somewhere in the East, he found a few hours during the trip to stop off in Washington and continue his committee work. Thanks to the speed of the Company's plane, which ferried him from one appointment to another, he often saved a day in travel time which he could devote to this purpose. In that way, he still continues to carry on a certain amount of "spare-time statesmanship."

Wilson is piqued at first, then amused, whenever commentators call him an "industrial statesman." That's because he feels the real need of the country is to grow up to industrial citizenship, with every citizen assuming his share of the responsibility for American economic leadership. He comments: "I'm as close to being the average person as could be imagined. I'm just a fellow who has watched a lot of others fail to get what they want in life because they wouldn't work hard enough to get it. Believe me," he declares, "there isn't any golden chariot to get you there."

After 50 years in General Electric and its predecessors, Wilson finds a little time, occasionally, to philosophize about the glowing opportunities still present in this wonderful land, and the manifold ways in which an energetic person can raise himself to success. Daily, instances occur which reveal that in the midst of national and industrial troubles, Wilson still keeps his mind pretty firmly concentrated on human beings, human problems, and a human perspective. Associates see him becoming more and more genial.

The other day a brand-new mail girl entered an elevator in New York headquarters with a load of office mail. She saw a big man in an unbuttoned double-breasted coat standing there, and innocently asked him if he were getting off at the 45th floor.

"Yes," said Wilson.

"Well, would you mind carrying this mail in there?"

"Not at all." And Wilson appeared before his office staff weighed down with bundles.

In England

In the character of Mr. Average American Business Man he visited England in the spring of 1949, for the first time. In a single week—all he could spare—he inspected factories and saw members of his foreign organization. He also saw the plays at the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre; he window-shopped along Oxford and Bond Streets, and it was his idea of a good rest. When he returned he found that somebody had sent him a clipping about the "Billion-Dollar Club"—a list of 56 American firms with assets of over a billion dollars each. The writer hinted that if all these assets were liquidated at full value the resulting money would pay half of the national debt.

"It's time to stand up and fight!" Wilson declared. "This is the opening gun in a war to nationalize U.S. industry. Meet this attack with action!"

About that time Geoffrey Crowther wrote in the *London Economist* a prediction that in 20 years American socialism would surpass in severity that of the British. Said Wilson: "We're going to make a poor prophet out of him!"

Suiting the action to the word, Wilson set forth on a crusade again. He's championing the bright field of American opportunity, to stockholders, employees, citizens' committees, church groups, and boards of industrialists—and an occasional taxi driver. He knows, by now, that under whatever name it might be known, or whatever the commentators choose to call it, some kind of industrial citizenship is sorely needed. He feels that he is one of the men who ought to work at it.

Inside General Electric there seems to be a feeling that all is well. Judging by the sentiment throughout the 112 plants of the great organization, Wilson's newest campaign brings him closer to his people than ever before. They're proud of him. "He's our kind of guy," they say. On his fiftieth anniversary in General Electric, Wilson finds words like these the pleasantest honor he has ever received.



Colonel Chester Lichtenberg: Saturday, Aug. 27, marked the birthday of our friend, Colonel Chester Lichtenberg, and we wish to add our congratulations on the attainment of this decisive year. This date also is the start of a new era in his life. I will not say an era of reereation and relaxation (knowing him as we do we are quite sure this is not true) so we will say—his energies will be directed in a different channel. During the past two weeks there have been many groups who have feted Mr. Liehtenberg. Wednesday of last week, members of his organization together with all of the supervisors who worked with him during the war, when Mr. Liehtenberg served as Administrator of Product Quality, gathered in Bldg. 8-2. R. J. Hoffman presented him with a scrap book of written testimonials from eaeh of his present and former supervisors. J. J. Welch of Decatur presented him with a power lawn mower, as a gift from the group. (They were taking every precaution that he could well occupy his leisure time.) Friday, the Personnel Girls with Hazel McDougall and Edna Neiber entertained with a very nieely appointed luncheon. They presented him with a memory book that will be a treasure to him. Tuesday, the management entertained with a luncheon is honor. Reminiseing with some the boys who have worked with Mr. Lichtenberg during his war and postwar years with the Company, heard many expressions of loyalty and sincerity which can be summarized briefly: Speaking of the war years: "Those were trying times for us all, but it was made easier by having Mr. Lichtenberg as our guiding spirit. His unimpeachable policies and constant surveillance of our work kept us on the straight and narrow path of high quality and perfect understanding. His fertile mind, his keen observation, his accurate diagnosis and fair decisions kept us forging ahead. His intimate knowledge of the organization and routines of the armed forces was one of outstanding help to us. His personal interest in those working for him and his readiness to help them will ever be remembered by those closely associated with him." Colonel, I am sorry my editorial ability is so limited. There are many things that eould be said, all of which I shall try to embody in our sincere wishes for a long, happy and prosperous life ahead and may your new avocation be as enjoyable as your vocation. . . . Last Wednesday we were very happy to see J. W. Crise, who was calling on friends in Bldg. 18. He is very happy over his home in Florida and will soon return for the winter months after a visit with their son in New Jersey. . . . E. F. Waldschmidt returned Monday from a vacation in Michigan. . . . The weatherman smiled, the doubleheader was a thriller and the bus ride was something on Sunday, when 20 some members of the Works Service Production group traveled to Chieago. From all of the reports they must have had a good time. . . . We extend a welcome to Richard C. Sebold who has joined Mr. Matson's staff and will keep the statistical records up to the minute. . . . William Spahr, Bldg. 18-1, and family are moving this week into their new home in Anthony Wayne Village. . . . We still miss seeing Veda Orff and do hope that she will soon be able to return. . . . Nila Hanson, Bldg. 18-1, and husband will spend the Labor Day vacation in Wisconsin (hope the new Buick will survive the gas shortage in the Chicago area.) . . . Opal Burns, Payroll, will be on hand at the state fair over the holiday week-end. . . . Word received from Hazel Meyers, Bldg. 18-1, that she is still ill in South Bend at the home of her brother. . . . Suggestion: Let's start a "G-E Write Your Congressman Club." They seem to need guidance from not a few of us but from ALL of the people. Even a postal card stating your views will not only help him in his decisions, but will at least give YOU the satisfaetion of knowing that you tried to do something about this "mad money spending." . . . We are sorry to learn that the 4-year-old nephew of Dorothy Long, Bldg. 18-4, is in the Lutheran Hospital with polio. . . . Al Tharp's family keeps growing. He acquired a new daughter over the week-end, his son Donald being married to Willa Smith. They will reside at West Lafayette, as Donald has one year at Purdue. . . . Flossie Chapman's father is a patient at the Lutheran Hospital recuperating from surgery. Best of luck to your dad, Flossie. . . . Would you like a holiday suggestion? Why not go to Chicago for the Railroad Fair. If you have children—the fair will help them in their school work—besides it is always fun to go to Chicago. So—happy holiday to YOU and our adieu to Colonel Lichtenberg.

The 25 minutes it takes to cover a roll eall of the U. S. House of Representatives is cut sharply when there's a double-header in town.

Serves Company 30 Years



Vera M. Fetro, Bldg. 4-3, eompleted 30 years' service with the Company Thursday, Aug. 25. A number of her friends gathered to congratulate her on the anniversary. Left to right are: O. J. Mettler, FHP Div. 1 Supt.; M. G. Pugh, Assistant Supervisor of FHP Test and Inspection; T. F. Bain, FHP Div. 1 Supervisor of Test and Inspection; Vera Fetro, Anna Ruth Clements; W. H. Sunier, Supervisor, FHP Test and Inspection; Mae Heit, and Ruth Tutwiler.

Harry Meads Graduates From Apprentice School



H. D. Meads

Harry D. Meads is a recent graduate of the Apprentice School. He completed the Machinist-Toolmaker course Aug. 19.

A 1941 graduate of Central high school, Mr. Meads entered the Apprentice Sehool in April, 1942. In February, 1943, he left to enter cadet training in the Air Corps, receiving his eommission as a Second Lieutenant in June of the next year. He then continued his training as a pilot in the bombardier and pathfinder group. Mr. Meads was advanced to First Lieutenant in the spring of 1946 and went overseas to the South Pacific.

He returned to the States and received his discharge in April, 1947. The next month he re-entered the Apprentiee School to eontinue his training.

Sleuthing IN BLDG. 4-6

By Gil Baker and Walt Gerke

BRING 'EM BACK DEAD OR ALIVE — Monday morning Wier Anderson reached in his drawer for a package of gum he bought last Friday. To his dismay the package had already been opened. Not by him but by a four-legged creature. Then and there Wier made up his mind to catch him. Wier went over to Joe Gardt and acquired his mouse trap. Then he happened to think he needed bait. He hunted around but couldn't find any. Then it came to him—if they liked the gum once they might like it again. So he tied half a stick of gum on the tray and set it in his drawer. The bell rang and everybody went home. The next morning when Wier opened his desk drawer, to his surprise he had caught the mouse. This shows it doesn't take cheese to bait a trap. . . . ANNOUNCEMENT—Carl Leitch has announced that he and his Rhythmaires are going to play for a dance at Cromwell, Ind., in their Labor Day Homeeoming celebration. . . . ONE MORE YEAR—Happy birthday to Ray Jones today; also to Margaret Taylor of the DC Division. To Wilma Kirby, AC Division, who will have a birthday next Wednesday, September 7, and to Millie Blievernieht of Payroll Division. . . . PROUD PAPPY—Congratulations to Woody Thompson, who beeame the proud father of a bouncing baby boy. They selected the name of Martin Davis. Dorothy Gebhart, formerly of the Renewal Parts Sales Division, also was welcomed with a wee bundle of joy called Riehard Paul. . . . LATE RETURNS—Ruth Gumpper has returned from California. She says she had a wonderful time. . . . TRUE OR FALSE? It is said "Dog is Man's Best Friend", but ask Betty French how true this is. . . . LUNCHEON — Mary Leiteh was honored at a dinner in the Works Restaurant Tuesday for her recent marriage. . . . JITTERS—Joan Poos is really getting nervous about her wedding. After returning from the grocery store, she put a bottle of milk in the cabinet and the box of cereal in the refrigerator. . . . DEPARTURE — George Knackstedt left us Friday for the Chieago offiee. Best of luek, George. . . . VISITORS—Ruth Kramer, former Engineering Assistant of the Aircraft Division, visited us Friday. Ruth has her senior year left in the medical eollege at the University of Illinois. . . . Rosemary Pond, former employee of Bldg. 4-6, also visited the office last week. Rosemary is headed for Dallas, Texas, where she is accepting a eonsuling position on the faeulty of a college there.



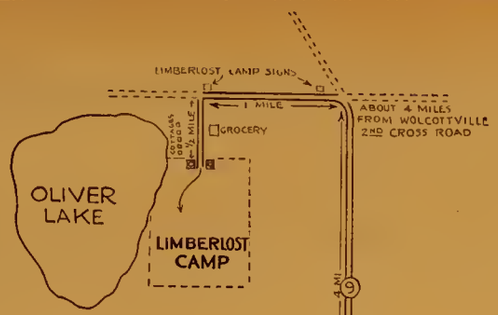
The Kaiser sisters, Alma and Frieda, returned this week from their vaeation trip to the Black Hills and Bad Lands of South Dakota. They state that the mountain seenes were beautiful and the Bad Lands almost indescribable. Some of the roek formations resemble cities with palaces and towers. Some of the outstanding sights were Mount Rushmore and its presidents, buffalo and antelope in their natural habitat, a trip through a gold mine, where a ton of ore produees 4/10 of an ounce of gold, reptile gardens with snakes from day-old rattlers to immense pythons. We are all happy that they had sueh an enjoyable vaeation. . . . The Donald Waldrop family vacationed at Twin Lakes, Mieh. As dinner was coming to a close at 3 p.m. on the first day, Mrs. Waldrop commented that Don and Don, Jr., could go fishing while she had to do dishes before she could fish. Don, Sr., suggested to Don, Jr., that this was mother's vacation also, and it would be niee if the men would wash the dishes, then mother eould go fishing sooner. This proeedure was followed, after whieh the father and son went fishing. After about 10 minutes at the favorite fishing grounds, Don, Sr., hooked a large fish. On being landed, the fish proved to be a 33-inch northern pike. Don Junior's comment was something like this, "I just know, daddy, that washing the dishes for mother brought us good luek. Can't we do it each day before we go fishing?" . . . We are happy to report that our golf league has grown to three foursomes. New members are Bill Mills, Courtland Anderberg, Jaek Lea (no relation to the southern general) and Orville Langohr. Bill Mills and Carl Hanson tied for first plaee with Howdy Shipman taking third money. We are interested in a name for the league. Anyone with a suggestion, please give same to your Division Editor. . . . Norbert Sordelet has recently been painting his house. Norb, being one of these individuals who has trouble standing on a high ladder, improvised an extension for his paint brush by fastening a fish pole to the handle. We understand his brother-in-law came to his rescue and painted the high points. . . . Norma Smith has been having trouble keeping her dog home at night. We all wonder if Bootsy is mad at mama.



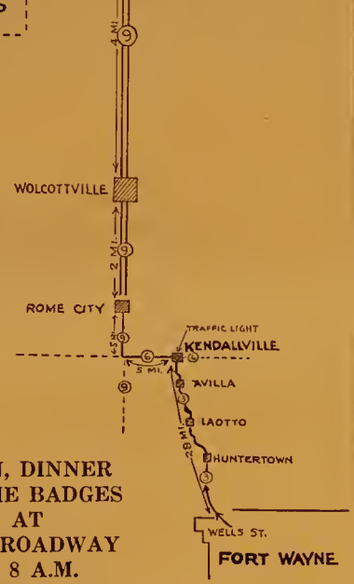
This week-end, Labor Day, marks the close of summer activities. The kiddies will be on their way to school again. The highways will be jammed with folks taking advantage of the holiday, so take it easy. Remember the slogan, "The life you save may be your own." . . . Speaking of accidents, we were sorry to hear that Esther Fox was in an auto accident last Friday. . . . Several from our floor attended Pauline Hartman's wedding. She was a former co-worker. . . . We bid goodby to Ralph Armey. He has gone to Taylor St. . . . Virginia is back with us. . . . Gertrude Martin is on line 562 coming from Bldg. 2-2, and Lilly Schock came from nights. Hope you like us. . . . Willo Dean Hall and Audrey Coulardot have taken a leave of absence. . . . Lorena Buuck had a party at her home. . . . If Jack Dennis reads this, we want him to know that there IS a bridge at Poe. . . . We hear that Kate Weigle is saving her dimes. When the pedestrian law goes into effect, she knows that she will jaywalk. . . . Margie Drake is back after being ill with the flu. . . . Luella Stabler also picked up the flu bug, and we hope she is back by the time this goes to press. . . . Nettie Huhn couldn't figure out why the noon whistle was blowing. She was so absorbed in her work that she thought it was only 11 o'clock. . . . Ella Arn was busy too. She couldn't read her postcard. . . . Getting up in the mornings must be bad for Evelyn Krueger. The other morning she bought street car checks. She used one, but still doesn't know what happened to the others. . . . Happy birthday to Julia Heuer, Geraldine Crabill and Irene Blank. . . . Marie Bowers visited us last week. . . . We hear that Edith Beaty, Doris Ryan and Floetta Zartman are going up to Michigan to learn how to dance Indian style. Watch out for the war whoops now. . . . We also heard that Harold Kiel has disposed of his fertilizer plant. I suppose that would be a non-profitable business with winter heading in our direction. . . . Dorothy Johnson spent last week-end in Indianapolis. . . . Ivah Grandstaff learned her safety lesson while on vacation. She used an electric hot plate out in the yard to heat water for scalding a chicken. Water had spilled on the ground and burners. When she put the chicken in the kettle, she couldn't remove it or get her hands off the chicken. When she did she was really frightened. A good safety lesson. We are glad it wasn't serious. . . . One evening when Luella Mason went home from work, she found her husband had gone to the Railroad Fair in Chicago. He knew she wouldn't go anyway, so he didn't ask her. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Mary Foster in her bother-in-law's death.



35th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION







TRANSPORTATION, DINNER TICKETS AND NAME BADGES AVAILABLE AT MAIN GATE ON BROADWAY SATURDAY AT 8 A.M.

A large tent has been acquired in case of bad weather.



In our midst we have Herman the new character in the "Tillie the Toiler" comic strip. What a physique, according to the photograph! Bob Owens has a picture of him in trunks holding one of his prize catches he was lucky in pulling in during his fishing vacation. . . . Another classification of the meanest man: We just can't get over how a man can get such a kick out of laughing how he got by without treating since his birthday happened during vacation. Fork over the sweets, Chet. . . . While Joe Weber was vacationing in Chicago, he bought a bad meal. After missing several days work he recovered from the effects. . . . Another carpenter, Buck Johnson worked on his homestead improving it during his two weeks' vacation. . . . Erman Johnson, we hope your little girl's arm heals soon after her fall from the swing. . . . This man doesn't realize how lucky he is. Osterman claims he has no troubles. . . . Our sincere sympathy to the Bird family upon the death of John J. P. Bird, who was an employee until recently. . . . Several people have returned from sick leave, among them are Dwight Kimble of the tool room, Merrill Weaver, and Rita Herndon. Good to see you folks back. . . . Have you heard? Henry Krueckeberg finally got that new Pontiac after all these months of waiting, worrying, and talking. Henry, do you think it was worth it? Now, let's see you drive it to work so we can get a good look at it. . . . Our sympathy goes to Ralph Roop of the tool room upon the death of his grandchild. . . . Fred Busse has added six gray hairs to his few remaining. Reason—Duffy Heller returned from vacation with a black eye. Duffy tells Fred he got hit with a ball—b-u-t other sources claim he got "belted" by another cottage guest. . . . Dave Embler has also joined the "New Car Club" and is driving a Kaiser. . . . GeCode Club Girls, don't forget the big Conference which will be held at Oliver Lake Sept. 17 and 18. If you want to know your GeCode Club or have some new ideas the Conference is the place to go. . . . The newly elected officers for 1949-50 for the GeCode Club are President, Mary Fennig; Vice President, Norma Bower; Secretary, Dorothy Schumm. . . . Another holiday is coming up so let's remember to put "safety" first. . . . The bowling season is rapidly approaching. The G-E alleys are in tip-top shape and preliminary interest indicates that the G-E Club alleys will be filled every evening. Bowling will be at the usual price of 25 cents per line.



Before it slips our mind again, we want you to know that Elaine Allen is our Co-Division Editor. Elaine does most of the writing for our Insulation Division and doing one swell job. We understand she had a wisdom tooth pulled last week, but we also know that this will not have any affect in her writing of the news. Keep up the good work, Elaine. We want you to know we appreciate it. . . . Cleo Crowe is the slick one. After pleading with Vaughn Sheets and Virgil Nash to help him put in his cement driveway and they are good enough to do it, Cleo really gives them the works. When it came to the finishing and you had to get down on your knees, Cleo claimed he got a stitch in his back and it gave out. Who did the finishing? You guess. They say there's one born every minute. . . . Know of a good way to keep flies out of one's hair? If so, please let Orval Doherty know. He's tried bug bombs, fly swatters, shooting at them with rubber bands, then finally wore a dust cap, but none of these seem to have any effect on the flies. They seem to find Orval's hair as attractive as ever. Do you suppose it's the hair tonic he uses? . . . Belated birthday greetings to Charley Brubaker. . . . Guy Oberlin is on his vacation this week. No doubt he will spend most of it in the garage getting repairs on that old rattle trap of his. . . . Quarter Century members don't forget your picnic at Oliver Lake Sept. 10. We know you will have a good time and meet many old friends again. . . . Everyone can have a good time Labor Day, that is if you drive and practice safety-first. Please do this won't you? . . . Have you noticed Carl Hankel's new engineer's cap. All he needs now is a big Diesel.

Insulation News

Earl Gebert has returned from his trip to Norfolk, Va., with reports of a very fine trip. Mr. and Mrs. Gebert visited their son, Donald, who is with the U. S. Navy. . . . Josephine Balsamo has learned never to share a secret with another woman. The other day she very secretly went up to Dorothy Baumgartner and confided that she had hidden an eraser belonging to Bob Martin. "Don't tell Bob," said Jo to Dot. "Why should I?" said Dot to Jo. "It's my eraser." Jo just walked away, slowly turning the prettiest shade of pink. . . . If there is such a thing as "after summer fever," we think that Dorothy Lebrecht has it. Either that or she is still dreaming of that wonderful vacation. It must be known as that back to work after vacation look. One consolation, Dot, is that you certainly aren't the only one with that lackadaisical look. . . . We hope that Ray Fisher is having a good "second vacation." We'll be looking forward to hearing all about it, Ray.

Bass, Carp, Or Sucker?



What do you say it is? "Fatty" Morris says that it's a BASS. Boy those CARP really get away with murder. They tell us "Fatty" is also a SUCKER when it comes to rowing a boat for his fishing friends. He always seems to get that middle seat.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Tuesday Noon, September 6, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Parker 51 pen and pencil set. Green in color with stainless steel (silver) caps.

FOUND—Top part of a Wearever fountain pen. Found by candy counter in Bldg. 18-B.

FOUND—Red Eversharp pencil. Found in yard by Bldg. 8.

FOR SALE

HOT AIR FURNACE—With pipes and 200 cu. ft. Marshall blower and ¼ hp motor. A-68274.

16 IN. TRICYCLE—Excellent condition, ball bearings and chrome handle bars, $8. A-65133.

FRIGIDAIRE REFRIGERATOR—6 cu. ft., runs good, $75; also hair drier, professional model. H-8496 or 4625 Avondale.

MUSKRAT COAT—Hollander mink-dyed, purchased here for $300, make offer. A-65941.

BOWLING BALL—And bag, 15 lbs., one year old, $15. A-39267.

SIX-ROOM HOUSE — Southwood park section, one block to car line, hardwood throughout, carpeting, copper plumbing, new hot water heater. H-46684.

GIRLS' DRESSES—Size 6x, good condition, reasonable. E-37682.

LADIES' COATS — Green fur-trimmed and brown sport, size 10, very good condition, reasonable. H-15723 ofter 6 p.m.

THREE-PIECE COATS—Sizes 12, 16, 20, good condition. A-3724.

1939 BUICK EIGHT—Attractive, black, with good tires, radio, heater and rebuilt engine, priced to sell. 4023 Webster or H-75805.

FOR RENT

ROOMS—For couples or singles, close to Broadway G-E, breakfast if desired. A-97213.

FURNISHED APARTMENT — Three rooms and bath. A-36455.

MISCELLANEOUS

HAULING DONE—Dirt, sand, gravel, cinders, crushed stone. H-78313.

WANTED

YOUNG GIRL TO SHARE APARTMENT—Three rooms, bath, downstairs, private entrance, near General Electric. E-32603 after 6 p.m.

120 BASS ACCORDION—H-50672.

Personnel-ities

by VEORA HABIG

If you hear an unusual little noise don't be too startled. It is probably none other than George Waldschmidt who is rapidly becoming known as "Cricket." That nickname seems to describe him rather accurately, don't you think? . . . Bill Allen was noticed yawning quite frequently but he had a very good excuse. They are remodeling their home which necessitated the tearing down of a chimney. Bill was awakened by Mrs. Allen's screams early one morning. He quickly turned on the lights and found a bat in the room. After quite a battle, Bill climbed back into bed and was soon fast asleep. In a short time he was awakened by a sharp shriek. He jumped out of bed and found another bat had entered the room. When he was able to return to bed he was exhausted. It wasn't too long until the familiar ring of the alarm clock reminded him that it was time to rise and shine. Bill says he understands the expression "bats in the belfry." . . . This one is too good to keep. I was looking through the "S" file of MBA members and just happened to notice that Ruth Shull's card was missing. I asked Ruth if she was a member. When she answered in the affirmative, I told her that her card was not in the file. Was her face red when she discovered that her own card was misfiled. Don't worry, Ruth, we all make mistakes. . . . While Herschel and his sons were on vacation, they were traveling along the highway as fast as his '37 Buick could travel (safely, of course) when a new car passed him with ease. The occupants shouted, "What will you take for it, Bud?" I guess they didn't wait to hear his answer and from all reports we wouldn't be permitted to print it. . . . Ivan Rinehart stopped by the office to inquire if we knew the Employees' Store had some real bargains in coffee makers. Sounds like they are worth investigating. . . . Our former co-worker, Gene Moss, is now in New York studying music. We wish her much happiness and success in her new life. . . . Hope you all enjoy the Labor Day week-end. Did you ever stop to think "Few things come to him who wishes; All things come to him who works."

Motor and Generator Static



Thought for the Week: "A parrot is known to be quite a talker, but a poor flyer."

ODDS AND ENDS: What some people don't know about driving would fill a hospital. . . . Drive carefully: it's better to have grass under your feet than over your head. . . . All play and no work makes Jack scarce. . . . Miser: person who lets the rest of the world go buy. . . . News is just a little scarce in Motor and Generator, but don't give up as we still have Art Druce, Frank (Twinkle Eyes) Rathert, Joe Neal, Pappy (Eagle Eye) Archbold and a host of others.

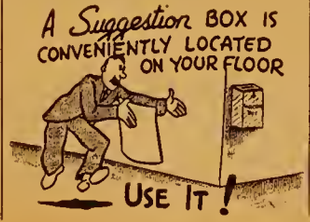
Ramblings, 31-2

Business is on the "up-beat." Two of our engineers, Claude Penn, and Ray Atkinson traded in their old model cars for late models. Bill Purman bought a '48 Studebaker and now has three cars. Bill has a 1940 Studebaker, a 1948, and a 1950 "model" (small model, that is). . . . We are very glad to see "Chick" Waltemath working again in the drafting room. Chick has been off work many months because of illness. . . . Sam Stilwell recovered from his operation and came back to put in a couple more weeks of service before retiring. Sam has worked for G-E for 32 years and started his retirement Sept. 1. Today or any day he may be found working in his flower garden. We certainly will miss the beautiful bouquets of daffodils next spring. When deer season opens, Sam plans to take a house trailer to Michigan. He likes to hunt with bow and arrow, at which he is an expert. . . . We had a charming visitor from California this week. None other than Mildred (Van Hoozen) Bieberstein who used to work in the service bureau. Mildred and her husband and baby boy, Jerry, are visiting relatives here. They plan to buy a car and drive back West. . . . Elgy Ginder has been telling about all the fish he caught while vacationing in Minnesota. The report is that he pulled in one fish right after another and caught the limit. The best of the tale (or should we say the worst) is that the fish bit on a tiny piece of red rag. Gosh, those fish must be hard up for something to eat. Indiana feeds their fish too well.

TOOL BITS — BLDGS. 19-4-5

by Harry Travelbee

Warning to all farmers around Albion and Wolf Lake: Joe Mettler, Carl Moser, and their sons are going camping in that vicinity this week-end. Joe says he refuses any responsibility for cut fences or dead cows. . . . Cary Baker was passing out cigars recently, celebrating the marriage of his daughter, but as far as I could determine, Carl Einsiedel was the only receiver of the free stogies around here. . . . Frank Druhot claims you shouldn't laugh at someone for being absent-minded and wearing house slippers to work instead of shoes. It might happen to you. . . . Glen Ramsey tells me to never let Elmer Sauerwien have your key ring to unlock your tool box. You might get out in the parking lot after work and be without an ignition key or be home without a door key. . . . The fellows of the Tool Division recently voted Mart Walsh the most safety-minded person. . . . Ray Mutton and his family have just returned from a 10-day motor trip to Salt Lake City, Yellowstone Park and back through Denver. Ray was deeply impressed by the beautiful Mormon Temple at Salt Lake City—especially the giant pipe organ and the master workmanship in the construction of the temple. . . . Ed Kaiser had better eat a lot of spinach this week 'cause we hear that he is going to give his daughter away in marriage Sunday. . . . Don Alcott has a new pickle ready for market just as soon as it is out of the experimental stages. 'Tis a cedar flavored (hard cedar) dill. . . . "When it rains it pours" for you see Bill Wedler had just washed his car and then changed his clothes to go to a party. When he and his wife started to the car, they noticed a flat tire. Bill dashed into the house — changed his clothes — changed the tire — changed his clothes. After the party, again the car wouldn't start, this time a dead battery, so he had to push the car. Bill stopped on the way home to pick up the tire at the filling station, but the attendant had given Bill's tire and wheel to someone else and when he did receive it, instead of matching his car, the wheel was a fire engine red. That happened on Thursday. Friday, Bill was called home to fix the roof, the plumbing, and a few other emergency jobs. WOW!



P's and Q's of 17-1

by Joe Kramer

Ed Brosche left Florida in such a hurry that he created quite a vacuum. It is rumored that this was the cause of the recent high winds they have been experiencing in the sunny state. . . . We were glad to see Bill Hanley when he paid us a visit last week. Bill was looking good but said that loafing isn't all it is cracked up to be and he will be glad to get back to work. . . . Believing that preparedness is a best motto, Clarence Doctor wasn't taking any chances on losing his pants. Doc had on a belt and also some bright red suspenders. Due to the shortness of the suspenders, it was necessary to lengthen them. Doc's ingenuity paid off when he used tag wire as means of fastening the suspenders to the buttons. . . . The pictures Harry Kessler brought in of some fish he caught while vacationing in Wisconsin looked very familiar. In fact, it is quite possible they might have come from Fuller's Fish Market. . . . Frank Martin, partner of George Mosshammer, spent his vacation learning the cement trade. Frank put a new cement dock in at his lake cottage. The only thing that caused a mishap was the cement mixer falling over into the lake. . . . If Red Braden could have seen the old timer's game last Thursday night, he might have taken a different team to Wichita for the semi-pro championship battle. The first baseman playing for the G-E was none other than our own Bill Franke. Bill made a couple of good catches on some throws from Joe Henry who was playing third base. Bill got a well-placed hit that should have gone past the shortstop, but one of those odd bounces put it right to the shortstop's hands. Due to the slippery conditions between home base and first, Bill assumed a perpendicular position half way to first base. All in all, everyone had a good time and we bet the majority of the players had some mighty sore muscles Friday morning. . . . Bill Walt, foreman in the plating section who generally waits until the girls bring the payroll checks to him, decided to pick them up himself the second Wednesday after vacation. It seems everyone but Bill knew that checks would not be distributed that day. Of course, maybe Bill is playing too much euchre during the noon hour and that is what caused this momentary lapse.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT DO YOU ENJOY MOST ABOUT THE QUARTER CENTURY CLUB OUTINGS?



HILDA WALDA

Bldg. 4-2

"I enjoy meeting old acquaintances at the outing most of all."



J. F. FORMANEK

Bldg. 31-2

"Meeting old friends, especially those who have retired. Of course, that swell chicken dinner and that delightful Limberlost Camp help to make this outing a very enjoyable occasion."



BESSIE CHAPMAN

Bldg. 26-4

"I like the meeting of old friends. I also enjoy the ride down to the lake and the dinner."



LOUIS D. HOPPER

Bldg. 10-1

"Last year I attended the Quarter Century Club picnic and enjoyed the dinner and the sociality of the people."



DEWEY ERNE

Taylor St.

"The Club has good entertainment, sports, and dinner. In fact, I enjoy the whole outing."

Merry-Making Macaronic Men Make Macerated Muscles Malignant Midst Mimical Melee

With the creaking of bones, the Old Timers' benefit game got under way Thursday with the G-E oldsters edging Red Carrington's nine to the tune of 13-12. Although the game was not played according to Hoyle, it was nonetheless an enthusiastic affair.

There wasn't a dull moment from the time Elmer Wagner and Red Carrington, team managers, led the umpires to their stations blindfolded; until the last inning, when Wagner came home on Sam Baumgartner's hit, thus winning the game for G-E.

Approximately 60 Old Timers were rubbing their aching backs the next day, but they were just like young sandlotters discussing batting positions. One time before the "play ball" call, at least 20 of the players lined up in single file to bat.

The game gained momentum slowly and after the third inning the rule book was tossed out and the corner vegetable stand thrown in for good measure. From that time on it wasn't a matter of "who's on first" but "who's at bat," but that didn't dim the fun on the diamond or the nostalgia in the dugouts.

Don Martin mimicked Thelma Eisen, with Daisy uniform and all, most of the game and did a grand job amusing the fans. Hub Hart, one of the oldest men present, was seated in a rocking chair to do first-base coaching duties until Martin took over the chair for his clowning.

The game not only gave the fans a good show for their money, but the proceeds help to foot the doctor bills for injured younger players. By the way, it was rumored that the youngsters are thinking of staging a benefit to get liniment for the oldsters' sore muscles.

Owls Score Victory Over Eckrich Packers

The G-E Owls' softball team wound up the season with an eight won and seven lost record. Eckrich Packers went down in defeat before the G-E-ers. The score was 9-0.

Good team play dominated the game for G-E.

G-E was eliminated from the playoffs by Indiana Rod and Wire. The score was 5-4.

Line Score:

		R	H
G-E	005 022 0	9	11
Eckrich	000 000 0	0	3



"Our eyes are where they are for seeing opportunities ahead—not for looking at our mistakes behind."

Glen Keck, took a "sweet" side-trip while on his vacation in the East. He stopped several hours in Hershey, Pa., and toured the Hershey Chocolate Corp. He said that it was a very interesting experience. The best part of going through a plant of that type is the samples. He said they were given all of the chocolate milk they could drink besides sampling the candy along the way. How I'd like to be let loose in a place like that. . . . Mary Beaman has set the record for touring the United States on less than $5. She covered over 6,000 miles on $3.57. No, she didn't hitchhike either. She drove a car for some Detroit friends. All expenses were paid in exchange for her driving. I'm sorry, I forgot to ask her what she bought with the $3.57. . . . We were sorry to say farewell to Irene Bristol, who has been transferred to another building. We will be hoping to see you return some day soon, Irene. . . . Paul Koldewey has joined the first shift again. This time for "keeps" he hopes. . . . Bill Straub and wife report a wonderful time on their trip to the Smokies. . . . Kenny Hyman is getting to be a home movie enthusiast. He took his family to the Wisconsin Dells and says that he captured some good scenes in full color. . . . Carmilita Fough visited Miami, Fla., at just the right time. It would have been "sorta windy" down there last week. She also enjoyed her trip to New Orleans and would like to go to the Mardi Gras sometime. . . . Eldon Roby and friend went to Chicago with his brother and wife a day during vacation. They went to the broadcast, "Welcome Travcler," and enjoyed it but he and his brother beat a hasty retreat after the women got them into the broadcast of "Ladies Be Seated," and discovered they were the only men present. They went to the ball game where they felt more at ease. . . . Frank Bly is just about ready to move into his new home. We haven't heard anything about a housewarming yet. . . . Frank Brohman has returned to work after a few weeks' absence. Welcome back, Frank. . . . Everett Stoffer has returned to the second shift in the tool room.

Clowns To Play Voltmen Sept. 8



Pepperball and an exhibition of their original "Shadowball Infield Workout," will be highlights exhibited by the nationally famous Indianapolis Clowns, when they face the Voltmen in an 8:30 p.m. game at Dwenger park Thursday night, Sept. 8.

The Clowns are famous for their side-line antics on the diamond that have made them so popular as the "Zanies of the Diamond."

King Tut, Juggling Joe Taylor, and Spec Bebop are the added attractions offered by the Negro American Leaguers.

Junior wants to know why dry goods designers don't make a black towel.



One more week and the Owl Golf League for 1949 will be history, with the exception of the playoff.

The playoffs are cut and dried with the exception of second place in the Odd side, where Earl Stauffer's team No. 1 lead Walt Pook's No. 5 by a scant four points. The final week's play will determine who will tangle with John Shanahan's Hi-Flyers in the playoffs.

The Hot Shots will meet the Jolly Boys in the other playoff of the semi-finals.

Last week's play gave those Hot Shots notice not to take things so lightly. The Jolly Boys handed them their second loss this season. They did this by shooting 17 strokes under their average. On the other hand, the Hot Shots got 12 strokes over their 150 effort of last week.

Johnny Stark shot an even par 36 to pace team No. 1, but they still took it on the chin from team No. 4. "Windy" Boester and "Fuzzy" Fosnaugh shot 18 strokes under their averages to turn the trick. Dave Mumma gave a hand with a 46. Dave, incidentally, just purchased clubs this year.

The Hi-Flyers felt the sting of defeat for the second week in a row at the hands of team No. 5. The result was six plus for Walt Pook's boys.

The Standings

OND

No. 3, Shanahan	+31
No. 1, Stauffer	—25
No. 5, Pook	—29

EVEN

No. 6, Craig	+99
No. 2, Myers	— 9
No. 4, Fosnaugh	—67

Owls' Softball Team Completes Season With 8 Wins, 7 Defeats



The G-E Owls' softball team, of the YMCA Owl Industrial League, closed its regular season last week with eight victories and seven defeats. The team was nosed out of the playoff in the first game by Indiana Rod and Wire. Final score was 5-4. Team members are: (front row, l. to r.) Chuck Stone, outfield; Ray Sherrer, third base; Bob Crosley, outfield; Harold Baker, shortstop; and Max Greeno, catcher; (back row, l. to r.) George Lambroff, utility; Fred Phillips, first base; Paul Boyer, manager; Jerry Jacobs, outfield; and Earl Stauffer, pitcher. Players not present when the picture was taken were: Clarence Koepke, second base; Kenny Ford, utility, and Harold Blauvelt, pitcher.

Fall Registration At Purdue Center To Open Sept. 6-7

Management, Production Courses Are Offered To Many G-E Employees

Registration for the fall term classes at the Purdue University Center will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 6-7. Fall term classes will begin Sept. 8 and close Dec. 7. Late registrations will be accepted until Sept. 21.

Of special interest to many G-E employees, the following management and production courses are being offered during the fall quarter:

ECONOMICS OF INDUSTRY, Mon., Wed.; 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Economic principles as applied to major industrial problems. Fee—$20.

TECHNICAL REPORT WRITING, Mon., Wed.; 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Appropriate use of the venacular in the preparation and presentation of industrial reports. Fee—$20.

FUNDAMENTALS OF PRACTICAL SPEAKING, Wed.; 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Organization and presentation of material, mannerisms, voice and audience reaction. Fee—$10.

CONFERENCE SPEAKING, Thurs.; 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Training and practice in ronducting and participating in small group conferences, shop committees, instructional groups, problem-solving groups. Fee—$10.

PSYCHOLOGY APPLIED TO INDUSTRY, Mon.; 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Fundamentals of psychology of interest to indostrial and technical personnel. Fee—$10.

PERSONAL ADJUSTMENT, Wed.; 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Application to psychology to selection of employees, training, etc. Fee—$10.

FUNDAMENTALS OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, Tues., Thurs.; 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Detailed survey of industrial organization, duties or management, planning, quality control, personnel problems, safety, wages and policy. Fee—$20.

PRINCIPLES OF ORGANIZATION & MANAGEMENT, Mon., Wed.; 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Survey of organizationai structures, operational, financial, marketing, and accounting activities; and human factors necessary for effective management. Fee—$10.

INDUSTRIAL SAFETY, Thurs.; 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Economics of accident prevention, mechanical safeguards, fire prevention, occupational disease, hygiene and first aid, safety codes, workmen's compensation, educational programs. Fee—$10.

HUMAN RELATIONS FOR SUPERVISORS, Wed.; 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Individual analysis of human relations problems arising from induction, training, discipline, grievances, absenteeism, promotions, transfers, discharges, etc. Fee—$20.

INDUSTRIAL ACCOUNTING FUNDAMENTALS, Tues., Thurs.; 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Accounting from the viewpoint of the industrial corporation. Designed primarily for supervisors, engineers, and others who feel the need for an understanding of accounting; as well as accountants who wish to improve their knowledge of industrial practice. Foundation course for COST CONTROL and PRODUCTION COST ANALYSIS in the second and third semesters.

Non-technical courses in Purdue's Adult Education program include:

Music Appreciation, Fundamentals of Bridge, Purdue Hunting School, Home Decorating and Furnishing, Advanced Interior Decorating, Photography for Beginners, School for Parents, School for Homemakers, Audubon Screen Tours, and Swimming Instruction.

Fees for these courses range from $1 to $5.

G-E Voltmen Roar Toward Third National Semipro Championship

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In the bottom of the eighth frame, Johnny Corriden maneuvered a base on balls to launch the Volt's victorious rally. Frank Morgan then plated Corriden by caroming a double off the left-center field wall. Morgan managed third base on a fielder's choice and scored a moment later when the Bellingham shortstop booted an infield tap.

Box score:

BELLINGHAM	AB	R	H	VOLTMEN	AB	R	H
Carroll,2	4	1	1	Austin,ss	5	0	0
Hofeditz,1	5	0	2	Todhunter,2	5	1	2
Coleman,ss	4	0	2	Dudick,3	3	1	1
D.Zander,lf	5	0	1	Ebranyi,1	4	0	3
Carr,c	3	0	0	Lockett,lf	4	1	1
Richar'n,cf	3	0	0	Corriden,cf	3	2	1
P.Zander,rf	3	0	0	Morman,rf	3	0	2
Gaffney,3	1	1	0	Morgan,rf	3	1	2
Torrence,p	0	0	0	Shipman,p	2	0	0
Arnason,p	3	2	2	Lund,p	0	0	0
xDinarwold	1	0	0	Ricks,p	1	0	0
Totals	35	4	8	Totals	33	6	12

xGrounded out for Arnason in 9th.

Bellingham	001 000 300—4
Voltmen	200 002 02x—6

Champs Defeat Weimar, 4-2

The Voltmen swept to their third straight triumph Monday night by turning back the powerful Weimar, (Tex.) Herder Truckers by a 4-2 score.

Jumping into a 4 to 0 lead in the first, the defending champions almost cinched it then and there.

Weimar simply started the wrong pitcher. Murray Wall was just smacked right and left.

Relief Pitching Wasted

Then the veteran Jiggs Kana, former Texas league hurler, went in and pitched a great relief job, blanking the Voltmen the rest of the way and doing an uncanny job of getting out of trouble.

Winning pitcher was Bill Ricks, first Negro player signed for pro ball. He hurled a mighty steady game, fanning 15 batters and mowing down the Texans on all but two occasions and on those two he held the rally to one run.

How They Scored

Austin led off with a single, Todhunter doubled him to third, and both rode in on Dudick's line single.

After a foul-out at first, two more singles rattled off Voltmen bats like sparks off a pole. Bobilya and Ebranyi cracking hits, good for another run and Murray Wall was withdrawn in favor of Jiggs Kana.

A walk loaded the sacks, and an infield roller scored a fourth run before a double play via the box got the side out.

Weimar partisans cheered for the first time in the third, as Bell doubled to deep right to drive in a mate who had walked. Bell was thrown out at the plate a half minute later on a hard collision with Catcher Morgan trying to score on Kneuper's single to left. Les Lockett threw a strike to the plate and thus put an end to the rally.

Voltmen Muff Chance

The Voltmen muffed a big chance in the last of the third, pushing runners to second and third with none away to two hits and a passed ball. But Kana pitched out of it beautifully on two pop-ups and a strike-out.

Weimar escaped in the fifth when again the Voltmen pushed a runner to third with none out, on a hit batsman and a single by Ebranyi, his third straight. But Kana bore down and pitched out on a strike-out, pop-up, and a force-out.

The Texans scored again in the eighth, when with two away Kana got to second on a two-base overthrow. He scored on Bell's single. Ed Kneuper drove one up against the right field wall for a double, the blow lacking only a foot of going over. Bob Brock, who had fanned three times, sent a screaming liner to right; but Bobilya plucked it off his shoes.

Box score:

WEIMAR, TEX	AB	R	H	VOLTMEN	AB	R	H
Winters,c	4	0	0	Austin,ss	5	1	1
F. Kana,3b	2	2	0	Todh'ter,2	4	1	3
Bell,lf	4	0	2	Dudick,3	4	1	1
Kneip'er,1b	4	0	2	Lockett,lf	4	0	0
Brock,cf	4	0	0	Bobilya,rf	3	1	1
Shamb's,rf	2	0	0	Ebranyi,1	4	0	3
Kneuper,1	4	0	2	Corriden,cf	3	0	1
Hunt,ss	4	0	0	Morgan,c	4	0	1
Wall,p	0	0	0	Ricks,p	4	0	0
J. Kana,p	3	0	1	Hormann,rf	0	0	0
Womack,rf	1	0	0				
xDorin	1	0	0				
Totals	32	2	7	Totals	35	4	11

xFanned for J. Kana in 9th.

Weimar	001 000 010—2
Voltmen	400 000 00x—4

Voltmen Down Penn. Champs

The Voltmen notched their second victory of the tournament last Sunday afternoon, when they defeated the Hummelstown, (Pa.) Athletics, 9-1, in a seven-inning contest.

After three scoreless innings, the Pennsylvanians went ahead in the third. With one out, Finney walked, moved to second when the shortstop threw wild to first while trying for a double play on a short pop. Malehorn singled over second to score Finney.

The G-E team tied it up in their half of the inning. Todhunter got life on an error, went to second when Dudick was walked and was sacrificed to third. Bobilya's fly to left field scored Todhunter from third. Corriden fanned to end the inning.

Volts Score Four Runs

The Voltmen pushed over four runs in the fifth, with George Todhunter's single, which sent two runners home, one on an error at home plate, the key blow.

The Volts picked up three more runs in the sixth on three hits and an error.

Scott Cary, former Washington Senator hurler, went the route for the Voltmen, holding the Hummelstown club to six hits.

Box score:

Hummelstown, Pa.	AB	R	H	Voltmen	AB	R	H
M.Gasper,lf	4	0	0	Horman,rf	3	2	0
Herm'sad'r,1	3	0	0	Todhunter,2	4	2	2
Finney,ss	2	1	1	Dudick,3	3	0	2
D.Johnson,c	3	0	0	Lockett,lf	3	0	0
Malehorn,cf	3	0	2	Bobilya,1	3	1	2
Boyer,3	3	0	2	Corriden,cf	4	0	1
P.Gasper,rf	3	0	1	Austin,ss	4	2	3
Kreiser,2	2	0	0	Morgan,c	2	1	1
V.Neidigh,p	1	0	0	Cary,p	3	1	0
Graybill,p	1	0	0				
Stock,2	1	0	0				
Totals	26	1	6	Totals	29	9	11

None out when game called, eight run rule.

Hummelstown	000 100 0—1
Voltmen	000 143 1—9

Voltmen Take First, 8-0

The Voltmen blanked the Manchester, (Conn.) British-American team, 8-0, in their first start.

The Braden-men never looked better as they smashed the Connecticut state champions. It was a ball game for three innings and it was still close at the end of seven, but it was all over at the end of eight innings under the 8-run tournament rule.

Centerfielder Corriden scored G-E's first run. He led off with a double in the fourth. It was the first hit of the game off Carl Lyles, Manchester starter. Les Lockett, batting out of the cleanup spot, sent a sizzling single over second to score Corriden.

In the fifth, the Voltmen's speed on the base-paths paid off. With the bases loaded, Corriden stroked a grounder to the shortstop who made the play at second for the force out. However, both Morgan, who was on third, and Horman, who was on second, scored on the play when the keystone sacker momentarily held the ball.

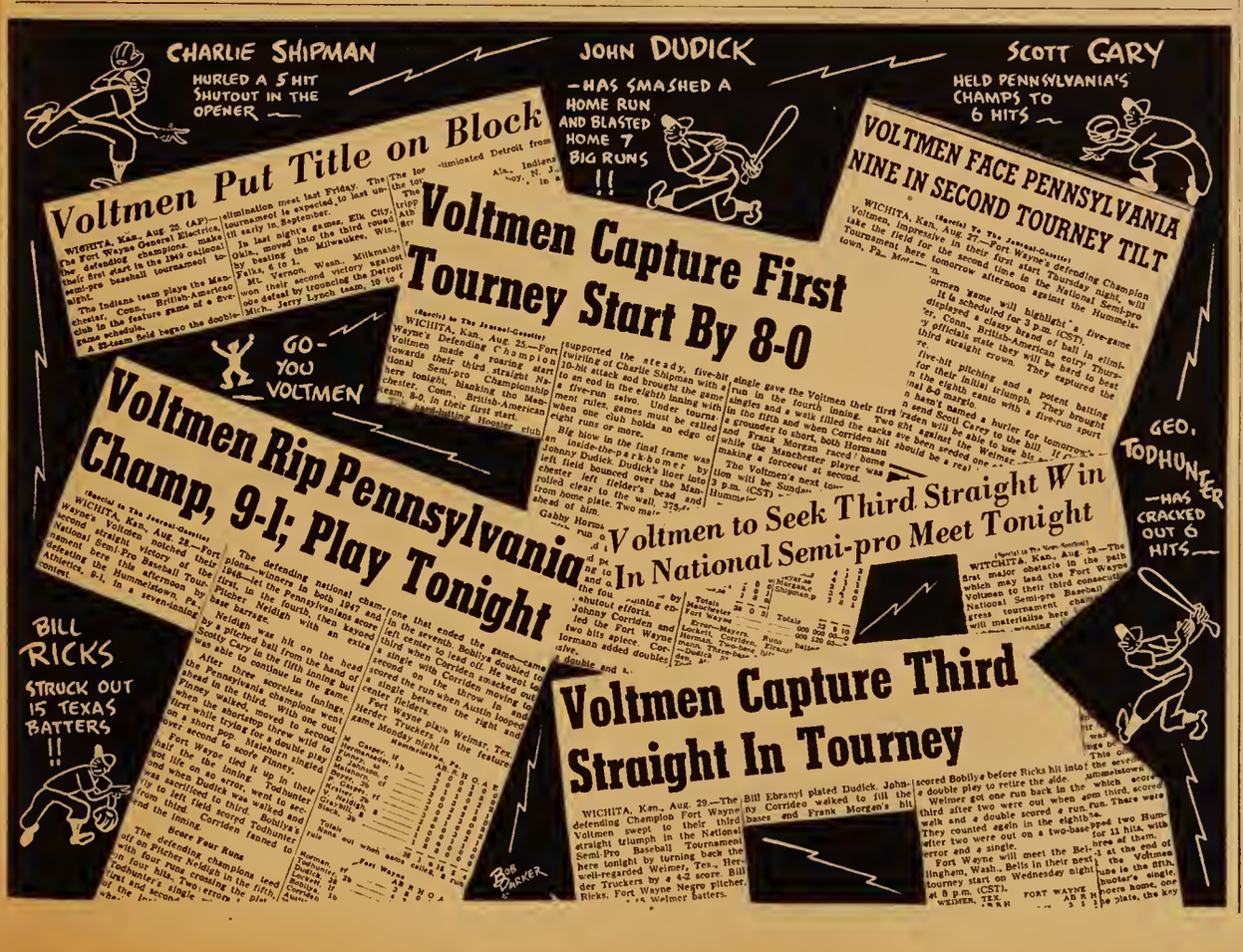
Dudick's inside-the-park homer accounted for three of the five runs scored by the Volts in the fifth. Dudick's ball landed in front of the leftfielder and bounded the wall. Dudick chased two men home ahead of him.

Charley Shipman pitched the victory. He gave up only five hits.

Box score:

MANCHESTER	AB	R	H	VOLTMEN	AB	R	H
Ford,lf	4	0	0	Hormann,rf	4	1	2
Green,rf	2	0	0	Todhunter,2	4	0	1
May,1	3	0	0	Corriden,cf	4	2	2
Keenly,2	3	0	2	Lockett,lf	4	1	2
Saverich,3	3	0	1	Elranzi,1	4	1	1
Cobb,cf	3	0	1	Dudick,3	4	1	1
Zazzaro,ss	2	0	0	Meyer,ss	2	1	0
Berube,c	3	0	0	Morgan,c	3	1	0
Lyles,p	3	0	0	Shipman,p	3	0	1
Haloran,rf	1	0	1				
Correa,ss	1	0	0				
Totals	28	0	5	Totals	32	8	10

Manchester	000 000 00—0
Voltmen	000 120 05—8



Post 330 Downs Majors To Take Champion Title

Post 330 combined four hits with three G-E errors to score five runs to win the game Wednesday night at Memorial park. The final score was 5-2 in the Post's favor. This victory clinched the championship of the Major League for Post 330, as they also won the first-half championship.

Friday night the Majors and Post 330 tangled in the opening game at Municipal Beach in the Class A division of the City Softball Tourney.

Manager Esterline started with Waltke pitching and all the offensive strength he could muster. His choice paid off when the Majors blew the game wide open in the third inning. They scored six runs and added three more in the fourth to win by the score of 9-0.

Somers and Baals led the offensive with two hits each, while Waltke was hurling a neat three-hit shut-out.

Line Scores:

	R	H	E
G-E Club	002 000 0—2	5	3
Post 330	103 010 x—5	4	0

Feldhiser, Waltke and Somers; Glick and Hanefeld.

	R	H	E
G-E Club	006 300 0—9	8	2
Post 330	000 000 0—0	3	4

Waltke and Somers; Glick, Adams and Hanefeld.

Program Is Announced For Q-C Club's Outing



Robert Cocherille and Mrs. Mildred Germanson are shown, above, at last year's outing. The duet has been billed again this year.

Arrangements were being completed this week for the annual outing and 35th anniversary celebration of the Quarter Century Club, which will be held Saturday, Sept. 10, at Camp Limberlost, Oliver Lake.

Free transportation will be provided to the camp for those who desire it.

Badges and meal tickets will be issued after 8 a.m. on the day of the outing at the Broadway gate. Those driving direct to the lake will obtain their badges and tickets there.

Sports, Confab Start Early

Scheduled to start officially at 10 a.m., the remainder of the morning will be spent in sports events and a general get-together of all members. A refreshments stand will provide free candy and soft drinks throughout the day.

Sports facilities will include softball, horseshoes, shuffleboard, cards, and boating.

Over 800 Meals Planned

Then promptly at 12 noon, the dinner bell will call the more than 800 Q-C members to the dining hall.

Meals will be served on trays and three or four lines will be used to handle the large crowd that is expected. The menu will include fried chicken and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, salad, green beans, sliced tomatoes, bread and rolls, milk or coffee, ice cream, and cake. Cigars, cigarettes, and chewing gum will also be distributed, along with a special souvenir of the event.

The 25-year employees will then assemble at 2 p.m. in the open air pavilion for a short business meeting and a gala variety show.



Vic Perry

Vic Perry, an entertainer from the Paramount Attractions Agency, will headline the show.

Mr. Perry has appeared in prominent cities throughout the country and abroad. His most recent engagements include the Hollenden Hotel in Cleveland, the Pierre House and Roxy Theatre in New York, and Grovenor's House and the Palladium in London, England.

The show will also feature two special acts, a quartet and duet, through the sponsorship of Jack Wainwright, proprietor of Camp Limberlost. Both were featured acts of last year's outing and received large ovations from the crowd.

The first will include a group of old-time melodies by the Nobelaires, an outstanding barbershop quartet from Kendallville.

The second act will be furnished by Mrs. Mildred Germanson and Robert Cocherille, accompanied by Mrs. Wainwright. The duet will again delight the audience with a program of semi-classical songs and ballads.

Mrs. Germanson has played numerous leading roles as a star with the Independent Players of Columbus, O. Mr. Cocherille has been a member of both the Pittsburgh and Detroit Civic Opera companies.

Several other novelty acts are also being arranged.

Ten G-E toasters will be presented as attendance prizes.



The Nobel-aires, above, will present a group of barbershop ballads at the Quarter Century Club's annual outing at Camp Limberlost.



Almost everyone is doing some canning but not all the husbands are helping like Harold Painter who peels the peaches for Fern. . . . Mildred Gaffer sure had a swell time up at Loon Lake! She had to do all the cooking. She loves to cook. . . . Clarence Rentschler has five children and four of them look like him. That's a pretty good average. He's got a boy who is very bashful. Takes after his father. . . . In case you think you're seeing Sherlock Holmes on the street some day, relax it's only Ted Bain with his hat pulled down to his nose. . . . Clara Patterson is getting to be quite a carpenter. It seems her young son likes to jump on beds. Sometimes it proves disasterous. . . . Merle Keesler had some things to buy in a book store lately—but he reports the clerks are so indignant. Maybe you'd better try a different approach, Merle. . . . We finally discovered the reason for the strange behavior of Eleanor Kohrman. She came to work one morning wearing a beautiful diamond ring! The lucky man is Thomas Krouse of Yoder. . . . Reggie Eggeman is getting all set for the big wedding of her son, Dallas Zuber. . . . Malinda Beerman will soon be sporting a new Plymouth with all the trimmings! Wish I could have a ride, Malinda. . . . We are all sorry to hear Elsie Frede is on the sick list. Hurry and get well, Elsie. We miss you! . . . Elihu Lee is back after a very serious illness. . . . Edna Hergenrader has left the hospital and is recuperating at her home at 339 Brandriff St. . . . Ilene Lantz has a dual personality. Looking at her, one wouldn't think she was a farmer's little helper but every once in awhile you can find her down on the market behind one of the stands. Yes, she's working not buying! . . . This souvenir collecting is really getting to be something. Now Edna Rohrbach is collecting things from the church steps and we have never found out just what she did with her collection. . . . Mary Nute is back with us again. Hope you can stay longer this time, Mary. . . . Birthday greetings to Pauline Elick and Margaret Fuelling. . . . Henry Weigman wrecked his car again last week—he hit some loose gravel and then hit the ditch—better be careful or you might not get any more insurance. . . . Ralph Weikart is enjoying the third week of vacation with his family at Lake James. . . . Dick Bradley is our new packer in black armature. . . . Grace Ober and her husband enjoyed the horse races at Muncie Monday night—she also attended the races at Hicksville last week. . . . Paul Ginder said that we wouldn't believe some of his stories about that fishing trip to Minnesota, but here is one that I heard and you can believe it or not. He was fishing with frogs (they don't use worms up there) and he threw his line in with the frog on the end and got a strike right away. Before he could pull the line in he got another strike this time a bigger fish had mistaken the first catch for bait. So Paul says he got two fish with one frog. . . . Ann Hershberger was carrying a dishpan full of water across her basement floor when she stepped into a small hole and down went Ann completely covered from head to foot with water. She is nursing a bruised ankle today.

Small Motor League

All persons interested in bowling in the Small Motor League are requested to contact Joe Kramer, Ext. 406.

Friday Night Ladies' Bowling League

All girls desiring to bowl in the Friday Night Ladies' League are requested to fill out the blank below and send it to either Virginia Mollett, Bldg. 31-2, or Bess Potts, Bldg. 4-2.

Name .....

Address

Home .....

Work .....

Phone

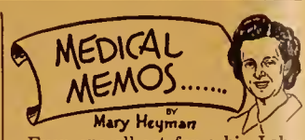
Home .....

Work .....

Average .....



"Hello people! Now that vacation is over and things are back to normal we will take a look and see what's been happening around General Stores. . . . Last Sunday Lloyd Platt, Herb Jesse, Ed O'Neil, Chris Reiz, Harry Beatty and Dick Robertson, along with several others, journeyed to Chicago to witness the double-header between the Chicago White Sox and the New York Yankees at Comiskey Park. From all reports a good time was had by all. . . . Once again we find that Karl Soest has hidden talents. Last Saturday night found him at one of the popular night spots calling for square dancing. I guess there just isn't much that guy can't do. . . . Here's one for the Fort Wayne Police Department: Who was the grinder that had ground a piece of drill rod in place of carboloy and didn't know the difference? The suspects have dwindled down to two, so it shouldn't take too long to find the guilty party. . . . A most welcome visitor to Bldg. 8-1 last Friday was our old friend and former co-worker, Margaret (Furrell) Chance. Margaret, as most of you know, left the Company about two years ago and is now making her home in Saginaw, Mich. . . . The General Service gang had another one of their famous bowling parties last Monday night at Bowman's alleys. So far, I haven't heard too much about it, maybe the Bldg. 20-2 gang carried off all the honors. . . . Byron Simmons sure is the absent-minded guy these days. Yes, it has happened again—he lost his car again last Friday night but this time he found it over at his sister's house. . . . Birthday greetings this month to George Welker, John Hensler, Frank Treece, Bob Van Horn and Melba Kelly. . . . "People are paid wages for doing the things they are told to do and paid salaries for doing whatever is up to them to do without being told. The difference in words is small, but the difference in dollars is amazing."



Everyone all set for a big Labor Day week-end? This usually is regarded as the end of the summer season. School bells will be ringing for the youngsters, mothers are busy with canning and school clothes, and, of course, the fathers worrying about the winter coal bill. Anyway, it was a grand summer, wasn't it? . . . Olive Walters will be enjoying another week at the lake. She probably had such a fine time during the regular vacation period that she decided that the third week would be better yet. . . . Being ill any time of the year is a bad situation. But when a person who loves to fish the way Veda Orff does, and is unable to try to catch any of our finny friends—now that is trouble. She did ask me to tell all that she is doing much better and hopes to be marked "present" when the fishermen call the roll at Gilead Lake. . . . Mary Heymann attended the annual Elex Club Board Meeting at the Colonial August 29. . . . Lyle Rupert has acquired her annual hay fever jag. We sympathize with the sniffin' and snuffin', Lyle. . . . From our joke book: An old man was asleep on a truck at the railroad depot. The fellows decided to play a joke on him and dropped some Epsom Salts in his wide open mouth. Presently he awakened, gulped a couple of times and ran across the street to the Doctor's Office, and said: "Quick, Doc, give me something! I think ma gall's busted." . . . Merely thinking out loud: Progress always involves risks. You can't steal second base and keep your foot on first.

Voltmen Retain Championship Title

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Win Over Coors, 5-4, In Tourney

THEY DID IT AGAIN! The G-E Voltmen, national semi-pro baseball champions, broke all tournament records by being the only team to ever win the championship title more than twice, when they downed the vaunted Golden, (Colo.) Coors by a 5-4 score Wednesday night at Lawrence field in Wichita, Kan.

Frank "Lefty" Ververka's seven-hit mound effort coupled with superb all-round play brought victory to the G-E team. Ververka had the Coors completely throttled in seven innings, but suffered two temporary setbacks that almost presented the title to the lads from Colorado. After yielding no safety for the first four innings, Ververka was nicked for five straigbt hits and four runs in the top of the fifth stanza. Tben, following tbree more hitless rounds, the southpaw allowed two more in the ninth and was forced to summon up tremendous hurling prowess to bligbt what loomed as the possible tying or winning rally.

In fashioning their narrow victory, the Voltmen took advanta... of a fumble by one of thei... teammates, Bill Hardy, in cou... the winning tally in the seve...

Johnny Corriden led off that inning by taking a third strike. Then Todhunter took command and sent a single rocketing into the hole between short and third. Then Dudick rifled a double into deep left field.

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Meetings Pay Tribute To Wilson

Friday, Sept. 2, was recognized throughout General Electric as the 50th Anniversary of service for Company President, Charles E. Wilson.

As a special tribute to the man who grew from the humble position of office boy to the responsibilities of President of General Electric, meetings were held by Fort Wayne Contributing and Works Service divisions, Product divisions, and Branch Plants for the purpose of determining ways and means whereby Fort Wayne G-E could be made an even better place in which to work and the steps to be taken to assure higher em-

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Scenes at some of the meetings held Friday are shown, above. The sessions were conducted by the Fort Wayne Contributing and Works Service divisions, Product divisions, and Branch Plants.

Dean Dirks To Present Humorous Address At Supervisors' Meeting



Dean L. H. Dirks

Prof. Louis H. Dirks, dean emeritus of DePauw University, will deliver a humorous address on "Horse Sense" at a meeting of the G-E Supervisors' Club Monday, Sept. 12, at 8 p.m. in the Squares hall.

Author, educator and lecturer, he is widely-known as a participant in civic, religious and educational functions throughout the Midwest.

General Electric's Aeolian Choir will also be featured on the program. The choir is under the direction of David Embler.

A short business session will open the meeting.

Committee Completes Arrangements For Quarter Century Club Outing

Camp Limberlost at Oliver Lake was being made ready today for the more than 800 persons expected to attend the Quarter Century Club's annual outing tomorrow.

The affair will be the largest turnout of the group since its founding 35 years ago.

Preparations for the feast call for 600 chickens, 125 loaves of bread for dressing, 200 quarts of beans, eight bushels of potatoes, several crates of tomatoes, as well as other commodities.

The menu will include fried chicken and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, salad, green beans, sliced tomatoes, bread and rolls, milk or coffee.

The food will be served on trays and three or four lines will be maintained to handle the large crowd. Ice cream and cake will be served separate from the rest of the

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The committee for the Quarter Century Club's annual outing and 35th anniversary celebration is shown, above, completing arrangements for the big event. The members include: (l. to r.) Irene Meyers, women's activities; James V. Johnson, entertainment; Lloyd Platt, program; W. W. Dreyer, treasurer; George Waldschmidt, transportation; A. C. Hartman, secretary, prizes; F. L. Schafenacker, president; E. C. Koch, traffic and parking; Frank Quinn, director; George Prince, director; Alma Witte, director; Harry Zimmerman, refreshments and playing cards; Ford Zimmer, director, and Walter Sunier, vice president, publicity. Committee members not present at this meeting were: E. C. Miles, director; Joe Grosjean, food; Carl Reynolds, athletics, and Harry Rohrbach, public address system.

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Don Campbell..... Editor

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Socialists Ask Us To Help Rebuild Their Tottering Welfare State

The appearance of two British cabinet ministers in Washington this week might well be considered along with the reports from England concerning their welfare plans and new measures to socialize the country.

The two diplomats are austere, bleak-visaged Sir Stafford Cripps, erstwhile problem child of the British Socialist movement and now its financial brain-truster, and ponderous, stubborn, aspirateless Ernest Bevin, one-time farm boy who became trade union boss and foreign secretary. With them came the hopes of Britain's 48,000,000 long-suffering men, women and children and the national balance sheet drawn up in a vivid red.

The Cripps-Bevin mission is one of the most crucial in Britain's long and chequered history for they seek a solution to the latest and most serious of the postwar economic crises which have hit their country, threatening it with complete financial and political disaster. The two cabinet ministers are now sitting around a table with United States Secretary of the Treasury John W. Snyder and Secretary of State Dean Acheson and Canadians Lester B. Pearson and Douglass Abbott to try to chart a course which will bring Britain safely through the blizzard.

The United States shows symptoms of getting tired of dipping into the bank roll to keep Europe on its feet.

Socialism Marches On—To Bankruptcy

Most of us agree that Britain's best chance of survival lies in standing squarely on her own feet. That she hasn't before this is no one's fault but her own.

Instead of forestalling bankruptcy, the Socialists have been pushing Britain further and further into debt with their welfare and nationalization schemes. Coal mines, the Bank of England, and railroads have been taken over by the state; the much-publicized health plan was started.

The Socialists can't be blamed for all of their errors. The people voted for Socialists and presumably expected socialism.

But the Labor government, knowing the country was to all intents bankrupt, ought to have considered postponing these schemes to more propitious times, or, having started the health plan, for instance, ought not to have gone so far so fast.

Undoubtedly, there are benefits to some persons, for vast numbers are being properly taken care of through Britain's National Health Act. But inevitably, such welfare schemes and nationalization plans are accompanied by a swollen bureaucracy. Tens of thousands have been taken out of productive work to master-mind the rules, regulations and form-filling, on top of all the wartime rationing officials and regulation enforcement snoopers. It takes huge sums to pay the salaries of the hordes of civil servants, to cover the losses sustained in state enterprise and to make up the cost of food subsidies.

Taxes in Britain have soared till they strangle nearly all ambition and initiative. In the top brackets $3.90 is taken by the government out of every $4. The smaller income earners, comparatively, are hit just as hard. To top it all is the crippling purchase tax from around 20% on so-called essentials to 100% or more on luxuries.

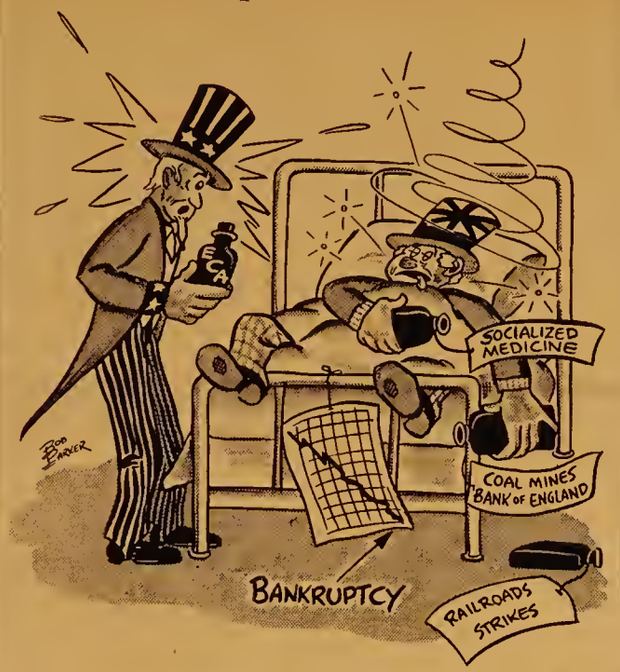
Socialists Fail to Engender Confidence

The setup in Britain when the Labor government came to power in 1945 was a natural for Socialists. The legacy of six years of war was a mass of regulations and orders, scarcities in everything that made life pleasant and even possible, and an utterly exhausted people. The only fly in the Socialist ointment was that the country was broke. Here the Socialists were guilty of their major mistake. They failed to take the people into their confidence.

They had promised nationalization of the basic industries and the building of the welfare state. The people were ready to grasp at the vision of Utopia after the horrors of the blitz. But Utopia isn't found in the bargain basement, and the Socialists were without the money to construct it. Then they should have made the situation starkly clear even at risk of alienating some support and of welshing on their promises. They should have tried to clear away the rubble before putting up the new building.

The result is, today Utopia is tottering on uncertain foundations. Cracks are appearing in the walls and only ECA props from the United States have kept the building from toppling over altogether. It would have been no disgrace to the Socialists to reveal the true state of affairs and postpone the welfare state.

A Hopeless Case?



WHAT'S NEW IN PLANTS & LABS

SCHENECTADY — A gigantic planer and milling machine, which can shave a sliver 1/1,000th of an inch thick from a steel block the size of a railroad box-car, has been placed in operation at the General Electric Company's Schenectady Works.

Built by the Consolidated Machine Tool Corporation, Rochester, N.Y., and powered by General Electric motors, the machine will be used in the manufacture of equipment for industrial and power generating applications.

The machine is a 27-foot high arch with a 40-foot long table which slides through the archway. Capable of functioning as either a planer or milling machine, it eliminates the task of transferring materials to two machines, when both operations are required. The table will carry loads up to 200 tons, and, because of its size, will permit several parts to be bolted together and handled as a single unit.

The machine is set in a foundation, which required 30,000 pounds of steel and enough concrete to lay a sidewalk more than two and a half miles, G-E engineers said. Regulated from two pendent push-button stations, the machine is completely controlled by electronic equipment. The stations, one for each operation, hang from the top of the arch. They can be easily carried to different locations, enabling the operator to control the machine with a minimum of difficulty.

An emergency lever, which responds to a slight touch of a finger, protrudes from the bottom of the pendent station and will stop the machine instantly when touched, according to the engineers.

A single switch converts the machine to either the planing or milling operation. When performing as a planer, a 100-horsepower motor moves the table at speeds ranging from 10 to 150-feet per minute. During the milling operation, the table travels from 3 to 45 inches a minute, while two 50-horsepower motors operate the cutters. Maximum length of material which can be milled is 30 feet.

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ERIE—Savings at the rate of more than $100 a day are being shown by two diesel-electric switching locomotives in the Calco Chemical Division of American Cyanamid Co. in Bound Brook, N. J. Total savings are averaging more than $40,000 a year. The locomotives, one 44-tonner and one 65-tonner, both built by G-E, replaced two steam locomotives and are used for transfer work and intra-plant switching. One official at Calco stresses the value of the diesel-electrics in operating safely in inflammable areas. The steam locomotives were constant dangers in the highly volatile atmosphere of some parts of the chemical plant.

POLIO

Editor's Note: The following is the third and last in a series of questions and answers regarding the current polio situation. They have been prepared from reliable sources by Dr. L. E. Burney, State Health Commissioner. Every effort has been made in the following questions and answers to furnish authoritative information on the subject with the object of relieving undue fear and alarm through the presentation of accurate information and knowledge.

Are there any drugs, chemicals, vaccines or sera effective against polio?

No. However, research is progressing in this direction.

What can I do as a parent to reduce the chances of my child's contracting polio?

Make sure your child avoids excessive fatigue and chilling.

Encourage good personal hygiene, including handwashing with soap and water before handling food or drink.

Protect your child from unnecessary contacts with persons other than their usual associates.

Put your child to bed immediately if fever, sorethroat, upset stomach or headache appear and call your family physician at once.

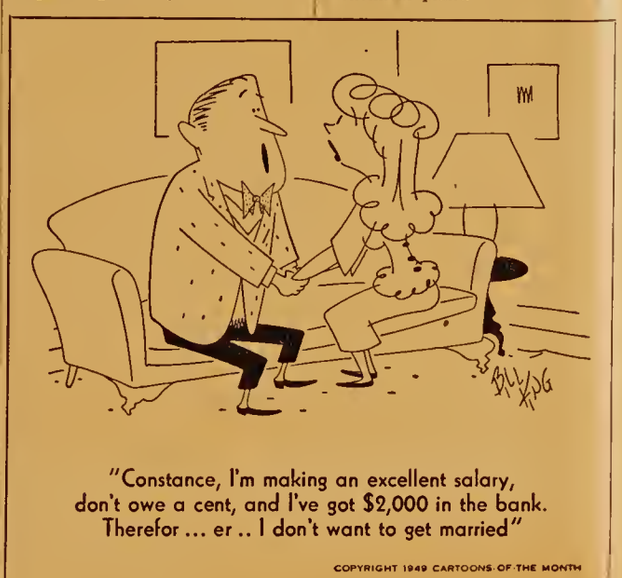
Should my child be allowed to go swimming?

There is no objection to swimming in non-epidemic areas provided the pool, lake or creek is free of pollution. Avoidance of fatigue and chilling is important. Crowding should be minimized.

In epidemic areas, children under 18 should be discouraged from swimming.

What about picnics, reunions and other public gatherings?

Talk it over with your local health officer. He knows fully the situation in your community; he is aware of the problem in the entire state through his relationship with the State Board of Health; and his medical training and experience well qualify him to answer your questions in the light of present knowledge concerning poliomyelitis. He also merits your full support and cooperation in his efforts to do everything possible to protect you and the other people of the community and state.



"Constance, I'm making an excellent salary, don't owe a cent, and I've got $2,000 in the bank. Therefor ... er .. I don't want to get married"

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Fort Wayne, Decatur Elect New G-E Club Officers





New Officers have been elected to both the Fort Wayne and Decatur G-E Clubs. They are shown, above, at their first meetings following the plant-wide elections.

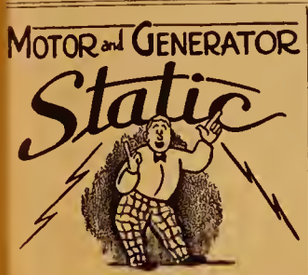
In the picture at the left are Fort Wayne's newly-elected officers:

Seated (l. to r.)—Sue Siedel, second vice-president; Harold Carter, president, and Dick Kent, secretary. Standing (l. to r.)—G. R. Lindemuth, director, and Carl Reynolds, first vice-president.

Officers and directors of the Decatur G-E Club include:

Seated (l. to r.)—Irene Holthouse, treasurer; Barbara Roop, secretary; Fred Brokaw, president; Leo Hackman, director, and E. W. Lankenau, director. Standing (l. to r.)—Bill Kohls, director; Charles Cook, vice-president; Mina Lampe, director, and Carl Smith, director.

The balloting at the Fort Wayne plants was held Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 29-30, while the Decatur election was conducted during the week of July 25 to 27.



"A man who wouldn't be trusted to lead a mule can leap into an automobile and take over 100 horses."

ODDS AND ENDS: The man who gives in when he is wrong is wise: the man who gives in when he is right is married. . . . A woman spends the early part of her life looking for a husband and the latter part wondering where he is. . . . PIGS IS PIGS: You can always expect the unexpected when Roscoe Markley is involved in any activity. The other day Roscoe was out looking over the hogs which constitute his pride and joy and decided that he wanted to move them to another location. Most of Mr. Markley's hogs are well trained and obey like children, but one porker decided she wanted to be like the mean little kid and refuse to move. Mr. Markley coaxed and begged, did everything but get down on his knees and sing "Mammy," but the contrary critter just stayed put. Finally Roscoe's temper took over and he let go with a well aimed kick at the offending hog. True to form the critter picked that time to move and when his foot reached the spot where she was supposed to be, she wasn't. However, there was a fence post just beyond the spot vacated and Mr. Markley's foot came in contact with it, fracturing his big toe. . . . FISH STORY: The other day Jim Stouder came over to our desk and asked if we heard about the fellow catching a 180 lb. trout. He claimed that some of the fellows went fishing and one hooked this trout, Mike Trott, that is. In fact they hooked him in the head and had to visit the doctor to have Mike unhooked. This was the worst fish story we ever heard. . . . IT PAYS: Jack Hively reports that after the story of his adventures with his two horses appeared in the WORKS NEWS, a man came out to see the person who could train animals to do tricks. After looking at Jack the man bought one of the horses. So you see it pays to get your name in this column. . . . FALLING DOWN: Alex Makraes, vice-president of Ed Foley's American Greeks', is now the proud possessor of a "Junior G-Man" badge. However, his fellow Greeks feel that Alex is falling down on the job, as Tony Deck's five and ten store was robbed without our "Junior" officer knowing anything about it. . . . NOTHING TO CHANCE: Since this column reported that "Big John," president of the "Greeks," went to Toledo and lost his shirt, he is leaving nothing to chance. On the last trip he mailed his shirt home and it arrived two days before he did. . . Your Roving Reporter.

A writer says that women who think no man is good enough for them are probably right. And likely left, too!

Information Clinic

QUESTION:

Could employees accumulate the third week of vacation for any number of years?

ANSWER:

It is presumed that this inquiry refers to the possibility of deferring the third week of vacation, to which employees with 20 years of service are entitled, for a number of years permitting an extended vacation at their discretion.

Under certain conditions, it is possible for employees to arrange for the deferring of a portion of a vacation to the following year. Such special consideration is given to permit employees to make extended trips to visit distant relatives and meet other family obligations not otherwise permitted by the ordinary two-week vacation period. Each case must be considered on its own merits and the Pension Board has delegated certain authority to the managers of the various Company activities in handling matters of this nature. It is very unlikely that the deferring of portions of vacation over a period of years would be permitted.



Dick Schnitz is the proud father of a baby boy, results, cigars Aug. 25. . . . Buford Dull believes in a "quickie bath" at Hotel Leland with his shoes on. . . . Leo Hackman recently posed for the "birdie." . . . Kent Geisler is all smiles as he passes cigars on his baby girl—The first addition. Reggie Geisler of Bldg. 2 and Bessie Geisler of Div. 7-51 are the proud grandparents. . . . Ezra Brandyberry will teach anyone the Indian dance. Please rush as it's good. . . . Daily greetings to Aldine Luginbill, Ruth McCristy, Miriam Meyers, Helen Byer, and Dwight Little. . . . Have you noticed Wilma Ross's new hair-do? Quite becoming, huh? . . . Agnes Nesswald reports a nice vacation in and around Chicago. . . . Evelyn Plasterer spent Saturday, Aug. 27 in Milwaukee, but lost her way this side of South Bend. I think Evelyn needs a compass. . . . Curlie Reynolds and Harriet Pollock have been transfered to 7-51 from 7-50. . . . We all hope for a speedy recovery for the mother of Effie McGill who recently was in an accident. . . . Eileen Reed was seen enjoying a coke with a friend. Eileen said hello to all her G-E coworkers. . . . My, my, Henry Krueckeberg, and you only bad that new Pontiac one week. Who did you say was driving it—son Bob? . . . By the looks of things everyone—almost everyone at least—is getting a new car. Yep, that's Tom Haubold you see in that Hudson. . . . We are happy to report that Lohnas McIntosh's son and also Ray Johnston's two boys were brought home from the hospital. . . . And there was the day Frank Braun saw Barb Roop coming from the stationery room doing quite a dance step. At least he thought it was a dance—but it was all caused by a tiny little mouse. . . . Gurgle, gurgle—blurrp—the new pop machine sure is a refreshing gadget. Have you folks tried the soft drinks yet? . . . McDonald, Assembly Line, has been bragging to the boys about the present his wife gave him. What was it, Mac, a new rifle for squirrel hunting? . . . The Flange Section had one absentee this week. Betty Reichert was sick for a day. . . . On second trick we see Waymon Patrick operating the Reynolds machine. He seems to be an expert in maneuvering the controls. . . . Our blonde, Evohn Snider, returned to her job in the switch section. Sure glad to see you back. . . . We gathered a little extra late news concerning vacation. Figly and Earl Mounsey had a time at the Landeck Car Race in Ohio. Did the cars make all those curves, boys? Kokomo Joe, Wilbur Suman, and daughter spent several days fishing in Northern Michigan. . . . Among our midst there are quite a few new employees. Merle Riley back on Flanges, Forest Roop, who is helping in the flange section. Girls, just overlook Forest's bashfulness, he's really a nice country boy. . . . Our former newsman is also back. This time on tbe mechanical press. Bob Shoup how about news for the WORKS NEWS? . . . Let us not forget. Dick Myers, of the Assembly Section, had a birthday a week ago. We hated to miss mentioning it, but Dick, we finally got to it. Happy birtbday to you, Dear Dick. . . . When it comes to mathematical figures see Buckley on solving your Einstein problems. . . . The other day Carl Bucher asked a couple friends over to hunt for a fox. So Forest Kenworthy and Ambrose Gase accepted the invitation. They were hunting for quite sometime when suddenly Carl and Ambrose heard a big crash and a bang. They looked around and saw Forest on the ground. Forest said, "I shot a fox and it sure was a big one." Of course, Carl and Ambrose didn't believe it so they looked around and saw some blood by a hollow tree but no fox. So they decided to cut the tree down to get the fox, after so doing, they still couldn't reach the fox so there was just one thing left to do and that was split the tree open. All the time they were doing this Forest kept saying it was the biggest fox he had ever seen. When they finally got the tree split open—lo and behold to the three's disappointment it wasn't a fox just an overgrown groundhog.

The results you get out of doing things with your hands seem better when you also use your heart and soul.

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Seven G-E Men Are Instructors At Purdue Center

Seven men from the General Electric Company are instructing courses at the Purdue University Center during the evening sessions of the 1949-50 school year. Fall term classes started yesterday and will close on Dec. 7.

A course on industrial safety is being taught by William J. Hockett, the only member of the G-E group who is now retired. Mr. Hockett started with the Company July 1, 1909, and went on retirement in June last year. A graduate of Purdue University with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering, Mr. Hockett has served General Electric as Engineer of the Switchgear division, Engineer of Control Service, instructor in the Apprentice School, Supervisor of Personnel, Supervisor of Safety and Employees' Activities, and was General Chairman of MBA before his retirement.

Teaching Two Courses

Keith E. Ross, Bldg. 4-6 in the FHP Motor Quality Control section, is the instructor of two courses in quality control by statistical methods.

An instructor of similar courses at Purdue last year, Mr. Ross has had more than 10 years of experience in the development and use of statistical techniques. He is a graduate of the General Electric apprentice course and holds a bachelor of science degree from Manchester College. He started with the Company Dec. 20, 1927.

An honorary member of the Society for Quality Control, Mr. Ross is a charter member of the Northeastern chapter, as well as a founding member and director of the American Society for Quality Control.

Offers Trigonometry Course

A course in trigonometry is being offered by Lew Z. Gossman, design engineer in the FHP Motor divisions. Mr. Gossman started with General Electric in 1926 as a student engineer and is a graduate of Purdue University.

Raymond L. Hupp, design engineer in the FHP Motor division, Bldg. 4-6, is teaching a course on A.C. machinery.

A graduate of the University of Illinois, Mr. Hupp started with the Company in 1927 as a student engineer. He was an instructor in the Apprentice School the same year and later was an electrical tester in Bldg. 17-4; engineer in Bldgs. 18-4 and 17-3; and Supervisor of Inspection and Test from 1942 to 1944, when he was named as a design engineer.

Rowe Teaches Sales Methods

Arthur E. Rowe, Assistant Manager of the Ballast Sales division, Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, is offering a course in technical sales.

A graduate of Indiana University, Mr. Rowe received his A.B. in industrial psychology. He also graduated from the Graduate School of Business at Harvard University during his service in the Navy. He left the Navy in 1946 and came to General Electric as a sales engineer.

New Course Is Announced

A new course, fundamentals in industrial accounting, is being taught by Robert O. Brown. Supervisor of Accounting in the Parts Sales and Product Service division for the Air Conditioning Department, Mr. Brown started with G-E June 1, 1948. He graduated from Del'auw University and has 12 years of industrial accounting experience and three years of certified public accounting practice.

The course, physics-mechanics, is being offered by Richard E. Seely. A design engineer in the FHP Motor divisions, Mr. Seely has been with the Company since Feb. 12, 1942. Although he was a stockkeeper here in June, 1937, he left to finish school. A process engineer before returning to G-E, he has his bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Purdue University. Mr. Seely also attended Indiana University two years.

Who can remember when you used to be able to tell if the motor was running by watching the tail light shake?

Henry Stegmann Retires



Henry Stegmann, FHP Motor Div. 14 at Taylor St., was honored last week before he retired. Mr. Stegmann has worked for General Electric since 1921. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Jesse Devaux, Joe Roebuck, Les Green, Emil Bertsch, Russell Johnson, Earl Strong, William Kaiser, William Alton, Mr. Stegmann, John Heine, Harold Blauvelt, Joe Monahan, and Ray Bobay.

Contact Girls Conduct Drive For Elex Members

The Elex 1949 membership drive is underway and will end next Friday, Sept. 16. Contact girls are seeing all G-E girls and asking them to join the club.

Dues, as in the past, are $2. Following the end of the drive, membership will remain open until Oct. 1. After that date, membership will close for the rest of the year, except for new employees. This decision was voted on at the conference last year.

Elex Club To Sponsor Trip To Chicago's Railroad Fair

Elex Club will sponsor its first trip of the season Saturday, Sept. 24, to Chicago. The main feature of the excursion will be the Railroad Fair and its pageant, "Wheels are Rolling."

Train time is 7 a.m. at the Nickel Plate station. The group will arrive in Chicago at 10:10 a.m. The girls will then have free time until 7 p.m., when they will meet to attend the pageant. The group will return to Fort Wayne at 11 p.m., arriving here at 2:10 a.m. Sunday.

The cost of the trip is $9 for members and $10 for non-Elex members. This price includes train fare, transportation to the fair grounds, admission to the fair, and a reserved seat at the pageant.

Reservations can be made now at Irene Meyers' office in Bldg. 8-2, or Evelyn Blakley's office at Taylor St. The deadline for reservations is Wednesday, Sept. 21.

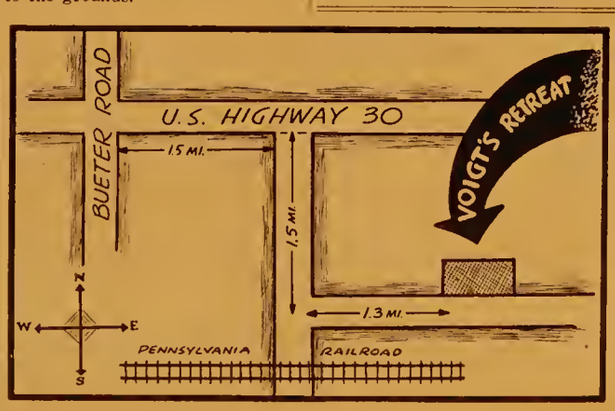
A 100-year-old Tennessee woman has used the telephone only once. My gosh, when is she going to hang up?

FOREMEN'S ASSOCIATION TO HOLD ANNUAL PICNIC AT VOIGT'S RETREAT

The Foremen's Association will hold its annual picnic Saturday, Sept. 17, at Voigt's Retreat, east of the city.

Starting at 1 p.m., the picnic and outing will feature outdoor games and a special program. Ernie Hanauer, G-E Fire Chief, will give a demonstration of fire extinguishing techniques, and Custer Dunifon will present his dog obedience show.

The picnic grounds have been improved and now afford a greater variety of sports facilities. Games will include horseshoes, volleyball, softball, basketball, and cards. Below is a map showing a direct route to the grounds.



Committee Completes

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meal at another location on the grounds.

As the processions wind through the meal lines, everyone will be given either cigars, cigarettes or chewing gum. All will receive a special souvenir of the event.

Sports Planned For Morning

Sports events will provide the entertainment during the morning. Games will include softball, horseshoes, shuffleboard, and cards. Both motor and row boat facilities are being made available.

A refreshment stand will provide free candy and soft drinks throughout the day.

The annual business meeting and variety show will take place at 2 p.m. in the outdoor amphitheater. The show will feature Vic Perry, famous entertainer from the Paramount Attractions Agency in Chicago; the Nobel-aires, an outstanding barbershop quartet from Kendallville; Mrs. Mildred Germanson and Robert Cocherille, noted duet accompanied by Mrs. Jack Wainwright, and several other novelty acts. Ten G-E toasters will be presented as attendance prizes during the program.



TOP FLOOR TOPICS BLDG. 26-5

by WALT POHLER

Most vacations are over now and everyone is looking forward to an active winter season. At least these last several days make us realize how close winter actually is and also how fast time flies. . . . Ray Feller is taking his third week of vacation this week. His hardy laugh has been missed. . . . The Golf League is progressing with a lot of enthusiasm. The winners this week are Anderberg and Gnau tied for first place with net scores of 38. Hanson and Mills tied for third with scores of 41. Anderberg furnished some excitement by breaking his club on his cart. Our recruits are making considerable progress and are giving the old heads considerable trouble. . . . Last week the personnel of our floor presented Mrs. Rapp with several nice wedding presents which included an electric mantel clock and a twin waffle iron. . . . We are happy to have back with us several employees who had previously been laid off or transferred. These people are: Edna Chiddister, Evelyn Miller, Grace Hoon, Anita Slusher, Betty Niedermeyer, Lillian Krudop, Berniece Johnson, Rae Carnahan, Chloa Weitzman, Alma Darnell and Joneal Gunkel. . . . Mrs. Gunkel is the proud mother of a fine baby girl. . . . We are also happy to report that Dorotha Gaff has returned to work after being off with an injury.

Divot Diggers



Members of the Bldg. 26-5 Divot Diggers' golf league paused in their play long enough to pose for the above picture. They maintain that while they may not be the best golfers in the world, they have a lot of fun. Standing (l to r.) are: Orval Langohr, Courtland Anderberg, Carl Hansen, "Nifty" Hurst, Howard Shipman, Dick Pierce, Bill Mills, Jack Lea, and Walt Mertz. Kneeling are: Francis Gnau, Walt Pohler, and Howard Winters.

Meetings Are Held

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ployment, and greater security for all.

In keeping with the spirit of the occasion, representatives of management met with staff, supervisory, and engineering personnel to review established programs and consider wherein these programs could be improved and their goals—many of which are of Mr. Wilson's own creation—more readily realized.

As a result of these meetings, it was decided that for the next four months a greater effort than ever will be turned toward achieving the purposes of the following programs:

(1) **Revitalization of the 9 Point Job Improvement Program with special emphasis on creating even better human relations among all people in all divisions.**

(2) **Elimination of waste.**

(3) **Keeping first shipping promises.**

(4) **Safety.**

(5) **New product development.**

Since the Friday meetings, all section and divisional personnel are being informed of the various steps that will be followed in attaining the desired goals. Enthusiastic cooperation is being urged of everyone because of the benefits that each will enjoy through the successful achicving of the objectives of the various programs.

In tune with the general Apparatus Department plans to make General Electric an increasingly better Company, M. E. Lord, Fractional Horsepower Motor Divisions' Manager, stated that this objective has long been a matter of continuous study.

However, he said, special attention will be given to this effort throughout the balance of the year, particularly from the standpoint of getting more orders and improving customer relations. These objectives, he said, can be achieved only by being competitive or better in present market conditions which demand more economical prices and faster service to the customer.

Such programs as Mr. Lord referred to are those which would reduce waste of materials, shorten shipping schedules, improve safety records, reduce red tape and paper work, and a special sales program now being conducted in all Apparatus Department sales offices to get more orders.

Voicing his confidence in the success of those programs, Mr. Lord stated that the Fractional Horsepower Motor business should show all around improvement for the balance of 1949.

W. C. Wichman, Manager of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, stated:

"Too often and too easily we forget that the greatness of a country or the success of a business on which we depend for our happiness and livelihood is the personal responsibility of each of us. Many of the programs at General Electric, created for our benefit, can very easily become neglected and fail of their good purposes because we expect somebody else to make them produce. There is no better time than the present to take a greater personal interest in doing better those things that we know must be done if the business on which our jobs depend is to continue to succeed. None of us care to be associated with an unsuccessful enterprise."

In his talk at "Kick-off" meetings, J. M. Crawford, Manager of the Large Motor and Generator divisions, stated:

"With the changing aspects of the times and their effect on our business, it is opportune to consider with renewed vigor, all those things which permit us to manufacture a quality product, at a price that is attractive to our customers, within the time he requires and with satisfaction to the employees and the Company.

"To this end, the management of Large Motor and Generator are directing their efforts. It is sincerely believed that with the cooperative and enthusiastic support of all of the employees in the division, much progress can be made."

C. H. Matson, Manager of the Fort Wayne Contributing and Works Service divisions, stated:

"We can best pay tribute to Mr. Wilson on this occasion through the dedicating of ourselves to the redoubling of our efforts for the next four months to the improving of established programs and the achieving of those goals considered essential to the happiness of our people and the continued growth of our business—without the enthusiastic participation of everyone, no single phase of our program can be achieved."



Weldy Receives Gift At Retirement



When Elmer Weldy, Bldg. 17-1, left for retirement, his friends and co-workers presented their best wishes to him along with a gift of luggage. He has worked for the Company 28 years. Left to right are: Orville Haver, Ruby McBride, Francis Bennett, John Miles, Norbert Meyers, Herbert Kellermeier, W. H. Franke, FHP Motor Div. 19 and 20 Supt.; Jim Geistwhite, Mr. Weldy, Clayton Schultz, Joe Schible, Raymond Rodenbeck, William Knuth, Neil Allen, Foreman; Pete Schible, Harce Harmon, and Ted Brockmeyer.



One of our lathe men is really an authority on baseball as well as a fan. We hear that he is going to take up a collection to buy the manager of the Voltmen a present now that they won the semi-pro championship again. We think that this is a very nice gesture. . . . What, we wonder, happened to Carl Beerman the other morning as he came to work late without his lunch. Carl must have a lot of influence at home because his wife brought his lunch to him later that morning. Tell us how you do it, Carl. . . . Steward Boer is happy these days and we just found out the reason. His son is getting married soon, and Steward says that he always did want a daughter in the family. . . . Russell Sage and the Mrs. were on their way home the other night when things began to light up back of Russell's car. He thought someone was taking his picture, so he put on a big smile, hut closer observation showed the light coming from a meteor which fell close to his home. No damage done. . . . Guy Wagner told his grandson he'd pay one penny a piece for crickets for his Labor Day fishing trip. Wednesday evening Guy arrived home from work to find his grandson and 10 neighbor kids gathered in his garage awaiting their pay-off. No, it wasn't as bad as you would imagine. They only had a total of 583. . . . Glen Ramsey came out from behind bushes to settle an argument on whether he was Pete the tramp or Farmer Jones. P.S., he's trying to buy Mart Walsh's razor since he found out how good it cuts. . . . Lloyd Welbaum is reconditioning his Nash for the trip to New York to meet his daughter arriving home from an extended tour of Europe. . . . Why did Art Dicke's granddaughter make fun of him the other evening at Elmer Sauerwein's house? . . . Al Stecker is mighty proud of his new Ford 6. He will give you a ride by appointment and a 50-cent cover charge. . . . Our harmonica virtuoso Paul Brinkroeger didn't mind it when "Pestbrook Wegler" called his ideal harmonica player, Larry Adler, a communist, but when he said his playing sounded like a person with asthma, that was when Paul demanded "Wegler" to be ousted from the Republican Party. . . . Joe Mettler almost didn't go camping over Labor Day with Carl Moser until at the last minute Carl consented to do all the cooking and dishwashing.

C. L. Pope To Address Lubrication Engineers At Meeting Thursday

The Fort Wayne Works of the General Electric Company will be host to the members and guests of the American Society of Lubrication Engineers at a dinner meeting Thursday evening, Sept. 15, at the Broadway plant, Bldg. 16-2.

C. L. Pope will be the speaker. He is one of the best known authorities on lubricants and lubrication in the United States. His subject will be, "What Lubrication Means to Management."

Mr. Pope is Chief Lubrication Engineer and head of maintenance of the Eastman Kodak Company at Rochester, N. Y. He has served in this capacity for the past 25 years. He is a Cornell graduate of 1926, and served apprenticeship at Wright Aeronautical. He has his masters degree in mechanics, and is president of the American Society of Lubrication Engineers and first chairman of Lubrication Co-ordinating Committee of the American Society of Test Materials. He is also a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Rochester Engineering Society, and Cornell Club of Engineers.

J. W. Bucker, Plant Engineering in Bldg. 20-2, is vice president of the local chapter of ASLE.

Beverforden Dies

Clarence Beverforden, 65, died at 9:30 p.m. Wednesday at his home, 4701 S. Lafayette St. He began working for G-E in 1916 as a punch and die setter and later as a machine hand in Bldg. 4-1. Mr. Beverforden left the Company because of illness in 1925.

Three Join Q-C Club



Philip F. Schroeder
Taylor St.



Robert L. Pence
Bldg. 4-3



Harry L. DeWitt
Taylor St.

Tales from Taylor

by Harry Porter

As you all know George Cowan is building a cottage at Lake Gilead just over the line in Michigan. Last Saturday and Sunday he invited several of the boys up to help him put the shingles in place. We learn that George instead of doing some of the work himself, stood in the shade of some trees while the rest of the gang braved the hot sun and completed the roof. He gave as his excuse that he never was much good with a hammer, having to use both hands to pound in a nail; and trying to put nails in place on a roof was just out of the question. . . . It is with deep regret that we bid our old friend Wilbur Boltz goodby as he departs for the Broadway plant. We will surely miss his shining pate, radiant smile and lastly those elegant flashy neckties that he wore. He seemed to have an abundant supply of those cravats. Evidently he received a bale of them last Christmas. . . . Paul Gensel has come forth with a brand new Ford. He has been driving one of the light models for years and is just a little afraid of this larger and speedier model. We have been wondering about Paul for years, as he has always been a confirmed bachelor and never did seem to care about the looks of the car he drove. Now that he has blossomed forth with a brand new job, all of us are wondering if there might be a possibility of him doing a little angling for a mate. . . . Joe Turley attended a women's wrestling match one evening last week. So enthused was he over the show that he had to tell mama all about it when he arrived home. A few days later he reported for work with a smoked lamp. All of us are wondering if he and his wife might have been practicing some new holds with the result that one of Joe's eyes became blackened. He tells us that his wife is very much interested in the sport and that he had to promise to take her to the next bouts.

Medical Memos.....

by Mary Heyman

Has the variety of styles and designs of nurses' caps ever puzzled you? Recently I read an article on the subject. To a nurse, her cap is a symbol of her profession, and a "trademark" of her school. Many years ago women wore caps indoors. Some authorities believe that the nurses' cap is a descendant from the headdresses worn by nursing nuns. But to be more practical, it was a tedious business to wash hair in the olden days, so keeping the hair covered while caring for patients was a hygienic measure. A typical dust cap was most often worn and soon there were more attractive types of caps. The fact that each school desires a distinctive cap has resulted in many different styles. Pleats, ruffles, tucks, frills, creases and stitching all help to make each cap unique. Using materials, like organdy, voile, broadcloth, linen and muslin also adds variety. They are constructed in many styles such as Dutch caps, pointed caps, and some have black bands. Nurses' caps are cherished by their owners, admired by friends and respected by the public. A nurse's cap is a distinctive feature of a nurse's uniform and a traditional symbol of an honorable profession. . . . Now that Labor Day is over we can begin thinking about winter and some of its activities. Plans are under way for having a bowling team in the Ladies' Owl League. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Mulvane spent the long week-end in Illinois. Your author was the guest of friends in Canton, Ohio. The Plymouth complete with seatcovers provided transportation. . . . Veda Orff recently underwent surgery at the St. Joseph Hospital. The entire group is pulling for you, Veda. . . . Florence Martin is working second trick at Taylor St. Alta Mayle is replacing Olive Walters on days. Hope you enjoyed your extra vacation week, Olive. . . . Lyle Rupert has been watching the daily pollen count. She is one of the many who will welcome the first frost. . . . Just wondering: If golf is rated as the fourth most dangerous sport. There certainly wasn't much havoc caused by my last game. . . . Wouldn't this be ideal weather for a wiener and corn roast? . . . If there ever could be a substitute for a county fair.

Two Editors To Sleuth For News In Bldg. 4-6



Two new Division Editors, Gil Baker and Walt Gerke, have taken over the writing of "Sleuthing in Bldg. 4-6." They replace Joan Poos, who soon leaves G-E to be married.

Gil came to General Electric in June, 1946, as a helper in Bldg. 19-5. He later transferred to Bldg. 4-6, where he is now doing drafting work in the DC section. Beginning his G-E career in 1946, Walt has been in FHP Motor AC drafting since that time.

Both fellows are interested in sports. Gil prefers basketball and football, while Walt's favorites include hunting, fishing, and bowling. They both have photography as a hobby.

Thisa and Thata "Specialty Motor"

by Helen Engle

This is NEWS—Ted (Skin-head) Bain is driving a new car. It may sound like a Buick but it still is a Nash. Ted was driving down the street the other day when someone yelled at him to put out his lights. The lights were not on, he just had his hat off! . . . Louie Barrow and Hank Shirley went fishing out to Cedar Creek, but when they got there they found out that they had forgotten the worms. Our advice is that you leave the "bottle" at home and take the worms—you can catch more fish that way! . . . Our friend Ross Strodel is going out to the Taylor St. Plant. Hope you like it out there, Ross! . . . Congratulations to Vera Fetro who had her picture taken the other day. She completed 30 years with the Company. . . . It is too bad that Frieda Knoche's birthday is over but then Christmas is coming, maybe then she will get a supply of hankies. . . . Harry Meyers can't understand that when your big toe goes through your sock that when you put it on the other foot the big toe sticks out there too. Someone else explain it to him, I can't. . . . Birthday greetings to Tom Dickerson and Hazel Herron. . . . Asthma is driving Emery and Eva Tucker to the tall timbers, hope you feel much better when you get back! . . . Congratulations to "Red" and Bertha Markley who are the proud parents of a baby girl. Both were former co-workers. . . . They tell me that Marie Griffin is going into a new business. She is planning to wrap a towel around her head and gaze into a crystal-ball! . . . You should hear Gilbert Walker sing "The Freckles song." He does it better when he has someone to play the piano for him! . . . Attention: Ralph Gilbert and Florian Korte, Tommy's beach will be open all winter! . . . Harry Hedglin, how does it go to be on days. Can you see better after dark or do you like the daylight just as well? . . . Wendell Heckley says he likes to test SMY motors the best, guess he likes his chair. . . . Pondo is still looking for that job as a singer! Won't someone please give the poor boy a break? He really is OK! . . . We never hear Carl Harmon talking about his dog. Wonder if he traded it in for the car? . . . Lester Hubbart dashes in here just about seven every morning. He gets up in the middle of the night but by the time he kisses his wife and all the children good-bye he's really almost late. They say he doesn't speak when he is in his car, guess he has to watch the road. . . . Johnny Ormiston was seen frantically picking up some things in the stock room the other day. He was down on his hands and knees. At first we thought that his money belt broke but it was only some little doo-dads for some motors! . . . It's nice to win things, but Art Bobay's wife would like to know what it is she won. Maybe she'll find out in time for the income tax collector, Art! . . . Ervin Zollinger, Jr., certainly is a serious quiet little man since he became a father. I believe he worries about having to wash out all those little unmentionables. Don't worry, Erv, the boy will soon grow up and help you. . . . Florence Rekeweg and her husband are going to spend the week-end at Knapp Lake. They love to fish but the fish never bite on Sundays and holidays. . . . Clarice Woodruff will soon be leaving for California. . . . Joan Brawn was up to see us the other day and so was Hazel Dilworth. Both looked swell! . . . The "Welcome Mat" is out to Walt Dreyer who has returned to Division 1. . . . Al Flory was given a billfold with some money in it when he retired, hope you get yourself something that you will always remember us by. We hope you enjoy yourself to your heart's content!

No Fish Story



These fish were just part of the ones Gurney Lindley (right), and his companion from Kokomo, made sure didn't get away. The catch was made during vacation at Loke Manitou.

Flory Is Honored At Retirement



Albert Flory, Bldg. 4-3, left last week for retirement. On his last day, his co-workers in FHP Div. 1 gathered to say so-long and give him a gift. Mr. Flory is shown on the platform with O. J. Mettler, Div. 1 Supt., while his friends are looking on.

W. F. Meyers Dies

William F. Meyers, 78, died at 9:30 a.m. Sunday in the Lutheran hospital after an illness of two years. He was an employee of General Electric from 1912 to 1932, when he retired.

Mr. Meyers was a charter member of the Independent Order of Red Men, a member of the Minnewa Council No. 67, Degree of Pocahontas, and the Macabee Lodge.

Survivors include one daughter, Irene Meyers, Bldg. 8-2; five brothers, George, of St. Joseph; Charles of Detroit; Alver and Otto H., of Pasadena, Calif., and Henry, of Omaha, Neb., and three sisters, Mrs. William Dedolph, Mrs. Henry Streittmantter, and Mrs. Catherine Merriman, all of Detroit.

Services were held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Tom Mungovan funeral home, the Rev. W. J. Kermott officiating. Burial was in the New Haven IOOF Cemetery.



When Ray Kierspe still owned that old junker we used to see his better half drive it back and forth to the grocery, but now since he's got a brand new Nash who toddles along and does the driving, yes, it's 5x5 himself. May we suggest to his better half that she take advantage of the time he's out of town to disconnect the speedometer and drive it for all it's worth. . . . If you would like your necktie tied like those three cornered affairs, Herb Thompson will be glad to accommodate. . . . We have finally found out why Clarence Coulter is so mean and hard to get along with at times. He's being fed raw meat. It seems that one day last week he had raw meat in his sandwiches, which naturally someone forgot to cook. In order to stay out of trouble we will not mention names. . . . Boys and girls, it's school time again. Some of you are happy and anxious to get back others are not. Take it from us who have gone through those years that your school days are among the happiest days in your life, so give it everything you got. You will really need a good education in your later years; it's becoming more and more so every day. While you have to put in the time anyway get out of it all you possibly can. You will never be sorry and you will find out some day we were right. A good education is something that no one can take from you. Happy School Days, Kids.

Insulation News

We hope that all the good standing members of the Quarter Century Club are busy toning those muscles for the annual outing. With all those strenuous activities taking place, we're a bit afraid that the absentee list will hit an all time high on Monday following, what with the achin' backs, etc. We also hope that someone will surprise us as Lawrence Gardt did last year and come home with a big prize. . . . Everytime we have a thunder shower (and lately that's every day) we have to calm Bob Martin. Bob is building a new home and he can just see that dream house "Cruising Down the River." . . . I hear tell that the two B's of Bldg. 12-3 (Balsamo and Baumgartner) are scheming again. Dorothy wants Jo to accompany her on a trip to Chicago, but it seems that the popcorn business is simply booming and Jo can't tear herself away. If only the machine were portable, Jo, you could take it along and set up business on the train. Where there's a will there's a way, you know. . . . Poor Ray Fisher! Here I thought he was enjoying a week of rest on his vacation. But my star reporter tells me that he is working as stand-in on the Olsen-Johnson show. Everybody wants to get in the act, ch, Ray?

Prize Pig



Richard Bridge is shown, above, with his Grand Champ Duroc Barrow, which took first prize out of 85 head shown at the Whitley County 4-H Club Fair. Richard is very active in 4-H work. He is the son of Russel Bridge, a machine operator in the Wire Mill.

Mrs. Reddin To Report On Conditions In Japan



Eileen Reddin

Mrs. Vernon Reddin, secretary in Bldg. 6-2, leaves the Company today to join her husband in Osaka, Japan.

She will journey to Seattle, Wash., and will leave from there on Sept. 20 either by boat or, if a transport is available, by plane. Eileen will then make her home at an American-constructed village for the families of soldiers at Miho Air Field.

Her husband is a staff sergeant in the Army Air Force. Before joining the service, Vernon worked in the tool maintenance section of Bldg. 17-1. For the past 14 months, he has been located at the air field near Osaka.

Mrs. Reddin expects to live there for at least a year. Her experiences and a report on the conditions in Japan will be carried in the WORKS NEWS to continue the series of first-hand reports on foreign countries which was started by E. James Battrick. Mr. Battrick, an assembler of master motors in Bldg. 4-5, received a leave of absence from the Company to journey to England several months ago. During his visit with relatives, he traveled throughout England and interviewed persons in all forms of occupations. He then reported their views and his experiences in a series of dispatches mailed to the WORKS NEWS every few weeks before returning to his job Aug. 15.

Applications For Vet's Insurance Dividends Are Made Available

A supply of National Service Life Insurance applications for special dividends are available now to veterans at the Employment office, Bldg. 21, and at Hubert Myers' office, Taylor St.



"Where one goes hereafter depends largely upon what one goes after here."

It certainly is a grand and glorious feeling to see the fellows coming back on their old jobs again. Kenny Johnston and Eddie Hines started back on second shift after several months of "vacation." . . . The rotor inspectors welcome two newcomers, Roxie Miller and Ruth Hines. . . . Ed Meyers was called to Washington, D.C., last week because of serious illness of son Bob. He went down on the Liberty on Monday night and rode all night on return trip on Tuesday and was in for work on time Wednesday morning. At this writing Bob is better. We hope he will be fully recovered soon. . . . Who is this Mary that Ed Bienz is talking about all the time? . . . Herb Langer has been driving for almost a month without an accident. We believe he is deserving of some sort of a medal, but we can't quite decide what kind. . . . It looks like group 16x42 prefers yellow tomatoes to the red variety. The group doesn't know who to thank for the treat so takes this means, hoping that the person who brought them will read of their appreciation. . . . Did you ever try to clean the paint out of a brush with plain ordinary water? Harold Hohman did just that. Ask him for the secret. . . . Mrs. Dave Slater doesn't recommend her method in getting a new wardrobe, but it works. She lost so much weight (almost 50 lbs.) that she can't wear any of her clothes. She is selling all of them and buying new. . . . John Johnson is still trying to learn the game of euchre. At times he seems to have improved but at other times it appears as though all lessons were in vain. . . . Frank Bly, the tool room's new chicken farmer (35 chickens), claims he will be competing with the best of them in the near future. Give him your orders now. . . . "Dutch" Schulke, a former grinder in Bldg. 17-2, paid us a visit last Friday. He has been a resident of San Bernardino, Calif., for the past four and a half years. He is working on his brother-in-law's ranch. . . . We send greetings via this column to Clara Fulmer, who is still confined to her bed after several months' illness. We hope you will soon be better, Clara.



Hope you all enjoyed the holiday week-end. We hear that Jean Smith had a grand time at the YMCA Labor Day Camp at Camp Potawatomi. . . . Ruth Shull journeyed to St. Louis. . . . Cora Polhamus went to Fostoria, Ohio. . . . Ivan Rinehart enjoyed several days at Lake Wawasee. . . . Ed Witte motored to St. Louis to take his charming daughter back to school. . . . Mr. Freeman reported that he took advantage of the opportunity to do a little work around home. . . . Don Campbell visited his folks in Ashland, Ohio. He left the office on the run five minutes before train time. From all reports he made it on time. . . .We were all happy to see our former boss, Ray Zook, who was a welcome visitor while on vacation this week from his duties in Schenectady. . . . Evanell Holman was delighted when her husband bought her a pillow for the car and she is now able to drive with the greatest of ease. . . . Just a reminder to you gals, now is the time to renew your Elex Membership. Don't forget that if you do not join by Sept. 30 your opportunity will be gone for another year. . . . We extend to Irene Meyers our deepest sympathy on the death of her father.

Draftsman Retires After 32 Years



Sherman Stilwell, draftsman in Bldg. 31-2, retired last week after 32 years' service with General Electric. On his last day at work his friends in the Motor and Generator division gave him a going-away gift of luggage. Left to right in the picture are: H. F. Butcher, H. E. Garrett, R. H. Hickman, C. E. Mannan, P. S. Strough, Manager of Engineering; E. E. Lenz, J. A. Meeks, R. A. VanHorn, Supervisor of Drafting; G. A. Lewis, H. L. Kern, Mr. Stilwell, and E. P. McKeeman.



YEA, AUBURNITES. All the guys and gals formerly from Auburn are having a picnic at Sears Pavilion, Sept. 18, starting at 11 a.m. They would like to see about 300 formerly from Auburn attend. Don't forget your table service and, of course, the eats. We'll see you there. . . . Did you shiver over our "squaw" winter last week? Don't get the "longies" out of the moth balls yet. We are still slated for some Indian Summer. . . . When September rolls around, that means joining Elex for the girls. Let's see your name on the roll this year. . . . Does anyone have a slightly used adding machine or a discarded abacus? Walter Kryder is in the market for one. . . . Frances Eckrote has been having her troubles by being transferred. So she put it in rhyme.

Most anytime, most any day
I'm apt to hear my foreman say
"You're transferred."
From two to four, from four to three
Then back to two. Oh, woe is me.
And yet I only smile and say
"I'm glad to have a job, OK."
And then again, I'm on my way
Transferred.

Cute, isn't it? . . . It's "howdy" to all our newcomers on the early bird shift. . . . Sorry Bea Lantz and Rita Zuber left us to return on nights. . . . It's pretty hard to convince Doris Lontz that she can't drive a car backwards. . . . By the way, we finally found out why Mabel Buker likes to ride backwards. She doesn't care so much where she is going, but where she's been is what counts. . . . We hear that Lola McCague is having a well deserved vacation in Arizona. Lola has retired sometime ago. . . . We are sorry to hear that Thelma Oswald's husband is very ill again; also that Mildred Huntine's daughter is in the hospital, and that Genevieve Ayers Cleland's husband is very ill. Genevieve was a former floorlady when we were in Bldg. 17-2. It would be nice to drop her a "cheer up" card. Her address is 2100 University Blvd., Lima, Ohio. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Marie Alleman in the death of her husband. . . . We are glad to report that Florence Kowal is improving. Hurry back, Blondie. . . . Psst, did you hear about the goose that bit Jerry Snyder? . . . We had a lot of wedding anniversaries this week. Naomi Robinson chalked up the 23rd one; Marcella Lawrence the 19th; Lewie Hoffman, 12th; and Dorothy Johnson and Mabel Buker, their first. Hope you all have many more of them. . . . It's a happy birthday to Josephine Motter and Elvira Diller. . . . Wonder why the main winders are afraid of birthday cards? Surely not old age. . . . It took four bits worth of experience to convince Hershel Case that he must not play with dice. . . . Harold Kiel has a new side line—fixing electric razors. Work not guaranteed. . . . Bill Miller has gone in for barbering too. . . . Leona Hollis locked her keys in her car Wednesday, but lucky for her she had a sister who came seven miles to the rescue! . . . Velma Seibt is going to take a tent along the next time she goes to see the Daisies play. You mean the rain was wet? . . . Hedy Harrison looks real pert after a month in Florida. . . . Toy Haymond, Goldie DeLong and Eva Reiter were up to visit us last week. . . . Jo Ann Kemery has another dog. Hope you have good luck with this one.

Middendorff Enters Retirement



Joe Middendorff, FHP Div. 14 at Taylor St., completed his G-E career last week. He retires with 24 years service. On his last day, a number of his friends joined with their good-byes. Left to right in the picture are: Albert Eichler, Robert Warnement, Lucy Witlock, Harold Baihler, Jerry Carr, Virgil Foland, Russell Johnson, Lester Richter, Victor Jacobs, Darwin Grover, Mr. Middendorff, Paul Burnau, Harold Springer, Walter Holloway, William Shoemaker, Jerry Uhl, and Roy Burris.

Sleuthing IN BLDG. 4-6

By Gil Baker and Walt Gerke

FIRE DEPT.—What is this we hear of Judy Clark wanting to join the fire department? That red suit she wore Thursday was definitely a fire engine red. . . . APARTMENT HUNTING—Bob Zuske of the AC Division has been hunting for an apartment for weeks. Anyone hearing of one may contact him on 379. . . . DEPARTURES—A few of Maxine Lonergan's friends entertained her at lunch last Wednesday. She is taking a month's leave of absence. Mildred McQueen left the Payroll Division last Friday. We will all miss you, Mildred. . . . ANNOUNCEMENTS — Payroll girls honored Frieda DeVaux, who was married during vacation, at a dinner last Friday noon. Frieda was presented with a lovely gift and corsage. . . . SYMPATHY—All the friends and co-workers extend their deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Willits on the death of their son, Steven, who died at the Lutheran Hospital at 6:45 p.m. Thursday, resulting from an auto accident. . . . SUFFERING—Norm Oetting did just a little suffering Friday noon. He had two teeth filled. We feel for you, Norm. . . . ENTHUSIASM—You can tell that the bowling season is about to start. The office fellows are getting real excited. One more week, fellows. . . . BACK AGAIN—Life in the southeast corner of the DC Division is "back to normalcy" again with the return of R. D. Jones from the Golden West. We should ask him to give us a talk about all the places of interest he visited—how about it! . . . Then too, the "Big Four" — Adolf, Paul, Stape and Toby are all back at it again. Your reporter has come to the conclusion that the absence of anyone of the Big Four (no special one deserves this honor) makes a big difference in the tranquility of the prevailing atmosphere. . . . ADDITIONS—We welcome Eileen Hennen to the AC Division as our new typist. She came here from Bldg. 2-2. . . . NEAR MISS—What's this we hear about Gil Baker dropping a bottle of ink near Mary Smoke and just about getting it all over her. Had you worried for a minute, Gil? . . . LONG WAIT—Last Tuesday Jack Kirlin wrote out two vault slips. He stapled them together and laid them on his desk. Then he picked up the rest of the pad and laid it in the basket. It will be a long time before you get those prints, Jack.



Now that summer is officially over, have you made up your mind to enjoy fall? Those long, golden days of September and October are really worth waiting for. A trip to the Brown County hills within the next two months will repay you for struggling through those miserable wet days called summer. . . . Betty McPherson joined the 50 cent club and now parks on the lot. Seems like that club has a lot of members. . . . Everyone was greeting Ray Solga with "Good Morning, Judge" or "Have a Cigar, Judge?" How come? . . . The cigarette hawking on the floor has almost come to a standstill. Could it be that Jay Hensler finally bought a pack. Oh well, "A penny saved is a penny earned," Jay says. . . . Have you noticed the sparkle in Norb Lose's eyes lately? Could it be that he is awaiting the fishing trip to Northern Michigan like a kid awaits Christmas? . . . The latest addition to that fish trophy we told you about is a pair of glasses on the fish's nose. Are these to help the fish see who is fishing for him or so he can see the hook better? For a real fish, Wilford Fett should see Howard Brooks' proof. . . . If all the folks who admired the ironers in here for test bought one, we would be sure to have a business boom.

ECHOES FROM 19-2 & 19-3

By Gladys McMillan and Ed Dikty

L. P. (Larry) Larenitis was a visitor on our floor last week. He was both surprised and embarrassed when he caught Frank Elder working. Said it never happened when he was Frank's foreman. . . . By the way, Frank Elder's Packard has been renamed. It is no longer "Old Ironsides" but the "Blue Racer." . . . Clayton Dafforn and family enjoyed a trip to California on his vacation. "No motor trouble at all," Clayton reports, "the old Ford took everything in its stride." . . . Joe Adam, one of Charlie McCormick's boys, is off sick. Hope you can get back soon, Joe. . . . Howard Musselman, who along with other Pokagon Park summer habitants is facing mass eviction from his prize camp spot at the Park. He has threatened to take the matter as high as Gov. Schricker, and believe me, Howard is just the lad who'll do it. . . . Leroy Cook has been temporarily chief coach of the St. Joe Athletic Club football team. The sterling qualities of our boy, Leroy, are being recognized. . . . Squirrels, beware! With the opening of the squirrel season, our hunters, Killer Hart, Dead Eye Reed, and Sure Shot Lichtsinn, are bound to decimate the squirrel population of the county. . . . Jerry Stanger says that he enjoyed his three weeks at the lake. Says he caught some fish and added materially to the profits of certain malt beverage workers. . . . We are glad to hear that Charles Hughes has improved and is now at home and would welcome visitors. He wishes in this way to thank his friends for the kindness showed him while he was in the hospital. . . . We are glad to hear that George Ealing has his little girl home from the hospital and that she is recovering from polio. . . . Somewhere along the line, Paul Scotton dropped the name of "Pete" and is now known as "Sunshine" Scotton.



No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, September 12, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—A rosary. Lost between cafeteria, Bldg. 16 and Bldg. 26-2.

FOR SALE

FOUR CHROME CHAIRS—$2.50 each, red trim; baby swing, never used, $2.50. H-57155.

FOUR ROOM COTTAGE—Sealed and furnished at Big Lake, lake front, plenty of shade trees, boat and motor, $1600. H-81107.

LOT—Northeast in Bellair addition, 107x135, cash or contract; 20 gauge shotgun, box shells, $12. H-74081.

DEEP FREEZE — Two compartments, storage compartment, eight cu. ft., reasonable. H-81553.

TWO TIRES AND TUBES—6.50x15, $10. 2412 Fillmore St.

STORKLINE CRIB—With innerspring mattress, waxed birch. H-8653.

BABY BASSINET—Inside plastic cover and mattress, in excellent condition, reasonably priced. A-60523.

1941 V-8 ENGINE—Good condition, very reasonable. A-49404.

HORTON WASHER — Good condition, $10. 3330 Robinwood Dr. or H-67935.

MODEL E ARGOFLEX CAMERA—Like new, Anastigmat f4.5 lens; speeds from 1/10 to 1/200, $50. H-48475.

OIL HEATER—Coal heater; late edition Encyclopedia Britannica; 26 in. boy's bicycle; porch swing; glider; reed stroller, reasonable. A-99555 or 804 Third.

ELECTRIC STOVE—Full size table top, four-burner, oven and storage space, three years old, looks like new. $65. H-44952.

TWO METAL PORCH CHAIRS—$4 each; floor model Philco, $40. H-48112.

BOY'S OR MAN'S BICYCLE—Balloon tired, Schwinn, bell, light, stand and license, good shape, size 26, reasonably priced. E-2635.

MEN'S REGULATION BOWLING BALL—For fairly large hand; also oil drums and baby carriage, reasonable. 3218 Raymond Ave.

TYPEWRITER—Excellent condition, just completely overhauled, reasonable. H-79603 after 5:30 p.m.

FUEL OIL HEATING STOVE—New condition, heats 4-5 rooms. $65. Wade Tyler, Hoagland, Ind.

MAGIC CHEF ¾ GAS STOVE—With or without bottle gas. H-74748.

HAND CROCHETED TABLE CLOTH—7½ ft. x 8½ ft., never used, took three years to make, a bargain. H-91681.

NAVY BUNK BEDS — Complete with mattresses, very clean. 3615 Lafayette St. or H-70322.

BOY'S BICYCLE—Gas stove, high hand; '46 Ford sedan. A-85834.

BOYS' COATS—Covert cloth with leggings, Eaton cap, size 4; brown topcoat, size 4; two wool twill short overcoats size 12-16. A-60182.

DURABLE FIVE PIECE WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE—Make me an offer. E-38901, evenings, Saturday or Sunday.

FOR RENT

ROOM—And private lavatory in modern adult home, close to G-E, for refined gentleman, references. H-37945.

NICELY FURNISHED SLEEPING ROOM TO SHARE WITH GENTLEMAN—Twin beds, innerspring mattress, shower and private entrance, $5.50 per week. 207 W. Dewald or H-83574.

NICELY FURNISHED SLEEPING ROOM—In strictly modern home, quiet surroundings, south side, gentleman preferred. H-2916 before 11:30 a.m. or after 8:30 p.m.

WANTED

CHILD'S TABLE AND CHAIR SET—Small bicycle and other toys. A-75442.

APARTMENT—Three large or four medium rooms, unfurnished, prefer lower, near bus line, prefer downtown, west end for two elderly ladies. H-2915 or E-1629.

THANK YOU NOTES

I WISH IN THIS MANNER TO THANK ALL—Of my General Electric Company friends for their understanding messages and floral offering sent at the time of the death of my husband, Lt. William Tanner. Phyllis Tanner, Bldg. 18-1.

I ACKNOWLEDGE WITH GRATEFUL APPRECIATION—Your kind expression of sympathy. Marie Alleman, Cafeteria.

CORRECTION

THE PHOTOGRAPHS OF EVA CREIGH AND BEA LANTZ—were transposed in last week's WORKS NEWS story about the Elex candidates.



Anyone seeing Frank Fann standing beside a drinking fountain with a bewildered look will be doing him a favor by telling him where he is. He sometimes gets lost. . . . Since Milt Roller moved to the country he has his wife drive him to work. On the way in the last week the car went dead. After a few minutes of fussing and fretting he hailed a ride into town, and called a garage to fix the car. Before the garage service man arrived a passerby stopped and offered his assistance to Mrs. Roller. In a couple of minutes he had found and replaced a loose distributor wire. He charged $2 and Milt still has to pay the unused service man. . . . The "new car" fever is very contagious on the floor. Bob Morris is driving a new Plymouth and Clarence Watson, Herb Laudstoffer and Berniece Lund are driving new Chevrolets. . . . Fred Rathert, Bldg. 4-5 weather man, predicted we would have a cold winter by the "hair on the broom."



The apprentice bowling team is now and always ready for new members. The team will bowl on Tuesday at 8:30 P.M. with the first game scheduled for the evening of September 13. Any interested men see Homer Carson or Don Dimke. . . . "Dan'l Borton" went hunting and shot a persimmon tree out from under a squirrel. . . . The prize trick for this week goes to Joe Rowan. He tested his flash bulbs in a lamp socket. . . . Whitie Fremion made it back from his soldiering activities. He finds it hard to wield a pencil after throwing a rifle around. . . . For "Available Jones" service see Schmidt and Frede. . . . Obringer asks to retract a statement. He said he didn't set the valves on his car with a crow bar. . . . Mark McNulty is all thrilled since his cousin "Knothole" McNulty and his cousin "Nifty" McNulty have made the Abbie and Slats comic strip. . . . Paul Wuttke finally took his vacation. He went to Minneapolis and Mankato over the long week-end. . . . Anyone wanting to sell a row boat should see Harry Ecenbarger. He has heard that the cisco are running at Snow Lake. (It should be interesting to watch a fish run.) . . . Everyone seems to worry about where they are going to get books for the present semester. Look no longer, men. Ron Allen has all the reading and study material necessary to make a dull morning bright. . . . You have heard people talk about working their fingers to the bone—we have an apprentice who actually did—but not at work, Clendenen is building a chimney for his new home. . . . Wagner has acquired Merle Aughinbaugh as a hunting partner and the latest reports are that they each got four squirrels with three shots. (?) Maybe they should start giving lessons to some of the less fortunates. . . . The fish at Goose Lake made a gander of Bill Smith over the week-end. He was on the lake all day with nary a nibble. . . . If Reinking can't shoot squirrels he still makes good use of his time as a marksman. He bagged seven trees and a few bushes. . . . Opinions vary about taking extra studies from different available schools and classes. As a help the column would like to relate the desires of some of its readers. Some apprentices talk about Architecture, Heating and Ventilating, Time and Motion Study, Cost Accounting, Labor and Business, Personnel Relations and any number of studies which will broaden a man and make him a more versatile worker. Remember that the more jobs a man is capable of doing, the more jobs will be available for him. As they use to say in the Naval Training Program "A LITTLE learning is a dangerous thing." . . . Millie was stood up last Friday night. While waiting for her boy friend, he passed her up like a dirty shirt, but things turned out pretty well anyway because two of the handsomest apprentices happened by and offered to take her home.



With very silent thanks to E. H. Martin of West Lynn Works I would like to offer the following—

The Critics

Some people just dote when our columns emote,
In styles of the better romancers;
While others just hrood if we do not include
Some lines on Ecdysiast dancers.
Some critics will carp if our adjectives harp
On virtues of Soxian heroes,
While others will smile at a Gossipy style.
And give other methods their sneer-ohs!
The featherfoot hrain thinks we should entertain
With essays on nuclear fission;
And then there are those who hiuntly propose
The column's eternal omission.
Though all have their say in deciding the way
This column should stay in existence.
This critical group leaves us right in the soup,
When it comes to some conorete assistance!

All of that—just to say the last two lines! . . . So Sorry—to say goodbye to Delores Connin, Bldg. 18-4. She has served so capably as reporter for this column from that floor. Taylor Street, please note, you have a new reporter in your midst. We are happy that Fonda Cook of Bldg. 18-4 who has been assisting Delores will serve as reporter. Your continued cooperation will be appreciated. . . . Last week, Ed Trabel of Bldg. 10-1 and Paul Lenz of Bldg. 6-2 spent the week-end in Chicago attending the Railroad Fair and a double-header game. . . . L. C. Swager was away from his duties part of last week as a victim of influenza. . . . We are sorry to learn that it was necessary for Veda Orff to undergo surgery last Friday. . . . W. E. Holmes is now located in Bldg. 18-2 in the office with Howard Miller. . . . Hazel McDougall has been transferred to Mr. Matson's office. . . . Our congratulations to the new officers of the G-E Club. . . . Carl Brandt has purchased a new gasoline stove for outings. The first time he used it was last Sunday when it rained too much to fish and on Monday it was almost too much to listen to him regal the wonders of cooking on this stove. . . . The Purchasing Division extends a warm welcome to Betty Jane Toole, who comes from the Works Lab in Bldg. 28. . . . Dorothy Long is asking who marks her scratch pad all over and any other papers handy during the night hours.

Congratulations

While we are far away, not only in miles but position, we would like to add our best wishes and congratulations to our Company President, Charles E. Wilson. We can all do our part to help make the 50th Anniversary year of his employment with General Electric, a memorable year in performance.



Congratulations to Hilda Walda, who on July 31 celebrated her 30th anniversary with the G-E. . . . When Paul Monroe was questioned recently about how he lost his thumb, he told his gullible listener that he wore it off shucking corn when he was a mere lad of 14. How can a guy think up such quick and far-fetched answers? . . . It's to be hoped Johnnie Craig and Harry Sebold finally recovered their breath after their quick sprint in the direction of Bldg. 6. . . . Joe Trentadue says he is getting to that mellow age where life is beginning to show its mark. We're quite sure time will be kind to him and he may yet be our "Man of Distinction." . . . Our congratulations to Florence Offerle, who is wearing a new sparkler on her left hand. . . . We express our sympathy to Margie Rall whose father died recently.



A group in General Service had a little bowling tournament last Monday night, Aug. 29 at Bowmans. Members of the winning team were Rosie Thomas, Joan Florstedt, Bernie Kain, Tez Trump and Harold Fanning. During the evening, "Boodles" Bendel had a difficult time keeping track of his shoes. Tez wonders if this could be old age, Boodles. . . . Bob Kelker says he will soon have his basement ready for a shindig. . . . Ernest Bultemeyer returned to work the other day after a long illness. Good to have you back with us, Ernie. . . . We hear that Albert English has trouble with his chickens laying down on the job. . . . It's a standing joke that a plumber will often go to a job and forget his tools, but when he sits down to eat and forgets them, it can be quite embarrassing. Don't you think so, Leo? . . . For expert advice on cement block laying, be sure to ask Ralph Bande the proper way. If he builds the rest of his house as well as he has his basement, it should be a nice place. . . . Herman Bertsch paid us a visit the other day while convalescing after a serious operation. We're anxious to have you back, Herman, so get well quick! . . . It seems like old times to see the bright and shining face of Forest Carr around Standardizing again. Glad you're back, Forest. . . . No, folks, it's not a new hotel being erected on the property of Walter Nitz. It's just that he is building a large chicken house that sure is a beauty. Why not find something to do, Walt, that doesn't take so much work? . . . What does Art Buchwald do with all his obsolete catalogs? Do you live in the country, Buck? . . . What Andy Frank didn't know was that he had a very interested audience. Cheer up, Andy. They all admitted that they didn't learn any new ones from you. Anyway, thanks for going outside the office. We'd hate to see this new paint blistered so soon. . . . Everyone would like to know what Pete Helmer finds so fascinating about this place, that he would spend his vacation here too. Or were you just checking up on things in general, Pete?

Hard luck is what other people bore you talking about.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT IS YOUR OPINION OF THE NEW CITY ORDINANCE TO REGULATE AND CONTROL PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC?

ARNO M. TAYLOR

Bldg. 19-2

"Any law which tends to prevent human injuries is obviously a good law. However, due to buses picking up passengers in the middle of the blocks I would say that there may be some difficulty in the enforcement of this law."





ROBERT E. HOWER

Bldg. 26-3

"A jaywalking ordinance is all right if it is drawn up right. If it is true that just because you step down off of a curb accidentally you get a ticket, then I think that they are running safety in the ground. Besides who is going to tell the postman where he can cross the street, the city or the federal government? And if they make exceptions, to whom do they apply?"

MARGARETHE ARONSON

Taylor St.

"I think the new city ordinance that forbids jaywalking is a very good idea. It will help us to remember safety first and to practice it."





MILLICENT McHENRY

Bldg. 4-5

"The ordinance in itself seems to serve its purpose, but such an ordinance would be unnecessary if thoughtless and careless citizens would stop using themselves to test the brake reaction time of downtown motorists."

DANIEL LUEBKE

Bldg. 18-4

"This ordinance is a desirable traffic regulation for our own protection. Sensible compliance and sensible enforcement should make our community a safer one."





The fish stories that Charlie Penn and Ducky Drake told when they returned from their vacation last month has gotten them into trouble. Last Friday they left for Lake Alice at Tomahawk, Wis., and they took Ralph Keller, Hubert Meyers, Tex Sloan, L. Gale, and Dal Patten with them as they have to prove to these guys that there are really fish up there and plenty of them to be caught yet. Hope we will be able to tell you next week what the outcome was. . . . Louise Sinn has a new nickname. She is now known as "Peaches." It seems that she gets into Doyle Sheets' lunch pail every morning and eats all of his peaches. . . . "Cozy" Walper celebrated her birthday last Friday and passed out candy. She wouldn't say just how old she was, but by the way that she was blushing, it couldn't be too old. . . . Herb Richter says that so far Old Man Hay Fever hasn't caught up with him. . . . Did you see the pictures that Eddie Bandt was showing around last week? If not you must do so by all means, as they were of Ed when he was young and(?) . . . Mel Riley has been wearing out his shoe leather lately as his car decided to take a vacation. . . . Pat Perry is getting ready for cold weather. She has her "longies" on, one arm that is, but she says she puts them on by degrees. . . . Charlie Engle doesn't go on pension until November 1, but he says that as far as he is concerned he is starting as of right now. . . . Ruby Stoops really went places and did things while on her vacation. She traveled a total of 9000 miles. . . . Marguerite Stahl spent last week-end at Colon, Mich., on a fishing trip. . . . Our sympathy to Ed Donaghy in the death of his aunt. . . . It isn't much this week, folks, but it was all of the news that could be gathered, hope it will be better in the future.



Agnes Reinking and Jeanette Kigar attended the Indianapolis state fair last Friday. . . . Lucille Nevills is back to work after suffering an attack of the measles. . . . Orval Smith's wife planned a birthday party in his honor and sent invitations. Well, no one came to the party. A day after, the invitations came back, she had forgotten to put on the addresses. . . . What do you know, Dutch Norwalt's motor still isn't running. . . . We hear Ralph Braden missed the boat again. What's the matter, Ralph, trigger happy? . . . We see Brother Rian eating his dinner with the boss now. . . . Anyone having an old rocker, see Tom Hildebrandt. The older the better. Frankie Schlatter thinks he needs a wheel chair instead. . . . Why is it that Tom Freeman always uses big words when he gets around a crowd. . . . Dick Moore had better get more acquainted with his wife. . . . Sheepherder Keck smiles every time someone looks at him. . . . We hear Al Topp is chasing sheep on the farm too. . . . Sept. 10 is the big day for Opal Runnion. She will say "I do" to Kenneth Wisel. . . . Joe Troendly went to Illinois last weekend in his new Packard. . . . Benny Keller has a cheap hair do. He grows hair like hay, puts a little mash on it and the cows lick it off while he's milking. Which gives him that trim look. . . . Ed Koontz has a new job, and his hay fever is gone now. . . . Ask Harold Rhine to see his baby picture. . . . The boys want to sign Frankie Schlatter up with the Daisies. He wants to make a wager he can throw or run as fast as they can. . . . Bill Fowler flushed all the antifreeze out of his radiator and then noticed the label on the car said, "do not drain." . . . Mel France is watching his P's and Q's lately. . . . Ask Frankie Schlatter what he was doing powdering his nose in the ladies restroom. . . . Roy Hostler, champion flycaster, can throw a fly 75 ft. and hit a bucket two times out of three. . . . Want to ride in a new car? See Joe Troendly. He has just purchased a brand new maroon Packard. Joe says it rides just like a Packard. . . . Farmer Wayne Weimer heard if his hay got wet, it wouldn't be any good. So he's looking for a circus tent to cover over it. . . . Agnes Brunner has left the Company to be a full time housewife in their new home on Pemberton drive. . . . Glad to see Pat Moran back to work since her recent accident.

Rounds Out 30 Years At G-E



Bernard Parent, Bldg. 4-4, recently rounded out 30 years with General Electric. A number of his friends gathered to offer their congratulations on his long-service record. In the picture are: (l. to r.) A. L. Knoll, Ed Robin, Robert Hermely, O. J. Mettler, Supt. of FHP Motor Div. 14; Mardo Tobias, Orville Coleman, Mr. Parent, Gareth Homer, George Prince, W. W. Stocks and Florian Korte.



Mike (Toreador) Brayer, had gone squirrel hunting, and while he was waiting for the little fellows to appear, he suddenly was aware he was being watched. He turned around and much to his amazement there stood a bull. Our friend wound up on top a large pile of wood, pale as a ghost. . . . It seems Louie Botteron is having a little trouble these days. Every time he fills in his back yard his neighbor does likewise. How about you two boys getting together, Louie? . . . Walt Doctor is still looking for a car. . . . How come Elmer Buuck is rolling his own now days? . . . Harold Somers celebrated his fourth birthday last week and treated his fellow employees to an all day sucker. . . . What's this we hear about Katherine Erwin falling for Harold? . . . Walt Niemeyer, here of late has been reading blue prints upside down, and invariably they turn out to be inverted mounting. . . . While Gay Huey was in North Dakota she saw a former employee of our division Margaret

Schooner or Later



Cleon Oyer, FHP Div. 14, at Taylor St., was warned about driving his Buick to California, but he insisted the trip could be made. However, this is how he made his return trip—via prairie schooner.

Magsman. . . . We wish the best of luck to Joseph Mittendorf and Henry Stegmann, who retired Aug. 31. Each was presented with an attractive gift. Come back and see us fellows. . . . We understand the British have taken over the repair section—Walt Niemeyer has a spot of tea each noon. . . . Wish someone would ask Herb Wise about his lost week-end. . . . Elmer Buuck finally had the street in front of his house paved—but much to his surprise he can't park on his side. . . . Must be a steel shortage—Bill Shumaker has a heavy beard again. . . . The boys in assembly almost called Virgil Hammon to assist George Miller in removing a kink in his leg. Must be from sitting down, George. . . . Mike O'Grady and Gus Weisenburger are very much in a dither. Gus's daughter married Mike's wife's brother's child. Now the question is, are Mike and Gus their own grandpas?

A pat on the back often eliminates the need for a kick in the pants.



Herschel Smith, our genial safetyman, deputized me as one of his good will ambassadors in the "Home Stretch" safety campaign and pinned one of his badges on me for the occasion. And it was with a feeling of satisfaction of having accomplished something when everyone came up and read the wording on the badge. Even Bill Johnson said he would make a special effort to keep his fingers out of the washroom windows. As you remember how Bill smashed those fingers. But all joking aside Fractional Horsepower Motors has a very fine record and Division 13 under Mr. Koehlinger is leading the parade. So let's all do our part to make this year the best safety year. . . . Billy Rose in his column of "Pitching Horseshoes" isn't the only horseshoe pitcher for when it comes to tossing those shoes Art Kraft has the G-E Club tossers in the winning mood. They hope to win the bacon as well as the Voltmen at Wichita. . . . Jerry Knight asked Jack Pollock to pick him up on his way to work last week one day. He explained the block of the street he lived on and said he would be sitting on the front porch. Jack claims he drove down the street but was unable to see anyone sitting on the porch. It being a cool morning, Jerry decided to wait inside the house and watch through the window. He did and he would still be watching if it hadn't got so late he thought he had better get to work. Jerry watched a new maroon Chevy go by, but insisted that Jack had an old black one. But if you knew how good Jack was at standing people up on dates you wouldn't think much of it. . . . Twice now Louie Watt has been saved being skunked by the whistle this week. He and his partner Ernie Brown threw in the cards with the score nine to zero and the last deal completed and their opponents having declared the trump. . . . A number of the fellows have traded cars, but only Bill Herring has been guilty of walking all over the parking lot looking for his old car. . . . Bob Hendrickson is on days now in the lathe section. . . . Birthday greetings to Walter Schuler who celebrated his last week and (but I don't know why) to Jack Pollock who celebrated his this week.

4-1 Floorage

By Marie Lantz

Autumn's about to emerge, yet, believe it or not, we'll still see those last days of summer. Here's hoping everyone enjoyed the season's last holiday—with labor lost to loafing. . . . Those ever-famous fish fables still come in. Avery Spayde, who week-ends at Hamilton Lake, is an aspiring bass angler. For some unknown reason he can't seem to get a sizeable catch and has to be content coveting his next-door neighbor's fishing luck. Avery's failure to fish can't be blamed on the locality, as we once thought, since his friend brought in bass, time and again. It has been suggested that Avery have his picture taken holding the other fellow's fish—just to show friends who work here. May we suggest that if Spayde had a nocturnal engagement with a spade, then followed that with break of day fishing, he might attain success. 'Tis said the early bass gets the worm. Or, else, he might take lessons from Big Bass Berdleman, who, it is claimed, caught the only bass in Pretty Lake. Roy has shown us snapshots of his famed 5¼ pounder. We deem it a pity, indeed, that Harris of Fulk's Lake hadn't heard of Berdleman; he might have had his beast of Busco now. . . . Lois Waterson, who is studying to be an organist, takes her music lessons from Mrs. Gaston Baihle. Saturday, August 27, marked a special event for Lois—she played at a wedding at the Huntertown Methodist Church. My Hero and The Lord's Prayer were the musical selections played. . . . Noting his absence, we asked about Bill Tennyson. Told that he was on vacation we still queried. "Singing?" we asked. "Well, he ought to," came the answer. Yes, he should, but Tennyson sometimes sings at square dances. We wonder why that phase of terpsichorean art is so called; seems as if the dancers twirl round and round. If one wonders where the square comes in—he might be put on a pun, told, "through the door, of course." . . . We extend belated welcome-back greetings to Paul Madden from Bldg. 26-2, and Bill Oberlin, from nights to days. . . . Virgil Bobay is courting a limp, he fell from a step-ladder and twisted his knee. . . . At the time of this writing, we're informed that our nurse, Veda Orff, from dispensary, Bldg. 8-1 underwent an operation at the St. Joseph Hospital. May we wish Veda a speedy recovery—that she'll be back real soon.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Joseph Miller, Milo Reade, Luella Stabler, James Scarbaugh, Inez Green, Helen Perrey, Robert Helmke, Allen Emrick, John McMaken, and Lucille Bates.

Left the Hospital

Wayne Coak.

Returned to Work

Frank Brindle, Cleo Haymond. Charles Waltemath, Clarence Hartman, Mildred McConkey, Ernest Bultemeyer, Elsa Frede, Flossie Shoopman, Lavonda Asies, Ed Hanke, and Donald Jackson.

Voltmen Retain Championship Title

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With one down and two on, the Coors' strategy called for an intentional pass to Hormann. Then Lockett almost played into the hands of this defensive gesture; but, Hardy juggled Lockett's double-play tap and had to settle for a force out at second, while the lead run scampered home.

Then singles by Vic Austin, who had three safe blows in the tilt, and Frank Morgan were combined with an intentional pass to Lockett and two costly errors by Ley, the Coor's shortstop, provided Braden's men with what then seemed to be too great an advantage for the Colorado crew to surpass.

The Golden clubbers countered, however, in the top of the fifth, with four runs. After two men were retired, Ververka found himself under a blitz that subsided only after five consecutive batsmen had delivered safeties. Big blows in the uprising were Hardy's single and a booming double by Paul Dyke, another ex-Voltman.

The Coor's defensive collapse represented a tough blow for their lefthander, Clayton Freese. The portsider tossed a nifty seven-hitter, walked only three men unintentionally, and downed a quintet on strikes.

Box score:

VOLTMEN	AB	R	H	COORS	AB	R	H
Austin,ss	5	1	3	Hardy,2	4	1	1
Corriden,cf	3	0	0	Pemb'ton,rf	4	1	1
Todh'ter,2	4	2	1	Dyke,lf	4	0	1
Dudick,3	2	1	1	Konopka,1	4	0	0
Hormann,rf	3	1	0	Skeen,cf	4	0	0
Lockett,lf	3	0	0	Distefono,c	4	0	1
Ebranyi,1	3	0	0	Ley,ss	3	0	1
Morgan,c	4	0	1	Taft,3	4	1	1
Ververka,p	4	0	1	Freese,p	4	1	1
				aVoss	0	0	0
Totals	31	5	7	Totals	35	4	7

aRan for Distefono in 9th.

Coors	000 040 000—4
Voltmen	000 400 10x—5

Errors—Ververka, Ley 2. Runs batted in—Morgan 2, Hardy, Pemberton, Dyke 2, Lockett. Two-base hits—Dyke, Dudick. Three-base hits—Austin. Sacrifice—Corriden. Left on bases—Votlmen 7, Coors 6. Bases on balls—Off Ververka 2, Freese 5. Strikeouts—By Ververka 8, Freese 5. Umpires—Hassett, Fitzgerald, Hughes, Cessanese.

During the ceremony following the game, a huge Coca-Cola Trophy was presented to Manager "Red" Braden. First prize also carried with it a $10,000 award.

Voltmen Lose First Game

Tuesday night, Sept. 2, the Coors had handed the Voltmen a 4-3 defeat in a thrilling 15-inning heart-breaker.

Box score:

Voltmen	000 002 001 000 000—3
Coors	100 011 000 000 001—4

Edge Tuscaloosa Indians

The Voltmen utilized the effective hurling of Lee Pfund and an unusual break to squeeze out an 11-inning win over the Tuscaloose Indians Saturday night, 3-2.

Box score:

Voltmen	000 001 100 01—3
Tuscaloosa	010 000 100 00—2

Defeat Elk City, 4-0

The defending champions were given another chance at the Coors after blanking the Elk City, (Okla.) nine, 4-0, Monday night.

Box score:

Elk City	000 000 000—0
Voltmen	040 000 00x—4

Down Golden Coors, 5-2

The Voltmen took their second crack at the Coors by using eight singles and the steady seven-hit pitching of Bill Ricks to whip the Coors, 5-2, Tuesday night.

Box score:

Coors	000 000 200—2
Voltmen	001 020 02x—5

G-E Club Softball Team Wins Runner-up Trophy

Loses To Zollner Reserves, 2-0

By Bill Allen

Before about 350 well-chilled spectators at Municipal Beach, the G-E Club's Major softball team met defeat at the hands of the strong Zollner Reserve Club by a score of 2 to 0.

Manager Perry Esterline had previously guided his charges to a 15-won, 5-lost record for the season. The team finished in a tie for second place in the Main Auto Supply major league, Fort Wayne's strongest softball circuit, and will soon engage in a playoff series for the second place slot.

Although throwing one of his best games of the season in spite of severe weather, G-E Hurler Bud Feldheiser was the victim of loose fielding as the G-E team made a brilliant effort to capture the Class "A" Division of the city tournament. With his change-of-pace pitching and well-placed slow ball, Feldheiser avoided trouble in every inning except the second.

Burgette, Reserve club centerfielder, opened the inning with a single. On a ball-one, strike-two count on Saalfrank, Burgette broke for second base and was trapped with a beautiful throw from Catcher Somers to Tony Stanski, veteran shortstop, who forced the runner back to Perry Esterline at first base, for the put out. Saalfrank then walked, Ramage forced Saalfrank at second to set the stage for what proved to be the winning marker. Kowal, heavy-hitting second baseman, lifted a long fly down the right-field line for a home run, scoring Saalfrank for two runs. Erv Huth, former North Side athlete, then fanned to end the Reserve club scoring.

With the game moving errorlessly along at a fast pace, it wasn't until the home-half of the seventh inning that the G-E Club showed signs of pulling the game out of the fire.

After Morkoetter, heavy-hitting left fielder, lifted a long fly ball to deep centerfield for the first out, Harold Somers lined a sharp double to left-center field. Ewing, pinch-hitting for Bud Feldheiser, laid down a perfect sacrifice. This placed Somers on third base, while being called out at first on a very close play. At this point the Reserve club rallied, holding Somers at third while retiring the side.

In a brief ceremony following the game, Manager Esterline received the runner-up trophy from Paul Congdon, representative of the City Softball Commission.

Box score:

RESERVE CLUB	AB	R	H	G-E CLUB			
Ness,ss	3	0	0	Stanski,ss	3	0	0
Thom'son,lf	2	0	0	Baals,cf	3	0	1
Benecke,3	3	0	0	Yarman,3	3	0	1
Burgette,cf	3	0	1	Morkoetter,lf	3	0	0
Saalfrank,1	2	0	0	Somers,c	3	0	1
Ramage,c	2	1	0	Feldheiser,p	2	0	0
Kowal,2	2	1	1	xEwing	1	0	0
Ruth,rf	2	0	0	Esterline,2	3	0	0
Lundquist,p	2	0	0	Anderson,rf	2	0	0
				Lawson,1	2	0	1
Totals	21	2	2	Totals	25	0	1

Reserve Club	020 000 0—2
G-E Club	000 000 0—0

It's funny how kids take advantage of the fact that it isn't human to be perfect.

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G-E CLUB ALLEYS

WORKS LAB, FIREMEN, SQUARES SURVIVE FIRST ROUND OF SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Works Lab, Firemen and Squares survived the first round of the elimination tournament to determine the second-half champion of the Interdivision Softball League.

In a close, hard-fought game, Squares defeated Winter St., 4-3. All the runs were scored in the first two innings. Winter St. loaded the bases in the seventh inning with one out, but Benecke lined to DeCrappeo, who doubled Frasor off third base to end the game.

Main Office gave Works Lab a scare before bowing 7-4. Lore Ferverda was the mainstay for the Lab with a perfect day at bat, getting four hits in four attempts.

Firemen won from Fractional in the other game played, 10-2, as Blauvelt allowed only three hits.

SQUARES	AB	R	H	WINTER ST.	AB	R	H
Naslund,2	4	0	1	Benecke,c	4	0	1
O'Keefe,cf	4	1	1	Todd,rf	3	0	1
Eaton,lf	3	0	0	Linn, lf	3	0	0
Emling,3	3	1	1	Hanley,2	3	0	0
Kimball,rf	3	0	0	Harter,3	3	1	2
Sellers,c	3	0	1	Fraser,p	2	0	0
Reynolds,1	3	1	2	Lash,cf	3	1	2
DeCrappeo,ss	3	1	1	Umphery,1	3	0	0
Rowep,	2	0	1	Gettys,ss	2	1	2
Totals	28	4	8	Totals	26	3	8

	R	H	E
Squares	200 000 0—4	8	0
Winter St.	030 000 0—3	8	1

WORKS LAB	AB	R	H	MAIN OFFICE	AB	R	H
Warwick,c	4	0	1	W.Konow,ss	4	1	3
Hunt,rf	4	1	1	Fry,3	2	1	0
Hemmeter,ss	3	2	2	Whitmeyer,-	1	1	0
Hanna,3	4	2	2	C.Miller,p	4	0	2
Beltz,cf	2	1	1	R. Miller,2	2	0	1
Ferverda,1	4	1	4	G.Micheals,2	2	0	0
Troit,2	4	0	1	Mossburg,rf	4	0	0
Thompson,lf	2	0	0	Love,cf	3	1	0
Simmons,lf	3	0	1	A.Konow,lf	3	0	1
Eggeman,p	3	0	2	Wilermuth,c	3	0	1
Totals	33	7	15	Totals	28	4	8

	R	H	E
Works Lab	200 302 0—7	15	2
Main Office	013 000 0—4	8	3

FIREMEN	AB	R	H	FRACTIONAL	AB	R	H
Holman,cf	4	2	2	Thomas,lf	4	0	1
Myers,3	3	0	2	Newman,c	2	0	0
Long,1	2	0	0	Westerh's'n,ss	2	0	0
Webber,ss	3	1	1	Schmidt,1	2	0	0
Blauvelt,p	3	2	1	Gerardot,p	2	1	0
Etter,c	3	2	2	Miller,3	1	1	0
Runyan,2	3	1	0	Majors,rf	2	0	0
Vance,lf	3	2	2	Winebr'ner,2	2	0	2
Parish,rf	2	0	0	Middaugh,2	2	0	0
Totals	26	10	10	Totals	19	2	3

	R	H	E
Firemen	031 231 0—10	10	0
Fractional	000 101 0— 2	3	5

G-E Golfers Are Invited To Join Annual Tourney At Brookwood Sept. 17

The annual G-E Blind Bogey golf tournament will be held Saturday, Sept. 17, at Brookwood country club. All golfers are invited to enter the tourney and compete for the prizes to be presented by the G-E Club. Although there is no entry expense, contestants must pay the green fees.

G-E Rod, Gun Club Events To Be Fired At Local Range

The G-E Rod and Gun Club coming events, in the .30 caliber category, will be fired at the Fort Wayne Rifle and Revolver Club Range.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS





Only the playoffs stand between the Owl golfers and another completed season. Without reservation it can be stated that as usual the Owl Golf League has been a success. It goes without saying that we all are looking forward to a bigger and better year next season.

The first week of the playoff pairs together the first two places in each division who will play nine holes, with these winners playing over the 18-hole route for the Owl Golf League Championship. For the past two years the crown has been held by the Hot Shots from across Broadway.

John Shanahan's Hi-Flyers, the winners of the Odd Division, will meet Earl Stauffer's Cold Shots in one match; while Bob Craig and the Hot Shots, the winners of the Even Division, will meet Garland Myers and the Jolly Boys in the other match.

The final week of league play didn't produce any outstanding fireworks. The Even Division contenders had been established weeks ago. Earl Stauffer's Cold Shots won the right to a playoff by whipping their playoff rivals to the tune of 8 points while Walt Pook's boys took one on the chin at the hands of the Jolly Boys by six points. Bob Craig, with a snazzy wind blown 38, led his team to a four-point victory over Fuzzy Fosnaugh's team No. 4.

The following data is the complete league record for 1949:

		ODD				
Team	Captain	Pts.	W	L	Tie
3	Shanahan	+23	7	5	2
1	Stauffer	—17	4	9	1
5	Pook	—35	6	8	0
		EVEN			
6	Craig	+10$	11	2	1
2	Myers	—3	6	6	2
4	Fosnaugh	—71	5	9	0

Won and Lost have no bearing on final outcome.

LEAGUE STATISTICS

Team	Captain	Total Games	Total Strokes	Nine Hole Avg.
6	Craig	61	2483	41.4
1	Stauffer	60	2721	45.4
3	Shanaban	60	2810	49.3
5	Pook	59	3031	51.3
2	Myers	60	3133	52.1
4	Fosnaugh	*49	2602	53.2
	Totals	349	16780	48.

Total games include last year's average as one game.

*Team 4 played with three men on four matches.

The average of 48 per each nine holes is nothing to be ashamed of.

INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES

Pos.	Player	Team No.	Games	Total Strokes	Avg.
1	W. Wickliffe	6	12	462	38.5
2	Sternberger	6	12	475	39.6
3	Grider	6	12	495	41.3
4	Bunch	6	12	498	41.5
5	Stark	1	12	501	41.7
6	Craig	6	13	553	42.5
7	Uhrick	3	9	384	42.7
8	Stanger	2	13	588	45.24
9	Barney	1	13	589	45.31
10	Stauffer	1	14	635	45.35
11	Garland	1	10	454	45.4
12	Young	2	10	462	46.2
13	Goller	5	3	141	47
14	Mumma	4	3	146	47.7
15	English	4	10	479	47.9
16	R. Bierbaum	3	12	581	48.5
17	Ilein	5	8	391	48.9
18	Rhodes	1	11	542	49.3
19	Pook	5	15	740	49.4
20	Pequignot	4	9	448	49.8
21	Humbarger	2	12	597	49.8
22	Suelzer	5	*3	150	50
23	Merchant	3	13	652	50.1
24	Waikel	2	8	401	50.1
25	Shanahan	3	12	616	51.3
26	Ormsby	4	4	156	52
27	Boester	4	7	365	52.2
28	J. Bierbaum	3	11	577	52.5
29	Junk	5	13	691	53.1
30	Hamilton	5	12	647	53.9
31	Arnold	5	5	271	54.2
32	Fosnaugh	4	13	731	56.3
33	Middaugh	2	6	344	57.4
34	Myers	2	11	641	58.3
35	Carrier	4	4	245	61.3

DOES YOUR JOB HAVE A FUTURE?

The answer is no—if the business you work for cannot show a profit.

Any business may go through lean years, especially at the beginning, when profits are slight or non-existent.

But unless the trend is reversed, and the company begins to make money, your future is brighter elsewhere. That business is heading for trouble—and so are its employees.

Why is this so? Why is management's ability to make a profit the best kind of job security?

Because every function of a profit is job protection for everybody down the line.

Profits protect jobs by attracting investors. People with money saved will risk that money only in hope of some return. If investors hold back because profits are scanty, jobs suffer.

Profits protect jobs by supplying money for plant expansion and replacement of equipment—for the new tool, the new shop, the new research center. 60% of all money spent by U. S. corporations last year for this purpose came from retained profits and depreciation allowances.

And profits protect jobs by guarding against emergencies. Sooner or later the rainy day will come. Profits put aside are umbrellas.

Does your job have a future? That depends on two things—whether you:

—Have picked an employer who is making a profit.

—Are helping him to continue to make a profit.

The above discussion of the value of profits to the employee is reproduced here through the courtesy of N. W. Ayer & Son, Inc., a fine old leader in advertising of integrity.

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Community Chest Drive Opens Oct. 3

$45,000 IS SET AS GOAL FOR WORKS; K. W. MICHAEL IS NAMED CHAIRMAN

The participation of the Fort Wayne Works in the Allen County Community Chest drive swings into high gear Monday, Oct. 3, with a goal of $45,000 to be raised exclusive of the Company's contribution. Due to the drop in employment since last year, individual giving must be higher than in 1948 to achieve this goal. To finance the essential services of the 20 Red Feather agencies, this year's goal for the county is 12% higher than last year's contributions.



K. W. Michael, Assistant to the Supervisor of Personnel, has been appointed General Chairman of the drive for the Fort Wayne Works. He will head the coordinating com-

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104 Suggesters Receive Awards

One hundred and four employees shared $1,862.50 in suggestion awards this week.

Earl J. Shultz, Tiffin Plant, took the top award of $450. His idea pertained to the re-use of spacers used in packing and shipping large parts. This was the largest suggestion award ever given at the Tiffin plant.

Next on the list was Donald Welty, also of Tiffin. He received $175 for his suggestion concerning the brackets for mason winders. John Wood, FHP Motor Div. 13, earned $145 for his idea involving the gauging presses.

George R. Simons, Danville, was awarded $75 for his suggestion on

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John Wood, FHP Motor Div. 13, received a $145 suggestion award this week for a suggested change in the gauging press to eliminate spiral stator cores. The change eliminates a considerable amount of scrap and rework. Mr. Wood is shown at the right, above, being congratulated by his foreman, Joe Wyss.

Annual Inventory

The Annual Physical Inventory will be taken on Friday, Sept. 30, at the Broadway and Taylor St. plants. This plan will be followed by all divisions except the Decatur plant and certain divisions at the Taylor St. plant, which will conduct the inventory Saturday, Oct. 1.

In general, all shop operations will cease for the day, except for emergency production and service requirements. Such exceptions will be announced by the separate divisions as early as possible.

All employees who will be scheduled to take the Physical Inventory will be notified.

800 Attend Annual Outing Of Quarter Century Club

Approximately 800 members of the Quarter Century Club traveled to Limberlost Camp at Oliver Lake Saturday for a day filled with sports, entertainment, eating, and visiting.

Favored by ideal weather, the outing was attended by nearly 100 more than the total last year. The annual event commemorated the club's 35th anniversary this year.

Registration was scheduled to start at the Broadway gate at 8

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Foremen's Association To Hold Picnic Saturday

The annual stag picnic of the Foremen's Association will be held Saturday at Voigt's Retreat, near New Haven.

The picnic will start at 1 p.m. and a special program has been planned for 3:30 p.m.

Central Standard Time

At midnight Saturday, Sept. 24, the Daylight Saving Schedule will end and clocks throughout the city will be set back one hour, returning to Central Standard Time.

The Broadway and Taylor St. plants, however, will not change their clocks until midnight Sunday, Sept. 25.

Any third shift operators working on Sunday night will ring in on Daylight Saving Time and ring out on Central Standard Time so that the interval worked will be one hour more than the clock card registration. The Payroll sections will take notice of this adjustment in time.

The Decatur plant will change to Central Standard Time on the same week-end as Fort Wayne.

C. S. Matson

Works Manager

G-E Voltmen Return Home



Manager John "Red" Braden receives congratulations from C. H. Matson, Fort Wayne Works Manager, for guiding his G-E Voltmen to another National Semipro Baseball Championship. They are shown with the 48-inch Coca-Cola trophy symbolic of the 1949 title. Having received similar first place awards in the two preceding years, Manager Braden and his champions gained the distinction this year of receiving the biggest trophy in the tournament's history. The photograph was taken shortly after members got off the train from Wichita, Kan., and were greeted by a throng of fans, including Fort Wayne's Mayor Henry E. Branning, Jr. Left to right are: Scott Carey, pitcher; Dee Hamilton, coach; Mr. Matson, Charles Bobilya, first baseman and outfielder; Manager Braden, Charles Shipman, pitcher; Donald Hormann, outfielder; Mayor Branning, and Bill Ricks, pitcher.

Cancel North American Tournament; Japan To Host 1950 World's Series

General Electric's Voltmen returned home last week after annexing their third consecutive national semipro baseball crown at the National Baseball Congress tournament held at Wichita, Kan.

A throng of fans met the train when it pulled into the Pennsylvania station Thursday night, Sept. 8.

The team had with it the huge Coca-Cola trophy awarded by the National Baseball Congress, which also honored John Corriden for his individual sportsmanship and Bill Ebranyi, as the leading infielder at the tournament.

All-Star Team Is Named

The congress also named five Voltmen to places on the 1949 All-American sandlot team, chosen from players participating in the

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Don Campbell.....Editor

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Donate Your Blood To Help Save The Lives Of Others

All employees who are able to donate blood should do so. Medical science has shown that the use of blood and blood derivatives in everyday medical practice is essential if physicians are to do everything possible to save the lives of the people of our country.

The last war emphasized the tremendous value of blood. Records show that 97.3 per cent of the wounded survived, and the military medical authorities believe that the availability in quantity of plasma, and later whole blood, was a major factor in this low mortality rate.

The National Blood program was worked out when it was noticed there had been no national agency to supply the blood needed to physicians for their civilian patients. Surveys showed that only 35 per cent of the hospitals in the country had private blood banks, and that these banks were not able to supply the total amount of blood needed for their hospitals.

Also there had been no provision for a national supply of blood to be used in case of disaster or national emergency.

By participating in the national program, Allen countians may secure free blood or blood derivatives at any hospital in the country, upon application stating that Allen county is an active participant in the program.

Register today at the Red Cross Blood Bank on Berry St. The blood which you give to your fellow men through the National Blood program of the American Red Cross may be put to many and varied uses, all of them capable in almost miraculous ways of helping the people of your community when serious illness threatens their well-being or their lives.

The schedule of hours for the Red Cross Blood Bank is as follows:

Mondays—1 to 4:30 p.m.
Tuesdays—3 to 8:30 p.m.
Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays—9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Saturdays—9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

These hours have been maintained in consideration of the all-volunteer help.

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RUMORS: HOW THEY GROW

One day when we were very much younger and still in school, the teacher gave us an example of rumor. She stooped and whispered a story into the ear of the first boy in the row.

"Now," she said, "I want you to whisper this story just as I told it to John, next to you, and he in turn to Sally, and so on throughout the class."

The story she whispered was that a man, who had been robbed, fell and broke his leg when he was running to a cop for help. When the story finally went the rounds of the class and emerged at the end of the last row, it had changed somewhat.

A man who had robbed a bank shot a cop in the leg as he was escaping and got away with two million dollars!

"That," said our teacher, "is an example of rumor and how it spreads."

We have never forgotten that example, and so we usually don't pay much attention to rumor. If a story would change so much in a class of a few kids, think what happens when it gets going in places where several hundred people are involved.

—Air Conditioning Dept. News

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ARE BLONDES SMARTER?

Don't answer that, mister. You see, whether you say "yes" or "no," you're convicting yourself of unreasoning prejudice. Because no two people are alike—blondes, brunettes OR redheads.

Each is different because God has never made two people alike. So never imagine that you'll find the same good or bad qualities in any two blondes. Or in any two people in any national, religious or racial group . . . brunettes, redheads, Protestants, Catholics, Jews.

So, for your own sake, for America's sake, don't let unreasoning prejudice trap you. Don't make the wrong answers—think first!

DID YOU KNOW?



Pensioners retiring with ten years or more continuous service are eligible for the benefits of the G-E Pensioners Hospitalization Plan FREE OF CHARGE.

In the first six and a half months of the Plan's operation, 399 pensioners received $30,591 representing 5,073 days of hospital care.

DON'T OVERLOOK YOUR BENEFITS. INVESTIGATE TODAY.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

WHAT'S NEW IN PLANTS & LABS

PITTSFIELD — Planes surrounded by all-metal "skins" are practically immune against lightning strokes, according to Julius H. Hagenguth, G-E lightning expert. In a paper prepared for presentation before the summer convention of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers at San Francisco, he described results of experiments on lightning stroke damage to aircraft conducted throughout several years in collaboration with the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics. The G-E scientist is engineer in charge of the Company's High Voltage Engineering Laboratory here, world's largest artificial lightning center, where the tests were conducted. Subjects investigated during the study were listed by Hagenguth as the burning of holes in the "skin" and metallic parts of planes, lightning damage to fuel tanks, breaking of safety glass in windshields, effect of current flow through ball bearings of the control systems, effect of lightning on the pilot's vision, relationship of exhaust gases to lightning, and the effects of lightning on nonmetallic planes.

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BRIDGEPORT — A new smaller Disposall designed especially for the elimination of food waste in homes where existing plumbing complicates installation of the standard Disposall is now in production, it has been announced by C. J. Enderle, Manager of the G-E electric sink and cabinet division.

By employing a recently developed plumbing trap, the new Disposall, designated the FA3-JP, can be quickly and conveniently installed in old or new sinks if the distance between the center line of the wall drain and the bottom of the sink is at least seven inches. The new Disposall is particularly adapted to small kitchens where storage space is severely limited, Mr. Enderle said. Because it is only 16 inches long, the under-the-sink area can be used to store wastebaskets, soaps and other supplies. Mr. Enderle pointed out that another advantage of the appliance's size is reduced installation cost.

Wednesday Is Deadline For Elex Reservations

Wednesday is the deadline for reservations for the Elex Club's trip to Chicago Saturday, Sept. 24. The Railroad Fair with the pageant, "Wheels are Rolling," will be the feature attraction of the excursion.

The group will leave Fort Wayne at 7 a.m. from the Nickel Plate station. They will arrive in Chicago at 10:10 a.m. With free time for shopping, the girls are to meet at the fair at 7 p.m. to attend the pageant. The group will leave Chicago at 11 p.m. and will arrive in Fort Wayne at 2:10 a.m.

The fare is $9 for Elex members and $10 for non-members. Railroad passes will be honored on the trip. The cost then will be $8.82 for pass-holders. Children between the ages of five and 11, inclusive, can go for $6.40. The cost includes train fare, transportation to the fair grounds, admission to the fair, and a reserved seat at the pageant.

Reservations are now being taken at Irene Meyers' office in Bldg. 8-2, or Evelyn Blakley's office at Taylor St.

SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q: When was DDT discovered?

A: This valuable and potent insect-killer has come into widespread use only during the past decade. However, the chemical compound (of which the full name is dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane) was first prepared in 1874 by Othmar Zeidler, a graduate student of chemistry at Strassbourg, Germany. Its insecticidal properties were discovered in the 1930's by Paul Muller, a chemist in Basle, Switzerland. The first reports of its efficacy reached the United States in 1939, and the needs of the armed services led to a rapid extension of its use.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS





There are quite a few new faces appearing at work the past few days. One is Pearl Kreischer who returned Wednesday afternoon. In the switch section we have Bernice Miller back after a three-month sick leave. Nice having you back, Bernice. . . . Betty Reichert and her sister had been Sunday visitors at Portland. . . . We extend our sympathy on the death of Ruth Tinkham's father and Pat Abbott's grandfather. . . . A chubby youngster has arrived at Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Morgan's home. That makes two boys. Congratulations, Pop and Mom. . . . A Buckeye visitor has been seen taking in the sights with Cecelia. Celia, are there more at home like him? . . . What's this—Fanny Amstutz passing candy? Oh, yes, she's scored another birthday. Happy birthday, Fanny. . . . What is the matter, Ezra, didn't the fish like your crickets? We expected to get an invitation to a fish fry but we don't even get a good fish story. . . . Anyone wishing to hear about the state fair should contact Revia Stauffer or Jo Ivetich. They really did have some time and enjoyed every minute of the trip. . . . Our sympathy to Cleotus Miller and Harold Baughn upon the death of their fathers. . . . Labor Day was "Hunter's Paradise" for many. . . . Kate Fennig spent Labor Day at the State Fair. . . . Seen at the Van Wert Fair were Doris Shaffer, Margaret Waltke, and Forrest Roop. . . . Doris Resh is the proud grandmother of a little baby girl. Thanks for the treat, Doris. . . . Erna Weiland's display of hankies is beautiful. . . . Paul Briede, G-E Club Room manager, invites all bowlers, who are not yet on teams, to contact him to be placed on a team. The management of the G-E Club has again decided on a minimum bowling fee of 25 cents per game—let's boost our G-E Club—let's make this a banner year for our bowling leagues.



SINCERELY: Our very best wishes for a very speedy recovery go to Miss Somers, who is suffering from a broken bone in her foot. We all hope to see you up and around real soon. . . . WEDDING BELLS: Yes, those weddin' bells are about to chime for Shirley Hughes, and to keep festivities at a fever pitch the gals had a lovely shower on Shirley Thursday night. . . . FRESH AS A DAISY: Boy, what a peppy step Dutch Wilson displayed on his return from that two weeks' vacation of his. Of course, he insists he didn't rest at all, but just worked, worked, worked. WELL? . . . ABSENT: Hilda Krause who left us last Friday, is now with Lloyd Platt's office force. Don't forget to come see us real often, Hilda. . . . BIRTHDAYS: My, September is one of the big three months, at least as far as birthdays are concerned. The fellows and gals celebrating that important day are as follows: Mr. Uncapher (who has an Aug. 31 birthday); Lenore Hanley, Sept. 1; Buck Buchanan, Sept. 9; and last but not least Viola Haiber Sept. 15. A very, very happy birthday to each and everyone of you boys and gals.

Three Men Enter Retirement



S. B. Stilwell

Sherman Stilwell, Bldg. 31-2, retired Thursday, Sept. 1, after 32 years' service as a draftsman.

Mr. Stillwell began his drafting career in 1917. Since that time he has followed his profession in Bldgs. 18-5, 16-3, 19-3, 19-5, and 31-2.



Last week John Driver cornered the councilman and took off on the Nickel Plate elevation. If they ever get the elevation one-tenth as high as Johnnie was when he was at the height of his arm swinging it will really be elevated. John came down real easy when told that his troubles could be solved by moving to the south side of the city. . . . Fred Boehm was giving a demonstration of car pick up to one of his friends. After about a two mile run he had the car up to 50 mph. His temper went quite a bit higher after learning that his accelerator pedal was broken. . . . Gene Werling spent one whole evening last week repairing the wiring on his car. Then the next day the guard at the gate called for him to come out and shut off his horn. When he disconnected the horn, the lights came on; when he turned the light switch the heater started running, and when he turned the heater switch the starter took off. He stood back looking a bit amazed and said, "I guess I've got crossed wires someplace." (We wonder where.) . . . Whitie Suelzer was telling the boys that a neighborhood dry goods store was going to sponsor his bowling team and furnish them with shawls to wear bearing the sponsor's name. This should be an added attraction at the bowling alley. . . . Louie Watt was pacing the floor last Friday night impatiently waiting for Buck Adams to call and set the time for their departure on one of their eventful fishing trips, and after I had told him he should go to the Quarter Century Club outing. I've been told that he lamented to Buck all the way home that he hadn't listened to my advice. Yep, you guessed it, no fish again. . . . Jack Pollock again invited some of his friends out for the evening last Friday. The fellows kept calling at short intervals keeping him on the phone until the first guests arrived. The party was in honor of Jack's birthday. He now claims he is the same age as Jack Benny.



A. R. Flory

Albert Flory, Bldg. 4-3, left Thursday, Sept. 1, for retirement after 18 years with General Electric.

Starting his G-E career in 1931, Mr. Flory has held numerous jobs throughout the works, including Winter St. He has worked as a screw machine operator, drill press operator, Gridley machine operator, P and W automatic lathe set-up work, spray and dip operator on stators and rotors, shaft lathe operator, and bench lathe operator. Prior to his retirement he worked on a thread mill.



There have been some changes made in 1x29. Marian Miller, Stella Mailand, Joyce Schraeder, Pat (Stabler) Buckholtz, Betty Kummer, and Olive Elliott are back and some new ones added, Sarah Meagher and Audrey Brindle. Ann Hershberger has gone on nights. . . . From all reports the Quarter-Century outing was a huge success, plenty to eat and drink and the program was wonderful. . . . If you all thought something new had been added, you're wrong. It is Thelma Purdue with a new hair-do! . . . Bill Wickliffe was on his vacation last week. He took his son to Butler University where he enrolled as a student. . . . Carl Metker is really good in getting the cork out and getting things rolling. Wonder what Bill Wickliffe did with the cork that Tom Dickenson gave him? . . . Freddie "Bashful" Schrader is a really good square-dancer and from all reports he isn't as bashful as he lets on. . . . Frances Fitch went over to the Employees Store to get a replacement for her coffee-maker. Much to her surprise she was able to get a real bargain, a whole coffee-maker for the price of what the part would have cost her. Several others got in on the bargain too! . . . Clara Patterson, Anna Ruth Clements and Toni Dickenson all celebrated their birthdays on the same day last week. Congratulations to them and also to Babe Donehue and Ervin Zollinger who had birthdays last week too, to Paul Ginder and Hazel Stauffer who have a birthday coming up! . . . Our sympathy goes to former co-worker Bea Helma whose mother died this week . . . Mildred Green and Winnie Osthrimer are back in the field with us again. Glad to have you back, girls. . . . Wilbur Stocks went to Paterson, N. J. to see his son. He also hoped to see the "Yanks" play, but guess he will have to settle for the Brooklyn "Bums". . . . Bob Blee really has an accommodative bus driver! He toots three times before he gets to the corner, and by that time Bob gets there too. Since the bus stop has been moved you will have to move on the double, Bob! . . . It is OK with us, Waldemar, if you smoke your new pipe, but we want to see you smoke it, Schmidt! . . . Say, Ed Boedeker, what was the reason you put out so much work Friday? Could it be the big weekend you were thinking about? We just found out who is the boss at Harry Berry's house, neither, Harry or his wife but that big boy of theirs! He really rules the roost and one of these days he'll be taking care of Harry! . . . Just what kind of a "shot" was it that Frieda Knoche got at the Quarter-Century picnic last Saturday that she couldn't make it to work on time Monday morning?

Henry Stegmann

Henry Stegmann, Taylor St. Div. 14, retired Thursday, Sept. 1, after a service of 28 years with the company.

His service date was 1921 and he has been a punch press operator during the entire time. Some of the various places he has worked are Bldgs. 19-3, 19-4, 26-4, 27, 17-3, 4-2, 4-1, 4-4, Winter St., and Taylor St.

Payroll Deductions for Additional Group Life Insurance Suspended

The suspension of payroll deductions for the Additional Group Life Insurance has been declared for the months of November and December, 1949. Employees who have been continuously insured since Dec. 31, 1948, and who are still in the Company's employ will have their contributions waived for the months of November and December, 1949, for the Additional Group Insurance currently in force.

This suspension of contributions will be equivalent to a 16⅔ per cent dividend on the basis of a full year's contribution and it will reduce the cost of the insurance to employees during 1949 by nearly ¾ of a million dollars.

Community Chest

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mittee, which is in charge of making the arrangements for the plant-wide campaign.

Chairmen of the drive for the divisions include:

R. J. Duras, FHP Motor divisions at Taylor St.; D. H. Hanson, FHP Motor divisions at Broadway; Dwight M. Myers, Motor and Generator division; R. L. Soughan, Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions; Dick Kent and J. V. Johnson, Works Contributing and Service divisions, and Roger Grant, Winter St. plant

The solicitation will be conducted again this year by nearly 500 persons throughout the plant. These solicitors will be selected by the superintendents in each division.

This year's slogan is "Care Enough to Share Enough."

There are 20 local Red Feather agencies and the USO that benefit from the Allen County Community Chest. The agencies include:

Associated Catholic Charities, St. Vincent's Villa, Boy Scouts, Children's Day Care Association, Family and Children's Service, Fort Wayne Humane Society, Fort Wayne Jewish Federation, Fort Wayne Urban League and Wheatley Community Center, Girl Scouts, Hospital and Home Service Association, Lutheran Social Service League, Mental Hygiene Clinic, Parent Teachers' Council Fund, Pixley Child Welfare, Public Health Nursing Services, Rescue Home and Mission, Salvation Army, School Milk Fund, Workers for the Blind, and YWCA.



Of late, it's been hard to keep track of Carl Stadelman's living quarters. We just have him settled in a new house when he ups and moves again. Now he has a new home in Ossian. This time it looks like it really will be permanent for he's spending plenty of time going through catalogues making selections of roses for fall planting. . . . Ray Lepper is in the market for a new home and has been looking around for an ideal spot. His idea of an ideal place is a farm surrounding a well stocked lake where he can raise bait, rent boats and spend his spare time fishing. In case anyone should happen to know of such a place please get in touch with him immediatey. . . . Ed Glusenkamp was seen hunting his pipe one day recently and after an almost unsuccessful search found it right in his own mouth! . . . Bob Klingel was looking at the new Studebaker with a wishful look in his eye last Saturday. Did you put your order in yet, Bob? . . . Paul Kennerk has a free grandstand seat for all the games played in the New Haven High Shool Stadium. It's in his own home overlooking the playing field where he can relax in an upholstered chair in comfort and quiet, protected from any unpleasant weather conditions. No doubt he will become a popular host when there are especially interesting games. Anybody want the hot dog concession? . . . Oliver Bowman was seen hobnobbing with royalty at the Quarter Century picnic. It isn't often he condescends to do so but there are times when a feller just can't help himself.

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eyclet presses. A Decatur employee, Frank Bohnke, received two awards, $65 and $25. For the first award he suggested to change the rotation on turrets, while his second suggestion pertained to winding machines.

A thirty-dollar award went to Herbert C. Seider, FHP Motor Div. 13, for his suggestion about the plates on K and R shell rollers. Edward Cristallo, DeKalb, made a suggestion about rotor and stator magazine feeds and was awarded $25. Robert H. Stute also received $25 for his coil insulation idea.

Those receiving awards in various amounts from $5 to $20 are listed below:

FHP Motor Div. 1: Howard C. Taylor, James F. Sarasien, Frank N. Brindle, Frances J. Fitch, and Avery Spayde.

FHP Motor Div. 13: Theodore H. Weber, P. A. Schoppman (four awards), Charles W. Scarlett, Robert W. Guingrich, Charles K. Winans, and A. H. Brandenburger.

FHP Motor Div. 14: Herbert F. Seslar, Clarence Seslar, Clarence W. Rothgeb, William R. Kiser, Novice Hopkins, Emma Heinrich, Louis Hinen, and Walter Hinrichs.

FHP Motor Div. 15: Dale B. Peden, Forrest R. Allman (two awards), and Walter Amacher.

FHP Motor Div. 17: Kathryn L. Pfister, Ben Fleek, Emmit J. Owens, Dorothy Richard, Lester Beck, William Wiegman, Kathryn O'Connor, Fred B. Adams, Fred R. Boehm (two awards), Denver L. Coolman, Robert F. Bennett, Ollie M. Ragan, Robert J. Boone, Esther Schladenhauffen, and Carl P. Sweeney.

FHP Motor Div. 19: George A. Silk, Edward Huhn, and James J. Carey.

FHP Motor Div. 33: Clarence Wickliffe, Earl D. Stauffer, Phillip H. Kraft, M. A. Gotsch, and Solomon Andorfer.

FHP Motor Div. 10: Marilyn Franke, Joseph Jensen, and John Stickley.

Decatur: Joe Weber, Robert Nyffeler, Guy Koos, Anna Ivetich, Harvey Hileman, and John Baumann.

Tiffin: Carl Weimerskirch, Elizabeth Malone, Ralph Grunden, Russell L. Semer, and Robert E. Kruse.

DeKalb: Beulah Moore and Jesse D. Ramsey.

Specialty Transformer Div. 94: D. E. Waldrop (four awards), Max W. Lydy, Olen I. Lehman (two awards), Wilson P. Jones, Mildred Bowers, Cecilia Carrig, Russell W. James, Ernest A. Kern, Francis J. Gnau, Mabel M. Nelson, J. Virgil McKeeman (two awards), Miles Dunscombe, Lee Mohr, Raymond R. Crippen, Evelyn V. Brunkhart, Walter D. Mertz, Edward M. Dullaghan, Gladys Bracht, Levi C. Carpenter, Eugene F. Mettler, Mildred E. Leazier, Robert W. Knoll, Mary M. Wiedman, Robert E. Hower, Wayne R. Colvin, and Lenna V. Ferguson.

Danville: Peter Szollosi.

Motor and Generator Division: Edison M. Burry and James E. Mitchell.

Wire and Insulation Division: Gerald Kummer, Arthur G. Gardt, and Amel D. Beck.

General Service Division: William M. Waggoner and John Madden.

Miscellaneous: Elizabeth Carnell.

Baker, Pumphrey, McDougal Receive New Appointments

The appointments of M. A. Baker as Assistant Designing Engineer, Large Motor and Generator Engineering divisions, Fort Wayne; R. E. Pumphrey as Division Engineer, A.C. Motor and Generator division; and K. R. McDougal as Division Engineer, D.C. Motor and Generator and Dynamometer Engineering division were announced today by P. S. Stough, Manager of Engineering, Large Motor and Generator Engineering divisions.



M. A. Baker

Mr. Baker is a graduate of Iowa State University, receiving his B.S.E.E. degree in 1935. After his graduation, he entered the Company's Test Course at the Schenectady Works.

He entered the Motor and Generator Engineering division in 1937 as a design engineer of DC apparatus and has successively held the positions of Group Leader, Assistant Section Engineer and Section Engineer prior to his present appointment as Assistant Designing Engineer.

Mr. Baker is a registered professional engineer, a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, Fort Wayne Engineers' Club, G-E Squares, and the Supervisors' Club.



R. E. Pumphrey

R. E. Pumphrey is a graduate of Purdue University, receiving his B.S.E.E. degree in 1911 and, prior to coming with the General Electric Company, entered the Test Course of the Fairbanks-Morse Electrical Manufacturing Company. He came with the General Electric Company in 1916 as a design engineer in the A.C. Apparatus Engineering Department.

When the AC and DC Apparatus Departments were merged into the Motor and Generator Engineering division, Mr. Pumphrey became Group Leader in the AC section and later Section Engineer in charge of the AC section prior to his present appointment.

Mr. Pumphrey is a registered professional engineer, a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, the Fort Wayne Engineers' Club, the Fort Wayne Association of G-E Engineers, the General Electric Supervisors' Club, and the YMCA.



K. R. McDougal

K. R. McDougal is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, receiving his B.S.E.E. degree in 1928. After his graduation, he came with the General Electric Company on the Test Course at Fort Wayne.

He transferred from the Test Course to the AC Apparatus Engineering Department in 1929 as a design engineer on the AC Apparatus. Mr. McDougal subsequently entered the Motor and Generator Engineering division as a design engineer on dynamometers and later was made Section Engineer of the Dynamometer and Printing Press Drive section, which position he has held until this present appointment.

Mr. McDougal is a registered professional engineer, a member of the Fort Wayne Engineers' Club, G-E Squares, General Electric Supervisors' Club, and the Fort Wayne Association of General Electric Engineers.



We see by the papers that Jesse Easterday will appear in person on the Palace Theater stage over the week-end. Nice going, Jess, maybe we will get a chance to see you. . . . We are told that when Leo Elward was still a bachelor his word was as good as gold. If he promised to help you in any way he was always little Leo on the spot, but it seems time and things have changed since he took unto himself a helpmate. Oh yes! he still makes those promises but his word seems to be just a lot of flappin of the lips and hot air. When there's work to be done he never shows up. How come you're slipping, Leo? Are you Man or Mousey? . . . Steve Bobay tells us he is the only one who can walk up to that old nag of his without her trying to bite him. We can understand her feelings, Steve. She is probably hungry due to lack of food, and takes every advantage of getting a little something to eat. Now in your case she knows you are made up of only skin and bones and would be only wasting her time chewing around on you. Besides she might of got that poison ivy you had.

Who's Chasing Who or What?

Richard Hensler was playing golf at the Elks Country Club last Saturday. He drove one over by the ninth green which happens to be near the road. As he started to continue his playing he noticed several cows coming across the road and up into the greens. Quickly Dick took his driver and was going to shoo the cows away. However, one of them had a different idea and started after Dick, who then dropped his driver and started running like a deer. From last reports Dick was still out running the milk giver. . . . All who attended the Quarter Century outing report they had a very nice time. A swell dinner and the entertainment was great. . . . By the way the Jesse Easterday we mentioned in the beginning of this column is not our own Jesse Easterday of our Wire Fabric section. Sorry, folks. Just wanted to see if you really read all of the column. Jess Easterday will appear hut vaudeville is his business. . . . Congratulations, Harry DeWitt, on your completion of 25 years' service with the good old G-E.

Insulation News

The old traveling bug really bit the Wood Section in Bldg. 12-3 over the big Labor Day week-end. Both Ray Sink and Dorothy Lebrecht took to the open road. Dorothy went to St. Louis. She was going to the outdoor opera one night when St. Louis started to act like Fort Wayne and threatened a rainstorm. Now Dot is a girl who likes to be prepared, so she invested in a raincoat. Proud of the fact that neither rain nor storm would spoil her evening, she settled back to enjoy the performance, feeling sorry for the poor people who forgot their raincoats. When the lights were dimed, Dorothy says every star in the St. Louis sky came out to laugh at her. What happened to the raincoat? Dot folded it up and sat on it, naturally. . . . Ray Sink took the wonderful trip to Mackinac Island. If you want to hear about heaven on earth, just let Ray describe the island to you. You can just picture Dorothy Lamour swimming around gathering water lilies. Not content with one taste of paradise, Ray says he is sure going back again. . . . Some people are crazy for exercise. Take Joe Kramer, for instance. Joe bought a new Ford and then rides his bicycle to work.



If Fritz Vogt doesn't get rid of his cold, the fellows are going to send him to Hollywood to make a W. C. Field's picture. . . . We hear Helen Miller has been knocking herself out lately. . . . Bill Lavine sure hasn't been having any luck fishing lately. As a result he has been practicing casting by throwing his hat in the lake and pulling it out. . . . Russ Beamer and family recently made their second trip to Niagara Falls. This time he says he saw the Falls. . . . Lois DeLong claims she ran into a door. That's her story for a black eye and she is sticking to it. . . . Gus Weisenburger's son is now home from the Navy. Now we are wondering just what kind of excuses he will have for not participating in his outside (stag party) activities. Don't let him work you too hard, J. D. . . . Esther Watson is now carrying a torch; burn that is. . . . Sept. 13, is now a new holiday in Germany, Ground Hog Day. This year the ground hog came out early and got his nose burned. How about it, Fritz? . . . Dale Irwin has been bragging about the mileage he gets to a gallon of gas. However, the other evening he was taking a couple foremen home and ran out of gas. . . . How come Walt Niemeyer has been "batching" it since he and his wife returned from California? . . . Mike O'Grady sure is proud of his new Ford. However, "Pappy" Grier was asked his opinion of the car; and, brother, can he deflate one! . . . Congratulations to George England and his wife. They are proud parents of a baby girl, Sharon Lynn, born Sept. 6.



"The consciousness of duty done gives us music at midnight."—George Herbert

Things look much brighter in Bldg. 17-2—we have new fluorescent lights. The repair men replaced all burned out units last week. . . . Joe Haas had a severe tooth ache last week and had a hard time getting a dentist to relieve the pain. After finding the dentist he relieved Joe of a tooth pronto. . . . Cliff Smead wore a pair of bright green trousers to work last week, but accidently tore a large hole in them. His wife had to bring a pair over to him so that he could get home. . . . We extend belated birthday wishes to Paul Koldewey, whose birthday was last week. . . . We welcome Wilborne Garton who has joined Group 16x 42. . . . Anyone interested in playing golf with Herb Halley should call his wife first. She is taking care of Herb's golf engagements. . . . We didn't know that Ralph Walda was a dog fancier, but it seems he has gone in for a new breed. Anyone ever hear of a pink poodle? . . . Gene Wheeler must have had a diesel in mind when he used three-in-one oil in his cigarette lighter. . . . Dick Madden took his two sons, Gene and Ronnie, fishing at Rome City during Labor Day to catch some of those fish Gene Wheeler has been telling about. It was a bad day for fishing evidently because none of them caught any fish, including Mr. Wheeler.

FHP Motor Divisions Conduct Meeting Here For Men On Advanced Production Program



Twenty-three members of the program attended the three-day meeting, which was conducted by the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions.

The Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions were host this week at a three-day meeting here for men on the Company's Advanced Production Program.

During the course of the meeting, the trainees heard talks on production by men from the Fort Wayne and Decatur plants.

The conference opened Tuesday morning with a short talk by A. J. Rose, Production Manager. A history of the Fort Wayne Works was then presented by J. H. Oman, Assistant to the Production Manager in charge of production operations.

L. D. Hodell, Manager of Manufacturing, discussed the matching conveyor system for the remainder of the morning.

Tour Decatur Plant

A talk on branch plant operations by J. F. Welch, Assistant Plant Manager at Decatur; a tour of the Decatur plant, and discussions on material ordering, warehousing and shipping, by R. R. Schuster, Supervisor of Production, Receiving and Shipping at Decatur; and shipping, by H. W. Foos, Assistant Supervisor of Production, Receiving and Shipping, completed the day's session.

The group then had dinner at the Orchard Ridge Country Club.

A. V. Feigenbaum, Supervisor of Manufacturing Training for the Company, conducted the entire session Wednesday. Mr. Hodell was the luncheon speaker.

Discuss Inventory Control

The Thursday session opened with a tour of the Taylor St. plant, followed by talks on inventory control presented by F. T. Gamec, Assistant to the Production Manager, and R. E. Bangert, Assistant to the Purchasing Agent.

J. E. Estabrook, Assistant to the Works Manager, was the luncheon speaker.

A discussion of clinical methods and procedures was presented during the afternoon session by C. B. Smith, Supervisor of Procedures; and R. R. Hofmann, Supervisor of Office Methods, also addressed the group.

Mr. Rose concluded the meeting Thursday afternoon.

Program Has 24 Members

Members of the Advanced Production Program and their sponsoring works include:

R. J. Geiter, L. W. Rank, J. W. Fry, R. G. Loecher, R. Medros, C. Dodge, Jr., H. Norris, and R. F. Richard, all of Schenectady; W. F. Fachet, K. E. Agan, and C. W. Gerni, Philadelphia; C. B. Anderson and J. P. Sheperdson, Pittsfield; Emerson Elwell and E. R. Nelson, Erie; E. C. Hazelwood and W. L. Scanlan, Lynn River; E. H. Lovequist and R. J. Perron, West Lynn; A. E. Monahan, Fitchburg; William Welch, Holyoke, and W. R. David, E. S. Sembroski, and B. F. Brickley, Fort Wayne.

The Advanced Production Program is designed to give advanced training in production to those men who have demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities in the production programs at the various works. This program is approximately 18 months in duration.

Assignments Are Made

During this time, the trainee is usually rotated between two divisions in addition to his home division. Short assignments of a specialized nature may also be included in the 18-month period.

The Division and Works Service Production Managers recommend men for this training to the Apparatus Manufacturing Training office. Those who are selected for the program are placed on the General Office payroll for the duration of their training period.

For those men who have had considerable experience, the major assignments are of a project nature. These are designed to acquaint the trainee with the over-all picture of production. A typical assignment is to establish an inventory control system. A project of this nature would bring the trainee in contact with the engineering department so that standardization of design could be established. The project would also bring the man in close contact with the Purchasing section to assure arrival of material as to quantity and due date as requested by the Production division.

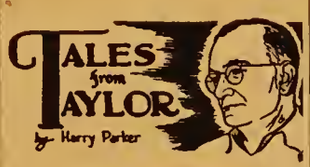
There are also included in the program, short assignments in the General office, district offices, district warehouse, and sales. It is through assignments of this nature that the man obtains a fundamental knowledge of the commercial activities as applied to production.



Members of the Advanced Production Program are shown, above, at their first luncheon meeting Tuesday in Bldg. 16-2.



Our "we wish you happiness" mat is out for Louise O'Connell. She was married Sept. 2 to Homer Koomler. . . . Also congratulations to the Bill Millers on their new pink-bootied tax deduction. . . . What is this we hear about Violet Brower? Seems as if she is going to either start carrying a lantern or wearing her safety shoes to bed. . . . Katy Salmon attended the horse races at Paulding. We hear she got the bird—at the horse races. . . . Freddie Reinking came in with a brand new hat last week. He was still seen wearing it in mid-morning. 'Smatter, Freddie, was your head cold, or did you think you'd get your hat dirty? . . . We thought we had Ethel Keller all fixed up for Labor Day. She had her new front tooth, but now she had to go and lose another one. . . . It sure is tough luck when you own four radios and want to hear a ball game, to find you can't get the station that is broadcasting the game. How about that, Walter Kryder? . . . Irene Blank has some new pets. She brings food to feed the mice every day. Bet they miss you when you aren't here. . . . Speaking of pets, Mary Zirkle has a new canary. However, the birdie hasn't any tail feathers and has a hard time trying to balance itself on the perch. . . . Iley Souder and Hallie Hosler are lucky third week vacationers this week. Hallie is off to the fishing grounds of Wisconsin. Wonder if we can plan on a fish fry? . . . Has anyone heard anything about Charlie Francies' tomato crop? We haven't seen any samples. Maybe he is saving them to have fresh frozen tomatoes for Christmas. . . . We bid goodbye to Lowella Koogle last Friday. She and her hubby Rex (also a former co-worker) are moving to Bloomington where he will finish his schooling. . . . It's a happy birthday to Naomi Robinson. . . . Also "How dee doo dee" to all our newcomers. . . . JoAnn Kemery must be a good cook. Her husband gets up in the middle of the night for a snack. One night he got up twice. The tapioca was so good that he had to finish it. . . . Wonder what makes Leona Hollis so happy these days? Are you holding out on us? . . . We were glad to see Blanche Mountz the other day. Hope you are back with us soon. . . . Need a new excuse for being late? Gene Hutsell came up with a new one last week. Coming home, he left the car idle while helping his wife with the groceries. He forgot all about the car. The result next morning was an empty gas tank and one dead battery. . . . When Ivah Grandstaff hits something she really hits it. The other day she ran into a man. He told her if she hit a post as hard as she did him she would cash in her checks. . . . Kate Weigle had the misfortune of being bit by a dog. . . . If you see Harold Kiel walking around carrying a load of stators, think nothing of it. He is trying to break the habit of waving his arms while talking. . . . Don't forget to join Elex. Also about their trip to the Chicago Railroad Fair next Saturday. . . . We from Bldg. 17-3 extend our sincerest sympathy to Irene Meyers in the death of her father.



Kenny Miller's wife backed his car into a utility pole and tore one door off. Then she hurried home, packed her keester and left town to visit mother until the storm that she knew was coming had subsided. Kenny told us that from now on if she wants to go anywhere she will have to drive the truck. We do not understand why he would raise such a fuss—one door more or less off that old clunker would not make much difference. The car is pretty well ventilated as it is now. . . . Buck Adams is the latest one to forsake the shores of Big Long Lake. He said that the reason is that the roar of the motors of Admiral Brandenburger's flagship is too much for him. At times it drove him nearly frantic. It is expected that by next summer the Admiral will be the sole inhabitant of the shores of this lake. . . . The boys of the punch press section are looking for a deck of indestructible playing cards. Frank Blotkamp, while playing, gets so excited at times and a little perturbed. In doing so he gets a little rough with the deck, such as tearing some of the cards in half, throwing them on the floor and jumping on them. . . . Charlie Richardson has gone modern. He now has one of those famous "Beetle Brow" hair cuts that is so popular among all of the young fellows. But where he got that gorgeous green shirt that he is now wearing is beyond us.



Of course, you've all heard about the major operation performed on Bob Hatfield last week, or at least according to him it was a major job. We just know it's the first time it ever happened, that anyone bad three teeth extracted at the same time. He even took gas, to boot. Yes, Bob, it takes a real he-man to go through an ordeal like that. . . . We don't think the varnish job improved Bill Schible's looks any. Guess he didn't either when he had to call his wife and have her bring him another pair of trousers so he could finish the day. If anyone wants a pair of trousers, cheap, there is a pair for sale in Bldg. 20-1. . . . Doc Harold, "Daniel Boone", he is called by his fellow Guardsmen, caught an oppossum in Bldg. 26-5 the other day with his bare hands. Wonder if it's open season. . . . We had no idea Harry Davis was so utterly fastidious. He was seen in Bldg. 20-2 the other day, very daintily flicking his ashes into an ashtray. Most of the fellows just knock their ashes on the floor since there is so much debris due to the remodeling, but not Harry. . . . Talk about getting your foot in it, Rog Pierson did. You can't say Rog doesn't make an impression. Wonder what the guy who poured the cement thought about that dainty little footprint.

New Paint Job



After having a drab coat of paint for a number of years, the Packard belonging to A. R. (Butch) Vegalues, Works Police Chief, now has a new coat of green.

. . . We have heard quite a few stories about fishing and hunting, but the tale Chet Swartz tells about the potatoes he grew can't be beat. He says that one person can't eat all the French fries that one potato makes—or—three potatoes to a peck. . . . Even though the tonk players celebrated "Be Kind to Fenimore Day", Vance just can't seem to come out ahead. . . . Friday afternoon is a busy time in the Taylor St. shop. Everyone helps to clean it up, except Anthony Crow, who just can't seem to get into the swing of it. One Friday Anthony cut his thumb rather badly on his machine, and although the fellows felt sorry for him, they thought this was going to extremes to get out of cleaning. In a very impressive ceremony later in the afternoon, Anthony was presented the Purple Heart. Just for those interested, Anthony's thumb is healing nicely. . . . Margie Ditmar, who left the Company some time ago, recently received a bundle from Heaven, name of Claudia Diane. Both are doing nicely. . . . Wedding bells will soon be ringing for Katie Steinman and Bob Blaine. We're sure going to miss you, Katie, but we know you'll be happier at your new job. . . . A happy birthday to Blanche Patton, Josephine Heller, and Charlie MacKay.

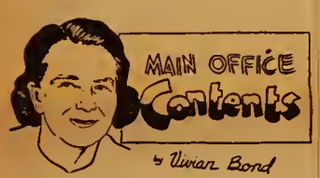


Walter Kryder needs a new radio. He has several sets, but when he tried to get the ball game the other night, he had to beat a path between sets trying to catch a word now and then. He finally gave up and listened in on his neighbor's set. Anyone want to buy a good crystal set? . . . Larry Gase is getting so proficient in filling the duplicator that he now can get a little more than half of the fluid inside. That is a pretty good average. . . . Harold Boles is now an experienced sleeping-bag enthusiast, since his Labor Day trip up North. Harold can give you all of the ins and outs mostly outs of the art of sleeping in a bag. . . . Vance Burnau went to the Cleveland air races. While he didn't bring any trophies home, he did bring back a peach of a wind burn. Now you can't tell where his face stops and his hair (?) begins. . . . The Birthday Club held their regular meeting at the Berghoff Gardens with Dorothy Askren as hostess. The girls having birthdays were Lucile Werling, Anna Lapadot, Joan Bailey and Belle Buchan. Those present were: Kate Scherer, Eileen Hennen, Marilyn Roehm, Olga Welch, Dorothy Askren, Anna Lapadot, Lucile Werling, Jean Pappert, Joan Bailey, Norma Krall, Audrey Hickernell and Belle Buchan.

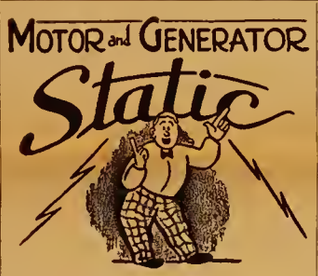
Celebrates 30th Anniversary



Hilda Walda, Bldg. 4-2, recently rounded out 30 years' service with General Electric. At that time, she was honored by her co-workers and G-E friends. In the above picture she is shown (second from the left) reading the congratulatory letter she received on her anniversary. Left to right are: Mamie Allen, Miss Walda, Lelia Byall, M. J. Pugh, Asst. Supervisor of FHP Motor Inspection and Test Divisions; W. L. O'Brien, Supervisor of Inspection and Test for FHP Div. 15, and W. H. Sunier, FHP Motor Inspection and Test Supervisor.



CONGRATULATIONS to our third time winners—The G-E Voltmen. Each year the Coca-Cola trophy gets a little bigger. Let's keep on until we have to enlarge the Club to take care of them. The game was thrilling and I am sure all Fort Wayne listening heaved a huge sigh of relief in that last fraction of a second of play. The Wichita announcer was very complimentary about Long John "Red" Braden's sportsmanship. I will voice our "thank you" for the broadcast. . . . Lenore "Lee" Strausser, Bldg. 18-1, will leave today for her home in Niles, Mich. She will be replaced in the Payroll section by Margaret Tennison of the Specialty Transformer Payroll, Bldg. 26-2. . . . We are sorry that Gladys Forst, Bldg. 18-1, is ill. . . . Dale Amstutz, a manufacturing course attache, left the General Superintendent's Office for an assignment in Motor-Generator. . . . Reports from the Quarter Century picnic were all favorable—a good time was had by all. There was a good crowd and everyone reported a bumper serving of chicken! . . . Tomorrow the G-E Foremen's Association will have its picnic at Voigt's Retreat. If the weatherman is kind I am sure they will have a fine time. . . . Visited Schuler's at Marshall, Mich., again Saturday—it is just as nice as ever, in case you are interested in statistics. . . . Belated one week—Happy birthday to Jean Rose, Bldg. 18-1. . . . Just a Thought—better start making your Brown County plans—it won't be too long now! . . . Our Hope is that by the time this paper goes to press that Dorothy Long, Bldg. 18-4, is on the road to recovery. She is a patient at St. Joseph Hospital being treated for polio. Our prayers are with you, Dorothy. . . . Al Tharp, Bldg. 18-4, was not cut out to chisel stone. Ask him about his sore thumbs. . . . Did everyone see the boat races? The Boat Club surely deserves a big hand for putting on such good entertainment. There are some snappy boats from Fort Wayne and one in particular that was a winner in the races held at Albany, N. Y. All in all, I would say that Fort Wayne is right on top in the sports world. . . . We understand that Ruth Fritz, Bldg. 18-1, with her husband, and Dorothy of Bldg. 18-1 and John of Bldg. 18-4, Leininger, were among the visitors at the Railroad Fair, Chicago, over the week-end. . . . We extend our sympathy to Irene Meyers in the death of her Father. . . . News—Last Sunday on the "Stop the Music" program there was actually a woman out in the west who did not know the trend of fashions for the coming season—now that is news! . . . News of Bldg. 18-3—Gerald Snowberger is vacationing this week—just fishin' and things. . . . Cordelia McSpadden left Saturday for a two weeks' visit in her home town, about 70 miles from Dallas. . . . Dorothy Motter and husband entertained friends from Pennsylvania over the past week-end. . . . Peggy Ford and husband worked on their small ranch near Roanoke. . . . Joyce Buchner spent the week-end attending shows at Fort Wayne and Huntington. . . . Vivian Eller went to her home in Marion, Ind., to make plans for her wedding in two weeks. . . . Sophia Jesse is having quite a trip. She accompanied her sister and husband to Durham, N. C., where their son will enter Duke University. Jessie seems to think she is smarter than some—she "went through Duke University in one day" then on to Florida. . . . I believe that General Motors' Charles E. Wilson is accredited with saying "A good boss is one who makes his men think they have more ability than they have, so they consistently do better work than they thought they could." That quotation is food for thought!



Thought For The Week: "It's astounding how much fog can settle on a narrow mind."—Olin Miller.

ODDS AND ENDS: Early to bed and early to rise you'll never meet any of the regular guys. . . . "Money may be filthy, but a little of it will buy a lot of disinfectant." L. E. Darrow. . . . COURTESY? Helen Stahl and a friend were returning from a trip Sunday evening. It was dusk and they had been following a large truck for quite a while, when suddenly Helen stepped on the gas and passed. Turning to her girl friend she remarked that the truck drivers are really courteous to motion for her to pass. "What do you mean (motion)," the friend asked, "he didn't motion, that truck was loaded with cattle and what you saw was a cow's tail sticking out the side." . . . HOW? How can a man race a speed boat and injure his wife's foot? Homer Conrad of Bldg. 31-2 is an ardent speed boat fan and has entered his racing shell in numerous events. Week before last he arrived home rather tired after taking a beating from rough water so it was natural that he retire early. He dropped off to sleep then suddenly began to dream. He dreamed that he was racing again, the water was rough, the speed terrific, he was being thrown and tossed about. The action became more violent when suddenly there came a crash. He opened his eyes—he and Violet (Mrs. Conrad) were lying on the floor in the midst of a wrecked bed which had collapsed during the violent nightmare. They moved the wreckage against a wall and slept on the springs and mattress until morning. Violet arose half asleep and forgetting about the wrecked bed and kicked a piece with her bare foot which was bruised by the impact. . . . BEGINNER'S LUCK: R. A. Woehr is quite a sports lover. He plays a mean game of golf, is very proficient with a gun in the field, and throws quite a line when fishing (fish line, that is). It seems he has a younger brother who does not know too much about fishing, so Bob took it upon himself to instruct that lad in fine points of fishing. He picked St. Joe, Mich., as the spot for the lesson and on its completion the score read: The Kid had three bass and three pike; Bob, you guessed it, was skonked. Must be beginner's luck. . . . Ed Foley is either a victim of circumstance or a mean man. This writer heard through the grapevine that Mr. and Mrs. Foley were quite active during the Legion convention. Ed was occupied with Legion activities while Imo was working with the auxiliary. As they had no advance information as to the various programs, the first one through with a meeting went home to await the other. One evening Ed arrived home first, and being tired, locked up and went to bed. Later Mrs. Foley came home and tried the door. Since it was locked, she pressed the bell but got no result. She then called home with the same result. Finally she went to a friend's house and spent the night. The next morning Ed arose and opened the door to get the paper. There sat Imo in the swing, fully dressed.

Ramblings Bldg. 31-2

There'll be some changes made. The AC Section has graduated to a Division. Mr. Pumphrey is now Division Engineer for the AC Motor-Generator Engineering Div. Mr. Baker is now working with Mr. March as Assistant Designing Engineer of the whole Division. Mr. McDougal is the Division Engineer for the DC Motor, Generator and Dynamometer Eng. Div. . . . Now that "Mac" has vacated his office space and moved into Mr. Baker's office, many of the engineers are eyeing Mac's old office as their possible private office. The new DC boss will be soon a mere shadow of himself if he keeps going back and forth down the long hall from motor-generators to dynamometers. . . . Speaking of engineers, we have a new commercial engineer. He is Deward F. Lefler from North Carolina. He has a wife and an 11 weeks old baby girl, Shirley Ann. . . . Going back to Mr. McDougal, we might as well continue to say that he is such a good scout that he has invited the whole Engineering Division to his cottage at Dewart Lake for a potluck picnic. "Poor Mac," everybody and their children have decided to go, weather permitting, on Sunday, Sept. 18. Seventy-five per cent of the Division is expected to attend making a crowd of about 90 people. Plans are for a wiener bake with all the trimmings. Recreation will consist of badminton, volleyball, archery, horseshoe, hiking and boating.



Our early Fall weather brought out some beautiful colors including the bright green shirt Charlie Schild had on while visiting us. Glad to see you, Charlie, green shirt and all. . . . Don Kruse fell victim to his own joke when Kenny "fixed" his cigarette. The moral of the story is—never trust your fellow man. . . . Phil Kraft was so interested in the candy he got from the wagon he forget to stop for his change—it was a $5 bill too. Must have been good candy. . . . Ezra Garringer's complexion matched his hair when Ida told him about the "Three Little Rabbits." Wonder why? . . . Tonight our bowling team known as the "Israeli Bombers" take off, in quest of some prize money in the Twilight League at the Court Alleys. This team is captained by Ralph "Back up Ball" Thomas. Other members of the team are: New "Wrong Approach" Neuman, Don "Shining Example" Kruse, Roger "When do we bowl the girls?" Crabill and Al "Get them next game" Middaugh. Ralph Thomas is the new secretary of the league so our handicap should be a little larger this year. This team is ably coached by Ray "Crew Cut" Solga. . . . Leona Zwick said she could hardly wait for the bowling season to start. Must be she missed free meals from Ralph Thomas. . . . It's really interesting to notice the boys jockey for position in the elevator every night at 3:30. The pole position is usually won by Jay Hensler. By being the last one on the elevator he usually wins the position next to the gate by the use of elbows and standing on some other persons feet. Years of experience of boarding a bus gains him the advantage. They say he can go through a crowd waiting for a bus like a Notre Dame quarter back and be one of the first five in the bus. . . . Clara Kleint has a new theme song "Your Lips Tell Me No, No, But There's Yes, Yes, in Your Eyes." . . . "Hello again" and "Welcome back" to Cora Jane Conrad. . . . Ray Greek returned from the Quarter-Century picnic the proud owner of a pop-up toaster which he won. Congratulations. . . . We hear Carroll Elder almost caught a blonde in his "woman trap" the other day. Better luck next time, Carroll. . . . Happy birthday to Beth Jacobs from all the gang.



Quarter Century Club Outing

Camp Limberlost 1949 Saturday, Sept. 10



The pensioners were well represented at the picnic. Above, a group of retired employees pose for their picture.



Employees and pensioners with more than 40 years of service are shown, above, at the Q-C Club's annual outing.



The large turnout of ladies at the annual outing and 35th anniversary celebration is shown, above.

Standing In Line . . . . . .



Eats At End Of Line. . . . .



Annual Outing

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a.m., but a big throng was already in line much earlier. A caravan of cars that stretched nearly two blocks was on hand to haul all those without a means of getting to the camp, nearly 45 miles north of Fort Wayne.

Upon arrival at the beautiful camp on tbe edge of Oliver Lake, the 25-year employees were soon actively cbatting with friends and participating in many of the sports. Softball, horseshoe, shuffleboard and card games kept many busy, while others enjoyed the free refreshments or went for a boat ride on the lake.

Dinner Bell Rings

Several large groups gathered around the commissary at 11 a.m. to have their picture taken, then the old-fashioned dinner bell rang out at noon and everyone came running. The four-abreast line stretched down the road, around the side of the mess hall, and into the parking lot. A quartet started singing out some of the old tunes, as everyone waited impatiently to get at the food tbat was filling tbe air with a mouth-watering aroma.

Four separate serving units were arranged inside the mess hall, where trays were heaped high with generous servings of fried chicken and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, salad, green beans, sliced tomatoes, bread and rolls, milk, coffee, ice cream, and cake. Cigars, cigarettes, and chewing gum were also given out at the end of the line, along with a gift pocket-knife as a souvenir of the event. Each knife was engraved: "G-E Quarter Century Club, Fort Wayne Works."

The efficient setup of the serving lines completed the task in less than an hour and a half.

Tbe group gathered at tables in the shade around and under a large tent, where melons were served to all those still hungry.

Then at 2 p.m. the 25-year employees assembled in the open air pavilion, where they enjoyed a short business meeting and variety show.

Fred L. Schafenacker, president of the club, welcomed the crowd and provided the group with the following factual information:

Membership in December, 1949, will total 1,604.

At the present time, there are 1,591 members.

There have been 84 members added to the roster so far this year; of this number, 11 are women and 73, men.

The women members total 141.

The retired membership includes 274 men, 33 women.

Mr. Schafenacker then introduced C. H. Matson, Works Manager. Mr. Matson opened his remarks with a welcome in behalf of the Company to all attending the outing.

"This is an influential and a democratic organization," said Mr. Matson. "Its influence on younger people can be more than each of you individually realize. This in-

Crowd Enjoys Entertainment . .





Henry Lepper, above, was the oldest member of the club at the outing. He is 87 years old.



Winners of the 10 G-E toasters as attendance prizes are shown above: (l. to r., standing) H. M. Hibler, Bldg. 19-2; Roy Hosler, Bldg. 26-4; Fred Trautman, Bldg. 4-3; C. J. Raquet, Bldg. 19-4; E. F. Fretz, Bldg. 4-5, and R. L. Greek, Bldg. 17-4. Seated: (l. to r.) Gladys Beal, Bldg. 4-4; Mae Heit, Bldg. 4-3; H. E. Herbst, Bldg. 6-1, and W. L. O'Brien, Bldg. 4-5.



A. L. Hadley, above, was the only charter member present at the 35th anniversary outing of the club.

fluence should be used to the good of our Club, our Company and the Country which we love."

He followed the welcome with a brief tribute to President C. E. Wilson on having completed 50 years of service with General Electric. He stated that Mr. Wilson's record of achievements with the Company and as a citizen should be an inspiration to everyone. He then briefly outlined the plans that have been made throughout the Company and at the Fort Wayne Works to achieve the goals of the various programs established to make General Electric an even better place in which to work and to assure higher employment and greater security for all.

Looking to the future, Mr. Matson stated, "Analyzing today's business trends there are many things which indicate that the recession has at least been temporarily halted. As a matter of fact, in some departments of our business, there is a slight upward swing. Though this is no time to be highly optimistic, we feel much better about the future than we did a few short months ago."

M. E. Lord, Manager of the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, was then introduced. Referring to commercial trends in his divisions, he also suggested that the outlook for the future was much brighter than heretofore. "Heavy inventories which forced cutbacks in production and employment throughout the country during the summer months are being reduced," said Mr. Lord, "and as a result, there is some increased buying which is most encouraging."

After Mr. Lord's short talk, Mr. Schafenacker turned the meeting over to J. V. Johnson, who acted as master of ceremonies for the variety show.

Musical Act Opens Show

The program opened with an unusual musical act from Bronson, Mich., featuring Mary and Bill Ward and their mother, Mrs. Ruth Ward. The young boy and girl first played several selections on their marimba-xylophone; Mary then played a symphonic number on the instrument. An accordion solo by Bill followed, and in conclusion the brother-sister act provided a drum duet. The instrumental virtuosos were accompanied on the piano by their mother.

An outstanding acrobatic number was then presented by young Nancy Long, formerly with the Ringling Bros. Circus.

Randy Brown, master ball-and-paddle artist, amazed the group with his manipulations of a ball attached by rubber string to a



wooden paddle. Several from the audience participated in this novelty act.

Magician Rudy Saxon then fascinated the group with a fine display of legerdemain. He topped off his performance with a feat of memory. He tore out pages from two copies of a magazine, threw them into the audience, and then invited members of the audience to shout out the pages that they were holding. As different page numbers were called out, he would tell what stories and ads appeared on them and in what location.

Jack Wainwright, proprietor of the camp, was then introduced. After greeting all the Q-C members and inviting them back next year, he introduced the final act on the program.

Duet Is Q-C Favorite

A favorite of past Q-C outings, the act featured Mrs. Mildred Germanson and Robert Cocherille.

Opening with Sigmund Romberg's "One Kiss," the duet also sang the ballad, "When You Walk In The Room." Mr. Cocherille then sang an outstanding rendition of "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling" and was joined by the audience in the last chorus.

Mrs. Germanson has played numerous starring roles as lead soprano with the Independent players of Columbus, O. Mr. Cocherille has been a member of both the Pittsburgh and Detroit Civic Opera companies.

They were accompanied on the piano by Mr. Wainwright's wife, Janet.

Mr. Schafenacker then returned to the stage for the drawing and presentation of attendance prizes, 10 G-E toasters.

This special four-page supplement tells in pictures the story of the Q-C Club Outing and 35th anniversary celebration held last Saturday at Camp Limberlost, Oliver Lake. This section may be easily slipped from the issue and kept as a souvenir.

Apprentice BROADCAST

by MILDRED ELLIS

That long awaited day has finally arrived for the "Two Bobs" on the drafting course. Today Robert Birkenbeul and Robert Finton will pass through our portals as graduates. . . . Barnes is still trembling in his boots for fear a certain person (with a burnt finger) will find out who left that hot soldered piece laying on the bench while he answered the telephone. . . . For some people New Haven is a good place and for some it is not so good, eh, Ralph? . . . Auer is back in our midst after an absence of seven weeks. Myron injured his shoulder playing ball and had an extended vacation. . . . Baby, it's gonna be cold inside if Meads and Miller don't get those furnaces fixed. . . . Wagner isn't satisfied with just hunting like the rest of the fellows; now he wants to buy a couple of squirrel dogs from Charles Mowery. He always claims he gets two for one. (Two shots for one squirrel?) . . . The Apprentice softball team turned in two wins over the week-end. In a warmup game Friday night they walloped a team from Riverhaven 17-7. Sunday afternoon, our boys came through again by defeating a strong club from U. S. Rubber, 9-7. If Marc (Cripple) Junk would get that slack out of his knee and stand up straight he would see those good ones come right down the middle. . . . Carl Hubartt has been named secretary-treasurer of the bowling league. . . . Fremion and Birkenbeul raided the lakes of Michigan. The report is that they caught some fish. . . . It's beginning to look like the apprentices should form an auto repair association and save money on their repair bills. . . . The golf team composed of Lew Davis, Warren Brown, Skeets Lahrman, Don Dimke, Gene Werling and Wilbur Jones are heading into the final round of their season. Next Saturday they tour the links at Brookwood for the championship of the General Electric Co. Best of luck to you and here's hoping you all shoot plenty of birdies or eagles. . . . The only plot of ground not being used to build a house on right now seems to be the one adjacent to Ecenbarger's mansion. So naturally it receives most of the refuse and junk from Harry's place. Oh well, I guess it's all right because Harry is the one who will have to either look at it or clean it up. . . . After many painstaking tries at his first promotion, Paul (Boomdocker) Mischo made his first stripe in the USMCR. Congratulations, Paul. . . . Ward Staley says his goats wouldn't give any milk for three days after the article about them appeared in the WORKS NEWS. Everyone was very sorry and to make amends, the fellows decided to take all their tin cans out to Ward's so he won't have to buy feed for his goats. . . . Dick Gebert reports that he has recently read that apprenticeship existed 4000 years ago during the reign of Hammurabi, the Babylonian king.

Employees' Store To Discontinue Kindling Orders

Orders for kindling are so far ahead of supply that it seems wise to discontinue taking orders until further notice, R. L. Fischbach, Employees Store, stated today.

A. E. Leider Participates In Round-Table Discussion On Problems Of Production

A. E. Leider, Manager of Production Services, participated in a round-table discussion on production problems Monday night at the Keenan Hotel. Mr. Leider met with six other key production men of Fort Wayne and F. M. Scotten, editor of "Production Engineering and Management" magazine and moderator of the group.

Among the various topics discussed at the meeting were machine tools, training, and quality control. The results of the round-table discussion will be published in an early issue of the magazine.



PROUD PARENTS—Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Love, who, Aug. 27, became the proud parents of a bouncing 8 lb. 2 oz. baby boy. They have named him, Nathan LeRoy. . . . CONGRATULATIONS — Happy birthday to E. M. Stanbery, Sept. 13, and C. M. Leitch and Julian Stark, Sept. 15. . . . NICE KNOWING YOU—We extend a hearty welcome to Paul Althoff, Development Division, and to W. Boltz, DC Division. A belated welcome to Jean Pappert. . . . LUNCHEON—The girls in Production entertained with a farewell dinner for Celeste Moran, who became the wife of Henry Schnelker Sept. 3. The bride was presented with a lovely gift. . . . ABSENTEES AND A WELCOME—Patty Rogers, who worked in the Engineering File Room, has taken a month's leave of absence. We welcome Patty Beebe, from Winter Street, who replaces Patty Rogers. . . . WHY!—Joan Walters has gotten to be quite a cake baker, except she hasn't learned yet how to keep one from falling apart. Has anyone got the answer? . . . ABSENT-MINDED?—Everyone who owns a car knows they must purchase a new driver's license when they expire, but Jim Capps just discovered the other day he had been using his old license. He has corrected his mistake by puchasing a new license. Don't feel too bad, Jim, everyone makes mistakes. . . . AUTHENTIC APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL — The boys at least are getting the first laugh on Dick Jones and Forry Carlson, who were inquisitive or gullible and bought some gadgets for their cars that are supposed to save gas. Dick and Forry are going to keep accurate records and prove or disapprove them once and for all. Who knows—maybe they will have the last laugh. . . . RETURNEE—Tony Schneble has returned from his vacation with no changes made. . . . BUBBLE GUM BLOWER—Anyone wishing instructions on how to chew bubble gum with greater finesse contact Mary Olsen or Delores Koch of the Tabulation section. They are past masters of this art. . . . HELP! NO THANKS—If Jerry Zehender wants to know how to put his furnace back together and install a new oil burner see Tom Dole. There is one catch though, Tom had to call in the service man to fix his. . . . BELATED CONGRATULATIONS—Thanks, Red Braden, for bringing the National Semi-Pro Crown back to Fort Wayne. It was a great job. . . . HARD TIMES—Why is it Toby Tyler has to sell apples? You tell us. . . . ONE PAIR—Ask Walt Gerke why he came to work last week with two different socks on. Is he paying off on some of his bets? . . . NEWS—Helen Conrad has agreed to mow all your lawns if you promise to keep all aches and pains away.

TOP FLOOR TOPICS BLDG. 26-5

by WALT POHLER

Last spring Blanche McDonald and her husband purchased a suburban home located north of the city. The McDonalds planted a garden and during the season have raised some very nice vegetables. At planting time Blanche stated they would raise sufficient potatoes to supply most of the people on our floor. With this thought in mind we have followed the progress of these potatoes very closely all summer. We are sorry to report that Blanche states now that the potatoes haven't done so well and those people depending on this source of supply had better look elsewhere. She promises that next year will be another year. She is sure she will be able to supply everyone at that time. . . . We had two new recruits in our golf league last Thursday, Bill Braun, Bldg. 26-5, and Andy Allen, Bldg. 26-B. Howard Winters was the hot shot this week. For the first time in league play he was able to get away from the bad influence of playing in the same foresome with Walt Pohler. Howard's net score was 37. Anderberg and Shipman tied for second with a net score of 40. . . . Anderberg is getting more proficient in throwing his clubs than he is in swinging them. We are sure that next week he will actually throw his driver into the creek. Last Thursday he missed by inches. . . . The bowling season is getting underway. Several of our people bowl in league competition each year. We believe the first to take the drives were Carl Hanson and Louie Sordelet. Both report good scores for opening night. . . . We extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Lela White in the death of her husband Edwin White. . . . Mitzie Lue Juillerat, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Juillerat, sends thanks to the girls who sent her the nice cards and hankies during her recent sickness. Mitzie Lue wants her friends to know that she has recovered to the point that she can attend school this year. . . . Edith Juillerat is being transferred from second shift to first shift. . . . Second shift operators are planning a wiener bake for Sept. 30 at the home of Mable Meyers in Bluffton. Any first trick operators who care to attend are cordially invited. . . . Thelma Henry spent Labor Day week-end in New York City. The outstanding feature of the week-end was a 13 course dinner at a Chinese restaurant. . . . Gerdom, our reporter on second shift, fell down some steps at Helmer recently skinning both elbows and ruining her son's jacket. It seems she was carrying a sack of potatoes which were spilled all over the street.

TOOL BITS — BLDGS. 19-4 & 5

by Harry Travelbee

Don Alcott finds it unnecessary to carry windstorm insurance on his garage. From all reports he has enough weight hanging from the walls to anchor it securely in the wildest storm. We know what you mean, Don, because we have the same trouble at our place. Don says he only hopes that the sides don't collapse and catch him while he is putting the car away, that is, if he can get the car into the garage. . . . We think that it is a mean trick for two grown men to gang up on one little squirrel. These fellows chased the squirrel for about half a mile before chasing him up a telephone pole and finally shooting him. Might ask Bill Mowery and Art Braun about this. . . . Bill Jones believes in being on the job with that camera of his. As proof he was passing out cigars and showing us a picture of his new daughter born Wednesday, Sept. 7, 1949, at the St. Joe Hospital. Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jones. . . . Willie Garman had a swell answer for that black eye which he received last week. He claims that a piece of toast popped out of his automatic pop-up toaster and caught him in his best eye. . . . See Carl Einsiedel for the best way to prepare spring chicken. . . . Cary Baker has been serenading Indiana State Fair goers for the past week. . . . Gus Weigand says the best way to remember that you forgot your raincoat is to go outside and have it start pouring. . . . Art Thieme has finally figured out why Walter Griener never catches any fish. Besides fishing in the weeds, Art claims that Walt wasn't even using any bait. We finally got the story on this fishing trip straight, and our informant tells us that besides rowing Walt on the weeds, Art did cut Walt's line with a knife and threw in his biggest fish.

Completes 30 Years' Service



Delphos A. Winter, Bldg. 4-4, completed 30 years of service with the Company Monday, Sept. 5. The next day several of his friends in FHP Div. 1, offered their congratulations on his long service. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Arthur McNamara, Chauncey Buel, O. J. Mettler, Div. Supt.; Mr. Winter, Florian Korte, General Foreman; Ed Robin, Foreman, George Prince, Asst. General Foreman, and Louis Scherer.

It's Windy Here

by JOAN AUBREY

WARNING to all G-E Bowlers, after years of retirement Bill Caston has at last dug his bowling shoes out of the bottom desk drawer and is going back into action. . . . Have you ever heard of someone building a new house and garage and not having a piece of wood left big enough to make a step for a stepladder? Well, Henry Gollmer did. It's all right to be economical, Hank, but you don't need carry it to extremes. . . . Have you seen Mr. Dennison's new robin egg blue Packard? Some class. . . . I wonder if Gordon Smith will be able to pick up a pencil next week. After pulling all those big fish in all week at Lake Alice, Wis., his arm may be a little lame. . . . By the way, Gable, have you gone out to mow the Smith's lawn yet? . . . We would like to wish a very happy birthday to Gene Foster Sept. 15 and to Perry O'Neill Sept. 19. . . . Last week-end Kenny Sheehan and wife flew to Chicago to attend the Railroad Fair, and he said they had a swell time. . . . I understand Hugh Neely will be happy to escort anyone on a special conducted tour of his back yard and explain the many types of plant life (weeds that is). He can guarantee you will see plants you have never seen anywhere before.

Specialty Transformer, Ballast Divisions Exhibit Products At Chamber Of Commerce

A display representing most of the products made by the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions has been exhibited the last few weeks at the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce building.

The products included an aircraft transformer, ballasts for fluorescent lamps, control transformer, neon sign transformer, voltage stabilizers, and radio and television transformers.

At one side of the display was a fluorescent table lamp, which showed the parts which were made here by the specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions.

An electrical quiz that explained the use of transformers and ballasts in various forms of electrical systems offered an unusual sidelight for those viewing the exhibit. Operated by a panel of buttons, the correct answers were given by means of small lights on the signboard.

All Fort Wayne industries have been invited to display their products in the Chamber's lounge room. Every two weeks a different industry has utilized the display space. The General Electric Company was granted the entire month of September.

The Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions are now completing their exhibit, which will be on display for the remainder of the month.



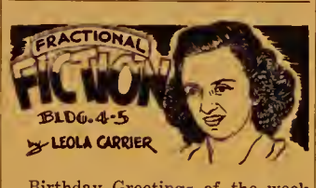
Cyrus Stonehill, Manager of the Ballast Sales division; H. K. Pritchard, Manager of the Specialty Transformer Sales division, and P. M. Staehle, Manager of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Sales divisions, are shown, above, examining the display.

P's and Q's of 17-1

by Joe Kramer



We apologize to our readers for not having a column last week, but due to the lack of news it was impossible to get a column together. So again, to both of our readers, we apologize. . . . We noticed a strange face on the first trick Monday. Of course, he isn't a stranger in Bldg. 17-1 but it has been so long since Jerry Humbarger has gotten up with the chickens, that he had to wear dark glasses to work. Jerry's only complaint is he won't be able to find out how Ma Perkins and John's other wife make out in the afternoons. Maybe you should get a wire recorder, Jerry, and have these two programs recorded so you can play them back when you get home from work. . . . We were glad to see Ed Brosche return from his Florida vacation. In case you want to know anything about conditions in Florida contact Ed as he still has a vivid remembrance of the Florida sunshine. Some people sure are lucky. . . . George Mosshammer lost his appetite the first of the week. It seems George attended the Quarter Century Club outing and partook of too many refreshments—liquid, that is. . . . Herb Kallmeier spent last Saturday listening to the horn on his new Dodge. One night last week after work Herb went out to catch the bus for the trip home. He said he remembered hearing a horn blow but didn't pay any attention to it. In fact, the horn followed the bus all the way to the corner where Herb got off the bus. Of all the people to be in the car, it was Herb's boy who remembered that his Dad had asked him to pick him up after work that night. . . . Anyone having a map showing the best route to and from California should contact Ernie Riley as Ernie is contemplating a trip to California next vacation time. . . . Pete Schible was seen grinding his cut off tools. We don't know but from the looks of things, winter is approaching and Pete is getting ready to gather the wood in for the winter use. . . . We are glad to welcome two more former Division 19 employees back—Bill Hodges and Nora Williams who returned to work this past week. Bill is working in Bldg. 4-B, and Nora is back in Bldg. 2-E. . . . Henry Wichern should keep his tobacco cupboard a little cleaner so that his customers won't get their hands dirty. . . . The new face in the south end of Bldg. 17-1 is Weldon Stucky. With Weldon in the south end, it is going to give Brosche an opportunity to catch up on the sports happenings of the night before as Weldon brings that good morning newspaper to work. . . . Johnny Junk and Cliff Coombes are back on the first trick in Bldg. 17-1 again. Also Orval Haver, who has been on the Bldg. 4-1 paint oven, is back in the punch press section once more. . . . Don't forget to see Clarence Doctor about his HOG STORY of the year. . . . The champions have returned! John (Red) Braden, manager of the G-E Voltmen, has returned with the National Semi-Pro Champion baseball championship for the third consecutive year. Our congratulations to Red on his success at Witchita. We have just received word that Manager Braden was named one of the six outstanding men of the nation by the Witchita press. Another of the outstanding persons was President Truman. . . . Horace Harmon really raises large apples on his farm. Horace brought some apples into work last Monday that were five inches in diameter. It was thought he brought the apples to Neil Allen, but due to some mix-up, Norbert Meyers took them home. . . . Start now to build up your Christmas reserve—turn in those suggestions. Remember the big extra prizes for the best suggestions turned in through September and October.



Birthday Greetings of the week go to Dale Frederick and Don Dickerson. . . . We congratulate Ralph McCain in winning first and third place of the scenery section in the color slide competition at the YWCA Co-Ed Camera Club. . . . An exhaustive investigation of Pete Cunningham's proud boast of a triple addition to the family brought to light the fact that these additions were of the feline nature. The family cat is the proud mother of the three "meowing" children. . . . Dale Frederick (corn raiser) says he has corn as big as telegraph poles. He wonders if any body can beat that—with a story or with the corn? . . . Chris Stauffer (gardener or farmer) brings in tomatoes that weigh a pound and a quarter. . . . George Langenberg was caught passing the sample of peanuts that they gave away on a downtown street. We wonder how many times he passed so he could get the free peanuts from the man.

It's about time somebody invented a weed salad—so the home garden planting season won't have been a total loss.

Personnel-ities

by VEORA HABIG

From all reports the Quarter Century Club picnic last Saturday was a huge success. The committee in charge deserves a big vote of thanks, which is hereby extended to all who helped to make the Thirty-fifth anniversary outing so outstanding. . . . It seems that group discussions soon lead to casual remarks about their favorite make of car. Herschel Smith recently purchased a Dodge and now he and Mr. Freeman are comparing the performance of their respective cars. . . . There is absolutely no excuse why we employees of Bldg. 8-2 should not be safety conscious since Herschel Smith is our Safety Engineer and Don Campbell is in charge of newspaper publicity in connection with the new city ordinance governing pedestrian control. If you are walking close to Herschel, you had better take all precautions to keep your distance, as he is practicing his hand signals to indicate whether he is turning or stopping. Don is becoming more safety conscious and says from now on jaywalking is against his principles. . . . We are happy that the Voltmen succeeded in winning the Championship for the third consecutive year. Congratulations to "Red" Braden and his team. . . . Ruth Shull appropriated an organ grinder that Irene Sprunger purchased for a child's gift and tried a little street vending. Evidently she didn't make enough profit to make it interesting, because she went out of business soon after she started. . . . Happy birthday to Laurene Procise. . . . Our thought for this week is "Well-arranged time is the surest mark of a well-arranged mind."



CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, September 19, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Russwin key No. 90402. Found at the Q-C Club outing at Limberlost Camp Saturday by Fred Schafenacker.

FOUND—Prayer book to honor St. Joseph. Found in yard by Bldg. 8.

FOUND—White handkerchief trimmed in lace. Found in yard by Bldg. 8.

FOUND—One pair of pearl beads. Found on sidewalk near Lindley Cate.

FOR SALE

G-E REFRIGERATOR—Cabinet ironer. Westinghouse roaster with grill. H-2296.

ARGUS A-2 CAMERA—With carrying case, like new; Green sport coat, size 38; North Star illuminated automobile compass, never used. Huntertown 2911.

1941 FORD—Excellent condition, reasonable. E-3365.

JUNIOR BRIDESMAID DRESS—And slip; also boy's sport coats size 8, 10 and 12. A-67832.

1942 PLYMOUTH—Four-door, special deluxe, radio, heater, good condition, sell outright or take older car in trade. H-20384.

LADIES' WHITE FIGURE SKATES—Size 5½, nearly new; ladies' white roller skates, size 6, perfect condition. 2602 Brooklyn.

COCKER SPANIEL PUPPIES—Seven weeks old. Goodrich Cunningbam, R. R. 4, Huntington, Ind.

FUEL OIL SPACE HEATER—Brand new, never used, heats five rooms, cost $119.50, will sell for $76. 5101 Buell Drive.

REFRIGERATOR—Used one year, 7.4 cu. ft. box, $100; used C-E six ft. box for $50. H-55114.

9X12 AXMINSTER RUG—$10; White handmade silk and cotton baby caps for one to two year olds. A-77601.

FRYERS—Dressed for freezer lockers, 50 cents per lb. 37F40 Arcola.

HORTON PORTABLE IRONER—Like new. H-82881.

CONCORD GRAPES—E-2769.

PEERLESS BLOWER—With motor and Honeywell control, in excellent condition. H-26182.

18 IN. HEATROLA—$16. A-36324 or 714 Russell.

MINNEAPOLIS-HONEYWELL ELECTRIC JANITOR—Spring return, with three controls for coal furnace, used one month. $35. H-19044.

OIL SPACE HEATER—45,000 BTU, heats four rooms, tank, 2/3 full of kerosene. A-99332.

GIRL'S GREEN WINTER COAT—And leggings, size 9, $6, in good condition; lovely large metal doll and furniture like new. $5 A-86476.

WHITE ENAMEL KITCHEN SINK—20x24, $5; kitchen table, three chairs, $3; pair mixing faucets, $3; 12x14 floor register and box, $3. H-19136 after 5 p.m.

FLAT TOP GAS RANGE—Late model. $40. H-77764.

ESTATE OIL BURNING HEATROLA—Used two years, reasonable. A-86640.

GIRL'S WOOL SNOW SUIT—Two piece, dark green, extra sheepllned vest, size 8, like new, $16. H-17472.

FOR RENT

SLEEPING ROOMS—Single or double, quiet adult home, close to C-E. 308 W. Brackenridge.

WANTED

GOOD 2'8" x 6'8" EXTERIOR DOOR—H-60262.

TRANSPORTATION

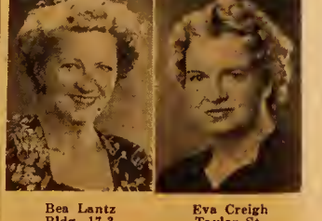
WANTS RIDE—Carrie Edgar, from Yoder, Ind. (Smith Road). Works for G. Smith, Div. 13 at Taylor St. Taylor St. Extension 337.

THANK YOU NOTE

IRENE MEYERS WISHES TO THANK All Elex members and friends for their generous contributions and sympathy during the illness and death of her father, William F. Meyers.

CORRECTION

THE PHOTOGRAPHS OF EVA CREICH AND BEA LANTZ—were transposed in the Sept. 2 WORKS NEWS story about the Elex candidates.



Bea Lantz
Bldg. 17-3

Eva Creigh
Taylor St.

G-E GOLF

By Hugh Dubdit

The Day: Saturday, Sept. 17 (tomorrow).

The Time: From dawn until dark.

The Place: Brookwood Golf Course.

The Event: The annual G-E Blind Bogey Tournament.

The Players: All G-E golfers, whether members of the G-E leagues or not.

The Qualifications: Payment of green fees.

Make up a foursome, trio, pair, or come yourself, but come out and be eligible for one of the many prizes.

Also Saturday, the playoffs for the championship will take place at Brookwood at 9 a.m. The teams competing are as follows: Representing the Monday afternoon group is the Wire Mill team, which finished with a point total of 101, thirty-six ahead of second place. Members of this team are Morris, Hills, Kuzeff, Bodeker, Penkul, Irwin, Elward, and Englebrecht.

The Monday night group winners, the Apps, with a point total of 46 is composed of Ralph Wickliffe, Bill Jones, L. D. Lahrman, Louis Davis, Don Dimke, Warren Brown, and Gene Werling.

Red Braden, Bill Kayser, Bob Dent, W. Miller, and Charles Lauer are on the roster of the Nineteenth Holers, winners of the Tuesday night group, with a point total of 50.

The Brassies, of the Wednesday Winter St. group, defeated the Mashies to take the group championship in a playoff between first and second half winners. Their lineup will be chosen from the following: John Skevington, W. S. Kirke, Glenn Schimmele, Glenn Macy, L. S. Burtzner, and L. J. Houser.

The captains of the teams involved in the playoff have declined to name the man to compete at the present time. The playoff will be played over 18 holes. The scores of these men will count and be entered in the Blind Bogey.

We'll see you all out at Brookwood tomorrow.

G-E Touch Football Season To Open Soon

The season for the Touch Football league will soon begin. All players interested in playing this year are to report to either Erv Huth, Bldg. 20-2, Ext. 617, or Dennis O'Connell, Bldg. 8-1, Ext. 798.

The officials of the league would like to have teams from the Firemen, Test Engineers, Taylor St., Winter St., Transformer, FHP Motor, and Apprentiee School, as well as any other section interested in playing.

Special Meeting Announced For Ladies' Bowling League

There will be a special meeting of the Friday Night Ladies' Bowling League at 8 p.m. tonight at the G-E Club alleys. Regular bowling will begin at 8:30 p.m.

G-E Industrial Basketball Practice Set For Sept. 23

Opening of the G-E Industrial basketball season was announced today. All interested players are to be at the G-E Club gym, Friday, Sept. 23, for a two-hour practice beginning at 7 p.m.

ARTHUR C. TREECE IS NAMED MANAGER, EMPLOYEE RELATIONS FOR CHEMICAL DEPARTMENT

Arthur C. Treece, formerly of Fort Wayne, has been named Manager of the Employee Relations division of the Chemical Department at Pittsfield, Mass.

Since 1947 Mr. Treeee has been at the Company's plastics laminating plant in Coshocton, O.; first as manager of the plant and later as assistant to the manager of the plasties division for laminated products.

Shortly after graduating from high school in Fort Wayne, Mr. Treece started as a machine operator here at the Fort Wayne Works. In 1933 he was named general foreman of the mica and insulation and molding seetion. In 1936 he was assigned as produet engineer of the plasties division at the Fort Wayne Works.

After serving as eommercial engineer and sales manager in the Chicago office of the plastics division, Mr. Treece was assigned to the Meriden, Conn. Works of that division. In 1945 he became manager of the Pittsfield Molded Products Works.

PARTIZAN CHAPTER PLANS WHITE ELEPHANT PARTY

The September meeting of the Partizan Chapter of Elex will be held Tuesday, Sept. 20, at 1:30 p.m. in the G-E Club building. It will be in the form of a White Elephant party featuring the sale of articles donated by members. The items brought for sale are to be unwrapped.

Annette Hastings is chairman of the meeting. She will be assisted by Alma Gerberding and Pauline Gilbert.

Congratulated For Long Service



James Grogg, Bldg. 19-1, reached the 30-year mark of his General Electric career Monday, Aug. 29. To commemorate this occasion, several of his friends and co-workers joined in their congratulations. Left to right in the picture are: Kenneth Strong, Mr. Grogg, R. M. Hartigan, Manager of Motor-Generator Mfg.; Walter Gerdom, and Charles Waltemath.

Inquiring Reporter:

IF YOU HAD THE OPPORTUNITY FOR ONE DAY, WITH WHOM WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO EXCHANGE JOBS?



LLOYD GRIDER

Bldg. 19-1

"President Truman. This way I could get an honest picture and a better understanding of existing conditions of our United States and other world affairs affecting us directly or indirectly."



LOUISE HUGO

Taylor St.

"I can't think of anyone that I would rather exchange jobs with for one day, as I am well-satisfied and happy with the jobs that I have; such as keeping a home and working at General Electric."



HAL HOFFMAN

Bldg. 26-2

"I would like to divide my day between two jobs. First, with the Mayor of Fort Wayne for at least part of the day, to approve measures for traffic conditions and the elevation of the Nickel Plate. The remainder of the day, I would like to sit in on one of the meetings of the American-British monetary conference just to see what goes on behind the scenes."



UNA MAE TINDER

Bldg. 17-3

"Inez Robb would be an interesting person with whom to exchange jobs. Being a newspaper correspondent, she travels to meet interesting people and visits faraway places."



DAVID A. BRIDGES

Bldg. 6-1

"I would like to trade with Charles Wilson, President of G-E. Then I would have an even greater opportunity to work for the good of our Company."

Voltmen Return Home



George Todhunter is shown, above, being welcomed across the base after his home run in the first inning of the Bellingham, (Wash.) Bells game Wednesday night, Aug. 31. This was the second of two markers tallied by the Voltmen in the bottom of the first. They won this game, 6-4. (Officini NBC photo)



In the game with the Weimar, (Tex.) Herder Truckers Monday night, Aug. 29, Weimar Leftfielder Bell doubled to deep right to drive in a mate who had walked in the third inning. In the photo above, Bell is shown being thrown out at the plate a half minute later on a hard collision with Voltmen Catcher Morgan trying to score on Kneuper's single to left. Les Lockett then threw a strike to the plate and thus put an end to the rally, which had brought the score to 4-1. Weimar scored another run in the eighth, but they were unable to overcome the lead which the Voltmen had stacked up in the first inning. The Voltmen won that game, 4 to 2. (Official NBC photo)



Mayor Henry E. Branning, Jr. was on hand Thursday night, when the Voltmen arrived here with their huge trophy. He is shown, above, congratulating Manager John "Red" Braden. In the picture are: (l to r.) Charlie Wilt, G-E Club Manager; Dee Hamilton, coach; Harold Carter, G-E Club president; Mayor Branning, Manager Braden, Charlie Shipman, pitcher; Don Hormann, left field; Bill Ricks, pitcher; Charles Bobilya, right field, and (kneeling) Scott Cary, pitcher.

G-E Voltmen

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tournament. Manager Braden was selected as pilot of the All-Stars.

The team follows:

Catchers: Marlyn Voss, Golden, (Colo.) Coors, and Carl Brewington, Elk City, (Okla.) Elks.

Pitchers: Voltmen Bill Ricks and Frank Ververka; Al Cicotte, Coors; Bob Mistele, Elks, and Frank Lary, Tuscaloosa, (Ala.) Indians.

First Baseman: Voltman Bill Ebranyi.

Second Baseman: Voltman George Todhunter.

Third Baseman: Ned Formar, Indians.

Shortstop: Ed Coleman, Bellingham, (Wash.) Bells.

Outfielders: Voltman John Corriden; Jack Riley, Elks, and Cliff Pemberton, Coors.

Utility: Willie Skeen, Coors, and Bill Henderson, Indians.

The Voltmen received many congratulatory telegrams from their fellow employees, Fort Wayne businessmen, and sports editors and directors from throughout the country.

In commenting on the national tourney, Manager John "Red" Braden stated:

"Without a doubt, the greatest factor in our favor was that of experience. We met a number of strong clubs; none possessed our all-round balance and ability to work as a unit. This year's tournament had the finest field of any meet in which we've participated. So, we can feel good about turning the trick.

"We were definitely a marked club. The opponents used only their ace hurlers. The fans picked on us unmercifully, even calling the plays for the umpires. Fortunately for us, we took the razzing by the fans and got around the better pitchers by utilizing one big inning or seizing the slightest break.

Coors and our management certified any and all tournament players prior to the first games. There were no violations. We wanted to win and did."

Reject Canadian Series

Then, earlier this week, the Voltmen's season officially closed when Manager Braden and officials of the G-E Club announced that the Voltmen would not participate in the 1949 North American series.

The announcement was as follows:

"Not being able to anticipate a possible Canadian-American Series prior to the windup of the National Semipro tournament, it was impossible to arange any definite plans with the Voltmen players for extending their playing season. The Voltmen are all employed in industry or have a business of their own and have returned to those occupations following the completion of the Wichita meet. It would be unfair to the Voltmen supporters for us to field any team for the International Series other than the one that captured the title.

"Co-operation in scheduling a minimum of conflicts during the playing season by the Pistons and Daisy managements has been appreciated both by the Voltmen management and the public. It would be unfair to compete with the playoff games now scheduled for these two local teams.

"Although the Voltmen missed a berth in the Michigan-Indiana League playoffs, we feel that our season was brought to a successful conclusion in the bringing of the third successive national title to Fort Wayne."

Kitchener, Ont., won the Canadian national title this year and was ready to meet the Voltmen in Fort Wayne, before the cancellation was announced by the Voltmen management and affirmed by the National Baseball Congress.

World's Series In Japan

The congress announced this week, however, that the series will definitely be played again in 1950 with the winning team scheduled for the world's series under the National Baseball Congress jurisdiction at Tokyo, Japan.

General Douglas MacArthur has approved the world's series for the non-professionals at Tokyo next year with the winner of the United States-Canadian playoffs to represent this hemisphere under NBC zoning regulations. The Eastern Hemisphere will be represented by the team winning playoffs between national championship clubs from Korea, Japan, China, and the Philippines.

London, Ont., won the North American title for Canada last year by winning the rubber game of a best-out-of-seven series over the Voltmen.

Definite site and dates for the 1950 North American series will be announced later this year. The series will be scheduled so that the winning team can be in Tokyo in time for the non-professional world's series there.



John Corriden, centerfielder, is shown receiving the Sportsmanship Trophy. (Official NBC photo)

"We want to make it clear that we added players to our club for the sole purpose of winning the meet and maintaining General Electric's position at the top of the semipro standings. It would not have been right for us to make the trip without the feeling that our chances were A-1. Critics of our policy might take note of the fact that the Coors flew in Al Cicotte from New York especially to hurl two games against us. A similar move was made in getting Clayton Freese for the finals. Both the



Posing for their official National Baseball Congress photograph are:
Back row: (l. to r.) Charles Wilt, G-E Club Manager; Frank Morgan, catcher; Scott Cary, pitcher; John Dudick, third base; George Meyer, shortstop; George Todhunter, second base; Donald Hormann, right field; Charlie Shipman, pitcher, and Charles Bobilya, right field.
Second row: (l. to r.) Les Lockett, left field; Frank Ebranyi, first base; Vic Austin, shortstop; John Braden, manager; Dee Hamilton, coach; Johnny Corriden, center field; Lee Pfund, pitcher, and Bill Ricks, pitcher.



Bill Ebranyi, first baseman, is presented a trophy after being named the leading infielder. (Official NBC photo)

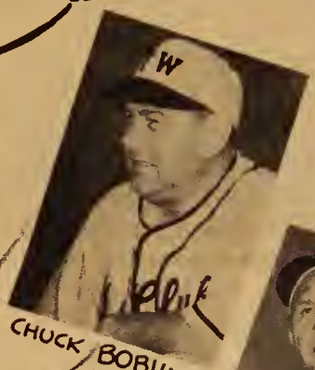
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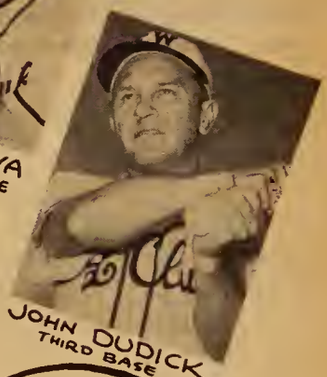
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RIGHT FIELD

BILL EBRANYI
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GEORGE TODHUNTER
SECOND BASE



CHUCK BOBILYA
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GEORGE MEYERS
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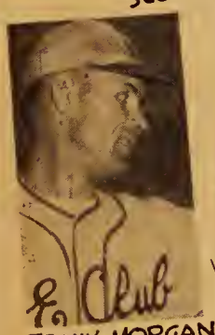
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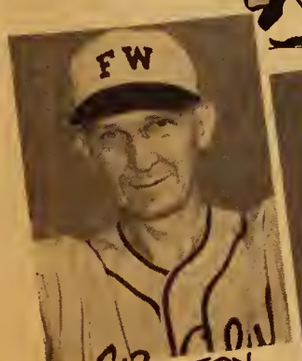
US VOLTMEN WIN T'REE TITLES IN A ROW!



FRANK MORGAN
CATCHER

SKIPPER JOHN BRADEN

VIC AUSTIN
SHORTSTOP



DEE HAMILTON
COACH



CHARLIE SHIPMAN
PITCHER

BILL RICKS
PITCHER



LES LOCKETT
LEFT FIELD



JOHN CORRIDEN
CENTER FIELD

Bob Parker

Good Progress

There are many encouraging signs that things have been soundly on the mend.

Automobile production in August was greater than the previous all-time record set over twenty years ago.

The scheduled steel production rate turned back upward to 86.3% of capacity, after reaching a low of 77.8% in July.

Paper manufacturing rebounded upward. Textiles showed further marked recovery.

Refrigerators and many other appliances continued on the "improved" list.

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Meanwhile, values have been getting more attractive in almost all lines.

Department store sales jumped upward about 15% in the week ending August 20, from the previous week.

Retail sales in general for July were up to within 3% of a year ago, after having stood up surprisingly well during the last ten months during which one industry after another had its decline and then began its recovery.

Factory, wholesale, retail, and home stocks started filling back up with new goods at the improved values.

The latest Bureau of Census figures (for July) showed civilian employment had already risen back up to 59,720,000, a new high over any former peacetime period except during six months of 1948 and two months of 1947.

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While all this was going on, the latest report of the Bureau of Labor Statistics disclosed that the cost of living had again gone down slightly. And there was the prospect of further declines in food and clothing to more than make up for some increases in rent that apparently yet must be made because of construction costs.

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Some of the increased buying . . . some of the beginning replacement of depleted inventories . . . may have been in expectation of possible fall strikes in the steel, auto, rubber, and electrical industries. But most of it was real business . . . real evidence that we are soundly on the mend in this country despite our burdens at home and abroad.

This healthy progress can continue. But it *will* continue only if we keep at work—and keep up our resistance to ill-advised cost increases—so as to be able to keep on offering customers the kind of values at which they can and will buy.

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

L. R. Boulware

VICE PRESIDENT—EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

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ANTI-WASTE CAMPAIGN IS LAUNCHED

Specialty Transformer, Ballast Divisions Plan Annual Sales Confab

"Cooperation Beats Competition" Is Theme Of Meeting To Be Held At Lake Wawasee, Sept. 25-28

The Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions of General Electric will hold their fourth annual sales conference at South Shore Inn, Lake Wawasee, Sept. 25-28, it was announced today by P. M. Staehle, Manager of the Sales divisions.

"Cooperation beats competition" will be the theme of the conference. This theme will be exemplified by means of a football motif which will be carried throughout in posters, charts, and prepared talks.

Emphasis will be placed on a better understanding of the customers' need for prompt, efficient service in this era of stiff competition.

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Committee Announces Program For Family Nights Oct. 12-15



The Family Night Committee is shown getting in the mood for the film, "Our Family Album," which traces the history of the Fort Wayne General Electric back 50 years. Seated: (l. to r.) J. E. Estabrook, chairman, and R. A. Woehr. Standing: I. H. Freeman, C. J. Monroe and Frank Ondrovik.

A series of G-E Family Night programs are being planned for all employees, their families and friends, it was announced today by a committee representing the various product, service and contributing divisions.

Wednesday, Oct. 12; Thursday, Oct. 13; Friday, Oct. 14, and Saturday, Oct. 15, are the dates scheduled for the programs to be held in the G-E Club auditorium.

The show will feature "Tremblin' in the Kremlin," a stage presentation featuring a Broadway cast; "By Their Works," the latest G-E film, and the first showing of "Our Family Album," a film devoted to Fort Wayne General Electric.

In order to make it possible for all employees and their families to attend, two afternoon performances in addition to evening presentations have been scheduled for the four days.

All Divisions Plan Programs To Reduce Loss

An accelerated program to eliminate waste has been inaugurated throughout the Fort Wayne Works to reduce unnecessary costs in product prices.

This program is one of many being conducted during the next few months in accordance with plans laid at the time recognition was given to President C. E. Wilson for having completed 50 years of service with the Company.

Committees have been appointed in the product, service and contributing divisions to organize and promote this program.

The FHP Motor Manufacturing Loss Control representatives will act as chairmen of the FHP divisional committees. They are: B. C. Parent, Div. 1; M. W. Reed, Div. 15; H. B. Reynolds, Div. 16; J. E. Kramer, Divs. 19 and 20; G. E. Zollers, Div. 13; A. W. Weisenberger, Div. 14; G. L. Smith, Div. 17; C. H. Kleinknight, Div. 7, Decatur; A. L. Rediger, Div. 27, Tiffin, and D. B. Waltenberger, Div. 30, DeKalb.

The FHP Motor Committee for Elimination of Waste will coordinate the activities of the divisional committees. Headed by W. H. Sunier, the committee consists of

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Preparations Are Made For Annual Inventory

Preparations were being made this week for the Annual Physical Inventory, which will be taken Friday, Sept. 30, at the Broadway and Taylor St. plants.

All divisions will take the inventory Friday except certain divisions at the Taylor St. plant and the Decatur plant, which will conduct the inventory Saturday, Oct. 1.

In general, all shop operations will cease for the day, except for emergency production and service requirements. All salaried persons will work as usual, unless notified.

The WORKS NEWS will be issued on Thursday next week because of the inventory Friday.

EMPLOYEES' STORES CLOSE NEXT WEEK FOR INVENTORY

The Employees' Stores at the Broadway and Taylor St. plants will be closed Wednesday, Sept. 28; Thursday, Sept. 29, and Friday, Sept. 30, for inventory.

Elex To Take Excursion To Sonja Henie Ice Revue

The Elex club will sponsor an excursion to see the Sonja Henie Ice Revue Saturday, Dec. 3. Buses will leave the Greyhound station for Indianapolis early Saturday morning and will return to Fort Wayne that night.

Elex To Hold Conference In Chicago October 15-16

The Elex Club's fall conference will be held Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 15-16, at the Palmer House in Chicago. All contact girls are urged to attend this two-day meeting. Members are also invited.

The conference cost is $20. This includes the bus fare, hotel room, Saturday dinner, and Sunday luncheon, and registration fee.

Chairmen Of Community Chest Drive Schedule Meetings For Solicitors

Solicitors for the Community Chest drive will meet next week for final instructions before opening the campaign Monday, Oct. 3.

The goal for the Broadway, Taylor St. and Winter St. plants has been set at $45,000, exclusive of the Company's contribution. Goals for the divisions are as follows:

FHP Motor Divisions	$19,710
Works Service, Contributing Div.	$9,720
Specialty Transformer, Ballast Div.	$6,660
Motor, Generator Divisions	$5,445
Winter St.	$3,465

The meetings of solicitors will start Tuesday. The first shift at Taylor St. will meet at 8:30 a.m.

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Chairmen for the Allen County Community Chest drive at the Broadway, Taylor St. and Winter St. plants are shown, above, at one of their recent meetings: (l. to r.) Dwight M. Myers, Motor and Generator division; Roger Grant, Winter St. plant; K. W. Michael, General Chairman; R. L. Soughan, Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions; Dick Kent, Works Service and Contributing divisions; Robert J. Duras, FHP Motor divisions at Taylor St., and D. H. Hanson, FHP Motor divisions at Broadway. J. V. Johnson, co-chairman for the Works Service and Contributing divisions, was not present when this picture was taken.

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NEWS

Don Campbell ..... Editor

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Immigration Is The Sincerest Form Of Flattery

If capitalism is wrong, why don't people who hate it leave America? If socialism is desirable, why don't they go to England? If communism is what the so-called "common man" wants, why doesn't he move in droves to Russia?

Nobody wants to leave America—but tens of millions of men and women all over the world, in every country, want, yearn, plead for the chance to come to America.

Parlor pinks here lisp about the beauties of statism, where the government guarantees security. People in those countries know all about this business of government taking care of you from cradle to grave. Particularly the grave. Do what you're told or you get hurried into it.

They vastly prefer America, with its chance for progress, its high living standard, its liberty, its dignity of the individual. They'd swap security for your liberty any time. Look out that you aren't talked into the trade.

—Warner & Swasey

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Rear Admiral Jones Extends Navy's Gratitude To G-E Personnel

Through the fine efforts of the Fort Wayne Works and local representatives of the Lamp Department, two special, deep-sea diving lamps were flown here several weeks ago from the G-E Lamp Dept. headquarters in Cleveland, O., for use by Navy divers to aid them in the search for the body of Bernice Bremer, 6.

The little girl, her sister, brother, and cousin drowned August 14 while attending a reunion at Clear Lake.

G-E personnel did a commendable job in contributing their time and talents to checking and adjusting the mobile power units and assisting the Navy in their efforts. In recognition of this, the following letter was received this week by John E. Estabrook, Assistant to the Works Manager, from Rear Admiral J. Cary Jones, Commandant of the Ninth Naval District at Great Lakes, Ill.:

"The Navy men who participated in the recent diving operations at Clear Lake in an attempt to recover the body of the little Bremer girl have reported to me concerning the whole-hearted cooperation of the General Electric Company and yourself in making the facilities of your plant available and in furnishing items of underwater diving equipment.

"On behalf of the Navy, and particularly for Headquarters Ninth Naval District, I thank you sincerely for your help and interest, both of which were invaluable and made possible the necessary underwater exploration.

"Please extend my personal gratitude to the General Electric personnel who cooperated with us so appreciably."

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HOW LUCKY ARE YOU?

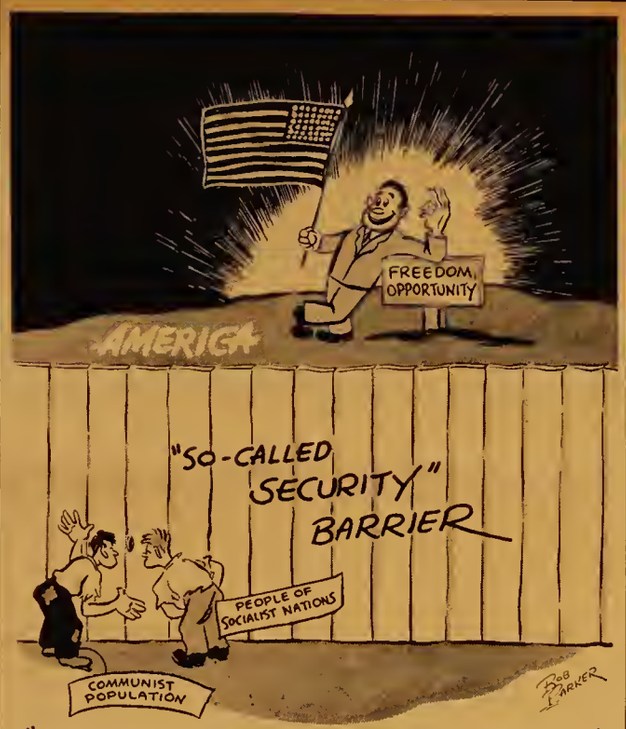
History proves that man has been lucky—or unlucky—for hundreds of years. So much does Luck play an important part of our lives that we are inclined to overlook the real concept of it.

What is Luck—really?

Asked if he believed in Luck, a modern wise man answered: "I should say I do! It's a wonderful force. You see some fellow reach out and grab an opportunity that the other fellow standing around had not realized was there. He calls into play his breadth of vision. He sees the possibilities in the situation and has the ambition, desire and courage to tackle them. He intensifies his strong points, bolsters his weak ones, cultivates those personal qualities that cause other men to trust him and cooperate with him. He sows the seeds of sunshine and good cheer, gives freely of what he has. He thinks a little straighter, works a little harder and longer. He doesn't worry over trifles. He plans his work ahead and sticks to it, rain or shine. He talks and acts like a winner for he knows in time he will be one . . . . And then —LUCK DOES ALL THE REST!"

Just how lucky are you? The opportunities for you to "cash in" on good fortune are all around you. To what extent your good luck will be is limited only by your own energies and foresight.

So let yourself go!



"THAT FELLOW SURE LOOKS HAPPY"

G-E Company Puts Human Factor First

Editor's Note: The following article is one in a series published by the CHICAGO TRIBUNE on human relationship in industry by Clayton Kirkpatrick. This appeared in the Sept. 20 issue.

Three years ago top executives of the General Electric Company, including President Charles E. Wilson, appraised themselves and decided they were failures.

They stood at the head of a billion dollar enterprise preeminent in the manufacture and sale of electrical equipment. They were bosses of nearly 200,000 employes. A quarter of a million stockholders had enough confidence in them to lend them their savings. Millions of Americans liked their products enough to spend a billion and a half dollars a year for them. By every material standard the company was a success.

Failure Is Recognized

What weighed on Wilson and his staff, however, was a failure in the field of human relations. They believed they had failed to provide jobs that adequately satisfied their employes. Furthermore, in common with some other industrial enterprises, General Electric did not seem to be liked, respected, appreciated, or ever understood by great numbers of Americans.

They recognized that if they and other business leaders did not do something really effective to recover the good will and confidence of their workers and the public in general, they could not hope to survive and the free enterprise system was doomed.

There are the circumstances that have inspired one of the most enthusiastic, energetic, ambitious, and carefully planned programs for improving employe and public relations the United States has ever seen.

Wilson and his staff are out to sell General Electric's social and economic value as a place to work. They are out to sell the advantages of the American free enterprise system. They are organizing the campaigns with the care and resourcefulness they have shown in launching new products in the past.

And as far as the General Electric employe is concerned, the company is selling a new product. In typical sales parlance it is called by its principal promoter, L. R. Boulware, vice president in charge of employe relations, a "nine point, new model job."

The new General Electric job offered in the summer of 1947 contained the following ingredients:

1. Good pay. The company undertakes voluntarily to give each worker what is right in comparison with pay for similar work under similar conditions in the plant and the community. The company makes a genuine effort to keep pay rates equitable. In addition it offers such extras as paid vacations and holidays, life insurance, suggestion awards and other benefits, including stock bonuses for thrifty workers.

Good Working Places

2. Good working conditions. Management tries to find and welcomes suggestions from employes leading to safe, well equipped, convenient, and pleasant working places.

3. Good bosses. The functions of foremen and supervisors are expanded to include the building of good morale as well as good products. Leading rather than pushing is emphasized.

4. A chance to get ahead. Promotions are made fairly and on the basis of merit.

5. Steady work. Production is planned, so far as possible, to match a steady flow of orders. Selling programs are designed to combat seasonal peaks and valleys so that work will be steady.

6. Being treated with respect. General Electric believes that every American is entitled to be treated with respect. Management aims to see that every worker is recognized as an individual and that his dig-

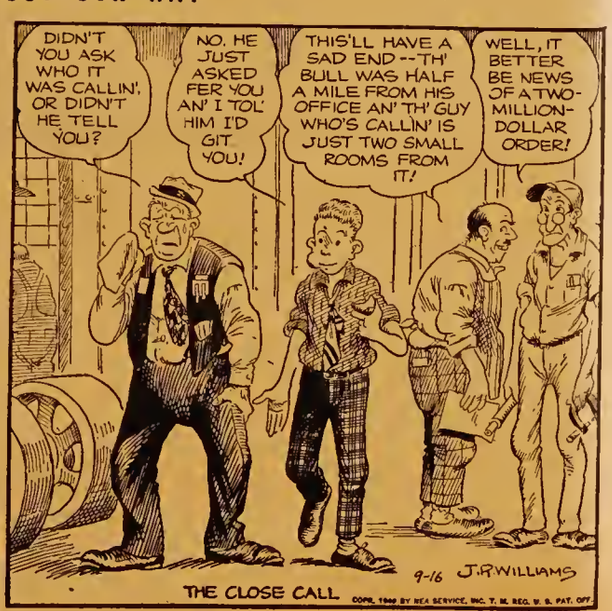
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Now is your chance to help a swell guy put over a swell job, by helping Ken Michael put over the Community Chest Drive 100 percent. . . . Now that Mel Kiessling is doing a little architect work on the side, we will expect to see not only a happy Fort Wayne, but a more beautiful Fort Wayne as well. . . . Speaking of things beautiful, we understand that Fred Fenner's new home is going to be very liveable as well as lovely. . . . Your reporter staged a little contest with Vern Castle the other day. I had a box of candy bars on my desk, celebrating my birthday, but I lost all of my customers when Vern came in with a new fish pole. The male population just weren't eating candy then. . . . We extend our sympathies to Laurel Weaver in the death of her father, Marion Bacon, who was also an employee.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



Anti-Waste

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Harold Carter, T. L. Staley, F. T. Gamec, R. A. Wefel, and L. A. Erickson.

The committee for elimination of waste in the Large Motor and Generator divisions includes: E. C. Reese, chairman; W. R. Blomker, secretary; R. M. Hartigan, A. N. Farrell, and C. L. Anderson.

The following have been named to committees in the Works Service and Contributing divisions to eliminate waste: Doyal G. White, J. L. Lare, C. A. Brenner, J. B. Greer, H. E. Hire, l. D. Rinehart, A. W. Howard, R. T. Craig, M. H. Tam, P. G. Singleton, H. S. Shields, L. D. Platt, E. K. Wolfe, W. P. Altekruse, A. E. Leider, C. D. Uncapher, C. R. Olson, H. B. Leach, and R. L. Kierspe.

The central committee for the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions consists of H. P. Koogle, Inspection and Test; C. W. Kronmiller, Engineering, and H. P. Korte, Manufacturing.

Floor committees will be established in the near future, with the Quality Control man acting as chairman of each committee.

Organize FHP Committees

The committees for manufacturing loss control of FHP motors are composed of representatives of various functions. These include an Engineering representative, Supervisor of Planning, General Foreman, Supervisor of Inspection and Test, and other interested persons as assigned by the superintendent or branch plant managers. Manufacturing Loss Control representatives are then named as chairmen.

W. H. Sunier, chairman of the FHP Motor Committee for Elimination of Waste, points out:

"These people are in close touch with the waste and losses peculiar to the type of motors and parts they manufacture and, with the help of their co-workers, they will carry their waste elimination program to the desired reduction."

The coordinating committee plans an early meeting with the Manufacturing Loss Control representatives.

Emphasize Losses

Special emphasis will be given to manufacturing losses which constitute the major element of waste in manufacturing of motors.

Manufacturing losses include:

(1) Rework and repair labor spent in reworking parts or motors which do not meet specifications, or fail to meet our customers' requirements.

(2) Scrap, which is the material or parts which cannot be reworked to specifications.

(3) Extra costs which become necessary because normal planned methods cannot be followed in meeting our customers' needs.

In commenting on this latter group of losses, Mr. Sunier stated:

"These losses are not restricted to the manufacturing operation, such as machining, grinding, casting, winding, or assembly. They also include those losses caused by errors in interpretation of customers' requirements, design, drafting, material purchasing and scheduling, as well as inspection and testing. This emphasizes the fact that all who are a part of the FHP Motor divisions have a real part in our program for elimination of waste."

Stress At Meetings

The Large Motor and Generator divisions, according to Chairman E. C. Reese, will base a great part of their campaign to stressing the importance of waste elimination at foremen and supervisors, engineering, and informative meetings.

An aggressive drive is also being made in these divisions to reduce all losses; improve usage of shop supplies and reduce the expense of tools; improve material usage, and product quality.

Breakdowns of various expenditure items are being made, distributed, and discussed to illustrate the actual costs involved.

Engineer to Assist Program

The full-time services of Dale E. Amstutz, rotating engineer, have been obtained by the Large Motor and Generator divisions to assist in the extensive studies of major loss items.

Sub-committees are also being established for projects as they are required. The first sub-committee named includes J. E. Laisure, H. S. Garton, L. C. Michel, and Dale E. Amstutz.

Committees Stimulate Interest

The committees have been selected for the Works Service and Contributing divisions to include the greatest users of the account and other individuals who may assist in the control of expenditures charged to those accounts. It is hoped that these committees will be able to stimulate interest and inspire those who can do the most to eliminate waste, especially in the Works Service division, but also in the product divisions on such accounts as power, heat and light, water, maintenance, shop service, and shop supplies.

G-E Club To Hold Square Dance For Employees, Families Oct. 7

A square dance will open the G-E Club's 1949-50 entertainment season Friday, Oct. 7, it was announced today by Ralph Heminger, chairman of the entertainment committee.

The dance will begin at 8:30 p.m. and will consist of both round and square dancing to the music of Joe Taylor's Indiana Red Birds band. Mr. Taylor works in Bldg. 27; his bass player, Bill Allen, is at Taylor St., and Ed Parker, the caller, works in Bldg. 24.

This group played for the G-E Club's dances last year and can be heard every Saturday at 11 a.m. over Station WFTW.

All employees and their families are invited.

Membership cards will be required for admission to the G-E Club auditorium. The cards may be obtained from George Waldschmidt, Bldg. 8-2.

Three 'Failures'

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nity is never in any way offended. Members of management seek to deserve similar respect from workers.

Workers Get Facts

7. Getting the facts. To satisfy employes desires to know what is going on in the company, management tells them about plans, successes, setbacks, and problems.

8. The worker's importance. The company undertakes to give each worker more information about the requirements, responsibilities, and possibilities involved in his job. It emphasizes that each job is worth while and important.

9. Liking the job. Efforts are made to make each job genuinely attractive, interesting, and deeply satisfying.

General Electric does not consider its responsibility finished, however, when it creates and sells to its employes a satisfactory job. It has undertaken the additional task of teaching its employes the fundamental economics of the free enterprise system.

Its 15,000 supervisory employes are given courses in company sponsored schools. They are expected to pass along to workers information on the relation of profits to progress, for example, and how the income from a big enterprise is divided among its stockholders and its employes.

In addition, it distributes to employes each week a statement from the company explaining matters affecting the company and its operation. The information is factual and presented in simple language. The General Electric Commentator, after it is distributed to employes, is published in the general newspapers of the cities where the company has plants. These reach an audience of some 7 million persons.

Subjects of the commentators include such controversial issues as the company's attitude toward unions (it accepts and does not fight recognized unions), the company's profits, and their distribution, revision of the Taft-Hartley law, extra pay in benefit programs, and other matters.

Company Speaks Its Mind

General Electric speaks its mind and tells the facts. It is committed to a policy of truth and "talking it over" no matter how distasteful that might be occasionally. It refuses to be silenced by its lawyers, by public relations counsel intent on discretion, or by the size of its opponents—quite often the federal government.

In the words of President Wilson, "This is it, and nothing is going to matter if, through failure even to try to seek the truth and to speak up publicly in discussing it, we should go the way of others—in ignorance and cowardice—to the end of our freedom, and hope, and material and spiritual well being."

Specialty Transformer

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"The problem of delivery has become much more acute," states Mr. Staehle, "since manufacturers, distributors, and others are reluctant to maintain the inventories which they once thought were necessary."

New product developments in ballasts for fluorescent lamps, aircraft transformers for national defense, television transformers, and heavy duty transformers will be announced to the salesmen and fully discussed.

The conference will be attended by key district salesmen from all parts of the nation; representatives from International General Electric and Canadian General Electric; Apparatus Department personnel from Schenectady, N. Y., and local sales, engineering and manufacturing personnel.

M. F. Bacon Dies

Marion F. Bacon, 53, of 529 Kinnaird ave., died Thursday, Sept. 15, at the Lutheran Hospital following a week's illness. An employee of the Motor and Generator division, he worked in Bldg. 19-1.

Services were held Saturday at the Klaehn funeral home at 3 p.m., with Dr. Elmer E. Voelkel officiating. Burial was in Lindenwood Cemetery.

FHP Motor Divisions Present Display Of Products At Chamber Of Commerce



Gordon Graham, Manager of the G-E Apparatus Department's Sales Office at Fort Wayne, R. C. Hanna, Assistant Manager of Sales for the FHP Motor divisions, and Allen Tremper, Director of Purchases for the Wayne Pump Company, are shown looking at the display exhibited at the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce by the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions. This display is part of a series by Fort Wayne manufacturers and is being exhibited from Sept. 16 to Sept. 30. It illustrates to local businessmen the wide varlety of G-E motors used in Fort Wayne industry. All motors on exhibit are used by one or more Fort Wayne firms.

Products exhibited are a gasollne pump motor, jet pump motor, and sump pump motor from Division 13; ironer motor from Division 17; seriea motor parts from Division 1; oil burner motor from Decatur; washing machine motor from DeKalb, and general purpose motors from Decatur and Division 14.

Central Standard Time

At midnight Saturday, Sept. 24, the Daylight Saving Schedule will end and clocks throughout the city will be set back one hour, returning to Central Standard Time.

The Broadway and Taylor St. plants, however, will not change their clocks until midnight Sunday, Sept. 25.

Any third shift operators working on Sunday night will ring in on Daylight Saving Time and ring out on Central Standard Time so that the interval worked will be one hour more than the clock card registration. The Payroll sections will take notice of this adjustment in time.

The Decatur plant will change to Central Standard Time on the same week-end as Fort Wayne.

C. S. Matson
Works Manager



Birthday greetings go to Evanell Holman. We understand she won herself a birthday present in the form of a blanket at the Auburn street fair. . . . Yes, it is Herschel (Strong Arm) Smith again. We understand the first performance that he put on with the 50 lb. weights was free. At all performances hereafter, there will be a slight fee. We also understand the competition wasn't too great as he had a crowd of pensioners as his audience. . . . George Waldschmidt is most unhappy with the noise and clatter of the weaker sex in Bldg. 8-2 as they leave the building. We would like to ask the girls to be a little more quiet for George. . . . Lois Miller spent the week-end at Hamilton Lake. She said it was too rough for fishing, but she enjoyed herself eating and playing cards. . . . Yours truly spent one night at the Auburn street fair and was rained out. . . . Cora Polhamus has contacted Herschel Smith for steel mitts to be worn when approaching the door of Bldg. 8. . . . Don Campbell had two guests from the New York office last week: Fred Neal, Manager of Publications (WORKS NEWS), and M. T. Hicks, WORKS NEWS Co-ordinator. . . . Jean Smith reported to work Monday on time, much to everyone's surprise. She baked a cake over the week-end, but we hear from good authority that she did not partake of it. Smart girl. . . . The report from the Suggestion Office is that this contest has really stirred our employees into action. We are happy to see such an interest shown. . . . Bill Allen and his wife were among those present at the Auburn street fair. . . . Iris Knapp, formerly of Bldg. 8-2, says "hello" to her many friends in the Personnel Div. and if she could get Cheryl (the new arrival) past the guards she would like to make an appearance to say "hello" too.



Who is going to be guilty of not setting his clock back this week? . . . Morris Hicks co-ordinator of all the WORKS NEWS in G-E and his superior Fred Neal were guest speakers at our last column writer's meeting and gave us some interesting information on WORKS NEWS activities in the various plants throughout the Company. . . . Ward Staley has tried to do his bit toward aiding the state conservation program, but it has always ended in failure. First he tried to hatch some quail eggs in a homemade incubator, and then the other day he got a pair of quail to raise. After spending considerable time preparing a nice pen he went to transfer the birds from their small box to the larger pen. There was a loud whiring noise and the birds were gone. Now Ward has a "for rent" sign on the new pen. Can't some of you conservationists get him another pair of quail? . . . Lately we have had a considerable parade of people through the aisles with the little white introduction cards. This is a much more welcome sight than when they have the brown envelopes. . . . Jack Pollock is still having difficulty with his friend Jerry Knight early in the mornings. He either comes to the door in his pajamas yelling that he will be right out or is asleep on the porch with the paper over his face. One morning Jack said it looked like Jerry was catching crickets along the foundation of the house. . . . It is a pleasure to report that John Leiendecker, Jr., the four-year-old son of John Leiendecker our micrometer checker, is making good progress at the Lutheran Hospital where he has been a patient since being stricken with polio. Junior is now able to be up and around some, on his own. . . . Birthday greetings this week to Paul Boedeker. . . . When we asked Howard McMaken how he made out at the Auburn street fair, the only reply we could get was, "No comment." . . . Walter Schelper is back after his third week of vacation. He spent it traveling west as far as Iowa where he spent some time visiting his son.

Celebrates 35th Anniversary



Walter F. Rehling, Bldg. 4-5, celebrated his 35th anniversary with General Electric Sept. 18. Last Friday several of his friends joined with their congratulations and best wishes on his long service. Left to right, above, are: H. G. Siebold, FHP Div. 15 Supt.; Mr. Rehling, Ernest T. Kromm, C. J. LeGras, foreman; Wilbur E. Tibbitts, E. F. Sonday, General Foreman, and Harry C. Grimm.

Women's Division Of Squares Club Elects Officers, Announces Calendar

Mrs. Marvin A. Baker was named president of the Women's Division of the Squares Club. Other new officers include: Mrs. Lee Beard, vice president; Mrs. Orval Doherty, secretary; Mrs. Robert H. Johnson, treasurer; Mrs. Robert Rowe, and Mrs. Frank Fleischer, members-at-large, and Mrs. C. J. Herman, president emeritus.

The following committee chairmen were named for the 1949 season:

Program, Mrs. Kenneth Wheatley; house, Mrs. Ronald F. Robinson; membership, Mrs. William A. Pringle; publicity, Mrs. Gilbert E. Jamieson; telephone, Mrs. G. E. Hicks; nominating, Mrs. Elwood M. Stansbery, and contact with the Squares Club, Mrs. Robert Hanna.

The annual reception was held yesterday at the Squares hall on Berry St. C. Lane Breidenstein of the Fort Wayne Better Business Bureau was the main speaker. His topic was "How Not To Be Swindled." Mrs. I. H. Freeman and Mrs. J. J. Clarkson served as co-chairmen of the meeting.

The calendar for the new year is as follows:

Oct. 15, potluck and bridge party for members and husbands; co-chairmen, Mrs. C. H. Rinne and Mrs. J. B. Greer.

Nov. 17, Thanksgiving bridge with Fred Smith of WKJG as speaker; co-chairmen, Mrs. Max Barrows and Mrs. Lore Ferverda.

Dec. 14, Christmas bridge for members and guests. A children's dance recital will be on the program. Co-chairmen are Mrs. Frank Chayka and Mrs. John Margerum.

Jan. 19, meeting will feature a white elephant sale and an informal bridge. Co-chairmen are Mrs. Robert Rowe and Mrs. Walter Konow.

A potluck and bridge for members and husbands will be held Feb. 18. Mrs. Harold Carter and Mrs. Marvin Schmidt are co-chairmen for the event.

A newcomers' bridge party will be held Mar. 22. The annual style show and guest bridge will be April 26. Co-chairmen will be Mrs. Larry Wightman and Mrs. R. W. Dochterman. The May 24 meeting will he the "Last Roundup" and election of officers. Mrs. Clifford Leegard and Mrs. K. K. Cooper are co-chairmen of the event.

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and the second shift, at 4 p.m., in the cafeteria; the first shift at Winter St. will meet in the conference room at 1:30 p.m., and the first shift at Broadway will meet at 10 a.m. in the G-E Club auditorium. The second shift at Broadway will meet Wednesday at 4 p.m. in the large conference room of Bldg. 8-2.

A sound, slide film and a talk by Herbert Weil, co-chairman of the Allen County Community Chest drive, will be presented at each meeting.

Tours have been arranged for groups of employees to some of the Red Feather agencies. Yesterday noon a group visited Pixley Child Welfare center; this afternoon another group will tour St. Vincent's Villa, and Monday morning a tour will be made of the College Club Day Nursery unit of the Children's Day Care Association.

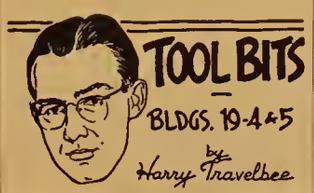
US SECOND SHIFTERS

By Earl Stauffer

Time has come for the second shift to find its voice. This column then is our answer. The success of "Us Second Shifters" depends on all who work with the Owls after dark. . . . No lead off item could be any better than the one from Bldg. 17-2 where we learn that the stork paid a real visit to the Joe Hawks. Frank Sylvester and Frances Esther, twins make a total of seven children for the Hawks. . . . Russ Bowdy, Ed Lathomer, Melvin Cook (who incidentally is a good amateur photog), Dick Maxton, Russ May, Clarence Weimer, and Bea Lantz have all rejoined the fold in Bldg. 17-2. . . . Mary Heymann, Eileen Foor, Helen Lantz and Barbara Wilson have formed a whizbang bowling team for the coming season. . . . The stork also dropped a girl at the Bill Millers, Bldg. 17-2. . . . Cedar Shores, some ten miles from our fair city, gives us the best fish yarn. Big Bill Geist, Bldg. 17-4, and his boys have taken so many bass out of that small lake that the water must have gone down an inch. Ask Bill if you don't believe me. . . . Now you can call Pete Marke, Bldg. 4-5, "Grandpappy." One grandchild, a boy, came along Sept. 13. From our Bldg. 4-5 informer we hear that Iris Summers and Clara Dixon are going on the first shift. . . . Happy birthday to Bernadine McCune and Bob Williams in Bldg. 4-5. . . . From the Repair and Return section Bldg. 4-4 we learn that Ray Smith bid goodby to the gang 'till the first of "50" last Friday night. . . . Arnold Benz plans to go to Cincinnati for a few days and loaf the rest of his third week of vacation. . . . Howard Keppler will take over while Cecil Onion is away to the convention. . . . That ever busy stork found the "Ramrod" Martins and brought girl No. 2. . . . We do not as yet have any one from across the street to dig up the news but the choicest item is about those three time champions the "Hot Shots" Bob Craig, Lloyd (I want to be President) Grider, Warren Wickliffe, Jim Sternberger, and Oscar Bunch of the Owl Golf League. . . . In order to make this column a whale of a success write up interesting items and send them to Earl Stauffer, Bldg. 17-4, second shift. . . . Oh yes, If you don't like the above name suggest a new one.



Nearly half of September is over. Already we hear that Thanksgiving is just around the corner. . . . What a nice automobile Phil Baker is maneuvering about town. Such streamlined lines it has. The airplane-front design sure gives it class. Phil, that's a mighty nice Studebaker. . . . Another new car owner is Mary Reed. She too is driving around a fine car. We didn't know, Mary, that you could operate one of those four-wheeled critters. . . . Well, if this isn't a good one. It sure is—driving his car to work then walking home at quitting time and all the way mumbling censored sayings about the little wife not coming after him and upon arriving home discovers that the bus still was parked in the G-E lot. John Morgan, let's give the little woman a hand. . . . Many of us are readers of good novels but Shoup, a book-of-the-month reader, has quite a library of high class literature. Shoup, let's borrow a few of your last editions to read in our spare moments. . . . Betty Reichert is taking treatment at Ann Arbor this week. Hope your treatment is a success, Betty. . . . Ralph Stanley was a sightseer at the Winchester Air Show. He can tell you about blowing up a balloon for a balloon ascension. He's good on finding "wabbits nests" on airports too! . . . The bowling season is here again. We should get some news about the gang. Chet McIntosh tops the first night average. After telling the other ones how to keep their average down, he pops up with a 275. With a little practice a 300 is soon in order. . . . How did you do it, Chet? Oh yes, you said you've been practicing all summer. . . . Mina Lampe surely must have a lot of riders these days. We saw a big semi-truck parked at her place the other day. Or is it that you just like to give them a variety? . . . Bonnie Foor is back with us again, a winder on Leonard Meyer's line. . . . A cheerie greeting to Rita Wellman, Viola Melchi, Dorothy Heimann, Irene Bieberich, and Flossie Hower. . . . Dan Zeser would like to enjoy a "little more sleep" these cool mornings. . . . To Harvey "Hoot Owl" Hileman goes credit for good housekeeping—handy with the broom. . . . Any odd jobs of hauling, Pete Koenig will be the little man to do it for you. . . . Paul Schamerloh always seems to smile when things goes wrong. How do you do it, Paul? . . . Joe Weber is back after a week of illness. Hope you feel as good as ever, Joe. . . . Have you noticed that worried look Ezra Brandyberry carries around lately? He is absolutely worried "hairless" over all the applicants for the Indiana Dance. . . . Leona Tinner just bubbles over with laughter these days. Have you noticed her new outfit? . . . We all sincerely hope for a speedy recovery for Dave Embler's little boy who has polio. . . . Have you noticed the good looking corduroy jackets worn these days by Lohnas McIntosh, Roger Schuster, Dick Steele, and Alice McBride? Very nice indeed. . . . I see Charlie Debolt, Clark Flaugh, Bob Bolinger, Gloyd Dellinger, Jess Hamrick, and lots of the folks are back hard at it. Good for them! . . . But the thing that amuses me is that Orval Fisher has at long last parted with the ole Plymouth and got himself a Chevy. Boy if that old Plymouth could really talk it would tell some real tales. Yes, it has gone to retirement down in Ohio. . . . Fireball Stults is still on the ball too. Glad to see him that way as good men are hard to find. What did I say? . . . Maggie Fruchte, the gal with the 29 charms, is still here with us and I believe that she is getting more beautiful everyday. Quarter, Maggie! . . . Becky (Hirschy) Werst is here too. . . . Bob Kreischer is on the job working for McDougal. Doing right good. . . . I would like to know how Lorena Keller is. Haven't heard from her for sometime. Hi, Lorena! . . . Butch Schroeder, the mechanical genius of the winding line, had one of those things the other day. A 40 year anniversary, in fact it was his birthday and so he treated all the gals and some of the fellows. Life is just beginning, Butch. . . . Bummy Bumgartner, the boy mechanic, is off due to illness. I just don't know the cause but will find out and let you know; in the meantime, we all hope that Bummy comes back pretty soon.



Seems as though a couple of the boys in Bldg. 19-4 had a rough week-end. John Neukam came in Monday with a nice scratch across his nose, but as usual, he had a good alibi. He said he was hunting crickets and just as he was down on all fours ready to grab Mr. Cricket, a twig flew up to scratch his nose and knocked his glasses off. Sounds good, John, but there are a few of us that have some serious doubt about your story. . . . Then Steward Bohrer came in also with a mark on his face just beside his right eye. Steward tells us he was splitting wood with a hatchet Saturday and it seems that a piece of the wood hit him. Now, folks, both of these stories were told us with sober faces—draw your own conclusions. . . . News of the week—Special to WORKS NEWS: John Roemer caught a nice mess of fish at Turkey Lake Saturday. We have been told that his wife helped him. She rowed the boat. . . . Bill Jones seems to have no limit to the jobs that he can perform. We haven't the time nor the space to list them all, but we will mention a new accomplishment—that of baking a fine chocolate cake last Saturday. Bill doesn't care much for cake frosting so he wasn't too careful how that turned out. (We hear he poured the frosting on the cake something like you pour syrup on pancakes.) He is a very brave man, because he brought a piece in his lunch. What's more, he didn't try to give it away either, and from the latest report, he was still able to be on his feet. . . . Carl Baermann enjoyed his third week of vacation last week. Carl said he spent the week at home working on his car and doing a few odd jobs around the house. Good idea, Carl. . . . Emmet Arthur Rasor is now working on lathe in Bldg. 19-5. Glad to have you with us Art. Incidently, Art is a Central fan and he had to miss the Decatur-Central football game just because his sister was getting married that Friday night.

100 Foremen Attend Annual Picnic At Voigt's Retreat



Approximately 100 members of the Foremen's Association attended the club's annual stag picnic Saturday, Sept. 17, at Voigt's Retreat, near New Haven. The picnic started at 1 p.m. and a special program was presented later in the afternoon. Ernie Hanauer, G-E Fire Chief, gave a demonstration of fire extinguishing techniques and Custer Dunifon presented his dog obedience show. Softball, handball, basketball, horseshoes, and card games kept all the members busy. That is, when they weren't eating roast beef sandwiches, German potato salad, baked beans, relishes, etc. The photos, above, show several of the scenes at the outing.

Wengert Spends Vacation Visiting Family In Germany

If you should ask Hugo Wengert, of the Plating Section in Bldg. 2-2, where he went on his vacation, he would no doubt say, "Home to see my mother and family." But home in that sense of the word to him is in Germany.

Hugo left LaGuardia Field in New York at 2:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 27, and arrived in London in time for the evening meal. Since he was in England only long enough to eat, he was unable to form any opinion of the country. Hugo observed, however, that although the service was superb, the food was not up to par.

At 10 p.m. he boarded his plane for the second lap towards his journey's end at Urach. He landed at the Frankfort airport at 2 a.m. Thursday. Hugo then went through Customs. At that time he had to declare how much money, both cash and travelers' checks, he was carrying. After stating the amount of money in his possession, he was given a book in which to record his money and expenses. He was also issued his ration book, which entitled him to a month's quota of food. With his papers and luggage in order, he then started on the final lap of his trip.



Hugo Wengert

No Shelter For Many

He took a bus to Frankfort, since he missed his air connections to Stuttgart. At the depot he saw the first results of the recent war. Three or four thousand people were sleeping in the building. With no other shelter, the homeless were utilizing every nook and corner in the public buildings for night quarters. The scene was so deplorable, according to Hugo, that if he wasn't so near home he would have turned back for the States at that time.

Because there were no trains leaving the city at night, he had to find some other means of transportation to Urach. Before he could secure a taxi for home, he had to cash a travelers' check into one of the three kinds of money they have in Germany — American, German, or military. He then had to awaken an American Express clerk, who gave Hugo all the money he had, about 33 marks.

With the aid of some American soldiers, he located a taxi and also gasoline for the car. They then took the Autobahn, a super-highway with no crossroads. With only one stop to get gas on the way, he came to his home Thursday morning—exactly 36 hours and 20 minutes after he left New York.

Visits With Family

He then had several days' visit with his family before taking a motor trip through Germany, Italy, France, and Belgium. This was the first time he had seen his mother since he left for the United States 27 years ago. In fact, this trip was a complete surprise for Mrs. Wengert, for Hugo had not written her about his coming.

Some outstanding features of the war damages he noticed were the cities destroyed by Allied bombers. One city, Pforcheim, which is about the size of Fort Wayne, was completely razed. Aachen fared a little better, because it has about 20 walls still standing. The cathedral at Nuremburg was untouched, except for broken windows, among three blocks of rubble. During his stay in Germany, Hugo saw no churches damaged by American bombing and only one hospital that was unavoidably hit.

His mother's home was no exception to the bombing. One corner of the adjoining bakery was hit, and there are boards where the show windows used to be. In the backyard there is a gapping hole large enough for a small house foundation.

Reconstruction Is Slow

Hugo stated that reconstruction has begun, although it it coming along slowly. They are cleaning up the debris and rebuilding homes, but have no industries to speak of. The method of obtaining building material is unique. The workers go into a house and shovel the bricks, stones or plaster into a waiting truck. The salvaged material is then taken to a crusher and later made into a form of cement blocks.

Stores are mere shacks. One store, where Hugo made a purchase, was literally a hole in the ground. To get to the main part of the building, he had to descend a long ladder. The storekeeper and his family conducted the business and lived there.

He explained that the people could not buy many items, either rationed or non-rationed, because the Germans have no money. With few industries, there is almost no work and, therefore, no money. Another factor is that there are too many refugees to support.

G.I. Joe Is Favorite

Hugo is very proud of the American soldiers in Germany, especially those stationed in his mother's home a short time.

At the beginning of the invasion a number of G.I.'s took over the house, telling his family to remain in the basement. When her grandchild became hungry, Mrs. Wengert attempted to get some milk. The second soldier she asked got three gallons of milk and refused any money for it. She then told him about Hugo and later was questioned by the Commanding officer about her son stateside. The next day the Americans moved out, leaving the house spic and span and with everything in its place. French soldiers billeted there left the house a wreck after two months' occupation of the home.

Our Germany-vacationist had the honor of attending the first general election in that country for many years. He remarked that a large percentage of the voters turned out to vote. About 77 percent of the people voted, and the main reason was to vote down Communism. At that, they were not sure they voted for the right person; but they were certain that the candidate was not a Red.

Caught In Soviet Zone

Hugo also had some excitement during his visit. While he and his mother were taking some pictures of the Berlin Blockade, they became lost in finding their way back home. By accident they wandered into the Russian Zone and were picked up by the police. After four anxious hours of questioning and waiting they were released, but not before the Russians had confiscated Hugo's camera.

He returned to the United States Tuesday, Aug. 16, after leaving Germany Monday afternoon. Going through customs this time took three and a half hours for the 41 people aboard the plane. The customs officers were more strict than those going into Germany. Any item not declared by the people returning to the states was detained.

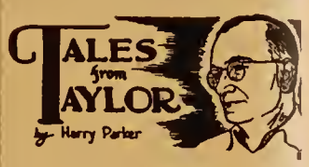
Hugo came to this country 27 years ago to avoid Germany's military training. He came to Fort Wayne to visit an aunt and has lived here 23 years.



Among the fans who were entertained at the Prom Terrace last Sunday when Sammy Kay and his band appeared, none were more enthusiastic than Charlie Curtis and Bill Shuler. 'Tis said they executed the polka and rhumba with ease and grace, even offered free instructions to some who were less perfect in that style. Perhaps they feel well rewarded by receiving an autographed photograph to remember the big night! . . . In case you missed seeing Herschel O'Dier's baby's picture in last Saturday's News, you can still find it in the Rotogravure section. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. David Mannix who became parents of a baby girl. Mardell, Mrs. Mannix, formerly was employed in the field section. . . . Last Friday our own Ed Gluscnkamp rounded out 33 years of employment with G-E. We congratulate him on his long service record. . . . Evelyn Daugherty is looking forward to next week when the bigger, better than ever, free Bluffton Street Fair will be celebrated. There'll be lots of hand shakin' when she gets there and meets all the oldtimers. . . . Margie Fenstermaker, who decorated a float for her sorority to enter in the parade at the Auburn Street Fair, felt amply rewarded for her time and effort when it received the second prize trophy. . . . We extend our sympathy to Opal Bates whose brother died last week.



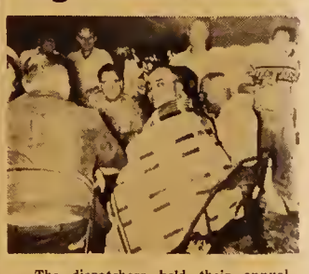
Two more draftsmen leave our midst today as graduate apprentices. They are Warren Berkheiser and Frank Woenker. Lots of luck, fellows. . . . We wish a speedy recovery to Ralph Obringer who is confined to the Lutheran Hospital (Room 211) due to appendectomy. . . . If Miller comes to work some day with a "well smoked" color we will know he didn't get all the bricks out of his chimney. . . . "Almanac Ev." they call Schmidt because he gives his fellow workers the daily lowdown on signs of the moon, planting data, tide rises and falls etc. . . . Sorry we are late in congratulating Mr. and Mrs. William E. Jones who are the proud parents of a baby girl, Carol Elaine, who was born Sept. 7. Bill was on hand with a picture of Carol to show the fellows when he passed out the cigars. . . . Ask Konow about the queen he took to see Sammy Kaye. He loved it—Sammy Kaye, not the queen. . . . A good slogan for all apprentices is to remember what Confucius say—when in hot water, be nonchalant; take a bath. . . . The way Bergman and Davis pass around their boats, one would think they were in the Navy. . . . We hear that Mischo had a little trouble with the headlights on Wagner's car the other night out at McMillen Park. . . . B. O. Smith had a very red swollen eye last week. He claimed a piece of grinding wheel was in it, but a few of his fellow workers expressed different opinions. . . . It isn't spring so it must be love. To confirm our suspicions, it was reported that John Marks was seen looking at engagement rings. . . . Skeets Lahrman played 18 holes of golf, returned wet and cold from the "heavy dew." . . . Fred Borton spent eight hours casting, returned with two small bass and a sore shoulder. Is it worth it, fellows? . . . The apprentice softball team took advantage of some breaks and smart base running to beat the Squares 8-5 Monday night for the second half championship. Kenny Zurbuch took over in the fifth inning and saved the day by breezing 'em by the opponents. Our boys play the Works Lab, first half champs, for the title in a best of three series starting Wednesday. . . . Bowling was off with a bang this year in the Apprentice League which now meets on Tuesdays at 8:30. Some mid-season's scores were turned in with Skeets Lahrman boasting a 234 and Marc Junk a 202 and 211. The teams are more balanced this year and the competition keener. Can you imagine a fellow admitting that his wife beat him in bowling. Bob Zollinger did. . . . Lew Davis has left our midst to continue his drafting in the G-E plant at San Jose, Calif. We will all miss Lew, but we wish him lots of luck.



Ora Goff had a terrifying experience at the Quarter Century Club picnic. Along in the late afternoon he and his passengers decided to go home. Reaching in his pocket for the car keys, he found that they were AWOL. He searched everywhere, but to no avail and had just about decided to walk home when someone announced over the loud speaker that some keys had been found. They turned out to be his, thereby saving him from a long trek home. . . . Art Brandenberger was doing some plain and fancy instructing last Sunday when he endeavored to show his wife how to use an outboard motor to dredge a channel in the lake bottom. His wife was at the helm and apparently was doing a first rate job until the propeller came into contact with some submarine object, putting the whole works out of commission. He now tells us that he is going to give up the idea of using this piece of equipment as a dredge. . . . Mabel Miller is rapidly getting in form for the coming National Shuffleboard tournament this fall. Every evening finds her on some court or another seeking to improve her skill. So far she has far outstripped all of her opponents which includes such experts as her husband and Frank Phillips.

Some people are like blotters. They soak it all in, but get it all backwards.

Big Chief All Wet



The dispatchers held their annual picnic a few weeks ago at Evan Morris' home on Blue Lake. Evan treated the gang to motorboat rides during the outing. The day being rather windy, many of the guests were thoroughly drenched during the ride and had to requisition whatever dry clothing was available. Harold Kochlinger solved this problem easily with one of Morris' blankets. The picture shows "Big Chief Sawed Off" holding his pow-wow.



Have you noticed all the guys and gals wearing the green badges? That means the "go" signal for a perfect year of safety. . . . By the way, if you noticed two mummiform fingers on yours truly, that is because I had them where they shouldn't have been. So do as I say, not as I do. . . . Speaking of safety, drive carefully. Now that fall is here, we will have leaves on the street and if it rains it is much more difficult to stop. Our future taxpayers don't always stop to realize that they shouldn't dash after something in the street without looking both ways. If the kids bother you, that's good. You will be up on your toes and watching for their safety. . . . Someone else that doesn't always watch what she is doing is Rose Heche. She leaves in such a hurry at night, she just grabs any old coat. The other evening she was seen exchanging coats with Mary Zirkle out by the Broadway gate. . . . Ann Kensill doesn't believe in the old saying, "an apple a day, keeps the doctor away." She prefers peaches. She also is going to be a very good girl from now on. Realizing that Christmas is just three months from Sunday, we can see why. Someone might be doing their shopping early. Of course, you'll have to tone down that twinkle in your eyes a little. . . . Little Monte Craig is now issuing his calling cards from the Thomas Toor residence. Tommy and Olivia (the papa and mama) are both former co-workers. . . . It's a happy birthday to Bill Martin. He received a classy fishing outfit. It was even equipped with an attached bluegill. Of course, he has his ideas about people who go to birthday parties and then forget the present, especially when it was a frog. . . . Minnie McCague must have brought her Sunday-go-to-meeting umbrella to work the other morning. After she got to work, she wiped the rain off very carefully and polished the umbrella good. . . . Edith Beaty is going to have to set the alarm the next time she takes a nap. She almost missed the party. . . . Isabelle Blackburn is the new Elex contact girl replacing Mary Jane Lochner. . . . Among the girls looking forward to tomorrow's trip to Chicago are: Beulah Johnson, Marcille Thomas, Elizabeth Wert, Alice Loftus, Leona Hollis, Elvira Diller and Hedy Harrison. . . . Ethel Perry was on a fishing trip to Michigan last week. Now for some fish stories. . . . Margie Drake is taking up sewing, even to being outfitted with a new dress form. . . . Augusta Boehm's smile is because she is a grandma. . . . As usual Leona Hollis was full of enthusiasm and giggles, so Lilly Schock went shopping for an all day sucker to quiet her. It worked part way, because the sucker only lasted half a day. Better try one of those all week jobs next time. . . . "How dee doo dee" to all our newcomers. Hope you like us. . . . "Ya wanna buy a duck?" Ivah Grandstaff is the person to see. . . . Have you noticed the new red easy cushion that Jenny Zimmerman has? . . . It wasn't Pete the tramp, but Pete the dog deciding to take a snooze in bed. Now JoAnn Kemery is looking for some feather to make Pete a pillow all his own. . . . Mary O'Shaugnessy was up to visit us last week. She is at Taylor St. now. . . . Walter Kryder really has a time getting his tie adjusted Friday mornings. . . . Imagine anyone not liking yellow tomatoes. Harold Kiel doesn't, especially when they are all over his shirt. . . . Keep in mind the Community Chest drive. We will be around to see you one of these days. . . . Also if you haven't given to the emergency polio drive, do so now. You can't realize just what that kind of help means until one of your own loved ones has had polio. And we never know who can be the next victim.

Four Are Granted Patents



R. A. Fuller

A patent has recently been granted to R. A. Fuller on a system for obtaining instantaneous reversal of capacitor start motors that are equipped with a centrifugal switch.

With this system, capacitor start motors can be used on several applications such as cranes, hoists, overhead doors and others where instantaneous reversal service is required, with a minimum amount of control or relays.

Mr. Fuller is an Application Engineer in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Sales divisions, Taylor St. He is a graduate engineer of Worcester Polytechnic Institute and has been with General Electric since June 24, 1924. He became affiliated with the FHP Motor Sales divisions in 1945. This is Mr. Fuller's fifth patent.



R. F. Rowe

R. F. Rowe, Design Engineer in the Ballast division of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Engineering divisions, has been granted a patent on an enclosure for a fluorescent lamp ballast. The doughnut shaped enclosure facilitates compact mounting of the ballast in the base of floor and table lamps, and in wall and ceiling fixtures for Circline lamps.

This is Mr. Rowe's second patent.



W. R. Goss

A patent has been granted to W. R. Goss by the U. S. Patent Office covering an adjustable speed dynamoelectric machine. This invention consists of a special arrangement of windings on a split pole stator that permits operating the machine through a wide speed range without the instability that is usually encountered in such operation. The Patent Office allowed 17 claims to originality in this patent.

This is the seventh patent granted to Mr. Goss. He is a Group Leader in the Fractional Horsepower DC and Specialty Motor Engineering division. He started with General Electric in 1927 and has been in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering divisions since 1928.



J. H. Stark

The U. S. Patent Office has granted a patent to J. H. Stark for an improved and simplified brush holder.

Mr. Stark is a Design Engineer in the Fractional Horsepower DC and Specialty Motor Engineering division. His invention consists of the use of resilient insulating material between the brush tube and its support to replace fiber or similar materials having lower insulation resistance in the presence of moisture. His invention also makes a permanent tight fit possible without the use of set screws. Five claims of originality were allowed.

He has been employed by General Electric since 1923 and has worked in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering divisions since 1938. This is the seventh patent granted to him.

Rounds Out 30 Years Of Service



Paul E. Henricks, Bldg. 4-4, has rounded out 30 years with the Company. At that time he received the congratulations of his friends and co-workers. In the picture are: (l. to r.) O. J. Mettler, FHP Div. 1 Supt.; Mr. Henricks, Otto Roehm, William Schultz, Henry Kammer, Louis Davis, Florian Korte, and George Prince.



Announcement—Jean Marie, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christian Seidof, is just one week old today. The grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wylie, are delighted with the 7 lb. 5 oz. young lady. . . . **Co-chairmen**—R. W. Kent, Bldg. 18-5, and J. V. Johnson, Bldg. 18-2, will serve as co-chairmen of the Community Chest drive for Bldg. 18. We are all familiar with the accomplishments of the Red Feather organization and now, more than in the past years, your help is needed. You will not miss the weekly contributions—collectively they will give help to many who are less fortunate. It will ever be that we are our brother's keeper—so be ready to greet your solicitor with a smile and an increase over last year's amount. Our quota for Allen County has been increased 12 per cent. "Care Enough to Share Enough!" If you have not taken time to acquaint yourself with the agencies covered by the Community Chest, do so, they are worthwhile. . . . **Honeymoon**—Dale Mossburg, Bldg. 18-1, will return Monday, after enjoying a honeymoon in Michigan. Doris Stuckey and Dale were married Sept. 11 at Warren, Ind. Our congratulations. . . . Delores Patterson has been transferred from Bldg. 26-2 to Bldg. 18-4. . . . Dorothy Janel, Bldg. 18-1, celebrated her second wedding anniversary the 20th. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Fritz and Phyllis Tanner, Bldg. 18-1, spent the week-end at Wesler Lake. . . . **Vacations**—Helen Gellert, is enjoying a week's vacation from her duties in Bldg. 18-2. Edith Drivelbliss, Bldg. 18-1, was on a cruise on the Great Lakes. Richard Fry of Bldg. 18-1 will return Monday from a two weeks' vacation in Minnesota and a few days at home to recuperate. . . . Thelma Stone, Bldg. 18-1, served at the wedding of Jean Barkley (a former Bldg. 18-1 payroll girl) last Saturday at Monroeville. . . . A. W. Howard of Bldg. 18-1, is a victim of the cold that has been going around. (It isn't funny—have had it myself). . . . Chester Kowalski, Bldg. 18-1, was a little tired on Monday. It seems that a rib barbecue may have been the reason. . . . We are sorry that Dorothy Long, Bldg. 18-4, is still afflicted with polio. We trust that her condition will show improvement by the time this column is printed. . . . It was nice to see E. H. Solnica and F. E. Firestone, former Fort Wayne employees, in from Schenectady on Monday. . . . Mary Cooper of Bldg. 18-2 entertained friends from Chicago for the week-end. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lehman, Doris of Bldg. 18-2, Harold of Bldg. 19-5, were in Chicago for the week-end.

Horses and elephants can sleep while standing up—like father with a two-week-old son.



Get Into The Act: Come on, everyone, please get into the act. We mean by that, that we would like to see every employee of the Wire and Insulation Division get their name in the WORKS NEWS between now and the end of the year. You don't have to be a practical jokester or do something that you may think is dumb or silly. How about the many good and concrete things you do? Such as being active in civic, social or religious affairs? How about that hobby of yours, your wife's or that son or daughter of yours. These are all good things and other people would like to know about them, so don't be bashful, step right up. Elaine Allen or your Division Editor are more than willing to listen to your story and help put it together. So as we pass you each day just yell out "Hey there, Elaine or Al, I got something for the NEWS," and I assure you we will be all ears. . . . Last week for instance Ralph Obringer talking to one of his coworkers remarked he never gets his name in the NEWS. This otber coworker remarked to Ralph that he grew so small that everyone overlooks him. Now, Ralph, if you would have come to us you no doubt could have had your name in the NEWS many times, but we just did not know, come up and see us sometime and tell us all about yourself. . . . We understand Leo Elward's wife was out of town last week and poor little Leo was so lonely he made everyone else he was around feel sorry for him. He finally cut loose and spent some hard earned cash for two long distance phone calls just to hear her wifely voice. You sure you weren't checking up on her, Leo, or were you? . . . Bing Englebrecht got so mad and provoked at those little golf balls just because they would not fall into a hole that he gave up and went home before the game was over. We think it was for this reason that his team lost the sweaters they were playing for. Always take it easy, Bing. . . . Charley Brubaker has been having a tough time harvesting his oats. He says most of it is wild. Charley, have you read the Good Book lately? If not we suggest you do, "As you sow so shall you reap."

Insulation News

Most kids just like to write their name in concrete, but with Jim Norris it's a case of all or nothing. Last week Jim was putting a new concrete floor in his basement when he and his feet got tangled up on the job, and down went Jim to leave the neatest imprint on the nice new floor. We don't know who, but some kind person must have rescued him, 'cause he's still on the job. . . . Hans Muller was eavesdropping on the Abbott and Costello team of Bldg. 12-3 (Gardt and Hattendorf to you) and this is what he heard: Gardt: "How do you spell "swivel?" Hattendorf: "I think it is spelled with two V's." Gardt: "No, that's two swivels." We're giving them the benefit of a doubt when we say that we think they were just kidding. . . . Have you heard the latest about Ray Fisher? It seems he prefers a lady barber, so in the absence of his wife, he had his daughter cut his hair. What some parents don't demand of their children. . . . Dorothy Baumgartner has the secret for making your first million. She says that first you get a job as time clerk, and then you just save your pennies and before you know it you have enough money for a trip to Chicago. . . . Some people eat an apple a day to keep the doctor away, but Bill Glenn has a different formula. He eats peppermint drops.

Honored For Long Service



Walter G. Muehlenbruch, Bldg. 20-2, was honored for his 30-year record of service last week. A number of his co-workers gathered to congratulate him on his anniversary with General Electric. They are: (l. to r.) John Lare, Clifford Thiebolt, Geraldine Didier, Gloria Wiebke, Mr. Muehlenbruch, and Jay B. Greer.



BELATED NEWS—Some of the guys and gals in Bldg. 4-6 had a wiener bake Friday, Sept. 10, at Walt Gerke's house. Along with the liquid equalizer there was enough fun and food to let everyone have a great time. It has been mentioned to have a hayride soon. Let's don't wait too long—snow will be on the ground. . . . FISH STORY—Many people were admiring the picture of the seven pound Northern Pike which Paul O. Nohle caught in Minnesota. An interesting angle to it is the fish was caught with a mermaid plug. This goes to show the men aren't the only ones who are susceptible to a curvacious figure with a big line. . . . GOLF—Jack Jennings and Forry Carlson, who did not sparkle in their performance in the Blind Bogey Golf Tournament at Brookwood Saturday, Sept. 17, still were fortunate in the drawing and collected cash prizes for their efforts. Others in Bldg. 4-6 to receive cash prizes were Lou Davis, Walt Sunier, Joe Rowan, and Bob Knepple. . . . HOWDY—The A.C. Division welcomes Margrete Evens, a new typist, who comes from Taylor Street. She is taking Eileen Hennen's place, who left G-E to attend Indiana Business College. We wish to welcome Ed Rathbun to the Dev. Division. He is a test engineer and is working for Fred Suhr. . . . NEWS FROM GREAT BRITAIN—Gwen Steinbarger, on a leave of absence from the D. C. Div., is having a wonderful time in North Wales. Her vacation ended Wednesday, Sept. 21, when she sailed on the Queen Mary for the USA. . . . BOWLING—The A. C.'s bowling team opened the season with a big flop when Walt Gerke fell flat on his face. How straight and stiff he bowled the rest of the night. Payroll girls started their bowling season last Friday night at St. Paul's Hall. . . . PARKING TICKET—Lou Davis, visiting in California, received a ticket. Being a visitor he came home without appearing in court or paying his fine. A few weeks later he decided to pay the ticket since it came from the same town in which Lou has decided to live. He wouldn't want anything to happen after he got there. By the way, Lou left last Friday to make his home in California. Lots of luck to you and your family. . . . DISTINGUISHED VISITORS — The Hermetic Section was honored by a visit from Sol London and Mike Davich Sept. 21. . . . BOSSES—Anyone wanting to know who is the boss in the Robert Dobbin household see Bob. "She is only three years old." . . . LOST AND FOUND—It seems Thelma Voiral is forever losing her purse. She lost one again last Friday afternoon, but some kind-hearted person returned it with all the contents in it. . . . GOOD-BYES—A luncheon was given for Joan Poos Thursday, Sept. 15, at the Works Restaurant. The girls presented her with a lovely gift. Friday, Sept. 16, which was Joan's last day, the Dev. Division honored her with a nice gift which was presented very well by Bob Sharrow. The three engineers who she worked for also presented her with a nice gift. . . . HAPPY BIRTHDAY—Happy Birthday to Gloria Hormann whose birthday was Sept. 15.



This tangy fall weather with its football games and hunting trips ushers in one of our finest seasons. Let's hope we have many days to enjoy its beauty. Above all, let's get outside and see what Jack Frost has done to the countryside. It's well worth our time to travel into the country in the next few weeks. Here's hoping you make the most of it. . . . We were rather worried about Walter Beeth and his straw hat, but now all is well—he gave it up for his winter dome warmer. A sure sign of approaching cold weather. . . . Erv Zollinger doesn't look like a heavy weight but that new flooring right in front of his machine sorta says different. . . . Warning to all fish—This is to warn you to go to the deepest depths of the lake and hide. Howard Brooks has a new fish pole and will be on the hunt for you. A hint to the wise is sufficient. Oh yes, and be sure to keep your mouth shut—you'll live longer. . . . When you speak of bright tee shirts—speak softly about that green one of Maurie Snyder's—it'll speak for itself. . . . No wonder Norm Jones was floating on high last week—the good news is that Norm has made the Company's "A" Course. Congratulations. . . . Speaking of Norm, we wonder why he turned that bright shade of red when his co-workers persented him with that little gift? . . . Emmie Stock is back after a two-day successful run on the Chicago stage with the Civic Theater's "House In A Sea." . . . Ned Neuman got so excited after bowling a 200 game Friday night, he forgot to change shirts and wore his bowling shirt to work on Monday morning. . . . From the little hamlet of Ossian comes our little lightning bug, Bill Mills, better known as "Firefly" Mills. Seems as though Bill gained his nickname due to the big black cigars he smokes. . . . The wedding bells will soon ring out for our genial test engineer Bob Dorsey. . . . Everything was nice and quiet Friday afternoon until Jim Smith told Buck Lydy about the fire. Lydy moved so fast that you couldn't see him. He got the fire out in no time and everything was under control. . . . It must be housecleaning time the way Jim Smith and Norm Hawk are cleaning up their places.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Joseph Hofer, Inez Green, Patty Rogers, Joseph Goodman, Bruce Hapner, Ralph Obringer, David Dunfee, Levi Brown, Helen Rider, Elvira Romary, Dorothy Lee, and Dorothy Long.

Left the Hospital

Pearl Forshea and Dorman Kirke.



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CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday noon, September 26, 1949

FOR SALE

MOSSBERG-M-151 AUTOMATIC RIFLE—Good condition, $25. A-99575.

NEW BOWLING SHIRTS AND DRESSES—A-60412.

GOOD CLOTHING—Sizes: Girl, 12; Ladies, 13; Man, 36 chest, 32 waist; wool slack suits, suits, coats, dresses. A-99555.

HEATROLA—Several lengths 3 in. stove pipe; several feet, gas pipe, saw frame. A-86831.

ELGIN BICYCLE—Very good condition. 1129 E. Pontiac St.

AUTOMATIC FURNACE CONTROLS—With bonnet control; new Motorola car radio. A-87251.

HOUSE TRAILER—For sale or rent. 1121 Sherman St. or E-32225.

BOY'S LICHT BLUE SUIT—And sport coat, size 16-18; girl's brown teddy bear coat, size 12, all like new. 3615 Lafayette St. H-70322.

JONATHAN APPLES—1125 Clara or A-87012.

BOY'S RAINCOAT—Size 14-18; Wama-Paca brown fingertip coat, like new, $10. H-19845.

MATCHED TWIN RED FOX FUR PIECES—$35. 370 W. Baker St., Call after 4 p.m. or Sundays.

YOUTH'S SIZE BED—Springs and mattress with sanitary cover, excellent condtiion, $15. A-98772.

CHILD'S SIDEWALK BIKE—3-6 year old size, like new, $5. H-9916 or 425 E. Leith St.

1935 PONTIAC—$100, good condition. A-70423 or 307 Mechanic.

TWO BOYS' WINTER COATS—Size 12-14; Two girls' spring coats, size 12-16; girl's winter coat, size 14. H-75784.

COMPLETE 1940 BUICK CENTURY MOTOR—Reasonable. A-26582 or A-9204 and ask for Larry.

CHILD'S ONE-PIECE SNOW SUIT—Blue, size 2, $4. H-75304.

MOTORETTE — First class condition. 1222 Burgess St.

FOR RENT

SLEEPING ROOM—Large, warm room for man, private entrance, near G-E. H-46704.

TWO-ROOM FURNISHED APARTMENT—On bus line. H-44032 after 4 p.m.

THREE-ROOM FURNISHED APARTMENT—Private entrance, bath, automatic hot water, near Winter St. G-E $14 per week. E-5988.

FRONT ROOM—On car line, innerspring mattress, all modern, meals if desired. A-60175.

WANTED

GIRL'S BICYCLE—H-17585.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Carl Miller, from three miles north of Bluffton on State Road 1. Works in FWS Accounting Division from 8-5:15. Extension 748.

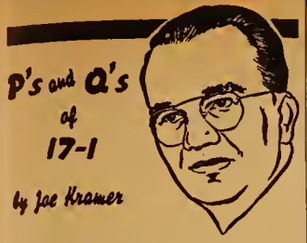
WANTS RIDE—Donald House, from 223 Henry St., New Haven. Telephone 3823. Works in Bldg. 19-4 from 3:30-11:48.

Decimal Minute Men Hold Family Party

The Decimal Minute Men opened their 1949-50 program Thursday night, Sept. 15, with a family party at Sears Pavilion.

A group of 50 enjoyed a potluck supper, games, and awarding of attendance prizes.

The steering committee, composed of John Laymon, Jr., Gene Foster and Neal Hench, was in charge of the affair.



You can complain about the troubles you have with your old car, but a certain punch press operator is sure having trouble with his new car and it is not due to mechanical defects of the automobile. Last week we reported how Herb Kellermeier took the bus home while his son followed him in his car. This week Herb's wife asked him to pick her up at the grocery. After driving to a store, Herb had quite an enjoyable hour talking to a number of friends until the rude awakening when Herb was informed that he was standing in front of the Rogers store instead of Krogers. Seems the car just won't cooperate with Herb. . . . Weldon Stucky has really acquired a tan due to his recent visits to Florida with Ed Brosche. . . . There is a change of shifts in Bldg. 17-1 with Red Gitter coming on days and John Miles taking over the second trick inspection. . . . The farmers in the south end of Bldg. 17-1 have acquired a new member to their group. Ted Brockmeyer is in the pop corn business and from all reports, the pop corn is really nice and tender. See Ted for samples and prices. . . . The bowling season is getting into full swing with Bldg. 17-1 well represented. The granddaddy of Bldg. 17-1 bowlers, Frank Quinn, is really talking the game up and always on the alert for new prospects. We wonder if Frank was instrumental in getting Jerry Humbarger to work days so that his bowling arm could be used in the Small Motor League Wednesday nights. . . . They say Fort Wayne is the city of champions, what with John Braden managing the nation's champion semi-pro baseball team, his brother Harold Braden was captain of the golf team winning the championship of the G-E interdivision golf leagues. Harold was very capably assisted by two other Bldg. 17-1 golfers, Charles (Chucky) Lauer and Robert (Rosy Boy) Dent. . . . Ed Martin, the sheet metal shop, has spent this week vacationing. Ed bought his granddaughters bicycles and is now teaching them how to ride them. . . . George Mosshammer has painted two rooms of his house in pastel shades. One is pink and the other is blue. George gave us his reason that these colors are soothing and easy to relax in. He still hasn't figured out how to get the apple tree in the blue room. Whoever heard of relaxing without having refreshments. . . . If the Daisies are looking for a hard hitting first baseman, they had better see Betty Sue Morris. The only thing they have to be careful of is to keep all cars a safe distance from home plate when Betty is hitting. . . . Lillie Pion didn't have enough to eat at the wiener bake, so she went home and made a new cup of coffee and finished the evening with coffee and cake. Lillie still hasn't been able to figure out why she didn't sleep very well that night. . . . Agnes Cordes wants someone to give Mary Gerhard lessons in playing ball. The first time Mary was batting she hit Agnes on the head with the bat. Then the next time she hit her in the leg with the ball. . . . Ernie Riley is still waiting for maps so that he may plan his trip to California next vacation time. . . . We reported last week that John Braden's picture appeared in a Wichita paper as one of the six outstanding men of the week. We have since noticed that there was also a picture of Donald Duck on this same page. . . . We want to welcome Barbara Yingling to Bldg. 17-1, from Bldg. 6-2. Barbara is working in the Cost section. We hope she enjoys her work here. . . . Those were nice looking colored pictures Virgil Hartman brought in to show us at work the other day. We wonder if they were taken in Pennsylvania.



We of Division 1 express our sympathy to Donna Lindley whose father, Ira Webber, died during the week-end. . . . Glen Carney came into work Monday morning unrecognized because he was wearing a tie! We offer you our congratulations on having 30 years of service for the G-E. . . . Elmer Sible is driving a Plymouth now and he said it was so used to going 70 to 80 miles an hour that he is having trouble keeping it to 40 where he insists it is going to stay. . . . Bonnie Wolfe is driving a new Chevy! . . . Birthday greetings to Olga Kuzeff. . . . Edna Hergenrader is up and at them again and says that she will soon be back at work! . . . Charlie Hendrickson is really getting quite forgetful, for two mornings straight he forgot to turn off the car lights and had to run back to the parking lot! . . . Ed Robbins was on his vacation last week and we wonder if he got up early to take any short trips? . . . Helen Struver,

Best Bass



Above is evidence of what can be accomplished by a master craftswoman when knowledge of the art of angling is properly applied. This 20 in., 3½ lb., small-mouth bass was caught by Eveline Best of Bldg. 4-3, at Webster Lake on a half-dollar cane pole, line that had three knots, a bluegill hook, and a cricket for bait. The landing of the giant bass, which required 20 minutes of skillful handling and maneuvering, was witnessed by Ray White, Bldg. 18-4 and Fred Drivelbiss, Bldg. 8-1.

Edna Bauer and Elbert Niswonger are back in 1x29 again. Beulah Briner is a new one, hope you all stay a long time. . . . Anyone having an old Sears, Roebuck catalogue please bring it to Bonnie Birely. . . . Margaret Hilgeman is having trouble with the moths. They have eaten two purses in the last couple weeks. . . . Florian Korte was seen going toward Tommy's Beach with a five gallon can. I suppose the next thing we will see will be a tank wagon. . . . We hope Gilbert Walker's little show is a big success. . . . Louie Sauers, better known as "ye old



Proud Grandparents: Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Macke who became grandparents of a grandson; also to Florence Lea who has a granddaughter. . . . **Absent-Minded:** Lawrence Chesterman was told by someone one morning that it was the 13th. Then he remembered that it was his wife's birthday. . . . Art Bashelier's application for a "hole loan" was rejected. However, Art reports that construction of the house is progressing satisfactory and that the dog will soon be able to move. There will then be one more room of Art's home for human occupancy. . . . Did you notice the striped coat that Christ Stauffer is now wearing? . . . The co-workers in Bldg. 4-5 wish to express their sympathy to John Hollaway in the death of his mother.

valve grinder" is having his troubles too. Sticky valves, I guess. . . . Ed Glenwith wonders why they don't produce a play called "The Old Wagon Track." When they do you can bet Ed will be in the front row. . . . We are wondering why Waldemar Schmidt only smokes a cigarette Friday afternoons and never any other time during the week? . . . Where was Frank Brindle hiding all day Friday, we just couldn't find him! . . . After Ed Boedeker ate the soup for his dinner Friday he didn't look half as sleepy as he did in the morning. . . . Wonder what Wilbur Stocks and O. J. Mettler did about those little pick cards they got last Saturday? . . . In case Carl Metker comes up missing some day; you may find him down in the Huntington jail if he doesn't get down there soon and settle up for that ticket! . . . Helen White is back again. She was off a week for illness. You're looking good again. . . . Irma Huhn spent last Sunday at St. Joseph's College at Rensselear, Indiana. Did you gain a little knowledge or did you just go for that good chicken dinner? . . . For a couple of girls that never have any excitement, they claim, Esther Muzzillo and Maxine Root were foolish for buying those beautiful new suits. . . . If you want any information on bowling ask Malinda Gehle who is an expert at the game! . . . It sure is nice to see Eveline Best back again. . . . Esther Fagan will have no excuses for not baking pies and cakes now—that old line of hers won't work since she has a new stove. . . . George Prince is going fishing and squirrel hunting this week while on his vacation. . . . Orville Coleman thanks everyone for the birthday cards especially the one big one he got! . . . This is for Harry Haberkorn who is on pension—it came to me via Elmer Sible who says that the fish are biting better at Ridinger Lake than they ever did at Pretty Lake! The last one caught was a 20 pound Pike! . . . I hope that everyone that takes the Elex trip to the Chicago Railroad Fair has a grand time and by-the-way have you joined Elex yet? If your contact girl has accidentally missed you, go contact her and JOIN NOW!

D. M. M. ANNOUNCES MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

At a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce Monday evening, the Decimal Minute Men completed plans for a membership campaign. Jack Faust was appointed in charge of arrangements.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE BIGGEST PROBLEM NOW FACING THIS COUNTRY?



TRULIE NELSON

Bldg. 26-5

"I think our greatest problem is the fear and threat of depression. Considering the unemployment which keeps going up instead of down, the cost of living keeps going up."



WILLIAM DECKER

Bldg. 17-4

"The Communist problem. We are all wondering how next they will try to inconvenience this country in both our domestic and foreign affairs."



JAY BROWN

Taylor St.

"Unemployment. Without work everything goes down hill."



ANTHONY KOORSEN

Bldg. 6-3

"I believe that trying to balance the budget of the United States and making the country more secure is our biggest problem."



JEANNE DERHEIMER

Bldg. 31-1

"Communism. It has made great inroads into our government and is threatening our freedom. Communists are causing racial prejudice to a great extent and also many of the strikes."



Hot Shots Regain Owl Golf League Championship Title For Third Year

The Voltmen and the Hot Shots. Both are three time champions. Both emerged from titanic battles like true champions.

Naturally the comparison ends at this point, since the Voltmen rule the roost in semipro baseball while the Hot Shots have no equal in tbe Owl Golf League.

The vaunted Hot Shots won the right to enter the final playoff by trouncing the Jolly Boys 21 strokes over a 34 stroke spot. John Shanahan's Hy Flyers won their way into the finals by besting Earl Stauffer's Cold Sbots by two points.

The final 18 holes was a dilly of a match to watch. The wind came down No. 1 fairway with icicles on it and found all of the participants wrapped up like they were at a football game. Their red hot spirit made up for the chilly weather. At the end of the first nine holes the Hot Shots had the Hy Flyers down 33 strokes of a 48 stroke handicap spot. From here it looked like a complete rout, but John Shanaban and Dick Bierbaum had otber ideas. They held Warren Wickliffe and Bob Craig down to an 11 point margin, while Fred Uhrick and Dick Merchant did a likewise good job in holding Jim Sternberger and Oscar Bunch to a seven point lead. The total was a 51 stroke difference or a bare three point victory for the three time champions.

Tbe winners had a total of 346 strokes (which is way off from the 317 last year), while the losers shot a total of 397.

Warren Wickliffe was the individual champion for the year, with a 38.5 average for 12 games.

We cannot close the season without giving credit where it is due. First to Pappy Garland, the league manager, and all of the players who year after year make the Owl Golf League the whopping big success tbat it is.

This is the final missive of the year and also sign off. Like I said last year, "Next year we will have a new cbamp."



The Hot Shots of the Owl Golf league won the league championship for the third straight year. Members of the championship team are: (l. to r.) Lloyd Grider, Jim Sternberger, Bob Craig, Oscar Bunch, and Warren Wickliffe.

G-E GOLF

By Hugh Dubdit

The league championship playoff last Saturday produced the most hotly-contested play in any such match thus far. Led by Bill Kayser with a 79, the Nineteenth Holers of the Tuesday evening group shot a 361 total. This score, with a handicap of 15, gave them a 346 net score. The Wire Mill of the Monday afternoon group totaled 348 and was the scratch team with no handicap. Third place went to the Brassies of the Winter St. Wednesday group, whose combined scores totaled 378. The Brassies handicap was 27, which gave them a net score of 351. The Apprentice team of the Monday evening group ended up in fourth place, carding 364 with a handicap of 10 for a net score of 354, just eight strokes off the winners' pace.

Low individual scores of the playoff included Ray Hills of the Wire Mill 79; Bud Morris of Wire Mill and Red Braden of Nineteenth Holers at 81, and John Skevington of Winter St., 82.

Rollie Wickliffe of the Apprentice team must be a firm believer in a good night's rest before a golf match. So much so that it took a phone call from Brookwood, almost at tee-time, to get him out of bed.

Asher Addresses Cost Accountants

L. I. Asher, Divisions Accountant in the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, addressed the Muskegon, Mich., Chapter of the National Association of Cost Accountants Monday, Sept. 19. His subject was "Payroll Procedures." Mr. Asher is a past president of the Fort Wayne Chapter of the National Association of Cost Accountants.

Apprentices Win League Playoff For Second-Half

The Apprentice team won the second-half playoff of the Interdivision softball league. They eliminated the Firemen, 5-4, and the Squares, 10-5. Good pitching and heads-up fielding spelled the margin of victory in these two games.

Squares won their way to the finals by defeating the Works Lab in a tight well-played game, 2-1. Rogers' home-run with a man on, in the seventh inning, brought victory for the Squares.

The Apps will play the Works Lab, first half winners, in a two out of three series to decide the league championship.

Box scores:

SQUARES	AB	R	H	WORKS LAB	AB	R	H
Naslund,2	3	0	2	Warwick,c	3	0	0
O'Keefe,p	2	0	0	Hemmeter,ss	2	0	1
Eaton,cf	3	0	1	Hanna,3	3	0	0
Emling,3b	2	1	1	Beltz,p	3	0	1
Kimball,rf	3	0	0	Thompson,cf	3	0	2
Rogers,c	3	1	1	Hunt,rf	3	0	0
Parent,lf	3	0	0	Penkul,1	3	0	0
Reynolds,1	2	0	0	Trott,2	3	1	0
DeCrapp'o,ss	2	0	0	Simmons,lf	3	0	0
Totals	23	2	5	Totals	26	1	5

	R	H	E
Squares 000 000 2—2	2	5	1
Works Lab 000 010 0—1	1	5	0

APPRENTICE	AB	R	H	FIREMEN	AB	R	H
Lahrman,3	3	1	1	Holman,lf	2	2	2
Leffers,c	1	1	1	Etter,c	3	0	1
Rasor,cf	2	1	1	Blauvelt,p	3	0	0
Taylor,1	3	0	0	Weber,ss	3	0	0
Birkenb'l,lf	3	0	1	Long,1	2	0	0
Goeglein,2	2	0	0	Stemmler,cf	2	0	1
Aughinb'h,rf	0	0	0	Myers,3	2	1	1
Dimke,p	2	0	0	Runyan,2	2	0	1
Butcher,rf	2	0	0	Vance,fr	2	0	0
Totals	19	4	4	Totals	21	3	5

	R	H	E
Apprentice 001 03—4	4	4	3
Firemen 110 01—3	3	6	2

SQUARES	AB	R	H	APPRENTICE	AB	R	H
Naslund,2	3	1	0	Goeglein,2	4	0	1
O'Keefe,p	4	2	2	Leffers,c	4	1	1
Eaton,lf	4	1	1	Rasor,cf	3	3	1
Emling,3	3	1	1	Junk,rf	2	1	1
Kimbal,rf	4	0	1	Butcher,rf	0	0	0
Rogers,c	2	0	0	Lahrman,3	3	0	0
Parent,cf	3	0	0	Berkbeiser,ss	1	1	1
Reynolds,1	3	0	1	Taylor,1	3	1	1
DeCrappo,ss	3	0	0	Birkenbeul,lf	3	1	1
				Dimke,p	2	0	0
				Zurbuch,p	1	0	0
Totals	32	5	6	Totals	26	8	7

	R	H	E
Squares 201 020 0—5	6	4	1
Apprentice 150 020 x—8	7	3	1

They who wish to sing always find a song.

G-E Club's League Bowling Season Opens



The Small Motor Bowling league was one of the many G-E Club leagues that opened the 1949 bowling season last week. The league, composed of 12 five-men teams, opened its season Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 6:30 p.m. Frank Quinn, Bldg. 17-1, is president of the league. Ray Lindemuth, Bldg. 18-5, is vice-president. The above pictures show several of the league members in action on their opening night of bowling.

TOUCHING THE BASES

by Walter Histed



The hard-hitting St. Joe Auscos handed the Lafayette Red Rox two defeats, 5-2 and 12-10, last week, but the Red Sox picked themselves off the ground over the week-end to hammer the St. Joe Auscos twice to forge a tie and force a fifth game in the Michigan-Indiana league's post season classic. The Auscos then returned with renewed strength Tuesday night and downed the Red Sox by a scorching 11-6 victory to take the championship playoff series.

Line scores:

St. Joseph .....030 052 011—12 14 4
Lafayette .....211 111 012—10 18 2
Lee and Katz
Hazel and Emrick

Lafayette .....100 000 002—3 7 1
St. Joseph .....000 001 000—1 6 3
Herring and DeLion
Fields

St. Joseph .....111 000 100— 4 10 0
Lafayette .....022 000 42x—10 13 2
Stewart and Katz
DeLion and Hazel

St. Joseph .....013 020 320—11 16 2
Lafayette .....202 010 100— 6 11 2
Lee and Westerkamp
Herring, Hazel, DeLion, Clifton and Hixson.

The Michigan-Indiana league regular season schedule ended Wednesday, Sept. 7, as Michigan City took two games played in the rain at Lafayette, 12 to 1, and 9 to 7. The games were especially disasterous to the Red Sox. In addition to the loss of the games, Catcher Augie Hixson broke the index finger of his throwing hand and was lost to the team for the playoffs.

The game scheduled between the Auscos and Buds at Benton Harbor was washed away completely by the elements.

Final regular season standings:

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
St. Joseph	33	15	.688	—
Michigan City	32	18	.640	2
Benton Harbor	29	19	.604	4
Lafayette	26	23	.531	7½
VOLTMEN	17	32	.347	16½

South Bend and Windsor, which dropped out during the season, are not listed.

The St. Joseph Auscos dropped the Benton Harbor Buds out of the play-off by taking two straight from their Twin City rivals, 3 to 2, and, 6 to 1.

The first game was a tight pitching battle between Mack Stewart, of the Auscos, and Hugh Orphan, of the Buds. The Buds scored first in the second inning when successive doubles by Joe Mack and Bill Leach opened the run-making. With two out, Hank Richel singled to bring home Leach. After the second inning, Stewart had the Buds completely under control. Orphan kept the Auscos away from the plate for three innings, but in the fourth his own wildness was his downfall. Scott beat out an infield hit, after which Orphan walked Logan and Winters. Wilber Fields singled to score Scott and Logan, while Winters scored the winning run on Carl Kennedy's fly.

The decisive game was a close contest for five innings. The Auscos had scored the only run of the game up to that time in the fourth on Kennedy's single and Bernie Westerkamp's long double. Westerkamp was out trying for a triple on his hit. The roof fell in on the Buds in the sixth. Scott singled to center and Logan beat out a bunt for a hit. Winters walked, filling the bases. Wilmer Fields drove Nick Stanley's first pitch over the right-field fence for a grand-slam homer. With Roy Lee limiting the Buds to three hits in eight innings and six in all, the Auscos were ready for the final play-off series against the Michigan City-Lafayette winner.

Line scores:

First game at St. Joseph.
Benton Harbor .....020 000 000—2 5 0
St. Joseph .....000 300 00x—3 7 0
Orphan and Kovach
Stewart and Westerkamp
Second game at Benton Harbor
St. Joseph .....000 104 100—6 11 1
Benton Harbor .....000 000 001—1 6 2
Lee and Westerkamp
Stanley, Orphan and Kovach; loser, Stanley

Split First Two Games

The Red Sox came from behind in the second game to tie the score in the seventh, and pushed across the winner in the ninth to tie up the series with the Cubs and force a third game.

The Cubs, behind seven-hit pitching by Lefty Frank Ververka, got the jump on the Red Sox in the series by winning the opener, 3 to 1. The Cubs jumped on Slim DeLion for all of their runs in the initial frame when, with one out Sunday, Thomas and Fuchs singled to score one run. Mettler's single and Stu Hofferth's long fly-ball brought in the other two runs.

Ververka protected this margin with shut-out ball for eight innings; but in the ninth, the Red Sox had him on the ropes with one run in and the bases full with none out. The cool southpaw set down three right handed batters, Bestudik, Novak and Cannizo in order, to protect his lead and end the game.

In the second game, the Cubs held the upper hand for six innings, as they built up a four to one lead over Lefty Al Hazel. In the seventh, the Red Sox drove into a tie game on Andres' single, Galvin's double, and a long triple by Joe Bestudik. Ritter's fly brought in Bestudik with the game tying run. In the Red Sox ninth, Desiderato singled with one out and was sacrificed to second by Ritter. Felix Mackiewicz beat out a high bounder to second and Bestudik walked. Len Novak, batting with two out, drove the ball to the right-field wall to break up the game.

Line scores:

First game at Michigan City
Lafayette .....000 000 001—1 7 1
Mich. City .....300 000 00x—3 10 1
DeLion and Bestudik
Ververka and Hofferth
Second game at Lafayette
Mich. City .....002 011 000—4 7 2
Lafayette .....000 100 301—5 13 0
Wallace and Hofferth
Hazel and Bestudik

Lafayette Eliminates Cubs

Lafayette ended Michigan City's hopes for the M-I League playoff title by dumping the Cubs, 5-2, Tuesday night, Sept. 13, to take the best of three series, 2-1.

Line score:

Michigan City .....000 020 000—2
Lafayette .....000 112 01x—5

Schedule Is Announced For G-E Rod, Gun Club

The following schedule has been announced for the G-E Rod and Gun Club members and all employees interested in 30 caliber rifle shooting:

Saturday, Sept. 24: D.C.M. Qualification.

Sunday, Oct. 2: Match with Fort Wayne Rifle and Revolver Club.

Sunday, Oct. 9; Miller Trophy Match.

G-E INDUSTRIAL BASKETBALL TEAM TO PLAY TONIGHT

The G-E Club industrial basketball team will hold its first workout tonight from 7 to 9 p.m. All players interested in playing with the industrial team are asked to be at the Club gym tonight.

Manager Bill Schible will have to build a new team around a few veterans and is looking for players. From last year's team, only Bucher and Gettys are ready for action. The other members will be out of the lineup for various reasons.

The team has scheduled practice sessions for Tuesday, Sept. 27, and Thursday, Sept. 29, from 8 to 10 p.m.

FOUL LINE FABLES

by KEGHEAD KEGLER

Another bowling season has rolled around. We don't have many scores to report due to the fact that the league secretaries are not in the groove as yet.

"Buck" Buckles of the Interdivision league started the season by falling over the ball rack on alley four. Luckily he came out of it O.K.

The new alley man at the club is none other than Charlie Shipman, baseball pitcher for the Voltmen the last few seasons.

Anyone wishing to bowl in a Saturday afternoon league starting at 1 p.m., please contact Charlie Wilt at the Club.

Apparatus League

Russell Dunten of Team No. 2 led the first night's bowling with a nice 552, and Fred Schafenacker came up with high game of 213.

In spite of a new ball, "Sore Thumb" Blomker lived up to his name by having his thumb all patched up for the first night.

Two hundred scores: Howard Hickman, 210; Russell Dunten, 210; "Sore Thumb" Blomker, 201; Roy Lawrence, 201; Bob Krugh, 200, and Russ Sealover, 201.

Masonic League

The Levels, Plumbs, and Composite teams started right out with three victories each.

Harold Braden was the only individual to come up with a 200 count, at 203.

Small Motor League

The league opened with a bang Wednesday, but the pins didn't fall to suit some of the boys. Paul Boedeker really had the ball rolling his way, having a couple of hot games with a 201 and 200 count. Vance had a 232, Seidel had a 223, and Jim Daley, after a slow start, finished with a 223.

Last, but far from least, Orval Haver had a 219. Three high teams were Cost with a 925 count; Test with a 906; and Production with an 890.

Decatur League

On the opening night of the G-E Fraternal League, Chet McIntosh of Bldg. 2 gave the boys something to shoot at when he wound up his night's effort with a big 275 and a series of 641, as he led the Teeple Truck Team to three wins over G-E Club.

Tony Murphy of Bldg. 1, came up with a 226 as his K of C's won two from Bob Lord's Moose team.

Leo Hoffman's Preble AC's took three on the chin from the Elks.

High Series: McIntosh, 641.

High scores: A. Murphy, 226; H. Strickler, 214.

Women's League

The Decatur G-E Women's Bowling league got off to a good start Sept. 15.

Rita Herndon rolled the high score for the evening, a nice 192. Evelyn Plasterer had a 169 and 166 and the high series total of 483. Team No. 1 rolled the high team series of 705.



TOP FLOOR TOPICS

BLDG. 26-5

by WALT POHLER

It was 11:30 P.M. and we had just returned home from a day in the country. At this time we attempted to write something that can be called a column under the heading of "Top Floor Topics." If our column falls short of your expectations please forgive us! We don't have very much to write about. You see our business is on the up grade and we don't have much time to get around and talk to people about what they are doing that is interesting. Also we failed to contact our night trick reporter this week so we have no news from them. . . . The golf league is about our only topic for this week. Instead of playing on Thursday, as we usually do, we played Saturday morning. We combined two events, and played in the blind bogey tournament as well as playing our league games. We have no information as to whether or not anyone won anything in the blind bogey at this time, but the winners of our weekly tournament were Anderberg first with a net score of 72, Mills second with a net score of 75 and Shipman and Pierce tied for third with a net score of 78. Every one enjoyed refreshments on the nineteenth hole. Walt Mertz then invited everyone out to see his new trailer home. . . . The big news of the day was the announcement by Jack Lea, no relation to the southern general, of the arrival of a new daughter the week before. The daughter has been named Lorie Suzanne. We extend our congratulations to the proud parents. . . . Time to go to bed, folks, so this will be all for this time. Will try to do better next week.

G-E Majors Complete Successful Season



Tom Lawson



Jack Waltke



Tom Anderson

The G-E Club's Major softball team has completed a successful season with the help of Tom Lawson, first baseman; Tom Anderson, assistant manager and rightfielder, and Jack Waltke, pitcher. Lawson is only 20 years old and has been playing regular softball for several seasons. In 49 times at bat, he averaged .224 for the season. Anderson is a veteran campaigner for the G-E Club. One of the team's regular pitchers. Waltke had a season record of nine won and four lost.

A time for calm judgment

There's trouble afoot in coal, steel, rubber, auto, and other industries.

Some people have already been called off their jobs. Others are threatened with loss of pay through strikes at their own plants or through failure of supplies from other struck plants.

All industry faces a total or partial shutdown.

The trouble is not over wages. Another national pattern wage increase seems admittedly a dead issue.

The most difficult problem at the principal trouble points is the question as to whether or not pension plans *can* be newly set up there and, if so, *how* they can be set up.

The sober discussions, the heated arguments and, in some areas, the actual fighting over this complicated and expensive matter, all bid fair to run to next spring and beyond.

The progress desired in this field cannot come from heedless action based on emotion. It can only come from calm and thoughtful examination of the facts and from the resulting pursuit of what is sensibly in the best interest of all concerned, including most of all the employees themselves.

The sound spread of good pensions is a desirable objective, but there is no sudden need to wreck production and the jobs of so many people just in trying to accomplish by force what can be accomplished quickly and soundly only by careful examination and sober judgment.

The newspapers indicate a UE meeting is set for Monday in New York for representatives from the locals to decide whether or not to recommend a strike vote among UE members at Westinghouse and General Electric plants "in order to compel the companies to bargain in good faith."

We cannot speak for other companies but, as we are sure you all appreciate, we certainly have never refused to bargain in good faith at any time.

Incidentally, on July 13, at our last negotiating meeting, the UE representatives stated they would get in touch with us at some later unspecified date for possible further negotiations. Although we are and have been available to consider further meetings, the UE has made no effort to resume negotiations.

But, meanwhile, there is a special reason why members of the General Electric family should keep their seats in the stands while others are struggling for the most part over major problems that are new to them and very difficult.

There is a special reason for not losing pay of from $5 to $10 million a week in a G.E. strike—or for not losing any more of our production and pay than is going necessarily to result from the strikes and shutdowns in other plants.

That reason is that we in General Electric already enjoy a good pension plan. It has been voluntarily and painstakingly and soundly developed over the 37 years since 1912. We are confident it will prove to be the equal or superior of any new and significant pension plan that can emerge from the present conflict.

Let's keep our seat in the stands. Let's maybe even count our other blessings meanwhile—the good pay, good working conditions, stock bonus plan, and the other extra benefits of a General Electric job.

Let's claim the privilege of drawing all the pay we can during this trouble. Let's have the privilege of a look later at how any newly developed benefits compare with what we have had right along. Let's then, and always, compare what we have with what we believe is fair.

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Gold Key Order Contest Gets Underway

Engineering Projects Are Announced

Fifty outstanding engineering developments in the Apparatus Department will receive special attention during the period from Oct. 1 through Dec. 31, 1949, E. E. Johnson, Manager of Engineering for the Department, announced this week.

"These will be known as Gold Seal Engineering Development projects," Mr. Johnson said. "They will be selected from the scores of outstanding engineering projects sent in by the Engineering divisions of all Apparatus product divisions and laboratories.

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G-E Supervisors' Club To Hold Theater Party

A theater party to see "The Philadelphia Story," a comedy, has been arranged for the G-E Supervisors' Club Wednesday night, Oct. 12, at the Civic Theater. Curtain time is 8:30 p.m. Tickets will be distributed by contact men.

$1,000 Award Is Presented To O'Neill For Suggestion



A $1,000 suggestion award was made Friday to Perry O'Neill for his idea to use steel retaining pins in unit hearing motors instead of wooden pins. This is the fourth time an award of $1,000 or more has been paid to suggestors at the Fort Wayne Works. Shown, above, are: (l. to r.) F. L. Gale, Mr. O'Neill, R. C. Dennison, FHP Div. 17 Supt., and Lisle Hodell, Manager of FHP Manufacturing divisions.

Perry J. O'Neill, FHP Division 17 at Taylor St., has received $1,000 for his suggestion of using steel retaining pins instead of wooden ones in unit bearing motors.

Suggestors Will Be Given Lighters As Bonus Awards

A G-E monogramed cigarette lighter will be presented to every employee who submits one or more suggestions between Sept. 1 and Nov. 15 on which the regular award is $10 or more, it was announced today by A. C. Hartman, chairman of the Fort Wayne Works suggestion committee.

The cigarette lighters will be given as a part of the suggestion contest now in progress.

Forty-one employees received awards this week amounting to $1,624.50. Mr. O'Neill's brother,

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Sales Divisions Here To Take Active Part In Apparatus Campaign

The Gold Key Order Contest is now underway at all Apparatus Sales Offices in the United States, and I.G.E. Offices in other parts of the world, C. H. Lang, Vice President in charge of Sales for the Apparatus Department, announced this week.

"Reports that have reached me are most encouraging concerning this drive to get extra business," Mr. Lang said. "I am confident that we will wind up the year with extra orders that will help keep our people and facilities busy."

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Employees Are Requested To Note Address, Numbers On Weekly Payroll Checks

All employees are requested to check the address appearing on their weekly payroll check. If there has been any change in that address, your foreman or supervisors should be notified so that necessary changes can be made by the payroll section. Employees should also compare the numbers on their check with those given on their social security card and report any discrepancy.

Arrangements Are Completed For Family Night Programs

DECATUR FAMILY NIGHT TO BE GIVEN OCT. 11

The Decatur Family Night programs will be held Tuesday, Oct. 11, at the Junior-Senior high school auditorium, Jefferson and Third Sts., for all Decatur G-E employees, their families and friends.

Performances have been scheduled for 1, 7 and 9 p.m.

"Family Night has been planned for the purpose of developing a greater appreciation of the privileges which we enjoy as Americans and of how the objectives of the General Electric Company assist in making these privileges more available to everyone," according to E. W. Lankenau, Plant Manager.

The program will include a sound, slide film titled "Our Family Album." This film tells the story of the growth of the Fort Wayne Works and the Decatur plant and includes many of the interesting

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Foreign plotters tune in on a report from an agent on the secrets of American economic success and high standard of living in the production of "Tremblin' in the Kremlin" to be given at the General Electric Family Nights. Left to right are: Joyce Randolph, as the beautiful Commissar of Visual Propaganda; Alexis Rotov, as the returned spy, and Martin Noble, as Stalin. The one-act comedy was written and directed by Robert L. Fegley, of the G-E Visual Education division.

FOREMEN, SUPERVISORS TO DISTRIBUTE TICKETS

Announcement was made today that free tickets for the Fort Wayne Family Night programs will be available from foremen and supervisors at the Broadway, Taylor St. and Winter St. plants beginning Monday, Oct. 3.

The programs will be held Wednesday through Saturday, Oct. 12-15, in the G-E Club auditorium.

Although there is no charge for admittance, tickets are being used to prevent over-crowding at any single performance.

Following is the schedule for the Family Night programs:

Wednesday, Oct. 12—1:15, 7 and 9 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 13—1:15, 7 and 9 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 14—7 and 9 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 15—8 p.m.

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Mary Leiter Is Elected President Of Elex Club

Mary Leiter, Winter St., was elected president of Elex Club for the 1949-50 season.



Mary Leiter

Other new officers elected include:

Bea Lantz, Bldg. 17-3, first vice president; Alice Dahman, Bldg. 4-5, second vice president; and Geraldine Schmidt, Bldg. 31-2, secretary.

Jo Alles, Bldg. 4-2, was elected to a two-year term on the board of directors. Other directors elected were Lois Drewett and Mabel Miller, both of Taylor St. Helen Engle, Bldg. 4-3, and Betty Garber, Bldg. 4-6, were named trustees.

Bldg. 16-2 Cafeteria To Be Closed Tomorrow

The cafeteria in Bldg. 16-2 will be closed tomorrow because of inventory. Other cafeteria, restaurant, and food wagon services will be conducted as usual.

FORT WAYNE WORKS NEWS

Don Campbell.....Editor

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How Have You Been Making Out This Year?

Whether you operate a lathe or a drill press . . . pound a typewriter eight hours a day or jockey a truck . . . whether you're an accountant or a foreman . . . chances are you could be doing worse . . . and maybe better . . . but chances are you're making a pretty fair living this year.

Sure . . . you probably can't afford all the things you'd like; maybe that new jalopy will have to wait another year . . . and maybe that new fall outfit is a little steep for your budget. But remember that swell vacation . . . think of the little house you're so proud of . . . and take a good look at those healthy kids! Put it all together and things don't look so bad, do they?

And it isn't LUCK that's brought what you've got, and it isn't good fortune either. You've worked for it, 40 hours a week worth. You deserve what you have; you've earned it.

And what about the future—tomorrow—next year? A good job, continued good health, and all the other things that make for a happy life . . . that's probably what you want . . . and so does the guy next door.

But sometimes . . . through no fault of yours . . . when you least expect it—when you're least prepared—trouble comes. An accident, illness, or an emotional disturbance can disrupt the harmony of your family and leave you prostrate and seemingly helpless.

But this is 1949, and along with scientific advancement society has also taken strides forward in the delicate art of furthering human happiness and welfare. Today, when adversity strikes, you no longer stand alone and helpless; at your side—well-organized and well-trained—stand Fort Wayne's 20 Red Feather services, supported through your Community Chest . . . ready to bring to all, regardless of race, color or religion efficient and sympathetic help.

By uniting these 20 appeals, the Allen County Community Chest saves thousands of dollars in campaign expenses alone; federation protects you, the contributor, from constant and unrelated appeals . . . it assures you of better planning of social services . . . it conserves the time and energy of volunteer workers . . . and it guarantees the effective use of funds through annual review of budgets of each Red Feather service by an impartial budget committee of representative citizens.

Greater need and extended services make Fort Wayne's 1950 Chest goal 12 per cent higher than last year's contributions, and it's going to take lots of generosity from lots of people, people like you, to insure the continued fine work of your Community Chest and the 20 Red Feather services supported through it.

The participation of the Fort Wayne Works in the Allen County Community Chest drive starts Monday, with a goal of $45,000 to be raised exclusive of the Company's contribution. Due to the drop in employment since last year, individual giving must be higher than in 1948 to achieve this goal. So, when the solicitor for your section comes around and asks you to lend a hand, let's all pitch in and dig for the Chest!

It Happened This A. M. . . . At 2:37 Another American Was Born!

This morning a muffled gasp broke a tense expectant silence. Then a tiny cry let it be known that all was well. And a mere thimble-full of foot planted its first imprint in this wide and wondrous world.

Thus came another little traveler from nowhere to here—one of more than 10,000 who arrive in America every day.

We want him to know that here he is not classed by birth—either as lordly or lowly.

—that here we believe all men are created equal.

—that everyone is endowed by his Creator with inalienable rights.

—that the measure of a man lies in his abilities and character.

So let each one of us, individually, make it a personal rule to:

1. ACCEPT . . . or reject . . . people on their individual worth.

2. DON'T LISTEN to, or spread, rumors against a race, or a religion.

3. SPEAK UP, wherever we are, against prejudice, and work for understanding.



It's Your Federal Government

The World's Worst Businessman

By Robert L. Johnson

Editor's Note: Following is the first in a series of articles describing the major findings of the "Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report." These articles are written by Robert L. Johnson, President of Temple University and Chairman of the committee. This committee is a voluntary, nonprofit, nonpartisan organization of leading citizens which has undertaken the task of informing the public of just what reorganization means and what the Hoover Commission recommendations, if enacted into law, will mean to each individual and to the nation.

How long would your company stay in business if it lost money and ran into debt year after year? For that matter how long could you run your own home if you spent $10 to go to the store to buy one dollar's worth of goods?

On any such basis, you'd soon be out of a job—and a home.

Year after year the federal government loses money. It spends, literally, more than $10 filling out forms to place a single purchase order. And half the things it buys cost less than $10.

Uncle Sam is just about the world's worst manager. He owns $29 billions worth of goods, including a million automobiles, and has no clear account of where they are or what they are. Some of his departments are stocked up 50 years ahead on simple supplies.

Mis-Management Is Evident

He borrows money from himself and pays interest on it. He maintains enough records and documents—mostly worthless—to fill six Pentagon Buildings. He keeps seven different sets of books. Neither his books nor his budget give any real notion of the financial score. The Post Office, for example, has to wait eight months to find out exactly how much money it has lost. This year it will lose about $500 millions. This is more than the cost of the whole government 50 years ago.

If you're an ex-serviceman you saw money thrown around in wartime just as I did. In war some extravagance is unavoidable. But in peacetime the Army asked funds for houses in Alaska at $58,000 per house, and for 829,000 tropical uniforms at $129 apiece.

These are just a few examples from the Report of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government.

Non-Partisan Board Named

It all began because Congress, President Truman, and the public saw real danger in government duplication, lack of organization and waste. In July, 1947, Congress created the Commission with six leading Democrats and six outstanding Republicans as members. At President Truman's suggestion, former President Herbert Hoover was named chairman and Secretary of State Dean Acheson, vice chairman.

The Commission put 300 experts to work digging up facts. Nobody was mad at anybody. Everybody wanted to get at the truth. After months of hard study resulting in two million words of facts and figures, the Commission reported to Congress that bad organization and outmoded methods are laying a heavy toll on the nation. At least $3 billion and, I think, $4 billion a year can be saved without cutting government services.

You and I are citizens. We pay taxes. We'd better have a good look at our government before it gets too big for us to understand and too costly for us to support. If that should happen the government will no longer work for us; we will work for it. Many free peoples in history have lost their freedom in that fashion.

We Pay Taxes Upon Taxes

Put it another way: We now pay in federal taxes $300 a year per person, over $1,000 per year per family. We pay income taxes which we can see, and other taxes which we can't see:—60% on cigarettes, 25% on such things as cameras, 20% on light bulbs, cosmetics, luggage and so forth; 15% on travel and telephone calls. We pay taxes upon taxes in the cost of everything we eat, wear, and use.

We carry a big load of debt—$7,000 per average family. This isn't pie in the sky. It is my promise to pay—and yours—as real as any grocery bill. We pay interest, at the rate of $150 per family per year, on that debt.

Let us look facts in the eye: The purchasing power of your dollar and the living standards of your family are undermined by useless federal expenditures. Your dollar is worth only half what it was 10 years ago, and taxes are a major reason. At the present pace it may soon be worth much less than that.

It's Up To You

What to do about it? In the last analysis it's your government! Its actions are your actions. You have a vote in its management—not once every four years, once every two years, nor once a year, but once a day. You can express yourself in favor of "better government at a better price." But you must, first of all, understand the problem.

In the next article in this series I'd like to tell you more about the necessity for government reorganization. Meanwhile let's remember what Mr. Hoover said on his birthday: "If the people are to run the government, it is the people who must think."

RED FEATHER

Questions and Answers

Editor's Note: The following is the first in a series of questions and answers regarding the Community Chest. An attempt has been made here to answer the many questions which have arisen from time to time concerning the activities and operation of the Community Chest and its 20 Red Feather agencies. If you have a question you want answered, send it to the WORKS NEWS, Bldg. 8-2.

Why do you have a Community Chest?

Because it is the simplest and most economical way to raise and administer the money needed by the 20 Red Feather services. It assures you that there will be no duplication of services and no overlapping.

Is it expensive to raise money under the Chest plan?

No! One campaign costs less than 20. The cost is less than 3.9% of goal. Separate campaigns would cost 10 to 15 per cent of the amounts raised.

What would happen if there were no Community Chest?

Not only would there be many more separate fund raising campaigns, but some of the smaller existing agencies now dependent upon the Chest would cease to function. That would mean elimination of services which are important for the welfare of people.

How is Chest money distributed to the agencies?

A Budget Committee, made up of unpaid volunteers, makes a careful study of the finances and operation of each Red Feather Service. Only after a businesslike consideration of its needs is the amount of funds determined for appropriation to each agency.

Why isn't "X" agency a member of the Chest?

Some agencies do not meet the Chest's strict requirements in budgeting, management and program. Others are not interested in membership because they are financed by endowments, church contributions, or from other sources sufficient to cause them to want to be independent of any federation.

Why do some agencies charge for services when they are included in the Chest?

It is generally recognized as good practice to permit persons to pay as much as they are able for anything they receive. Much of the Chest support of these services comes in the form of deficit financing. For example: Dollar-a-year memberships in a recreation program could not possibly pay for its operation . . . the small hourly fee charged for nursing service could not maintain an adequate public health nursing service . . . the modest sum paid by a widow for temporary care of her child in a nursery or institution could not cover the entire cost of his care.

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Community Chest Drive Starts Monday



The College Club Day Nursery is a part of the Children's Day Care Association, which includes the Westside Day Nursery and Foster Home units. These provide day care for children whose mothers must work or where family circumstances make such care imperative. Last year 147 different children were given 14,463 days' care.

This year's Community Chest solicitation begins Monday at the Fort Wayne Works, with all employees urged to contribute as generously as possible in an effort to raise a quota of $45,000 exclusive of the Company's contribution.

Nearly 400 solicitors have been appointed to canvass the Broadway, Taylor St. and Winter St. plants. The Decatur plant will conduct its campaign later in October.

R. J. Duras is chairman of the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions for Taylor St.:

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DIVISION 10

R. Kallmyer, leading solicitor.

DIVISION 36

R. Blackburn, leading solicitor; B. Brickley, E. VanHorn, and P. Groh.

DIVISION 12

M. Cameron, leading solicitor; V. Stoner, Taylor St.; P. Holmes, Bldg. 6-2, and N. Singleton, Bldg. 18-3.

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R. Keen, leading solicitor; Verne Gratts, W. Reed, M. Pool, and Charles Foulks.

Irene Salmon, leading solicitor; Marjorie Mayer, and Marilyn Smith.

C. Kirbach, leading solicitor; Helen Wyss, Paul Carter, H. Comer, Mary Leiter, Evelyn Bowers, Glen Courtney, and Horace Redding.

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FINANCIAL

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DIVISION 85

Robert Burns, leading solicitor.

DIVISION 39

Virginia Winegart and Dorothy Bartholomew, leading co-solicitors.

DIVISION 82

Gertrude Wagner, leading solicitor; W. Miller, Robert Henry, Barbara Dolson, and Gail Kirk.



Pixley Child Welfare center is an institution providing a happy home for a limited number of children who temporarily cannot live in their own homes. Last year 27 different children received 6,085 days' care.

Work Of Community Chest Seen In Red Feather Agency Tours

Have you ever observed a group of youngsters struggling for an even break in life . . . handicapped folks struggling to work out their own destinies . . . bed-ridden children struggling to live?

If you have, then you'll be quick to realize where your yearly Community Chest donation goes . . . for these and others like them are the recipients of the aid and assistance of 20 Red Feather agencies in this area.

The opportunity to observe several local agencies in action was accorded a group of General Electric employees last Thursday, Friday and Monday, as they were guests of the Allen County Community Chest on brief but enlightening tours of inspection. Representing a good cross-section of the Broadway, Taylor St. and Winter St. plants, those making the trips included:

John Hughes, Bldg. 26-1; Josephine Matter, Bldg. 17-3; Ed Harvey, Taylor St.; Douglas Heckman, Bldg. 19-2; Vern Gratts, Winter St., and Walter Leonard, Bldg. 5, visited the Pixley Child Welfare center Thursday morning, Sept. 22.

Clyde Hemrick, Bldg. 17-1; Kenneth Highland, Bldg. 19-3; Leola Carrier, Bldg. 4-5; Elmer Sherbondy, Bldg. 4-6; Ernest Brown, Taylor St.; Rokua Wibel, Bldg. 26-5, and Dick Kent, Bldg. 18-5, toured St. Vincent's Villa Friday afternoon, Sept. 23.

William Mills, Bldg. 26-5; Betty Eisenacher, Bldg. 31-1; Charles Foulks, Winter St.; Orlando Surface, Bldg. 17-4; Dorothy Richards, Taylor St.; Frank Goetz, Bldg. 6-2, and Paul Bilue, Taylor St., visited the College Club Day Nursery Monday morning, Sept. 26.

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Do Chest agencies give cash relief?

Only a small part of Community Chest funds can be used for relief purposes. A few family agencies give limited financial help in special cases. However, Red Feather services are largely preventive. Chest agencies, for instance, help prevent juvenile delinquency by youth programs . . . divorce, by family counseling . . . disease, by well-baby clinics . . . handicaps, by education for prevention of deafness, and so on.

The Government provides money for people in need, such as old-age assistance, aid to dependent children and general relief. Community Chest agencies are not tax-supported, and they do another job entirely.

Isn't the Chest run by the rich?

No matter what your income, you are welcome as a volunteer worker. Volunteer solicitors in the campaign range from clerks to heads of corporations. There are housewives, union members, businessmen . . . come and get acquainted, and you will soon see that a share in the leadership is open to everyone. The Chest is run by people who know how to get things done. It has the benefit of some of the best brains in this town absolutely free. Specialists in finance, business organizations, public relations, labor and many other fields give volunteer service

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A group of G-E employees are shown, above, as they visited a classroom at St. Vincent's Villa early Friday afternoon, Sept. 23, on one of the Allen County Community Chest's tours of local Red Feather agencies. St. Vincent's Villa is a child-care institution offering specialized services for Catholic children. Last year 117 Allen County children received 25,883 days' care.

Order Contest

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The Gold Key Order Contest is being held by the Sales divisions of the Apparatus Department and the Apparatus divisions of International General Electric Company as part of a program during the Charles E. Wilson Golden Anniversary period designed to improve the Company in every phase of its operations.

Contest Based On Effort

During the period from Sept. 2 to Dec. 15, the emphasis will be on Gold Key Orders achieved through extra effort, skill, ingenuity and industry, Mr. Lang said. These orders will not be selected simply by the amount of money involved, but by the extra effort required to get them.

"A Gold Key Order could be one for only $5,000 worth of equipment, if, for example, the order came from a customer who hasn't been on our books for a decade," Mr. Lang explained. "Or it could be for an extra piece of equipment on a project sale after we had already written it off as 'lost to competition'."

The 50 orders finally selected by the Apparatus Sales Committee as Gold Key Orders will be placed in a gold mail bag with a gold key and presented to Mr. Wilson late in December.

Orders Will Provide Work

"This Gold Key Order Program should achieve what all of us have wanted, and that which Mr. Wilson hopes for most of all: an influx of orders to provide work for the employees in the shop," Mr. Lang said.

In commenting on the Wilson Gold Seal Order Program, P. M. Staehle, Manager of Sales for the Specialty Transformer and Ballast division; F. M. Kissell, Sales Manger of the Fort Wayne Large Motor and Generator section of the Large Motor and Generator division, and A. W. Bartling, Manager of Sales for the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, observed that the present sag in the growth curve of the Fort Wayne Works businesses reflects a decline in business activity which is caused largely by post-war business adjustment. This year's decrease in the growth of electric loads throughout the country is a trend which they said must be reversed quickly. They added that nothing is more likely to accomplish this purpose than good, old-fashioned, hard selling.

Sales Letter Is Issued

Typical of the extra effort being made by the three Product Sales divisions at Fort Wayne is a recent sales letter distributed by Mr. Bartling to approximately 750 District Sales people. This letter reads in part:

"The contest is on! Our opportunity to perform is here. The rules for acceptance of our orders are our normal qualifications — extra effort — ingenuity — imagination — industry.

"The Fractional Horsepower divisions offer you their assistance. Four Sales Managers are your key assistants at Fort Wayne. The quota for the fractional horsepower motor business is eight Gold Seal orders out of the total of 50 in the Apparatus Department.

"You are the quarterbacks in this contest. We offer our assistance. Let us know the signal and we will help you by the following:

(1) Quicker propositions and more complete information
(2) Inform us of your sales obstacles and we will help you overcome them.
(3) Better service to all customers.

"Inform us of the orders you propose to nominate and enter for Sales Committee approval. Teamwork will win for us."

Mentzer Completes 35 Years' Service



C. P. Mentzer, Bldg. 26-2, recently completed 35 years with General Electric. To celebrate his anniversary, his friends in the Transformer division attended a presentation of the 35-year service certificate. Mr. Mentzer is seated, while standing are: (l. to r.) Fred Banks, Pauline Neddo, Glenn Hobbs, Evelyn Mayfield, Dean Lockwood, Al Cobert, and Robert Mann.

Squares Plan Unusual Event For Open House Friday Night

The G-E Squares Club will hold an open house in the club rooms Friday night, Sept. 30.

An unusual program has been planned. A mysterious "hidden host" will entertain the crowd and a prize will be given to anyone who can identify this person.

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which would cost thousands of dollars if paid for.

Isn't there too much red tape?

When there is a real emergency, any Community Chest agency is ready to act at once. However, in 99 cases out of 100, there is time enough to do things right. This means finding out the facts and determining what kind of help is most needed.

If the agencies gave service without knowing these things, it would not be possible to do a good job for the persons needing help. A few people might waste the time and money of several different agencies.

Briefsteak is what you now get at the butcher's.

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Engineering Projects

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"This is an excellent opportunity for engineers to rededicate ourselves to the challenging tasks before us," Mr. Johnson said. "The primary purpose is, of course, to make an engineering contribution to the program of improving the Company in every phase of its operations during the Charles E. Wilson Golden Anniversary period."

Many Changes In 50 Years

"Fifty years ago when Mr. Wilson joined the General Electric family, a factory was a forest of belts," Mr. Johnson said. "General Electric was building the largest turbines yet—500 KW. There were no tungsten lamps, no radio sets, and no House of Magic. General Electric sales that year soared to $25,000,000.

"Now after 50 years, electric motors have replaced the belts, television is sweeping the country, and both the size of turbines and General Electric sales are 40 times as large.

"The magic of electricity has transformed our homes and our future, has given us new business and opened a vista of great progress to come.

Tasks Are Challenging

"During this period when we are observing Mr. Wilson's fiftieth anniversary, we must dedicate ourselves anew to the challenging tasks of leading the way in this new electric age," Mr. Johnson said.

"Although we are justly proud of General Electric's past contributions, I am confident that we will achieve still greater engineering effort that will attain new heights for the Company's contribution to the public good," he said.

"How well we fulfill this challenge will be reflected in the number of new projects which ultimately result in better living through electricity for all," he added.

For Those Started This Year

The 50 gold seal engineering development projects will involve those which were initiated this year and hold great promise, show considerable progress this year, or were completed this year.

Projects may cover new or improved products, product components, materials, processes or knowledge which results in reduced costs, new service to customers, more jobs, increased sales and other benefits.

These projects will be written up and bound in a book to be presented to Mr. Wilson by the Engineering divisions at the close of the anniversary period, Mr. Johnson said.

Information Clinic

QUESTION

Is there going to be a TAB Day this year?

ANSWER

TAB Day was observed during the past two years when members of the Company's Test, Apprentice and Business training courses, as well as other training groups, met with management for a picnic. In view of general conditions, the Education Committee has recommended that no TAB Day be held this year.

Decatur Family Night

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experiences to which Decatur employees have contributed so much.

This will be followed by a one-act play titled "Tremblin' in the Kremlin," which features a cast of professional actors from Broadway.

A showing of the G-E film, "By Their Works," featuring Decatur's Aeolian Choir, will conclude the program.

Free tickets will be available to all employees from foremen and supervisors starting Monday, Oct. 3.

Distribute Tickets

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It should be noted that there are no matinees Friday or Saturday and only one evening show Saturday.

The slide, sound film, "Our Family Album," is being produced locally and should be one of the hits of the program.

"Tremblin' in the Kremlin," which features a cast from Broadway, has been shown in several other works communities to capacity audiences and in every instance has been given top billing.

The program also includes the G-E film, "By Their Works," in which the Decatur Aeolian Choir appears.

All employees are invited to bring their family and friends and this should be considered when requesting tickets.

A boxing trainer says that fast footwork is most important in fighting. It comes in handy, also, in not fighting.

$1,000 Award Is Presented To O'Neill For Suggestion

Twins Eye G-E Check



Mr. and Mrs. Perry O'Neill and daughters, Karen and Sharon, are looking at the check he received for his $1,000 suggestion. Evidently the twins are thinking of ways to spend the money, but Dad and Mom have other ideas. The money is going into the bank for a future date.

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Raymond, in FHP Div. 13, was awarded $80 for his idea pertaining to milling shafts.

A $150 award went to M. Miriam Valentine of FHP Motor Div. 19. Her award was made on her suggestion for purchasing parts.

Other award-receivers who got various amounts ranging from $5 to $20 for their suggestions are:

FHP Motor Div. 13: Donald Mozena.

FHP Motor Div. 14; Guy C. Bragg.

FHP Motor Div. 15: Neil W. Anderson, Angelo J. Trentadue, Rudolph A. Becker, Harold J. Cunningham (two awards), Raymond H. Cristman, Milton E. Roller, Willia K. Dillman, and Walter Amacher.

FHP Motor Div. 19: Dorothea Swank, Clarence Roth (two awards), and Leon W. Rademaker.

FHP Motor Div. 10: C. T. Culver.

Specialty Transformer Div. 91: Russell T. Golliver, Charles Druce (two awards), John A. Kennell, Roedean M. Dowell, Iona C. Gray, J. H. Plescher (two awards), Charles R. Mercer, Ralph Valentine, Phyllis Fisher, Donald C. Ford, Ralph S. Foust, and Robert A. Bunyan.

Specialty Transformer Div. 94: William A. Rectanus, Betty Jean Sapp, Ethel I. Hullinger, Nona Hedges, and Velma Siteler.

Tiffin Plant: Eugene D. Gooley and Don R. Kirchner.

DeKalb Plant: Clifford V. Smith and Lorraine Roof.

Decatur Plant: Clarence Morgan and Clement B. Meyer.

Miscellaneous: Mrs. Margaret Snyder.

One of a family team at G-E, Perry has two other brothers working for the Company. Ray, in Div. 13, who was also in the limelight this week with his $80 award; and Ed, who works in Bldg. 8-1. Another brother, Ralph, used to work at the Winter St. Works. His father first worked for the Jenny Electric Works and later retired in 1933. Mr. O'Neill came back to work in Bldg. 17-2 during the recent war.

Perry is a sports fan and is especially interested in the Notre Dame football games. This year, however, his interest in football will be near the radio, with the twins taking charge of the household. The O'Neills have twin daughters, Karen and Sharon, who are four months old.

Beginning his G-E career in 1933, he first worked as a messenger in Bldg. 18-B. He later became a stockkeeper in the Transformer division. After working in the Wire Mill, he attended the Works Specialist Training School. Upon completion of the course, he became a blacksmith's helper. He then transferred to the FHP Motor division as an operations planner.

In 1942 he enlisted in the Marines and served with the corps 46 months. He saw overseas duty in Hawaii. Returning to General Electric in 1946, he first did production work in Bldg. 4-6, and later transferred to Taylor St. He is now in charge of production inventory control for FHP Div. 17 at Taylor St.

Brother Receives $80



Raymond O'Neill, FHP Div. 13, is shown (left) receiving a $80 suggestion award from his foreman, Ed Kimmel. His idea was a proposed method of milling two shafts, instead of one at a time.

HERE and THERE in BUILDING 17-4



by Maxine Baker

"Better get your overcoat," Fall arrived Friday with a beautiful pageant of sunshine and blue skies followed by dark clouds and rain. It looked almost like March got lost. . . . Bill Wherle is collecting the toys in cracker jack boxes. He says he can use them pretty soon so if you find a top or whistle in your cracker jack, don't forget Bill. . . . The way Tony Miller got grease all over himself we thought maybe he was getting in practice for a greased pig catching contest at the Bluffton Fair. . . . It's not the Fountain of Youth that keeps Harry Crouse going; it's those ham salad sandwiches everyday. . . . Norm Jones wrote to Chicago for theater tickets and requested them for Sept. 31! . . . We wonder why Carl Matthias always laughs so hard at the mention of an "O-o-o-h" bird? . . . Dick Seidel denied getting fat. He says he is still a growing boy. Oh boy! . . . Tomorrow we wish Betty McPherson all the good luck in the world in her dual career of housewife and mother. So long from all the gang and may you have a world of joys and if that won't work how about twin boys? . . . Cy Seymour is reminding the many losers of certain bets that Steve Kelker has a sure fire method of paying off his bets. He is saving a dollar a week. . . . Birthday greetings to Art Schmidt Sept. 20 and Alice Pflueger, the 22nd. . . . Roger Crabill has a side line now in the way of a fish market. . . . Bill Turner says not all people who drive fast have accidents. It can happen at 25 m.p.r. . . . Clara Kleint is off to New York for her third week of vacation. Best wishes for many more years of wedded bliss to Maxine and Lawrence Baker who will celebrate their eleventh anniversary Oct. 2. . . . On Monday Frank Surface visited the College Club Day Nursery as our representative on the current "Come and See Tour" sponsored by the Community Chest. He can give you at least one reason for wearing a red feather. Be sure to get yours.

Transformer Tattles BLDG. 26-4



by Mary Ann Miller

Mrs. Lee Gambrell and Mrs. Ray Horstman put on a benefit show for polio Sept. 13 in their neighborhood. It turned out to be a real success. The proceeds were $57. We think everyone should be more polio minded. . . . What do you know, John St. Claire has another haircut. . . . Dutch Norwald is always getting everything all mixed up. Imagine him asking one of the boys if he could go deer fishing up in Canada. . . . How's your carrots, Bugs Bunny Braden? . . . The testers welcome Hazel Dilworth to their section. . . . How are you getting along, Raney, since you and Shane have connected up. . . . Emma Lytal just came back from a trip to Wisconsin and almost was hit by a deer. . . . Leatha Hey is vacationing in the East for two weeks. . . . Nora Coburn is spending this week in Chicago. . . . The hermetic people admire the beautiful flowers Wilda Frauhiger has been bringing to work. . . . Hope Frankie Schlatter and Carrie Green enjoyed the Notre Dame football game last week-end. Oh yes, we don't want to forget, Bill Rectanus was there too. . . . The people in the Green Room were glad to see Dick Ehrman back on a visit from California. . . . Rita Fleckenstein who is in the WACS came back for a visit last week. . . . Dick Gollar has Herman Conrad doing all his heavy work for 50 cents off on his rent a month. . . . Did you know that Leo Klejnot is peddling his car around now since his transmission fell out? . . . Ask Opal Runyon where she spent her honeymoon. . . . Dutch Norwald wants to know if northerners come from Canada or Kansas. . . . Schlatter doesn't have to feel alone when it comes to powdering his nose. George Gorrell does it too. . . . Roy Hostler has toast every meal since he won the toaster at the Quarter Century Club picnic. . . . Frankie Schaltter was late one morning last week. . . . The boys didn't know if he was playing with his new fly rod or trying to get ahead of the boys on this time changing. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Marsh Foelber on the birth of a daughter. . . . We wish Tom Hildebrand and Jordan Gunkel a speedy recovery.

ROVINGS in 17-2



by JEANETTE BLOUGH

"Not in doing what you like, but in liking what you do is the secret of happiness."—J. M. Barrie.

My good reporter, Joe Haas, tells me there just isn't any news in the tool room. Things are sort of slow elsewhere so I went home from work the other evening and sez to my mother. "Mom there just doesn't seem to be any items for 'Rovings' at all. What do you say, let's go for a drive and try to find something to write about?" She grabbed her bonnet and we took off. . . After a short drive I thought I spotted a familiar character, and in distress too. Sure enough there was none other than Kenny Hyman, foreman of 16x40. He had locked his keys in the car. "Good Deed Gertie" and her mom picked him up and headed for his home, just a little over a mile away. (Wish it would have been my foreman, it would be an ideal time to ask for a raise.) We were about half way to the Hyman residence when Kenny remembered he left his hat in the home he had just visited. Oh, well, he did remember where he lived. . . . Hilmer Drayer and his wife took his father-in-law to the hospital the other night for a minor operation. They were sitting in the room talking when the nurse walked in and said to Hilmer, "I thought you would be in bed by this time." He answered that he thought that it was a good idea, but he would have to go home first. . . . We offer congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hawk on the arrival of twins. They were born Sept. 12, and their names are Frank and Francis. Herb Winter is also a new papa. The Winters are very happy about the birth of a baby girl. They have two boys. . . . Jerry Wert will be a little careful about where he talks shop hereafter. He met some of the fellows the other night while they were eating a steak dinner and mentioned work. It cost him exactly $3 a "treat." . . . Al Knight left us to work at Taylor St. on second shift.

PENSIONER PARADE

Strike up the band, here comes the Pensioner Parade!

This is the debut of a featured column to give the news of what all you retired folks are doing since taking that permanent vacation from G-E. This is your column. Let us know what you're doing and where you are. Send any items to the WORKS NEWS office in Bldg. 8-2 at G-E. . . . Sherman Stilwell, formerly of Bldg. 31-2, has left for Ely Lake in Allegan County, Mich. He is going to do some archery hunting for deer. The season opens Oct. 1 and continues until Dec. 15. The limit is one deer and he tells us that chances are good at getting a bulls-eye only if you are within 30 feet of the deer. This will be Mr. Stilwell's third attempt. He was able to spend only one week before, but now that he is retired he intends to stay the entire season. . . . William Baber, of Auburn, has an unusual hobby; since retiring, he has been able to devote most of his time to it. He is making plastic reeds for woodwind instruments, such as saxophones and clarinets. . . . Thomas I. Hosler, formerly of Leo, is Florida-bound for some of that good sunshine this winter. . . . It's deep in the heart of the Lone Star State for Gottlieb Fuchshuber. He is leaving Ossian soon for Texas, where he will visit his son.

Mrs. Foreman Dies

Mrs. Genevieve Foreman, 21, was killed in an automobile accident Thursday, Sept. 22, at 1:30 a.m. Her husband and one other passenger were also killed in the same crash.

Mrs. Foreman had worked for General Electric since 1944. At the time of her death she was an assembler in Bldg. 26-3.

Services were held Saturday at the Harper Funeral Home in Ilaven. Rev. Gail Davis officiated and burial was in the IOOF Cemetery.



We understand Ed Rodenbeck has been trying desperately to save fuel in his oil burner. The total cost to date is one new suit of clothes and a new thermostat. What happened, Ed, did it blow up? . . . "Heep Big Chief," Willy Roby, buys wigwam at Big Lake. . . . Saturday, Oct. 1, is a red letter day for Si Alspaugh. His daughter is getting married. . . . We have a celebrity in our midst. Watch the newspaper, Sat. Oct. 8, for Waldo Martin's picture. . . . The gang is wondering just what happened to the skunks Bob Warnament has collected the last three weeks. . . . Theron Kitchen is still driving his International Harvester Chevy to work. . . . "Vondy" is now getting all his news first hand now that he has a telephone. . . . We still can't believe Meredith Trout would take advantage of his fellow workers by juggling the names on the calendar. Or could it be he is saving his energy to finish painting his house he started last Spring? . . . Lottie McFarland was certainly surprised when two boys asked her if her cat "Spud" could come out and fight with their cat. . . . Mildred Orr celebrated her birthday last week and she received many useful gifts. . . . Happy birthday, Mildred. . . . We know where Winnie Scheurich gets all her pep from. Half and Half tobacco accounts for it. . . . We are very happy to welcome Marie Wickleman back from a long illness. . . . Clarence Weist is wearing his riding gloves to work again. Are you riding a horse now, Clarence, or a bicycle? . . . How come the boys were so jealous when Walt Niemeyer was talking to a certain party a couple of weeks ago? . . . Harold Somers had nothing to say about the wonderful team the St. Louis Cards are when they lost 19-6. How about rooting for the "Bums," Harold? . . . Louie Botteron is now trying to purchase two loads of dirt. It sounds like he and his neighbor are still having yard difficulties. . . . Maxine Daniels and Hubby Danny, are still trying to find a name for their "pouch." Anyone with any good ideas please get in touch with them. . . . Williadean Rathert was one sorry gal when the Dinner-Winner man called, and she answered her phone by saying, "hello". . . . "Pappy" Grier may not think too much of O'Grady's car but Mike shouldn't mind what his cats do. . . . Tom Harber invited Orville Robinson to his farm to spend the day but he forgot to tell Orville the weeds had to be cut. . . . Fred Vogt should take bowling lessons from Helen Miller. Helen started out the season with a 192, while Fred, believe-it-or-not, bowled an 85. . . . Paul Hitzeman has found how old he is. He says that anyone past 40 should not try to pick apples. . . . John "grub 'em out" Heine is finally getting his lake lot in shape. John and the poison ivy have become great pals. . . . Theron Kitchen's old Chevy is still in the hospital—no door. . . . We hear Marcile Bandtel is one handy person to have around the house. She can do most anything. . . . Fred Kiel sees to it that the finishers get plenty of exercise when he is on the job. . . . Anyone wanting tires changed on their car please contact Bertha Witte. She changes a flat on the way to work and still makes it on time. By-the-way, just who is the pin-up girl in Div. 14? . . . We hear Dale Irwin really celebrated his birthday Sunday, Sept. 18. Happy birthday, Dale. . . . . A speedy recovery to Helen Perry who has taken a leave of absence. Helen was also very pleased with the cards she had received from the girls. . . . Ruth Dannecker and Polly Brown have started bowling, but we hear through the grapevine Polly won't tell anyone her score. . . . Ivan Osterman is in a fog again. He doesn't know the difference between fireworks and thunder. . . . We hear a very distinguished looking gentleman in the person of Paul Smith, wore a fancy beige brown and yellow "Junior T" shirt on his first night bowling.

Hench Rounds Out 30 Years Of Service



Neal R. Hench, Bldg. 16-3, recently rounded out 30 years' service with the Company. A group of his friends in the Wage Rates section joined with their best wishes and congratulations on his long service. In the picture are: (l. to r.) C. G. Arnold, H. J. Dannecker, Mr. Hench, L. P. Persing, A. R. Ruble, and C. H. Weber.

Committees Appointed For Engineers' Club

C. M. Summers, Bldg. 28-2, has been appointed program chairman of the Fort Wayne Engineers' Club. His committee members are J. J. Clarkson, M. C. Halleck and C. W. Kronmiller, all of G-E, and Don Sinish.

The meeting, Sept. 15, featured E. E. Blaurock, head of the Product Engineering Department of the U. S. Rubber Co., Fort Wayne branch. His subject was "Engineering Developments in Rubber Industry."

Other programs will be based on economics, management-engineer relations, international and civic affairs, developments in color photography, science, the Christmas party and annual meeting.

General Electric men on the membership committee are M. D. Barrows, chairman; and A. L. Ulmer.

Fairy tales are harmful to children, say some educators. Maybe they shouldn't listen to those dad tells mom.

US Second Shifters

By Earl Stauffer

Here we go at our second attempt at putting US Second Shifters in the Works News. . . . We want to remind all of the girls that the last day for Elex membership is Sept. 30. . . . We start in Bldg. 17-2 where Arlouine Wise is quite busy this week. Her mother, Mrs. Anderson is here from Oregon, her niece Ann and her nephew Ridgie from Ohio. . . . Roxana Miller is leaving for Bldg. 4 and days. . . . Three questions need answers: What happened to John Anderson's coat, Lloyd Oberholtzer's lunch box, and Frank Wilson (who says his eyes don't do so good in the dark) on his return from Bldg. 6? . . . Dick Maxton says he came out second best with a truck. . . . Herb Winters is the proud papa of a baby girl born Sept. 21. . . . Ura Mae Tinder, Bldg. 17-3, must have been wrapped up in a paint job because she left her lunch at the paint store. They were nice, they brought it to the gate. . . . Charlie Crain, Bldg. 17-4, really has a snazzy new sweater. We hear that his better half gets the credit for the good taste. . . . Kenny Ford and Sandy Bennett hold their heads at half mast whenever they go by Big Bill Geist. He catches the fish at Cedar Shores, and they get the goose eggs at Hamilton Lake. . . . Jolly Boy Ray Stanger and John Miles rejoined the gang in Bldg. 17-1. . . . Here is a dandy from across the street in Bldg. 26-4. Going home from work last Thursday we saw three women pushing a Kaiser over the St. Joe river bridge. So now we know how Lee Mohr and Norm Shane get 25 miles to a gallon on their cars. . . . Anybody wishing information on fishing tackle and bait should contact Rudy Becker, Bldg. 4-5. He has a new supply, any size, shape, kind and color. . . . Mary Berger has a new tattoo job. Very neat and must be seen to be appreciated. Come on, gang, make her show up. . . . Pete Macke should be more careful in getting into a car at night. The wrong one may lead to a bad influence. . . . Alice Klingel's sister Dorothy Bixler, Decatur; who used to work in Bldg. 17-3 and Taylor street, little 8 and a half mo. old son Donnie is much improved from his recent attack of polio and is expected to return home soon. (To that this humble reporter says, Amen.) . . . Also from Bldg. 4-2 it seems Colie Stovall swore off of squirrel hunting when he got only a cold for his efforts the other day. . . . This column would have taken over a whole page if we would have heard as much from everywhere as we did over in the repair and return section in Bldg. 4-4. . . . Archie Wright after losing several games of euchre has agreed to show how to lose the easy way. . . . R and R is quite musical since Lloyd Miller joined the Owls. . . . Everyone asks, "What has happened to John Stanek's black beauty." . . . Say, Jeanette Conrad, how about a house warming? . . . Charles Griffen and Walt Sollberger ate an apple belonging to Miss Braumbaugh. We wonder if it was the same apple or Charlie's conscience that caused the discomfort Thursday evening. . . . Elmore Hurt doesn't look like Dagwood, but he takes after him the way he sails in to work the last second. As yet we do not know how Elmore picked up the handle of "vacuum cleaner." . . . Little Herbie Jehl shot six times at one fox squirrel. What was the matter, Herb? No shot or no hits? . . . Bob Mobberly left us for Div. 14 Taylor St. last week. . . . We are wondering if Carl Sleppy is going contractor on us since he bought the paint spraying outfit. . . . Walt Sollberger, Ira Runyon, and Herb Jehl set a new fad in small pipes.

He Is Now A G-E Pensioner



Just before George Delfs left, his safety record was called to our attention by Safety Committeemen in his section, and here it is:

THIRTY-TWO YEARS WITHOUT A LOST-TIME ACCIDENT

We had occasion to check the accident record of others leaving the Company with long service. It is surprising how many were free of even minor injuries.

We hope you are curious about the message in above picture. It ties in very well with George's no accident record. We arrived at the 207 years by using the following formula:

$$\frac{1{,}000{,}000 \text{ man hours divided by } 2.43 \text{ accident frequency rate}}{2{,}000 \text{ hours worked in one year}}$$

Without a doubt most employees are safe workers.

HERSCHEL L. SMITH,
Safety Engineer.

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All Tied Up . . . Getting ready for the three-legged race at recent G-E employees' picnic are Margie Erzengatian, left, and Mary Clark, aided by Bob Bodine, all of the Switchgear Divisions, Philadelphia.



A Soaring Hobby . . . Holding the first plane model he ever made, Aubrey Pearson, Schenectady Works, views just a few of the many trophies he has won in airplane model competitions. Mr. Pearson won first prize recently in the New York Daily Mirror contest with his personally designed 7-foot model plane.





Set for Action . . . Quarter Century Club members at Bridgeport Works did some fishing at their recent summer outing. Birger Olson has o good grip on the pole while Jock Arnold does some coaching.

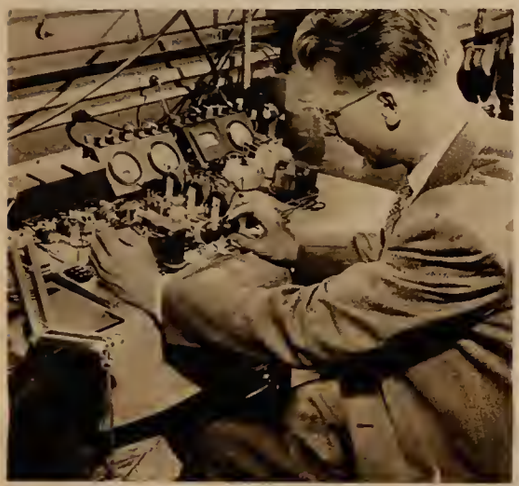


The Long and Short of It . . . (Above) One of the largest reported taken in New England woters this yeor, this 850-pound tuna was caught by Fronk Crowell, Lynn River Works employee, with the aid of three fellow fishermen. Clockwise from top right ore: Jim Wolker, Roy Downs, Mr. Crowell ond Horold Baker. In contrast, (left obove) Robert Schuelke shows Richard Poehler the "whopper" he hooked at recent Ft. Wayne Apprentice Alumni outing.

Today's Research and Eng



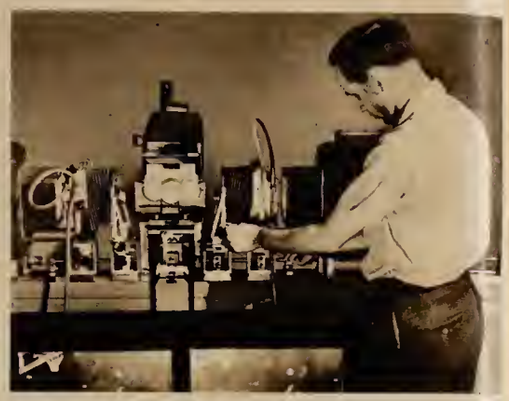
Dr. R. B. Nelson, of the Knolls Research Laboratory, develops powerful radio waves from new high power magnetron. With these waves capable of quickly heating many kinds of materials, such equipment may open new uses in industrial manufacture.



In Schenectady General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory, engineer V. J. Wattenberger applies new G-E amplistat in development for a control of variable jet nozzle actuator.



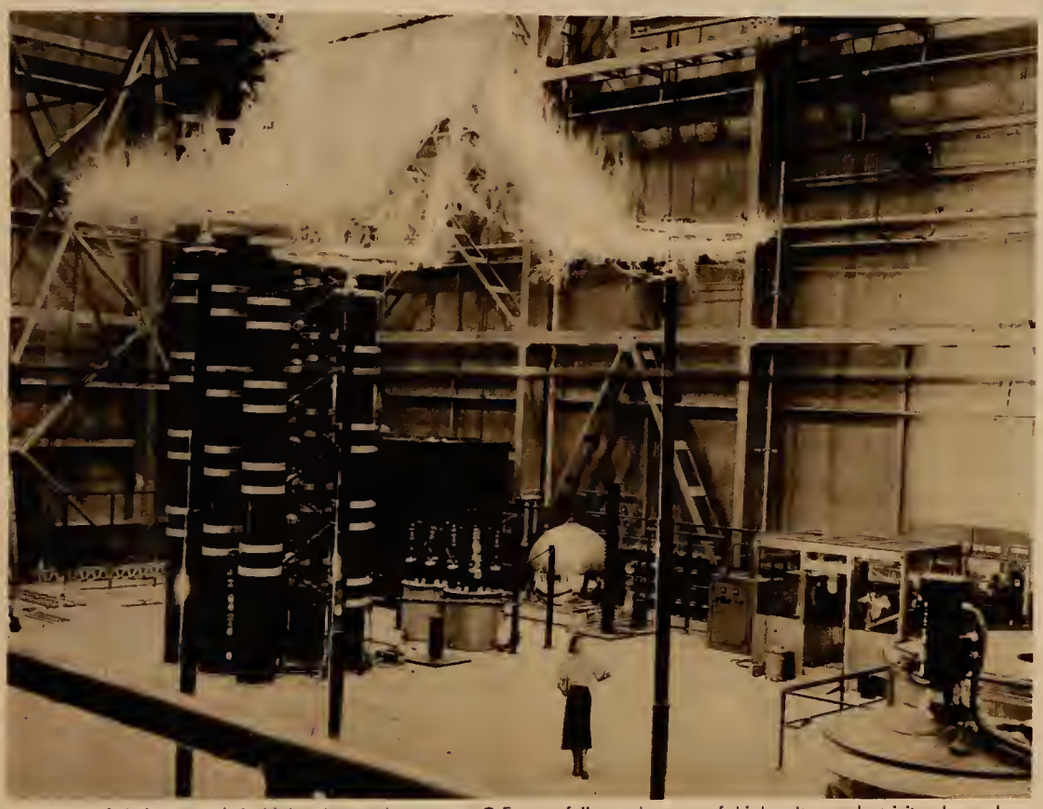
Laboratory tests and experiments are resulting in more new products and more efficient methods of factory production. Stanley Zaleski, extrusion operator at Pittsfield chemical laboratory, guides all-electric extruder for custom extrusion of nylon materials, producing superior quality to thread extrusion.



Further research in the basic requirements of primary color sharpness in color television is being done in the Television Section of the Electronics Laboratory by B. M. Tobin, engineer.



Solina Grassi of the Promotional Service Section at Lynn reflects the softly diffused glare-less light of new fluorescent street light, a product of two years' engineering development.



As a part of their research in high-voltage phenomena, G-E engineers at Pittsfield High Voltage Engineering Laboratory carefully study arcs of high-voltage electricity shown here rising 20 feet into the air from three revolving electrodes.



Product placed in home operation gives important data under working conditions, as in Providence, R. I., home of M. V. Gardner, Narragansett Electric Co. engineer. Here Suzanne Gardner has E. E. Linden, engineer, explain new G-E heat pump to her.

gineering create new jobs for tomorrow

THOUSANDS of General Electric employees are at work today on jobs that didn't exist ten or fifteen years ago — jobs that have been created by the scientists and engineers in their constant search for new and better products to offer the customer. Our whole television operation has been built in the last few years, our entire appliance business in the last 20 years, and, in fact, the whole electrical industry in the sixty years since Edison invented the electric lamp.

Today, the scientists and engineers of General Electric are working harder than ever to produce new jobs for tomorrow — in electronics, atomic energy, chemistry, and a hundred fields as yet unknown.

Shown at work here are a few of the men in whose test tubes and on whose drawing boards the jobs of tomorrow are being born today.





Passibly creoting new jabs is the recently develaped remate cantral wiring system at Bridgepart. New users are instructed in its simple aperation thraugh this push-buttan panel demanstratar, being explained by Baxter Lanius, Canstructian Materials advertising trainee, to Gerda Baes, stenagrapher.

Illuminating engineers at G.E.'s Nela Park are always perfecting better lighting standards. In this Flassmaar, Illinais schaalraam madernized schaal lighting is the result af their efforts, where law-brightness 40-watt fluarescent lamps make camfartable seeing canditians withaut desk level glare.



Checking drainage characteristics and pawer requirements an this experimental madel af the new and mare campact FA3JR Disposall unit are D. W. Gustavesan, designing draftsman, and J. H. Pawers, manoger Disposall engineering at Bridgepart.



In their Bridgepart laboratary, engineers T. M. Hartung, left, and R. E. Geiger wark an new G-E partoble dishwasher, which will apen new markets amang renters and small hame owners.

Candid Camera



Kiddie Karnival Queen . . . Youngsters of Potterson Club members of the Bridgeport Works hod o recent "Kiddie Kornivol" with pony rides, clowns, and gomes. Potty Ann McMough, daughter of Mr. ond Mrs. E. F. McMough, Jr., reigned os Queen. Her ladies-in-woiting: Moureen Cooney, doughter of Mr. ond Mrs. Michoel Cooney Jr., ond Josmin Mueller, doughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Mueller.



Search for Fun . . . Children of G-E employees ot Tiffin, Ohio, plont were kept omused ot recent G-E Club picnic with the penny scromble and apple-eoting contest (below).





A Family Affair . . . Dovid M. Coville, Sr., who has been troining horness horses for yeors, clocks Storm King in a workout os Dovid, Jr. drives. Both fother ond son are employees ot the Schenectody Works. Lost yeor Storm King finished in the money 18 times out of 23 storts.

Lovely Models . . . Jeon Quade, employee ot Electronics Pork, Syracuse, displays Generol Electric's new lowest-priced FM-AM table rodio. Model 218 feotures genuine Armstrong FM in oddition to the standard AM bond ond is opproved by Underwriters' Laboratories.



Haugk Completes 30 Years At G-E



Elmer Haugk, FHP Motor Accounting Div. at Taylor St., recently completed his 30th year of service at General Electric. On his anniversary, a number of his friends gathered to extend their congratulations. Left to right are: Robert Wildermuth, Mr. Haugk, Luther Meyer, Jane Reeves, H. C. Brudi, L. I. Asher, and C. M. Schneiders.



BACK TO SCHOOL AGAIN. Forrest Mulvane (who recently returned from California) son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mulvane, has again enrolled at Indiana University. This will be his senior year. . . . Dr. and Mrs. Leslie Wilson's daughter, Alice, has also left for Indiana University, where she too will be a senior. . . . CHANGES. Florence Martin is the second shift nurse at Taylor Street while Alta Mayle is back at Broadway on first shift in the Bldg. 8-1 Dispensary. Lyle Rupert has been transferred back in Bldg. 21 Dispensary, working days. . . . Dr. Garton has changed from an "old" Pontiac, to a brand new Buick. . . . VACATION NEWS. Dr. Murdock, who was on duty while the rest of us were on our vacation, spent a week in the East. Rumor has it that he has lots of beautiful pictures taken of Washington, D. C., and Virginia. . . . HAPPIEST CITY? While waiting to cross the Nickel Plate tracks, I couldn't help but wonder how the scowls and frowns on the motorists faces would register if "Look's" photographer were in the vicinity! . . . Minnie Fryback attended the Annual State Homecoming of the Masons and Eastern Stars at Franklin, Ind. . . . JUST A THOUGHT. Most of us know how to say nothing: few of us know when. . . . Birthdays usually call for a celebration, but for Veda Orff, it should be a holiday. Veda has been dismissed from the hospital and is recuperating at her sister's home. Then Sept. 24 marked another anniversary for her, so the entire section sends birthday greetings and wishes for a speedy convalescence. . . . Anyone meandering down the Midway at the Bluffton Street Fair probably met Mae Mulvane and also her niece, Mabel Wilson. They really have been enjoying the "sights" and exhibits. . . . Olive Walters, nurse at Taylor Street, attended the Railroad Fair at Chicago with Elex. . . . Imo Jean Schwartz intends to acquire a little "larning." She is attending the shorthand class at IU Extension. . . . Dr. H. L. Murdock celebrated a birthday while on vacation last week, so his birthday cake from members of the section was late for the occasion. . . . Dr. H. L. Garton, Works Physician, and Duane R. Stroud, Industrial Hygienist, spent Wednesday at the Tiffin Plant on business. . . . Bertha Schrader, with her son and daughter, had Sunday dinner with her daughter, Mrs. Joe Parker at Garrett. . . . "The leaves in autumn do not change color from the blighting touch of frost, but from the process of natural decay. They fall when the fruit is ripened, and their work is done. Their splendid coloring is but their graceful and beautiful surrender of life when they have finished their summer offering of service to God and man."—Tyron Edwards.



Don't forget the Safety Program! Keep our lost time accidents to a minimum by practicing care and using every safety device provided for us by the management. . . . Helen Hardy spent the week-end in Chicago where she attended a wedding. . . . Erna Mann, Clara Outlaw, Margie Rall and her mother and Mamie Allen joined the Elex Club on their trip to the Railroad Fair in Chicago. . . . Virginia Gebhart has been instructing her husband Bud in building a back porch. Of course, she didn't know any more about construction work than he, but she did know how to give orders. After a few days of hard but ineffectual labor, they finally called in an expert, her father. With his help and guidance, they expect to have it finished by the time the first snow flies. . . . It was sure a relief to Paul Monroe returning home a few days ago to find there the billfold he thought he had lost. . . . Floyd Loraine surely must look like a man from Mars when he gets fixed up with those goggles and respirator he wears while using his spray gun! . . . Be ready to greet your solicitor when the G-E Community Chest Drive campaign opens on Monday, Oct. 3.

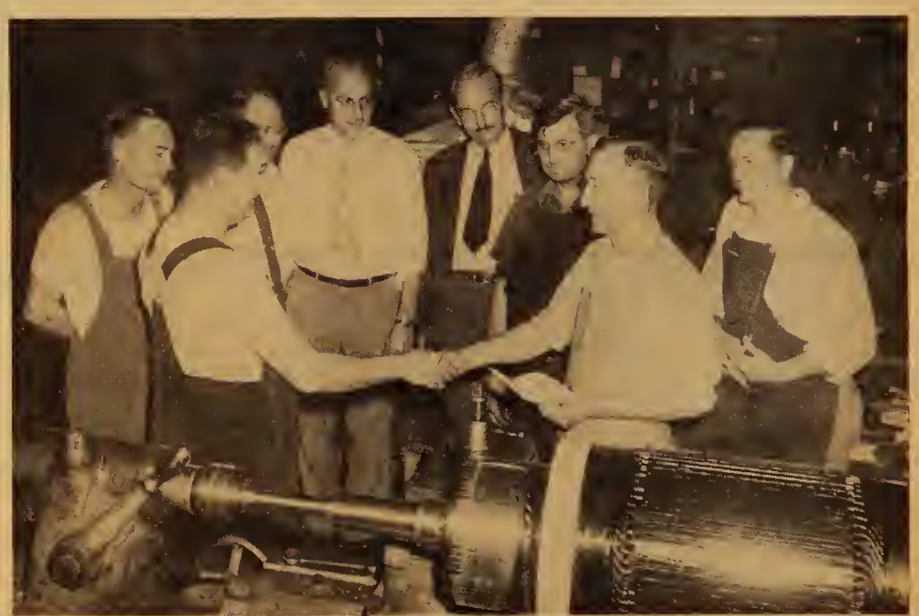


We have finally found a way to get ahead in life it seems you have to wear a purple tie. For more information see the boys in final test. . . . The other evening when Art Luessenhop came to work, Charlie Penn was there to greet him and to see how many stators Art would run that night. Charlie had to have him an inspector. Since they run so many stators and pile them in boxes Art told Charlie without thinking "Oh about 17 bushel." . . . Roy Pickett has been wearing some mightly flashy "T" shirts to work lately—someone made the remark Roy doesn't look half bad in a sweater and that he could be called a "sweater boy." . . . Andy Anderson has been riding the bus last week, he is overhauling his Chrysler. . . . The talk around the shop now is all about bowling, Gus Harrison is Captain of a Thursday night league. Andy is secretary of a Wednesday night league. Harold Fletter has been rolling some pretty high games, he's rolled a high of 147 so far. . . . Oral Emrich, the star of the Friday night league last year, gave up bowling this year. He didn't have a good excuse so we figure that his wife was getting too good and since Oral couldn't compete with her anymore decided to give the game up. . . . Wayne Worman overheard some fellows talking the other day about taking their cars down to Central High School and let the kids who are taking shop work work on their cars. Right away Wayne wanted to take his down there. We don't like to disillusion him but, Wayne, they only repair cars not make them. . . . Who's the new heart throb that Clarabelle Castle has that she stands on top of the benches looking for him. . . . Cozey Walper has a new name "Duchess." The story goes that all the Duchess talks about is taking her dog to the Custer Dunifon training school. . . . Sarah Moore was on her vacation last week. She was going to take it two weeks ago but heard the fish weren't biting so postponed it a week so no doubt Sarah will have some tall fish stories this week. . . . Hilliard Moore is taking his vacation next week. He plans to go to Ann Arbor, Mich., and spend some time at the Lakes. . . . Oral Emrick also is taking his vacation next week. He is going to see some of the interesting points in Florida. . . . Ruby Stoops will see the Railroad Fair and Chicago this week-end. . . . Charley Engle is having open house for some of his friends at his cottage at Crooked Lake tomorrow. . . . Herb Richter is going to see the football game at Notre Dame tomorrow. . . . Thanks to "Butch" Witte and "Moe" for doing this column. You see, gang, they do all the work, the column just hasn't been changed to another name as yet.



Priscilla Thrasher, who in the world ever sent you those beautiful roses? All you need now, Pat, is a nice moonlight night and things could really happen. All you will have to say is, "I will and I Do," from there on live happily ever after in a garden of moonlight and roses. . . . If you have any old paint around the house you would like to return, Jess Easterday can tell you how to trade it in for some new. About five years ago Jess bought some paint to do some painting. However, Jess kept putting off the job from day to day until five years had elapsed. He then decided he would like to have another color, so Jess, old boy, takes his can of paint back to the dealer and gives them a story as long as your arm as to why he wants to make the exchange. This story we are told would make believe it or not Ripley look like a piker. . . . Lloyd Cowell is now at the Irene Byron Sanitarium and doing as well as can be expected. We wish you all the luck in the world, Lloyd.

Molthan Celebrates 30th Year At G-E



William H. Molthan, Bldg. 19-2, recently chalked up his 30th year at General Electric. Several friends and co-workers gathered to congratulate him and attend a presentation of his 30-year certificate. Left to right in the picture are: Paul Bryan, Herbert Dial, C. W. Hale, D. E. Egts, R. M. Hartigan, Motor-Generator Manufacturing Manager; Arnett Clouse, Mr. Molthan, and Howard Berrier.



What charm does Frank Laier have on Clarence Rentschler? Clarence was seen shining Frank's shoes the other noon. Gosh! my shoes need a shine, Clarence. . . . You know how buying new clothes peps a woman up. Here is a way to get new clothes free; just swap blouses like Lee Raver and Mary Nute do! . . . Melinda Beerman is on the sick list. Hope she gets back to work soon and is OK again. . . . I hear Virgil Dalman intends to buy a downtown store. Golly, he is some big business man! Would you sell your merchandise wholesale to your friends, Virg? . . . Edna Houser is back with us, so are Bob Wirges and Ruth Mutton. Nice to have you all back. . . . Lorinda Beirlein and Kathryn Hepker are back from their third week of vacation. They had a wonderful time. Incidently they took in the Railroad Fair. . . . Anyone needing a carpenter cheap, call Mildred Green or Esther Fagan who are beginners. They don't guarantee anything though. . . . Eleanore Kohrman, whose name will soon be Mrs. Thomas Krouse, is certainly busy these days with all the details of the main event which will be Oct. 8 at 9 a.m. at St. Paul's Catholic church. . . . I understand that since Hope Hatfield has her sandwich spread made she is through canning. Wish I had all that stuff canned! . . . Say, I wonder if Butch and Alice Claymiller got the sides of their new house up yet? It is getting a little cold now for Butch to take "sun" baths. . . . Glen McDonald was having trouble with a leaky roof. The south side of the house was leaking, so he looks on the north side to see what kind of shingles he needed. When he got home with the shingles he found out he had four different kind of shingles. Don't worry, Mac, what color the roof is, just as long as you keep dry; Note: Herman Buuck put them on! . . . Speaking of Herman "Poky" Buuck this bit of information came as a surprise, he is a baseball pitcher, too! . . . Bill Wickliffe missed seven putts last Saturday—must have been off the beam or as he says, "The green was too wet!" . . . That odor up here the other day was the "skunk" Louie Staulf and Lorenz Korte got in the euchre game at noon. . . . Marcie Geschwell and a girl friend went fishing the other week-end and much to their surprise they got a bite. After much struggling they finally landed their catch, which was a great big cat-fish. After they got it in the boat they didn't know how to take it off the hook! Suddenly they remembered that they had a towel in the boat and they wrapped the fish in the towel and removed it from the hook! That's ingenuity for you! . . . Ruby Zelt finally got the saddle turned around on his horse. We knew he would sooner or later. . . . Fern Wallace spent her whole noon hour looking for a cake for her mother's birthday and finally found one, but when she got home she found out that she had left it at the office! I don't know if she stirred one up real quick when she got home or not, maybe they put the party off for a day! . . . John Ormiston and his wife cleaned out their attic last spring. They discarded a lot of things they didn't need and they sorted things right and left when they came to a hat box. Johnny said that is just some old hats and proceeded to toss it out without looking inside. The other day Ruth was looking for her fall hat and all she could find is a box of real old hats. They had thrown Judy's and her hats in the fire instead of the old ones. Now Johnny has to reach down in that sock of his and get them some new ones! Are you sure, Johnny, that she didn't throw them away on purpose? . . . No one around here has an iron jaw, so we advise Paul Hendricks to make his candy bars of something else! . . . Birthday greetings to Eleanor Gilgor. . . . Eleanor was a model for her sorority's style show where they modeled furs! She said that she is going to buy at least two new ones this year! . . . Wonder what Frances Rose is doing with a 160 acres? . . . Betty Kummer went to visit her sister over Labor Day week-end, and they took a trip to the zoo and she said she sure got a kick out of the monkeys! . . . Hilda Seiler gets her flowers mixed. She called a "Joseph Coat" a "Jew" plant and says, "well wasn't Joseph a Jew?" Guess she is right at that. . . . Ruth and Charles Reed have been having fun cat-fishing! They use a lantern and flashlight and the other necessary equipment too, such as a pole, line, hook and nightcrawlers. . . . Mary Nute is a very good pie maker. Hilda Seiler says the apple pie was delicious! I would like a sample sometime too! . . . Pauline Kaufman is moving into her new home soon. Hope you like it a lot. . . . Johnny Pumphrey is back from his third week's vacation, looking well rested.



Birthday greetings of the week go to Kathryn Gilbert and Walter Amacher. . . . Rosa (Rosebud) Moody was seen thumbing or hitching a ride on a neighborhood girl's tricycle. . . . Theme of the week: Be safe and keep our lost time accidents down.

Let's all be real quiet and maybe 1949 will slip by without a non-stop dancing or roller skating contest.

Valentine Is Honored For Long Service



Frank Valentine, Bldg. 17-2, celebrated his 30th anniversary at General Electric Tuesday, Sept. 20. At that time several of his friends joined with their congratulations. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Jack Bendure, H. E. Boles, FHP Div. 16 Supt.; V. R. Castle, Mr. Valentine, Pres Slack, Robert Esterline, and Herbert Lemmel.



Inventory, Change in Time, Bluffton Street Fair, Russian Situation, and a cold in the bead—how could anyone get out of that whirl long enough to write a new column? . . . Inventory—a headache that comes but once a year—thank goodness. . . . Change in Time—a confusing state welcomed twice a year. . . . Bluffton Street Fair—This year has special significance for Mr. and Mrs. Elmer DeBolt, Bldg. 18-2. You see, their daughter, Norma Jean is being sponsored by the Wells County Junior Chamber of Commerce in the Junior Miss America contest. Last night the contestants from the State—beautified the surroundings and entertained during a banquet. Tonight the lucky Queen will be crowned by Governor Schricker. . . . Russian Situation—censored! Cold — Likewise. . . . News of Bldg. 18-5—Good luck to Norma Jean Snyder who is leaving today to take up housework as a permanent assignment. . . . The bowling team, which includes Eloise Kartholl, Ginny Bradtmiller, Dortha Kempf, Pat Beebe and Pat Olinger, is coming right along—at the bottom of the league! When the prizes are given out is there such a thing as a booby? Will keep you informed of the latest on the "Pin Heads" each week. . . . Erma Lucas took her vacation the other week for a trip through the Ozarks and on to St. Louis. . . . Ed Hagadorn is again a proud grandpa. Grandpas have to pass out cigars too, Ed! . . . Donna Walters went to Chicago with the Elex members and had a wonderful time. . . . Bldg. 18-4—It seems that fall is officially here. Did you remember to set your clock back? . . . Annabelle Redding is opening the season in all its traditions, attending the Notre Dame-Indiana football game Saturday. . . . Delores Patterson enjoyed the Elex trip to Chicago. Ray White took his family to the Railroad Fair, a surprise trip for their two sons. . . . We welcome Viola LeMaster from Regional Warehouse, Bldg. 6-2. She replaced Betty Mueller who will now become a full time housekeeper. . . . Gloria Koeble was listed among the influenza victims last week. . . . The bowling team states that it had pretty rough going the first game. Seems it is a problem to stay on one's feet when trying to get the ball down the alley. No use to ask them about it—they won't tell anyway. . . . Robert Mace, Bldg. 18-1, was the main speaker last Thursday at the orientation dinner for the Junior Chamber of Commerce. His subject was "What Are Jaycees?" . . . Hazel McDougall, Bldg. 18-2, states that aside from the bruises, injured hand and knee, that she received when she fell last Monday on her way to work, the pain of replacing her glasses was even greater. We are sorry, Hazel, and hope that you will soon feel better. . . . A. W. Howard can now be located in Bldg. 20-2 on telephone No. 2314. . . . Happy birthday to Esther Sears, Bldg. 18-4.

Eye Witness

Edith Drivelbiss, Bldg. 18-1, had a very enjoyable vacation traveling up the St. Lawrence River, but it was marred by tragedy. While cruising up the river Sept. 10, she was an eye witness to the Canadian Pacific DC-3 airliner crash which killed 23 passengers and crew members.

She was on the deck of the S. S. St. Lawrence watching the scenery when suddenly she heard an explosion and saw the plane nosedive into the treetops. Watching the disaster, she and several other witnesses observed things fly and fall from the airliner as it streaked towards the ground. Edith and other passengers aboard the ship signed statements that they plainly heard and saw an explosion, but no flames. Later a woman confessed to putting a bomb in the plane before its take-off.

On her return trip to Toronto, she passed the site of the crash again. At that time rescuers were performing their grim task of removing the bodies from the wreckage.

Thought of the Week: "All men may be born equal—but what they equal later counts!"

Man is the only animal you can skin more than once.



CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, Oct. 3, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Three boxes of Christmas cards in paper sack in ladies' rest room of Bldg. 26-4.

FOUND—One key in yard.

FOR SALE

MEN'S BOWLING OXFORDS—Size 10, black. A-75442.

27 FT. PEERLESS TRAILER—Bottle gas, tandem wheels. 409 Edgewood.

ELECTRIC RANGE—Dry or green wood, any size, we deliver. A-55774 after 4 p.m.

SHOTGUN—Single barrel, hammer type, 12 gauge, 30 in. barrel, full length, raised rib, like new. H-44952.

SNOW APPLES—$1 per basket, golden and red delicious. $1.50 per basket, containers extra. H-26482.

GIRL'S ADMIRAL BICYCLE — Very good condition. A-75192.

LAKE LOT—Reasonable, Goose Lake, basement complete and sealed, Walker's Landing. A-58345.

THREE ROOM HOUSE—Quarter acre lot. H-19221 or 2240 Nuttman.

PEERLESS BLOWER—With motor and Honeywell control, in excellent condition. H-26182.

GIRL'S AQUA BLUE KENWOOD COAT—Size 12, in good condition. A-26973.

SPEED WASHER — Corner lavatory, reasonable. E-2766.

1937 CHEVROLET—Two-door, with new motor, good tires. A-19931.

LARGE MODERN TRAILER HOME—Or will trade for apartment rental. New Haven 6563 from 6 to 9 p.m.

STOKER—Iron Fireman, A-1 condition. A-97695.

WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE—Complete with innerspring mattress. Good condition. $60. E-38901, Friday evenings or Saturday and Sunday.

CORNET—Good condition, good case, $35. E-37343.

COAL HEATING STOVE—Fire brick lined, 100 lb. capacity, good condition, $12. H-92452 after 4 p.m.

TABLE TOP GAS RANGE—Excellent condition inside and out. $15. H-1656 or 5137 S. Anthony Blvd.

TWO ROOM SEMI-MODERN HOUSE—And lot, $2,100 cash. H-26102.

AFRICAN VIOLETS — Purple, single and double flowers, 35 cents to 75 cents. A-50171.

FULL SIZE INNERSPRING MATTRESS—Good condition, H-24643 after 6 p.m.

MARSHALL BLOWER—2000 cu. ft., with quarter hp motor for hot air furnace. A-68274.

THREE PIECE YELLOW KENWOOD COAT AND LEGGING SET—In excellent condition, size 3. $10. H-70083.

STORKLINE BABY BED—Mattress and high chair, blonde maple, like new, $20. A-97605 or 6715 Bradbury Ave., Waynedale.

ELECTRIC TRAINS—Accessories; linen table cloth and napkins; also trains repaired. E-5204 or 1132 Wabash.

THREE-QUARTER SIZE MATTRESS—Used two weeks, $15. H-60332.

FOUR IN. DRAIN TILE—Approximately 40 ft. cheap, A-75442.

GIRLS' WHITE SHOE ROLLER SKATES—Size 6½-7½. Joann Spring, R.R. 1, Ossian, Ind., or Bldg. 18-3.

TEN ACRES—4½ mi. from Columbia City, 6-room house, modern except furnace, venetian blinds, all buildings white. Excellent producing land. Churubusco 4157.

FOR RENT

FOUR ROOM COTTAGE—At Tri-Lakes, year round. H-26143.

SLEEPING ROOM—Nicely furnished, on Broadway near G-E, privileges, gentleman preferred. H-48212.

GARAGE—608 Lavina after 4 p.m.

WANTED

GIRL'S BICYCLE—20 in. H-28755.

TO BUY OR RENT, TENOR SAXOPHONE—Any condition, urgently needed for G-E Squares dance band. D. P. Motter, Extension 591.

REFRIGERATOR—In good condition and reasonable. A-60873.

THREE OR FOUR ROOM UNFURNISHED APARTMENT — Prefer lower, couple and 5 mo. old child, will care for furnace and lawn, reasonable, references. H-03893.

WILL TRADE FULL SIZE ELECTRIC STOVE FOR—Apartment size electric stove, or will buy outright. A-97605.

NAVAL OFFICER'S UNIFORM — Size 40, long. H-81555.

MISCELLANEOUS

HAULING OF ALL KINDS—Flagstone, dirt, cinders. H-66685 mornings.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Golda Rodieb, from Markle. Works for C. Steinberg, Bldg. 17-1, from 7-3:30.



"FLY POWER" — The girls in the Central File room are going to watch where they put their little personal "this or that" from now on, since they discovered they have a Human Fly in their midst. One morning last week the girls were soooo anxious to get to work and found the doors locked. Bob Starkel, coming to the rescue, took one leap and was over the wall. He then unlocked the doors. Mr. Whonsetler, taking Mr. Coopers' place during his absence, and who is always on hand to unlock the doors says his "bus" broke down. It makes a good story. We wonder if he was just too excited over his daughter, Harriet's debut with the Philharmonic and forgot to get up. . . . REWARD—Don Reek, AC Section, will pay a large sum for correct advice on "How to Play Winning Poker." This should add to Charlie Koomjohn's income. . . . SUCCESS—Joe Donahue, who was just made captain of his bowling team, celebrated by a 185 score against his usual score of 140. Nice going, Joe. . . . RABBITS—Someone should advise Mildred Heinkel of the AC Section on how to increase her rabbit family. It can't be done with two males, Mildred. . . . DRIVING ABILITY—In the good old days Henry (Ham) Marahens put his car up on blocks in the winter time. Bob (Bumper Jack) Loveland is going "Ham" one better. The other day he put his Chevy up on a block (cement) in the G-E parking lot. What made you think of using a bumper jack to get off, Bob? . . . SCATTER PIN OR FLYING PIN—Lydia Wilkinson had a beautiful scatter pin for Virginia Mariotte the other noon, but Virginia didn't get to see it. As soon as Lydia came in the file room it flew off her sweater. If anyone sees a scatter pin flying around please give it to Virginia. . . . VERY SAD NEWS—We in Bldg. 4-6 are very sorry to hear that we are losing Doris Downs of the Engineering File Room. We all will miss your happy smiling face, Doris. Loads and loads of luck. . . . SLEEPY?—One day last week, Nina Andress of the Engineering File Room came to work with a dry cleaning ticket fastened to her dress without knowing it. When discovered, it took Mr. Cooper's wire cutter to take it off. Are you asleep when you come in from the lake, Nina? . . . TRAINING—Mary Olson spent last Friday at Great Lakes Training Center. She is an active reserve in the WAVES. . . . MISTAKE OR EYE TROUBLE?—Some one ask Irene Whelan about the "baby duck" she could see, breathing on a roof. It proved to be only a man's handkerchief. . . . SYMPATHY—We would like to express our deepest sorrow to Abbie Hartman, who lost a very good friend in the disastrous fire on the "Noronic" at Toronto, Canada. . . . CONGRATS—Happy Birthday to Bob Loveland, Wade Tyler, Herb Reitz, Jack Jennings and I. E. Ross, of the DC Division. Also to Leonard Krumbigil of Tabulating. . . . ADMIRATION—Everyone is admiring E. "Burbank" Letsinger's horticulture displays on his desk, these days. At present it is a branch loaded with delicious apples. . . . HURRY BACK—Ruth Furris has been ill for a few days. We hope she recovers soon and gets back to work. Mr. Bradley can't manage all those telephones on that side of the AC Section. . . . ZOOM—Bob "Flash" Starkel, who reaches his station before the fire alarm stops blowing could easily improve his time if he used a parachute. . . . HELP—Hugh Folsom wants a good bowling instructor for pointers towards a 200 game. . . . SURPRISE—Frank Ross was greatly surprised by a birthday party given in his honor Sept. 20. One of his greatest surprises was a paddling he received. There was a period of about an hour in which Frank did no sitting. This is not exaggerated in the least bit. . . . NICE GOING—Production Division has a country gentleman in their midst. This past week, with inventory at hand, Ralph Hageman had to move to the country. His retreat is near Wallen. . . . COMING AND GOING—Sorry to hear that George Pearce, DC Section, is leaving, but we are glad to hear that he is being replaced by Morris Brogden, another capable man. . . . ABSENT-MINDEDNESS—E. M. Stanbery was a little absent-minded the other day and forgot where he put his raincoat which contained his car keys. He finally found it, but he and his riders were a little late getting home. . . . RAILROAD FAIR—Last week-end Georgie Garrett was at the Railroad Fair at Chicago. Donna Bauermeister, Irene Wehlan, and Rebe Cappock spent Saturday there with the Elex Club. . . . CONVERSATION HEARD ON ELEVATOR—PHIL HINE (To JEAN PAPPERT) I owe you four cents. JEAN (To PHIL) I know it, but don't give me any pennies. Problem: How can it be done?

4-1 Floorage

By Marie Lantz

The story has come to us belatedly that Arnold Hendel is a "live-box fisherman." One day while Howard Hoffman was fishing in Sylvan Lake, Hendel moved in so close that Hoffman offered to open his live box lid—so that Hendel could fish in it and not go home "skunked." . . . Fred Pyle claims that a good way to stop chewing tobacco is to bum two chews of Horseshoe Plug. "That's enuf to make anybody quit chewing," he says. . . . The meanest man in the world is the barber who puts hair-restorer in his shaving lather. Next to him is Sam Sroufe who brags about his domestic accomplishments. . . . We hear that Rudy Becker will retire Oct. 1. Rudy, now in Bldg. 4-5 in the Small Lot Section, worked in Bldg. 4-1 in group 15x17 during the war and made many friends. We wish him all of the best in his retirement years. . . . A good way to warm up on these cool mornings is to smoke near oleum dip tanks. If you don't believe us, contact your Safety Committeeman. . . . We'd like to give George Hahn a horseshoe plug, but not one of the chewing variety. George is manager of the Fort Wayne Horseshoe Team which successfully won 29 games while dropping only six. Sept. 18, Sunday, they used a six-man team to defeat the Fairmount pitchers by a team total of 1,716,789 points. . . . The average mathematician would say that 1 plus 1 equals 2; but Fred Higgen's figuring adds up to 1. In other words, Fred purchased a two-room house which is to be moved and added to his present habitat this week sometime. Combined thus, Fred will not have two small homes—but one larger one. . . . And now, something new has been added. Dale Brown comes to us from Winter Street. He's just another one of those guys who is always looking for trouble that's right; he's an inspector. May Sept. 19 be the beginning of a happy part of your life, Dale.

Apprentice BROADCAST



by MILDRED ELLIS

We are happy to report that Obringer is recuperating in grand style. He wants to thank the fellows for the flowers. . . . Don't be just half safe—wear safety shoes and safety glasses. . . . "Boat Builder" Kirlin did it again. He made something, but we haven't been able to figure out what. It's standing in his back yard. His wife says, "Jack, that thing can be seen from here to New Haven." Jack could put a few more boards on it and make it into a garage or tool shed. The inside story is that Kirlin, being the kind father he is, decided to build a sand box for the kids and really let himself go. . . . "Fatty" Leffers has been seen trying on G-E sweaters. He must be counting on the team coming through with the softball title. So far, John hasn't found a sweater big enough that he can get it buttoned down the front. . . . Milt Goeglein has been quietly going ahead with the plans on his new house, which will he four miles out East State St. It sounds like it will be a complete house, but Milt says he will use it as a garage some day and build a larger home in the front. . . . Lew Davis didn't have to leave Fort Wayne—he left with a clean sheet: all his bills paid, his boat and lot sold, and the Brookwood Golf Course even owes him a dollar for his share of the prizes in last week's Blind Bogey Tournament. The fellows are hoping Lew can be persuaded to return in the spring to buy a couple of golf balls with his prize money. . . . Modern parents divide their time between worrying how their children will turn out and when they will turn in. . . . "Grable" Nix looks "out-of-this-world" in his new pedal pushers. . . . We know that certain criminals are given the "hot seat" for their deeds. We wonder what Barnes did to deserve that "not-so-hot" seat that he received. . . . Konow mentioned he was going to Chicago this week-end—probably to Maxwell St. He was taking orders for green suits. But how will they look under a blue light, Don? . . . Bill "Hot Rod" Owen just can't get along with or without a car. Now he has a '36 Plymouth, but he isn't sure he can get the title. . . . Dick "The Professor" Clendenen is going to hold midnight oil sessions at his house for the benefit of the "less fortunates" of his class. . . . Gebert needed a little spending money for a week-end cruise with the Navy, so he sold all "his" tools to the apprentices realizing a neat profit. . . . The first person out of class every Tuesday and Thursday evening is Paul Mishco. He makes a mad dash for the parking lot, where his queen is waiting patiently for him. The love bug has really got him. . . . The Apprentice Softball team scored three runs in the seventh to edge Works Lab, 5-4, in the first game of a best of three final playoff series. Milt Goeglein scored Zurbuch with the tying run. When Milt's double went through the outfielder's legs, Milt raced home with the winning run. Fine fielding plays were turned in by Butcher and Berkheiser. The team members voted Kenny Zurbuch the team's most valuable player. Skeets Lahrman and Art Rasor tied for second.

Mrs. Coolman Dies

Mrs. Flossie B. Coolman, 56, died Monday morning at her home in Wayne Township.

Mrs. Coolman worked at the Taylor St. plant from 1943 until she left the Company in 1945.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE RECENT PROPOSAL TO HOLD THE NATIONAL AIR RACES IN FORT WAYNE?



WILLIAM A. BROWN

Taylor St.

"It sounds like a swell idea and many would enjoy seeing it. This area is not too densely populated, in regards to the safety factor. It would bring a lot of business to the many cities and towns around here, and would also be good advertisement for Fort Wayne."



DOROTHY LEBRECHT

Bldg. 12-3

"The races would help to make our city better known and also let the people know that we now have as good an airport as even larger cities. I would like to see them held here, but hope that they will not endanger the lives of our happy community."



OTTO MILLER

Bldg. 4-2

"I think by all means every effort should be made to bring the air races to Fort Wayne. It would be an outstanding event for a city this size."



LOUIS MEYER

Bldg. 22

"Fort Wayne has one of the largest airfields in the country. I think it would be all right to hold the races here, as it would be educational and help business."



ANNA ALLMAN

Bldg. 26-3

"In my opinion there is no more danger in air racing and air shows as there would be in any kind of racing. If Fort Wayne is equipped to handle the planes, cars, and people this event would bring, in such a way to avoid a similar Cleveland tragedy, then I think it would be good for the city."



Have you one of the new "Hocus Pocus" pens? You know, hocus pocus and it writes red—hocus pocus again and it writes green. Your contact girl can get one for you. . . . Juanita Likens has to hurry home every night. She just has to know what Li'l Abner is doing. . . . Harold Kiel was caught without any stators in his hands and was his face red! . . . Esther Reiter was having sandwich trouble. It seems as though she had more of the ham salad on her blouse than between the slices of bread. . . . Glad to see Jerry Snyder back after a siege of the flu. . . . Hershel Case was seen uptown all dressed up. Didn't even know him. Whistle next time, Hershel. . . . Gertie Wheat was a little off schedule on her 10 o'clock snack. Finally she saw the stray banana slowly coming down the conveyor. . . . Therlene Frieburger was among those who attended the Notre Dame-Indiana game last Saturday. . . . Floetta Zartman visited in Michigan a week ago Saturday. . . . Helen Biddle has joined the "I gotta new car" club. It's a Dodge. . . . More people seem to be losing things off their cars. Mel Kiessling lost the tail pipe off his car. (Don't know why he should be so angry over that.) Marcille Thomas lost the fender skirt off her car. Violet Adams is different. Guess she will have to have new brakes put on the "Rocket." She was picked up for speeding in Bluffton. . . . Iley Souders had a bad ending for her third week of vacation. She took the cellar steps all in one hop. . . . We hear that Verna Bullerman has a way all her own for not getting a parking ticket. . . . What's this all about Joe Motter needing a body guard? . . . Edith Beaty must have set her clock back a couple of days ahead of time. Anyway last Thursday she was just one hour late. . . . Bob Rehrer doesn't take time to look at the clock. He just asks someone what is the time. He must have been busy. . . . Some of the others who enjoyed the trip to Chicago were Jenny Zimmerman, Floetta Zartman, Doris Ryan, Katy Salmon, Lorena Buuck, Phyllis Lupton and Helen Bradley. . . . Sorry to hear Dorothy Lee has taken a leave of absence. . . . It's a happy birthday to Mary Shumm, Violet Adams, Virgie Mayer, Edith Bohde, Marge Ponsot, Bob Rehrer and Ann Robinson. . . . Ann Robinson also celebrated her wedding anniversary this week. . . . Some of the girls had a potluck for Virgie Mayer. Fay Kitteridge baked the cake. They say the way to a man's heart is through the stomach. Watch those fancy cakes—they are really good. . . . Butch Vegalues might try to make us believe that he isn't so young. But he and his Packard with the new paint job of green showed up at the square dance last Saturday night.

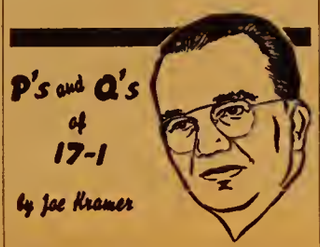
To Hold Practice Session Industrial Basketball Team

The Industrial Basketball team will have practice sessions at the G-E Club gym from 8 to 10 p.m. Monday, Oct. 3, and Wednesday, Oct. 5.

Serves Company 30 Years



Glen Carney, Bldg. 4-3, recently rounded out 30 years with General Electric. On his anniversary a number of his co-workers met to congratulate him. Left to right in the picture are: Florian Korte, Rudy Zelt, William Wickliffe, Mr. Carney, Edward Glenwith, and Carl Hitzman.



With approaching cold weather, Ray Epperson has dug out his old high school sweater and has been wearing it to work. We can't figure out whether he got the sweater for playing basketball or football. Ray is noncommittal. . . . Herb Kallemeier, having trouble keeping track of his new car, has ordered some new seat covers. They are going to be scotch plaid covers with his initials embroidered in green thread. . . . Anyone having pictures of a late date, please contact Clarence Doctor as he is now gathering pictures of his friends to put in his scrap book. . . . Ted Brockmeyer has discontinued his sale of popcorn because he does not wish to be identified with a party of donkeys. . . . Paul Geiger is now planning next year's vacation. Paul was overheard telling one of the fellows in 19x72 group that he was having a motor transplanted in his car. . . . Henry Wichern is still doing business in the old stand—tobacco business that is. . . . Clyde Crabill is not going to believe anyone about squirrel hunting anymore. Clyde was confidentially told about a woods that was loaded with squirrel. The only catch was the woods was 40 miles from home. Clyde left at 3:30 and didn't return home until 12 o'clock. His full report was, "sighted one, missed same." . . . The line forms on the right, that is if you want to get your name down on the growing list of people to take a ride in Andy Degler's new Nash. Andy doesn't have his new car as yet, but he has placed the order for it. . . . Weldon Stucky is going to join the farmer's cooperative group in the south end of Bldg. 17-1. Weldon is going into the chicken raising business as soon as he can locate a suitable brooder house. We might turn him over to Frank Martin as Frank has had considerable experience raising chickens. . . . What is the secret way Ray Epperson has of knowing when John Quinn has been at his desk? He must be clairvoyant. . . . Ed Brosche lost some time last week in one of his return trips from Florida. He had taken Cliff Coombes with him on this trip and coming back through the Smokey Mountains, Cliff had to get out of the car and try his luck at fishing. The only thing that peeved Ed was that he hadn't though of fishing in the streams of the Smokey Mountains before. You can be sure that on all future trips to Florida, Ed will include a short period of fishing.

Partizan Chapter Holds Election

Margaret Tomson was elected president of the Partizan Chapter of Elex Club, at a meeting last week. Other new officers elected were: Selma Rodemeyer, vice president; Myrtle Bennett, secretary, and Helen Thiele, treasurer.

Roesener Dies

John C. Roesener, 62, died at the Lutheran Hospital Monday night at 10:40 p.m. shortly after a heart attack at his home, 1111 Stophlet St.

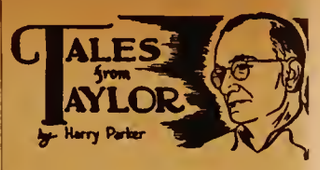
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G-E CLUB
BOWLING ALLEYS
Are
OPEN
FRIDAY NIGHTS
At 8:30 p.m.
Until Further Notice



By Marie LaMons

You have often heard of people making mountains out of mole hills, but have you ever heard of people making an ash door look the size of a coal bin door? It seems the latter happened by Bob Van Horn at the tool grinder's party held recently at the home of Karl Soest. Wonder what kind of soft drinks Karl was serving. . . . After Ruth Schroeder's recent jaunt to the big dark woods of Wisconsin, don't you suppose she can enlighten all of us on the finer points of lumbering? . . . The "Eight-Ball" Clean-Up Campaign got off to a good start last week in the Receiving, Shipping and General Stores Division with the "Eight Ball" going to Ed O'Neill because of the condition of the Oil House. The rest of you better start cleaning house or you will be next in line for the "Eight-Ball." . . . Chris Reiz, that gay Lothario, is now receiving perfumed letters from a gal in Cincinnati. She must be blond, as blonds usually prefer blue. Shame on you, Chris, and at your age, too. . . . From all reports 1949 has been "Our Safest Year." With our record for the first nine months of this year as an inspiration, we should be able to coast through October, November and December and make the "Home Stretch" with no accidents. . . . We are glad to see Lloyd Platt back at work after having spent his third week's vacation in Baltimore, Maryland. . . . Most of you remember Betty Wilson, a former employee of Bldg. 6-1. Several years ago she married Sam Flannery, a former Bldg. 4-6 employee, and they are now making their home in Cincinnati, Ohio. Recently Sam won a $1,000 prize in The Post's Coney Island photo contest by submitting a picture of their three year old son, Jeff, eating a hot dog. Congratulations to both Betty and Sam.



All of you have heard of the story "The Lost Week-End," well Popeye Patterson can go one better. He loses a whole week. The other day he informed one of the girls that she had better dust off her hands and get ready to attend the safety meeting. She told him there was no meeting as the date was the 20th and the meeting was held on the 13th. Popeye looked bewildered and then took a good look at the calendar. . . . As all of you know Harold Hart is driving a brand new car. While downtown one day, one of his friends seeing the car asked him if he might by any chance be celebrating his tin wedding anniversary. Harold's wife, not being sold on the idea of a new car, was just a little owly about the whole thing, so to insure domestic tranquility he had to purchase her a new clothes dryer. . . . Ray "Cowpuncher" O'Neill has a brand new saddle horse which he will use to ride the range. It is one of those high powered Packards. The other evening the car was setting in front of his residence in readiness to take mama out for a spin. Ray came out of the house, walked real important like to the car, seated himself on board, and stepped on the starter. It failed to function, making it necessary to enlist the services of a mechanic. . . . Ralph Humbert has an unique method of solving the breakfast problem. It seems that time is short for him in the morning, making it necessary for him to forego breakfast at home. He brings a sack of corn flakes and a spoon. Then he purchased a container of milk from the candy wagon, dumped in the flakes, then proceeded to enjoy his morning repast.



What excitement! Last Friday we said farewell to our little bride-to-be Shirley Hughes who is tying the knot this week-end and Sarah Harris celebrated her birthday, with the most beautiful cake. Happy birthday, Sarah, and our very best wishes to Shirley and her brand new hubby. . . . This coming Monday marks the birthday of Katie Minehart. Here's wishing Katie a happy birthday just a wee bit ahead of schedule. . . . We had a very pleasant surprise visit from Harriet Weber last week. Harriet has been residing in California for the past two years, and dropped in to see everyone while she was home for a vacation. . . . The Railroad Fair in Chicago attracted three of our members to its gates last Saturday. The three Fort Wayners were Betty Millhouse, Lenore Hanely and Xersia Zinish (and her husband). . . . The beautiful domestic picture which was presented to Shirley Hughes, was created and drawn by none other than our talented little artist Beverly Springer. Gee, an artist in our midst, and a very good one too, may I say.

Don't Miss The G-E Club Square Dance Friday, Oct. 7



There is an old saying it's no use crying over spilt milk. According to a report, Paula Thieme had the sad misfortune of spilling two buckets of the nourishing vitamins. . . . Hez Cochran is vacationing this third week. See, Hez, you can't say nobody misses you when you're gone. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Carl Fisher and children upon the death of his wife. . . . John Meyers is the proud father of twins, a boy and a girl. He came to work the day they were born with no buttons on his shirt as a preventative in popping them off. . . . Woody Ogg, John and Ada Owens are proud gradparents of a daughter born this week to Mr. and Mrs. Max Ogg. Congratulations, folks! . . . Our gauge man Ralph Stanley had a birthday the 23rd. Anna Ivetich had hers on the 28th. Happy birthday, folks. . . . On the winding line Helen Byers celebrated her third wedding anniversary. Seeing unusual things for the week, Ina's tops the list. When you drive on the highway and see a nice spotted calf jump out of a car trunk on the center of the road you've seen everything. Everything worked out all right though as traffic missed the calf and it was again put in the trunk to continue the trip. . . . We wish a speedy recovery for Virginia Drake, of the second trick, who has been ill for several weeks. . . . Alton Andrews was on the sick list Friday of last week. . . . Emma Butler is back with us after her third week vacation. She reports a nice time. . . . Margaret Waltke and Evelyn Plasterer both celebrated their wedding anniversaries; Margaret Waltke, Tuesday and Evelyn Plasterer, Saturday, congratulations. . . . Daily greetings to Irene Frauhiger, Violet Steffen, Lucile Braun, Pauline Dixon, and Alice Merrit. . . . Ruth Eckrote was home ill for a week. . . . Olive Journey is the pretty girl you see behind those dark glasses in 7-51. . . . Jason Moser has extended a welcome to warm your shins over his new furnace. . . . May we take this opportunity to say hello to John Knott a former employee and foreman of Plant No. 1. John is up and around now and would enjoy a visit with you. . . . Betty Moran sure has her difficulties in getting home from bowling. After running out of gas about 11 p.m. she decided to hoof it to a farm house for help, but the farmer's dogs barked and scared Betty. So she went on her way and after a couple attempts they finally got gas to get home. . . . GeCode Club is sponsoring "Noodle Day." All those delicious noodles—what fun making them. Have you seen or bought one of the pretty pencils GeCode is selling? It writes red-green-and blue. Why not buy one? Just ask any GeCode Club girl to sell one to you. Also watch for our future Jello Sales. . . . Have you noticed Sobbie Lord hunting his way in daylight with a lantern? . . . What happened to the cricket that was in Ray Leitz and Paul Hancher's office? We haven't heard him lately. . . . In case you were wondering who the person was that was holding up traffic on highway 27 one Sunday afternoon it was none other than Russ Owens. . . . GeCode Club is selling Christmas cards and wrapping again this year. . . . We extend our sympathy to Ray Leitz on the death of his mother-in-law. Kindness was the theme at the GeCode Club Conference held Sept. 17 and 18 at Oliver Lake. "Kindness is to do and say the kindest things in the kindest way." If we all try and keep that theme in mind in all we say and do in the coming year the Club will have a very successful year. . . . The new face you see in Planning is Clark Macklin. Welcome to Decatur, Mac! Hope you like it and stay with us.

Decatur Bowling

G-E Fraternal: 200 scores—Macklin 248, Zelt 200, Laurent 202, Bultemeier 205. Monday Night League: 200 scores—Koos 213, Krueckeberg 216. G-E Women's Bowling League: High game Schafer 182, R. Fennig 166, E. Plasterer 173. High Series, Schafer 489. Team No. 2 High Series, 1908.

Ye Old Meter Girls Plan Next Meeting

The Ye Old Meter Girls will hold a meeting Wednesday, Oct. 19, at the Dehler-Hughes hall at 7:30 p.m. Tickets for the affair are 50 cents each. Attendance prizes will also be awarded.

Bertha Mattes, H-20342, is chairman of the evening. Assisting her are Bernadine Gocke, A-97645, and Chole Lee, A-70262. Reservations can be made by calling members of the committee.



Last week I said Louie Watt didn't catch any fish, but I made an error. Mrs. Watt informs me that he caught ONE fish, so for one fish I wish to print a retraction. . . . Next week is campaign week for the Community Chest, I hope you will all give Jerry Knight your cooperation in helping make it a success. . . . The story of the week is about Frank Phillips. Frank, being just a little large around the waist, became wedged between a couple of punch presses and with no little difficulty finally extracted himself and vowed he would go on a diet. It he could get Mable Miller to drive the car in the mornings he would trot along side for his morning roadwork—anything to keep out of those tight squeezes. . . . Dewey Erne evidently thought it was a short week. He dropped his clock card in the card box Tuesday. We don't understand you doing anything like that, Dewey. . . . Gurney Lindley was off Tuesday attending a funeral. . . . Alvin McCullough has been giving the boys a lift with the carboloy grinding in the crib. . . . Louie Watt said if I printed a retraction on the fish story, he would give me a good story, "Why he was off work Thursday morning."



It's common gossip around Standardizing that Harold Fanning isn't bowling just for the sport. It seems that some people think he's doing it just for those pretty shirts with the advertising on them. Is this true, Harold, or is it just professional jealousy? . . . We'll bet anyone that Forest Carr has the biggest and best 27x34 walk-in refrigerator in town. . . . Paul Dull and Bill Wetzel have been making fun of people buying used cars at a car auction sale on Calhoun St. Why make fun of them, boys, get in there and bid? . . . It seems that a couple of times lately Erv Huth has dashed out to the parking lot, not to find his trusty Kaiser waiting for him. After carefully mulling over the situation, he remembered that his wife had brought him to work and had taken the car herself. In the future, Erv, why don't you tie a string around your finger to remind you? . . . Here is something I've been meaning to mention for some time. I didn't think it had gotten to the point where I really had to until now. It's about cooperation. If I had time to go to each and every individual in our division, I'm sure I could find news. But naturally, I couldn't possibly devote that much time to it. I don't know, maybe no one even reads "Shorts and Snorts," but I sincerely hope they do. I would like to write a column that would be interesting to everyone, but without your help, that is impossible. So come on, fellow workers! How about some NEWS! And I'm sure some of you have ideas about what you like to read in a column. If you do, why not jot them down and send them to me in Bldg. 20-2? I'll appreciate any help I get. I guess you all know, I'm new at this game and those ideas will sure help.

Motor & Generator Static

No news but the old news—it rained out the M-G Engineering picnic at Dewart Lake. Everyone but Bonnie Geiger was notified by phone that the picnic was cancelled. Bonnie complained that she wasn't called and found out she gave the wrong phone numher. . . . Warren Brighty was dismayed and wanted to know who was going to help him eat the gallon of fruit jello. His wife got generous and made two batches of jello. . . . The Emlings and Browns were smart. They swapped beans for potato salad. . . . Ed Cwiklo and Nyra Ruckman will probably get sick of eating marshmallows. . . . Ruth Maher and Thelma Williams shared their cakes with neighbors and friends. . . . The Purmans, Bryans, and Leflers ate baked beans all week. . . . Ray Hamilton will save the olives for another picnic and Bob Gillum still has the dill pickles. . . . For all who still want to go on a picnic, Mac has consented to give the weatherman another chance next month. . . . Eileen Gebhard has left the drafting section. Eileen left the city a week ago Sunday and is on her way to California. She is now a traveling saleslady. So long, Eileen, good luck—why she barely gave us time to say goodby. . . . Ralph Obringer has been missing from the drafting room because of an appendix operation. . . . Robert Finton has completed his apprentice course and is now a full pledged member of our M-G drafting section.



Saturday the two great hunters, Hugh Neely and Charlie Gable, set out on a big squirrel expedition. It seems as though Mrs. Neely had made big plans for a squirrel dinner Sunday; and when Hughie ended up the day's hunt with only one scrawny red squirrel he knew he didn't dare go home or he would really be in the dog house. He tried buying a squirrel in a butcher shop in Marion but as the man had none to sell, Hugh ended up buying a four-pound beef roast. When he got home he had a hard time explaining how he could have been hunting from 4:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. and end up with only a beef roast. I guess beef is better than nothing. (P.S. Charlie said he was the only good hunter in the crowd, at least the ONE squirrel he got was full grown). . . . Poor Mr. Dennison was really a sick man the other day when someone in the parking lot side-swiped his new Packard and really messed it up. The thing he hated the most was that he could not show it off for two days. . . . We would like to say to Mrs. Gordon Smith (we understand she is a regular reader of the column) that we are sorry she had such a bad vacation, but we told Gordon it served him right when the rest of us had to stay here and work. . . . Alma (Butch) Witte made a trip to Chicago and she found it with no trouble. We thought sure she would end up in Gary, because when she tried to go to Gary, she ended up in Chicago. . . . By the way, have you turned in a suggestion lately, remember there are some additional awards being made from September to November so it will really be worth your while. . . . Congratulations, Perry O'Neill, on your $1,000 suggestion award.

Football Managers To Meet Monday

There will be a meeting of the Touch Football league's team managers Monday at 5:30 p.m. in the G-E Club. Team representatives from the Transformer, Test Engineers, Firemen, Tool Division, Messengers, Apprentice School, Works Lab, and Winter St., as well as anyone interested in entering a team in the league, should attend.

MAJOR'S OUTFIELD STRENGTH



Boh Baals



"Chick" Morkoetter

The G-E Club's Major softball team has completed a successful season with the help of Boh Baals, centerfield, and "Chick" Morkoetter, leftfield, who were two of the team's leading hitters.

Bowling Alleys Are Available Saturdays

Anyone interested in howling at 1 p.m. Saturday afternoons at the G-E Club alleys are requested to fill out the blank below, and send it to Charlie Wilt, G-E Club.

Name .....
Address
Home .....
Work .....
Telephone
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Work .....

TRUSTY BATTERY FOR MAJORS



Bud Feldhiser



Harold Somers

Pitcher Bud Feldhiser, with a 10-won and 3-lost record, coupled with Catcher Harold Somers gave the G-E Club's Major softhall team a dependable hattery last season.

New Meeting Arranged

Our last meeting with UE negotiators was on July 13.

They left saying they would report back to the membership and then get in touch with us.

We had heard nothing from them until last Friday, September 23. A representative then phoned to ask for a meeting on October 4. We immediately wired back:

"Replying to your phoned request from Cleveland about a possible meeting on October 4, we continue our readiness to meet with you on a mutually acceptable date. Important part of company group so committed elsewhere as to be unavailable prior to return on Wednesday, October 12. As in the case last Spring, we will be glad to leave the final choice between the two dates to you. As we could assemble only a partial company representation for October 4, we hope that October 12 will prove mutually acceptable."

On Monday, September 26, the UE conference boards met in New York to consider a strike vote at Westinghouse and General Electric plants.

That afternoon a statement was issued by UE saying that the negotiating committees would meet with Westinghouse on October 4 and with General Electric not later than October 12.

The Union's statement emphasized that the negotiating committees had been urged "to make every effort" to bring negotiations to a "speedy, peaceful, and successful conclusion."

Any strike vote was to be put off until it was determined if the resumed negotiations with the two companies were proceeding satisfactorily.

So far as we are concerned, we will, at this next meeting — as at any other time — be bargaining in good faith toward what is best for all concerned.

We would be doing so regardless of whether or not any strike threat was being held over us.

For we believe in collective bargaining.

We believe in it as a two-way process.

We especially believe in it as a meeting ground where both parties can examine and consider in good faith what each is proposing for the attainment of the desired common good.

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Community Chest Drive Nears Goal

The Community Chest drive at the Broadway, Taylor St. and Winter St. plants reached a total of over $39,000 yesterday, according to K. W. Michael, general chairman of the campaign. A goal of $45,000 has been set to be raised exclusive of the Company's contribution.

Nearly 400 solicitors have canvassed the local plants for the drive, which ends today. The Decatur plant will conduct its campaign later in the month.

The solicitation totaled $7,513.10 on the first day of the drive, then Tuesday's total was $17,770.18.

The report by divisions of Wednesday's accumulated totals was as follows:

FHP Motor Divisions	$10,840
Works Service, Coatrib. Div.	$5,316
Spec. Trans., Ballast Div.	$5,000
Motor, Generator Divisions	$2,488
Winter St.	$2,117

The executive board of Local 901 UE-CIO and officers of Friendship Lodge No. 70 unanimously endorsed the fund-raising campaign and urged all members to contribute.

COMPANY TO PRESENT NINE FAMILY NIGHT SHOWS IN G-E CLUB AUDITORIUM NEXT WEEK

Nine G-E Family Night programs will be presented here next week for all employees, their families and friends. The series will be held Wednesday through Saturday, Oct. 12-15, in the G-E Club auditorium.

The program will include a sound slide film titled "Our Family Album," which will tell the story of the growth of the Fort Wayne Works. This will be followed by a one-act play titled "Tremblin' in the Kremlin," a one-act comedy featuring a Broadway cast. The program will be concluded by a showing of the most recent G-E film, "By Their Works," which contains scenes taken at Fort

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Russian Commissar of Visual Propaganda (right), as portrayed by Joyce Randolph in "Tremblin' in the Kremlin," and Martin Noble as Stalin listen to a descriptive r port of life in America by Boris Pavloff, a Rassian spy portrayed by Alexis Rostov. The comedy, which points up the American way of life in contrast to Russia and the importance of electricity and of General Electric in America, will be given as a part of the G-E Family Night programs.

SUPERVISORS TO ATTEND CIVIC THEATER COMEDY

Wednesday night, Oct. 12, will be Ladies' Night for the Supervisors' Club. The members and their guests will see the Civic Theater production of "The Philadelphia Story," a comedy.

Jean Altevogt, a former G-E employee, will portray the stellar role of Tracy Lord. W. K. Boltz, Bldg. 4-6, is a member of the supporting cast.

Hubert Myers and M. N. Brayer, co-chairmen, are handling the arrangements for the supervisors' party.

Curtain time is 8:30 p.m. Tickets are being distributed by contact men.

MBA Group Considers Proposals To Increase Maximum Benefits

The General Committee of the MBA will meet Wednesday morning, Oct. 19, in Bldg. 8-2, to vote on proposed amendments that would greatly increase the maximum benefits it is possible to receive from the Mutual Benefit Association.

The proposed amendments are designed to provide members with the maximum benefits possible, consistent with sound financial operation.

In some cases, the proposed changes would more than double some of the benefits now offered. The raising of dues five cents a week would be required by the proposals to allow for a portion of the large increase in benefits.

The amendments were rewritten following a canvass vote by Fort Wayne MBA section chairmen and have received approval by the Corporate Affairs Department and the Law Department.

A copy of the proposals has been posted on all bulletin boards.

The question of reducing the dues for those off for lack of work will be considered at a later date as a separate amendment.

ELEX CLUB TO INSTALL NEW OFFICERS MONDAY

The new officers of Elex Club will be installed at the season's first meeting Monday, Oct. 10. Prior to the formal installation, dinner will be served from 4:45 to 6 p.m.

Steel Strike May Cripple Manufacturing Operations

The current steel strike is causing considerable concern in all areas of our local manufacturing operations.

According to H. L. Erlicher, G-E Vice President in Charge of Purchasing and Traffic, "A prolonged steel strike would cripple the Company's operations within a month and might stop manufacturing of some appliances sooner." According to the managers of the various manufacturing activities at Fort Wayne, Mr. Erlicher's statement applies to the local situation.

Not only may production be affected directly within the next several weeks by shortages in our own steel supplies, but also curtailment in the shipment of contributing parts received from other firms may very easily affect our operations at an earlier date in certain divisions.

Flow Of Suggestions Here Reaches Highest Peak In Fort Wayne History

Employee participation in the suggestion system is at its highest in the history of the Fort Wayne Works, it was announced today by A. C. Hartman, chairman of the Suggestion Committee.

The average number of suggestions per 1,000 employees during 1948 was 489, while during the first six months of this year the number jumped to an average on an annual rate of 504 per 1,000 employees.

With the "Suggest A Better Way" contest now in full swing, the average number of suggestions for the month of September has soared from about 100 to 155 per week since the contest started Sept. 1.

Despite this great influx of suggestions, the speed in handling

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A. C. Hartman, chairman, and Laareen Procise are shown, above, processing a stack of suggestions which have just been delivered to the suggestion office in Bldg. 8-2. Here suggestions are dated, typed, and sent to the proper divisions for study and investigation.

Matson Addresses Meeting Of Works Safety Committee

C. H. Matson, Works Manager, was the main speaker at a meeting of the General Works Safety Committee Wednesday morning in Bldg. 8-2.

Monday Is Deadline For Reservations To Elex Conference

The deadline for reservations for the Elex Fall Conference is Monday, Oct. 10. A down-payment must be paid at that time, with the balance due on or before Friday.

The conference will be held Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 14-15, at the Palmer House in Chicago.

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Keep Those Ideas Flowing Into Your Suggestion Committee

Participate in the SUGGEST A BETTER WAY contest by sending in your suggestion today. The contest closes Nov. 15, 1949.

If you can think of an improved method of doing things, you may equal the $1,000 award won last week by Perry J. O'Neill at the Taylor St. plant for his idea to use steel retaining pins in unit bearing motors instead of wooden pins. Although this idea was submitted too early to qualify for the suggestion contest now in progress, it does offer an example of how strongly your Company wants you to think about your job, your surroundings on the job, the activity of the Company, and suggest whatever you are convinced or may have proven is a better way.

An adopted suggestion always means money for you. The Company's Suggestion System began in 1922 and since that time more than $2,500,000 has been awarded to employees for adopted ideas.

You are in the most favorable position of anyone to see how something relating to your job can be done even better. If you have an idea, don't be bashful about it. If you don't quite know how to word it, ask your supervisor. He will be only too glad to assist you in any way possible.

Once you have your idea down on paper, drop it in the nearest suggestion box or mail it to the Suggestion Office, Bldg. 8-2. Then this is how your suggestion is handled: The Suggestion Committee mails you an acknowledgment, and then sends your suggestion to those best qualified to judge its value. It is carefully studied to determine how the idea can be put into effect. A report itemizing the benefits is furnished the committee. The committee reviews your suggestion and, if adopted, determines suitable award. If for some reason your idea is not adopted, the committee will give you an explanation and urge you to try again. Successful suggestions bring cash awards to employees and the congratulations of their supervisors and fellow workers.

Fire Prevention Week Is Every Week For Plant Protection

The observance of Fire Prevention Week will take place from Oct. 9 to 15, but every week is "fire prevention week" at the Fort Wayne Works. For constant vigilance is the watchword of the Plant Protection section here, as every effort is exerted in keeping down disastrous industrial blazes. G-E firemen daily make the rounds of various equipment locations throughout the plants, checking, inspecting and otherwise keeping in tip-top condition the countless pieces of fire-fighting apparatus throughout the Works.

Fire extinguishers designed for specific types of fires, such as oil, flammable liquid, electrical and rubbish, are conveniently located and clearly indicated in all buildings. Employees, in order to be of greatest help in emergencies, are urged to familiarize themselves with the proper use of each type.

Plant Protection men here also maintain continuous inspection for potential fire-traps and hazards, and in this manner are able to eliminate the cause of a blaze before it has a chance to start.

Each year fires cost American industries almost $200 million in property alone, not to mention indirect losses affecting employment, buying power, credit ratings, contract cancellations and interruption of production. In 1948, an estimated 30,800 manufacturing plant fires were reported.

During the next 24 hours, the chances are that fire will take 30 lives—and destroy $2,000,000 worth of property. and that will happen during every ensuing day and night, if fire waste continues at the present rate.

Fire Prevention Week has been an annual event since 1920, when President Woodrow Wilson issued the first Presidential proclamation authorizing it. It has only one purpose—to show us the simple precautions that will prevent most fires. To achieve that goal, thousands of experts contribute freely of their knowledge, time and energy. Nothing is left undone that might serve the cause. Practically every American, unless he be a hermit in the hills, has the chance to gain knowledge that may save his life, his home, his job.

KEEP 'EM COMING



Corns' Stalks

TAYLOR ST. SHIPPING

By Gloria Geesaman

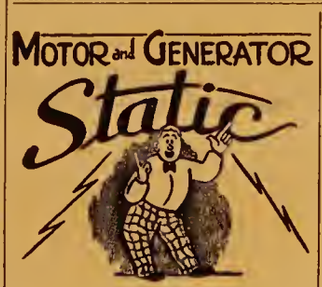
Any resemblance to people in this column is purely coincidental but intentional. . . . Being this is our first time in the WORKS NEWS for quite a while all we are asking is to put up with us in the future, so here goes nothing. . . . Mighty tasty candy Gloria Beverforden passed around on her birthday. Of course, she wouldn't tell us her age since she's so old, (21 that is). . . . Pat Waterman one of these gals who's here today gone tomorrow is spending time with our division now. Bonnie Koop from Bldg. 6-2 also has joined our force. Really they don't know what they're in for, ahem. . . . Jerry Schlund, a 20 year man is taking it easy doing nothing on his third week of vacation. Oh for another week of vacation. . . . Wilmer Kruekeburg just loves candy, but—the other day when he reached in a can for peanut brittle, springs jumped out. You should have seen the look on his face! . . . Brooks Brickley is hoping for nice weather the next two weeks. He's intending to take a few small trips, including New York. There's no doubt he and the family will enjoy themselves. . . . Lately when we were expecting visitors, the office was really spruced up. Naturally we acquired new matrons to do the work. How about that, Jack and Al. No kidding they really did a good job. . . . It must be nice to ride home in a '49 Kaiser. Most of us wouldn't know, but some people do. Huh, Gladys. . . . Warning to anyone who doesn't know Doc Potter, never pull his tie. . . . Morris Petgen (Pigeon) has a time trying to keep the girls away since he's using that alluring "Old Spice." . . . Mary Mishler, husband too, are some of these lucky people who get tickets to a Notre Dame game. They saw N.D. and Indiana play, some fun, some game. . . . These girls and their sweaters, very nice too on Sally Ford. We're still waiting for the day Jean Carrol wears one. . . . Flash all the girls around 20. If you're interested in a cute guy, call Edith Robertson and ask about her son Kenny. He is now enrolled as a junior in Indiana, also an ex-coast guardsman. Say, Edith, where have you been hiding him?



We hear much talk about five percenters and free deep freezers, but things will surely come to a pretty pass when one big shot will start chiscling on the other. Last Thursday noon which happens to be very close to pay day, Al Swift had to pay 57 cents for a 36-cent lunch. Al was more than 36 cents hungry but due to pay day being so close he decided to eat less and have a little change left over, for which we give Al much credit. However, one of his big shot friends at the same table had different ideas. He had very little cash, but a very large appetite, what happened? One of these big shots changes his 57 cent check with Al's measly 36 cents. Al did not mind paying the extra 21 cents, but being embarrassed by being called back by the cashier for lack of enough cash is even more than Judas could stand. Among the following you may take your choice of the chief chiseler. Orville Doherty, Herb Thompson, Ray Kierspe, Forrest A. Gill, Truman Buckles. Fellows, this is one way of making the news, but Oh! Boy! what a way. . . . Last Friday after the inventory was taken of which we are all very happy, Porky Schoenefeld offered to take Tom Hutsel, Bob Baals and Bob Pickett home after Tom had already gotten out of the car Porky offered to buy them all a treat. Tom graciously begged to be excused for which he was awfully wise. For Porky took the two Bobs to a refreshment parlor and ordered the drinks. Porky then flashed one of those great big weekly pay checks which the proprietor could not cash. Who paid for the refreshments? Was it Bob B., or Bob P.? . . . If you hear a rumor treat it like a personal check. First find out if it's good before you pass it on.



This happened a few years ago, but we think that it is worth recalling. John Hensler had a brother-in-law who was a crack shot with a rifle and wasn't bashful about letting people know it. John decided to give him a lesson in marksmanship, so John bought some bird shot and some regular 22 shells and invited his brother-in-law to go with him to shoot sparrows in a barn. Naturally, John didn't let his brother-in-law know he had this bird-shot and his shooting percentage was perfect. We hope that the brother-in-law reads this. . . . Steward Bohrer's son, John, was married last Friday at Huntington and Steward was mighty happy when he came in to work on Monday morning. Someone said Steward tried to smoke a pipe and a cigarette at the same time—(probably just a rumor). . . . The boys in Bldg. 19-5 really got excited when they learned that Don Alcott was going to cut a muskmelon. However, it turned out to be the size of a baseball—how disappointing. . . . Seems that Dick Florent's son, Garry, had a birthday and along with it a nice big cake. Now we hear that Dick gave his son a long sales talk on the evils of overeating, especially cake. Hmmm-mm, Dick has been bringing cake into work everyday since. Happy birthday, Dick. . . . John Ebbert would like more information on how Roscoe Platt can raise chickens that lay eggs as cheap as 15 cents per dozen.



Welcome to October's bright blue weather. Now is the time to put up the storm windows and take down the screens, to get the winter fuel, to finish the fall cleaning, to take a trip to the lake for a wiener bake, to plant your tulips, to bake a fresh pumpkin pie, and, if necessary, buy that face for the Halloween Party. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown have received a "bundle from heaven", a baby girl. The Browns now have two daughters. . . . The M-G Engineering girls recently honored Jean Fleckenstein at a luncheon. Because Jean quit last week to take up her duties as housewife, the girls presented her with a gift. . . . Maurine Vetter has returned to M-G to take Jean's place in the Service Bureau. . . . Lee Frizzell is now Mrs. Bill Gochenour. Best wishes, Lee. Everything happened at once to Lee. Shortly after being married, she was notified that she was to be laid off. Lee soon will be joining her husband in Kansas City. . . . This must be the year to buy a new car. Marv Baker has a new Chevrolet, Phil Potts has a new Pontiac, and Pete Stough has a new Ford. P.S. Tiny March has a new Dodge. . . . (We took this paper from Gerry because she won't write about herself, but we think recognition should be given Jean Fleckenstein, Gerry, and Ginny Mollet, whose birthdays were Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. They celebrated by going out to dinner Monday. Happy birthday, girls.)



THIRD WEEK VACATIONS—Paul Lange spent his vacation in southern Indiana last week. Paul admitted after his trip that northern Indiana lake district displayed more vivid colors of Mother Nature than he had seen down South. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Tomkinson spent their vacation in the East visiting Stan's mother. They also visited Canada and Niagara Falls. Katie Gardt will spend a quiet week at home. Denton Manecke took one day of his vacation to FINISH painting his house. He got it all finished except three sides and part of the fourth. (Fast worker). Ernie Spaulding will enjoy his vacation listening and seeing the World Series on television. That lucky man. . . . B. B. S.—Dolores Kock is the new member of the B. B. S. (Baby Sitters Club). Congratulations. . . . JUMBLED PLANS—Larry Wightman and Joe Horan finally got to New York and back after a few days' confusion. It seems they just couldn't get together on their plans. The trip, originally planned for Monday, went into effect Thursday. Hope you both had a swell time. . . . SO LONG—Good luck to Pat Beebe, who left the Engineering File Room, last Friday and to Joan Walters, who is leaving today. Thelma Voirol is leaving to take up her duties as a housewife. . . . HOWDY—We welcome to the Engineering File Room Mary Leitch, Gwen Steinbarger and Pauline Badman. Maxine Lonergan is back from a month's leave of absence. We all hope she is feeling better now. . . . The D. C. Division welcomes Nat Galleroni, test engineer, who will replace Dick Jones. . . . SYMPATHY—We extend our deepest sympathy to Carl Vizithum, whose father-in-law died last week. . . . FOUR DAY WEEK—Carl Mann forgot we worked Fridays. Last Thursday as he rang out he threw his card in the box instead of putting it in the rack. Friday morning, after looking all around—it finally dawned on him what he did. . . . HURRY, HURRY, HURRY—If Bob Zieskies' wife doesn't hurry and arrive in Fort Wayne, we are going to lose Bob, as he is thinking of going back to North Dakota, because he is tired of being a bachelor. . . . ADVICE—This is advice for Don Reek. When you bid four clubs you should take more than four tricks, or one of those new rules, Don? APPLE EATING — The other morning Wade Tyler became hungry on the way to work, so reaching in the back seat he secured an apple from one of the baskets. Later on Helen Conrad says she will only pay for a full bushel of apples. . . . NO WIRE—Thursday afternoon Denton Manecke picked up his telephone after it had rung about four times and said hello. There was no one there. After looking at the receiver he noticed that there was no wire. Then he came wise that it was the skeleton receiver that Benny has lying on his desk. What a look he had on his face. . . . CAN OPENERS—Thursday afternoon Harold Smith was having trouble. He was trying to use a new can opener on a can of baby food. It seems that the can opener just wouldn't work. Baby food is a pretty light diet anyway. After Harold gave up Bob Wigent, Bruce Curley and Kenny French tried, all with the same results. Then Maurice Bennet came over. He worked on it for a little while and gave it up, too. It's a good thing some little fellow wasn't waiting to eat.

G-E ROCKET EXPERT TO ADDRESS MEETING OF SCIENTIFIC GROUP



G. K. Megerian

George K. Megerian, of the General Electric Company's Aeronautic and Ordnance Systems divisions, will address a meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers at the G-E Squares club rooms, Thursday, Oct. 13. He will discuss "Rockets and High Altitude Research."

A native of Lynn, Mass., Mr. Megerian has been closely associated with the development of rockets and guided missiles since his graduation from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1937. Shortly after receiving his degree, he joined General Electric on its Test course. During the war period he was engaged in coordinating the flow of materials in the production of armament systems.

As Executive Secretary of the Upper Atmosphere Rocket Research Panel, a group composed of government technicians, college, and university personnel, and General Electric engineers, Megerian is closely in touch with the latest developments in rockets and guided missiles. At present, he is on special assignment with the advanced Development division of General Electric, working with guided missiles.

His talk will be concerned primarily with the use of captured V-2 German rockets for studies of the upper air in this country. Colored movies will be shown of V-2 launchings both in Germany and in this country at White Sands Proving Grounds, New Mexico.

Red Birds To Play Tonight At G-E Club Square Dance



Joe Taylor and his Indiana Red Birds will play for the square dance in the G-E Club auditorium tonight. This is the first in a series of dances to he sponsored by the G-E Club's entertainment committee for employees and their families. The dance will begin at 8:30 p.m. and will consist of both round and square dancing.

Efforts were made to hold the dances on Saturday nights to accommodate those on the second shift, but the committee has been unable to acquire a band that hasn't made prior commitments.

Taylor's Indiana Red Birds can be heard over Station WFTW every Saturday at 11 a.m. and they have made records for the Red Bird Company. Those shown in the picture, left to right, are: Front row—Connie Smith, Pat Cobat, and Bill Allen, Taylor St. Back row—Francis Geels, Joe Taylor, Bldg. 27; and Van Marchand, Ed Parker, Bldg. 24, the caller was not present when this picture was taken.

Helen Miller Wins Elex Ticket



Helen Miller, Taylor St. (right) gives the "okay" sign as she receives the lucky Elex ticket from her contact girl, Ann Johnson. By buying the membership card bearing the winning number chosen by I. H. Freeman, Supervisor of Personnel, Helen will be admitted free to all meetings throughout the year.

DuChemin Visits Fort Wayne Works

N. M. DuChemin, Assistant General Manager of the Apparatus Department, recently paid an extended visit to the Fort Wayne Works and branch plants for the purpose of viewing the manufacturing operations and discussing present and future plans with supervisory personnel. Mr. DuChemin, formerly Manager of the West Lynn Works, was appointed as Assistant General Manger of the Apparatus Manager of the Apparatus Department in May, 1949.

Reservations Are Opened For Elex Trip To Ice Show

Reservations are now being taken for the Elex trip to the Sonja Henie Ice Revue at Indianapolis Saturday, Dec. 3. A downpayment of $3 must be made on or before Friday, Oct. 28. The excursion price is $8.25 for Elex members and $9.25 for non-members. This cost includes the bus fare and tickets to the revue.

A bus will leave the Indiana Railroad bus terminal early Saturday morning and will return to Fort Wayne that night after the show.

Family Night

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Wayne and branch plants.

"Our Family Album" had its first preview yestorday. Members of the Family Night Committee, who served as official critics, report that Family Night audiences will enjoy many laughs at the expense of the early photos of local G-E activities.

The cast for the farce, "Tremblin' in the Kremlin," will arrive in Fort Wayne Tuesday morning, following two performances in Tiffin, O., on Monday. They are scheduled to appear at Decatur Tuesday afternoon and evening and will make their first Fort Wayne presentation Wednesday afternoon at 1:15 p.m.

Martin Noble, who played a major role in the Broadway production "You Can't Take It With You," will play a leading part in the comedy. Also in the cast are Alexis Rotov, New York musical comedy star, and Joyce Randolph, who this summer played a part in "Voice of the Turtle" in the Washington, D. C., Drama Festival.

The film, "By Their Works," is about General Electric people and their jobs. It features Decatur's Aeolian Choir.

Performances at Decatur will be held at 1, 7 and 9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, in the Junior-Senior high school auditorium, Jefferson and Third Sts.

The schedule of programs at Fort Wayne is as follows:

Wednesday, Oct. 12—1:15, 7 and 9 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 13—1:15, 7 and 9 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 14—7 and 9 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 15—8 p.m.

Free tickets for the shows were being distributed all week by foremen and supervisors. There is every indication that all performances will he well attended.

"Remember When" Group To Hold Dinner Meeting

The "Remember When" group will hold a meeting at the YWCA Wednesday, Oct. 19, at 6:30 p.m. The group is composed of women who worked for General Electric during the period between 1905 and 1916.

Tickets for the dinner meeting are $1.35 and can be obtained from Lois Miller, Bldg. 8-2, who is chairman of the meeting. Reservations must be made by Thursday, Oct. 13.



Thursday of last week was Joan France's birthday, but she decided to wait until Friday following inventory to celebrate. . . . Lelia Byall observed her birthday yesterday and received a large share of cards and handkerchiefs. . . . Congratulations to Johanna Alles who was elected a two year director in Elex. . . . We have received word that two of our former employees, Melba Hartman Morr and Berniece Gerber Bauman, have baby daughters. . . . Jake Harshman took his wife to the Purdue-Iowa football game and reports that Purdue outfumbled Iowa so they could lose. . . . Irene Pulfer was seen wearing a big red feather in her hair a-la Pocahontas. It might have been advance publicity for the Community Chest drive. . . . Harry Murphy has joined the Cost Estimating Section in place of Earl Hensel who has left for another division.

FHP Motors Sales Divisions Obtain Orders From Royal Company After 12 Years' Effort

For the past several years the Commercial division has spent considerable time and effort surveying the motor requirements of electric typewriter manufacturers. Through close cooperation between the Engineering and Sales divisions, a compact, light-weight, constant-speed motor that can be fitted into the complicated mechanisms and limited space of typewriters has been developed to meet the increasing demand for this type of motor.

Twelve years ago our sales organization began working with the Royal Typewriter Company, with the hope of eventually supplying motors for the electric typewriters they were developing. During this time, the customer tried many types of motors in his experimental units.

Ten years later this customer accepted our original recommendation that a constant-speed induction motor was the type of motor for electric typewriter applications, and several sample motors were submitted. During numerous meetings, our sales people were able to convince this customer that the new General Electric typewriter motor was by far superior to the competitive samples submitted.

After twelve years of untiring effort, an order was obtained from the Royal Typewriter Company for a large quantity of our new typewriter motor. To prove to this customer that we could take care of his motor requirements and give him the service he wanted, our Manufacturing divisions shipped a quantity of motors the same week the order was received and are now shipping motors at the weekly rate requested by the customer.

Here is an excellent example of how perseverance and close cooperation between the Commercial, Engineering, and Manufacturing divisions enabled the General Electric Company to gain another satisfied customer.



J. J. Horan, E. F. Rhodes, and R. W. Groot, of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Sales divisions, and G. D. Willits, of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering divisions, are shown, above, reviewing details of the new typewriter motor with F. A. Fredrickson, of the New Haven, Conn., office.

Files Are Discussed In Lecture Presented To Forty Apprentices

A talk and demonstration on files and filing methods was presented Monday afternoon in Bldg. 8-2 for 40 apprentices and supervisors of tool rooms by Walter R. Buerckel, of the Nicholson File Company.

Mr. Buerckel is a member of the American Society of Tool Engineers and American Society for Metals. He has lectured before 435 technical societies, foremen and apprentice groups during the past two years.

His talk was illustrated by photographic slides and was followed by a demonstration of proper and improper file usage. The topics of his lecture included: how tooth construction affects filing efficiency and costs, bases for correction selection; selection, application and care of files; file steel, its analysis and heat treatment; how file teeth are "cut to specification"; special purpose files—design and use; the advantages of milled curved tooth files; principles of rotary power filing; Swiss pattern files and precision work; and the history of files through the ages.



Art Buchwald has so many red feathers, he looks like a Rhode Island Red rooster. . . . "Two Tickets to Georgia" is the theme song of Carl Campbell since he returned from Georgia where he spent a few days of his vacation. It is rumored that he made it there and back so fast, that he met himself half-way in between. Was Bill Wetzel right, Carl? . . . Wonder if the professional "Liar's Club" knows about Blink Voirol. The hunting he does couldn't be possible without his over-active imagination. . . . Did you know that Chet Schwartz is the "official" starter of the Bluffton Street Fair? Every year it's his job to turn on the lights. How official can you get? . . . It must be pretty dead on second shift. Carl "Daisy" Banks says that nothing ever happens. Come on now Daisy, lets you and Cliff Clauser look around a little and give us the dope. . . . Bless the man who sold Whitie Van Auken the pen with three colors of ink. . . . Harold Smith says that he isn't a bit lonesome since "Oscar" came. Oscar, a little turtle, has his own little Fulk Lake right on top of the file cabinets. . . . Why was Lois Ulrey snagging all the WORKS NEWS she could get her hooks on last week? Why the sudden interest, Lois? Could it have been a picture? . . . Wonder what happened to Oscar Beaty the other day when he disappeared from the golf course so fast. Could it be that you forgot to yell "FORE," Oscar? . . . And now for the scoop of the week: Our congratulations go to Rosie Thomas who came to work Monday wearing a beautiful diamond. Now, Rosie, since when do you get diamonds to wear on the left hand from big brother? By the way, the lucky guy is Frank Boyle. . . . Frank Edmund's classes in "How to get the Queen of Spades" in five easy lessons will start next week. Phone Frank early for reservations. . . . Don and Boodles in Bldg. 20-2 will run errands for any one between the hours of 12:00 and 1:00 cheap. . . . We hear Don Porter of the Power Plant tries several cars to see which one his key will fit when he leaves work on the third trick. Now that Don and his family are soon leaving on a trip to Iowa you fellows had better watch out. Don COULD get the wrong car. . . . Arthur Ream tells us his speed is so great that he runs the wheels right off his car. . . . Scotty is back from his eastern vacation trip. He kept Sammy Mastro well informed of the points of interest along the way. Arrangements were made for a "Welcome Home" gift for Scotty. . . . Russell Maxson says construction is progressing on his new garage. . . . Pete Carpenter and Joe Banks are back from vacations. . . . Birthday greetings this month go to Harry Oliver, Grover Walker and Walter Cook. . . . How many of you know Sam Henry of Bldg. 10 has a good telephone singing voice? Thank you, Sam, for the birthday wishes.



I hear that Lee Raver is spending quite a lot of time in airplanes these days. Anyway she is in the clouds since she became a grandmother! Her daughter presented her with a grandson, Jimmy, Jr. Congratulations, Lee! . . . Evelinc Best, who just returned to work, finally cleaned out one of her drawers the other day. Merle Keesler took a large box of the stuff home, now he won't have to buy any medicine for ten years. . . . We also welcome Opal Ewers, Cecil Foor, Zelda Garrison, Thelma Fenstermaker, Herbert Stack, Roxana Miller, Victoria Hyer, Arthur Keller, Floyd Null and Richard Geiger to Division 1. Hope you all stay a long time. . . . Martha Scherzinger certainly is popular! The photographers are constantly surrounding her desk! She will soon be seen in the Brief magazine for foremen and supervisors of the Apparatus Dept. "Life" magazine will probably be up here next! . . . Quite a few of the co-workers up here have colds and it is almost impossible to tell who's been out with whom. It must be that they attended the Bluffton Street Fair and caught cold. . . . Betty Kummer was there and from the picture she brought back she is ready to join the troop of dancers when they leave Bluffton. . . . Happy birthday greetings to Louie Clark. . . . Congratulations to Irmegard Gehle on having 30 years with the Company. She celebrated by going to the Railroad Fair with Elex. . . . Edith Schriener lost her hat while walking through Marshal Field. Luella Hockemeyer had bought a new hat so she wore it and Edith wore Luella's head scarf! What you should have done Edith is buy yourself a new one, too! . . . Bob Blee has to run for the bus every morning, and Ed Robbins, who gets on several blocks sooner, is always puttin' him on about running for the bus. Here is what Bob doesn't know, Ed has to run every morning to catch the bus, too! . . . Dillon Kable must be an outdoor man when he gets off the bus and walks home when he could stay on the bus and get off almost in front of his house. He even lets the bus go right on past so he can walk! . . . The change in Alva Foulk's disposition and waist line is due to the fact that he is so lucky and by being lucky he can afford to eat chicken every night. . . . Melba Flanders is leaving us to live in Ash Fork, Ariz., where she and her husband bought a combination restaurant and bus station. We will all miss you and if we ever take a trip West will be sure and stop to see you! Lots of luck in your new venture. . . . "Can You Top This" is what Walter Beaty and Herb Braun say to each other when they meet. Each tries to outdo the other on this story business. . . . We all wonder if "Strong-man" Wilbur Stocks had enough money to pay his "fine" last week. I thought one could buy a deck of cards for less than 69 cents! . . . We lost Frank Brindle last Saturday during inventory. A reward will be paid to anyone who tells us where he was! . . . Wonder if Elmer Koehlinger was walking in his sleep Saturday since he got in to work so early, or is it he likes this Saturday work? . . . Say, Harry Berry, did you enjoy the Fair Saturday? He went home early so he could go to the Fair or so he says but we think this Saturday work got him down! . . . Say, Waldmar Schmidt, how about a little run out to Millers, or have you some other place in mind?

Flow Of Suggestions Here Reaches Highest Peak In Fort Wayne History

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them also has been increased. The average age on all snggestions is now slightly over two weeks, a new low for the time required in handling them.

11 Receive Bonus Awards

The new list was released this week of all those who have already become eligible to receive a G-E monogramed cigarette lighter as a bonus award. The cigarette lighters are being presented to every employee who submits one or more suggestions between Sept. 1 and Nov. 15 on which the regular award is $10 or more.

The bonus awards were presented this week to:

Martha Newell, Bldg. 26-3; Arnold Ley, Bldg. 26-1; Raymond Crippen, Bldg. 26-5; J. Virgil McKeeman, Bldg. 26-5; Don E. Waldrop, Bldg. 26-5; Max Lydy, Bldg. 26-5; Frank F. Schultz, Bldg. 26-3; Eugene Scherer, Bldg. 26-3; Charles Strong, Bldg. 6-1; Betty McPherson, Bldg. 17-4, and J. Donald Ramsey, DeKalb plant.

Offer $500 In Merchandise

In addition to the regular award paid for accepted suggestions and the bonus award of a cigarette lighter, a total of $500 in merchandise certificates will be presented for the best suggestions contributed by employees of the Fort Wayne Works during the contest, Sept. 1 through Nov. 15.

A total of 10 certificates, each redeemable at the Employees' stores for $50 worth of merchandise at employee prices, will be presented.

Eligibility rules for this contest are the same as for the regular suggestion system.

Nov. 15 Is Deadline

All suggestions must be submitted no later than Nov. 15. Only those carrying the suggestion office's date stamp between Sept. 1 and Nov. 15, inclusive, will be eligible.

There is no limit to the number of suggestions that employees may turn in.

These suggestions may be:

1. to improve the quality of our products.
2. to propose suitable new products to manufacture.
3. to improve methods of manufacture.
4. to improve equipment, including tools, jigs, fixtures, etc.
5. to reduce the costs of production.
6. to eliminate conditions that are hazardous to health or safety.



Shown above is one of the G-E monogramed cigarette lighters which will be given to an employee who submits one or more suggestions between Sept. 1 and Nov. 15, on which the regular award is $10 or more.



"He that would live in peace and ease must not speak all he knows, nor judge all he sees." Franklin.

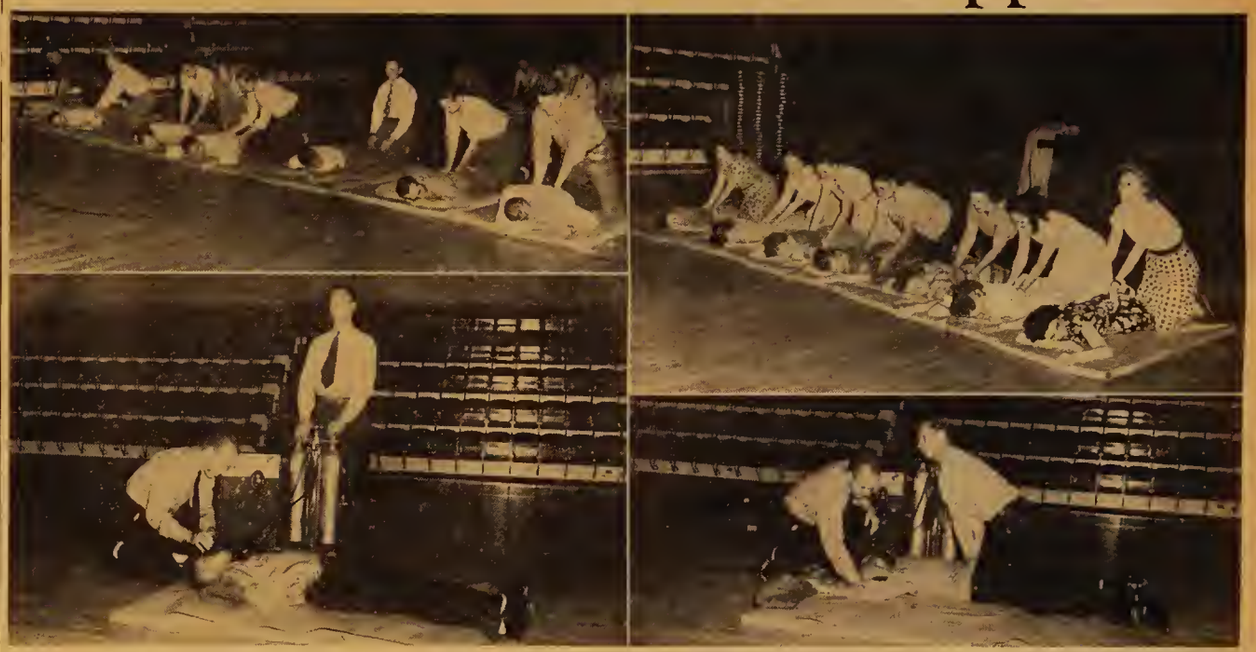
George Holthouse almost had heart failure when his team, the St. Louis Cardinals, dropped out of first place. . . . Jay Rippe is recuperating from having a wisdom tooth pulled recently. . . . Bob Rehrer is about ready to pass the hat around in order to stay out of the poor house. He says his two sons eat more before they go to bed than he does all day. . . . Harold Hohman has gone back to fishing again after painting the cottage. His luck has improved to a certain extent. He was able to keep seven out of about 30 bass over the week-end. . . . Ralph Walda has a new pet. He was seen on the bus last week with a huge plastic dog under his arm. He really is quite fond of that little nephew to carry a dog on a bus at rush hours. . . . The Safety Committee members had their picture taken as a group at their last meeting. In the session that followed, they were urged to keep on with the good safety record established so far this year. The motto selected is, "Think Safety, Talk Safety, Work Safely." Paul Traub is chairman of the committee.



Why is it 14x3B has two new fly swatters? Could it be to keep Ife Holmes' "Dome" free from the pests? . . . Johnny Wilson wants his fellow workers to know he will not accept charity even from Bill Curtis. . . . Mabel Fisher is following in Williadean Rathert's footsteps. She also answered her phone by saying "hello," when the Dinner-Winner-Man called. . . . We hear "Mr. President," Walt Niemeyer has now monopolized the Gutter-Ball. . . . Alice Roger entertained several of the girls for dinner last week and they went to the Bluffton Street Fair. Much to their surprise Carl Reeves was in the parade. . . . Now that Fritz Vogt'a car is two years old, the gang is wondering when they are going to have to stop removing their shoes when they get in the car. The fellows really think it has gone on long enough. . . . Walt Niemeyer must be getting more spending money. He bet five cents on a bowling game with Bill Curtis. . . . Herb Seslar and George Miller are spending a lot of time in the dispensary lately. It seems George spent all of two days there and then had to take a day off. . . . Waldo Martin vows next year he is going to fool the bluegills, he isn't going to try and catch them. They have made a monkey out of him long enough. . . . Why should anyone pay to see an auto race when all you have to do is follow Si Anspaugh and Vondy to work. . . . Kitchen finally got his "Chevy." . . . What foreman has also said it was much easier to use your head than your feet? And yet when he goes to write his report, in the office, he finds he has left his material at his desk. Better watch that, Pappy.

If you have a cold, don't talk about it—keep it to yourself.

City Firemen Give Demonstration Here Of Resuscitator-Inhalator Apparatus



A demonstration of resuscitator-inhalator apparatus in use was given recently by city firemen rescue units of No. 5 Engine House at the regular resuscitation practice session for employees in the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions at the G-E Club gym.

Teams composed of Capt. W. M. Cook, Edward Loraine, Carl Langas, Capt. C. J. Baals, R. A. Kiles, Lester Knipstein, and D. A. York took part in the demonstration. Experiences in which this equipment was used in cases of drowning, gas asphyxiation, heart trouble, and asthma were related. Capt. Cook pointed out that the time element was most important and that the respirator squad should be called without delay in incidenta when persona have hreathing difficulties.

Nearly 75 employees witnessed the demonatration and took part in the practice session of the Schaffer Prone Pressure method of artificial respiration. Included in the group were testers, engineers, and test laboratory operators of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions. W. T. McDougall, Assistant Supervisor of the Inspection and Test division, led the class.

In the upper left photograph, a group of employees are shown taking part in the practice session of the Schaffer Prone Pressure method. They are: (l. to r.) Operators—Tom Freeman, Fred Leinker, Robert Taylor, John Kwinge, Charles Howlett, Donald Waldrop, and Edward Dullaghan. Patients—Doyle Johnson, Edward Murchland, Merle Johnson, William Henderson, Charles Bailey, Robert Crippen, and Arthur Rall. W. T. McDougall (kneeling, fourth from the left) gives aome pointers to one of the men.

Others in the practice aession, shown in the upper right photo, are: (l. to r.) Operatora—Cora Charleston, Lillian Jackson, Wilma Snyder, Celeste Farrell, Virginia Reed, Kathryn Bailey, and Mary Ambler. Patients—Hazel Dilworth, Janice Goff, Lucille Orr, Laureen Kraus, Blanche Kanning, Dorothy Bearman, and Dortha Beaseley.

Capt. Cook explains the method of artificial respiration when using a combination respirator-inhalator, as Carl Langas demonstrates its use on Edward Loraine, in the lower left picture.

In the lower right photo, Capt. Cook applies artificial respiration by the Schaffer Prone Pressure method, while apparatus is used as an inhalator to give pure oxygen to the patient.



For our continuous inventory of news we write out more news on bundles from heaven. . . . Paul Gross and the former Mildred Miller were blessed with a baby daughter. . . . Raymond Teeple and the former Leah Rash had a new arrival. Congratulations, fellow employees and future employees. . . . Oh yes, in Spencerville, Ohio, a baby daughter arrived to Mr. and Mrs. Don Boroff, the former G-E girl—Carolyn North. Hi, Pop and Mom, on your arrival. . . . When it comes to dressing poultry, see George Womack. He has a system of removing the unwanted stuffing in a few easy slashes—no mess—no fuss—nothing to it. . . . Our Willshire tester is sporting a new four-wheeled super job. A very nice color—birch gray. Ira Huber is a tall, dark, and handsome lad; now, girls, here is your chance. Wait a minute, I just heard that he is escorting around a lovely girl—too bad, you're out of luck. . . . Speaking of cars, Marcile Jones has been seen maneuvering about in an Oldsmobile. That's quite a car, Marcile. . . . There's a gal on winding who purchased a '48 car, claiming she couldn't drive but had several offers on instructors. Miss Kukelhan, how are your driving lessons by now? Just so you don't get a ticket or run into solid objects. . . . Belated greetings to Martha Mazelin, who tells us that we forgot to mention when she returned to work after a long illness. Here it is, Martha, better late than never, and we are glad to have you with us again. . . . Say, practicing Safety is good Life Inaurance. The premium—costs you little; Dividends—may save your life! Better start buying yours today who knows? . . . Oh, for some of that grape juice we hear Alice Gerber makes. . . . Dan Zeser was on the sick list this week. . . . Leonard Meyer is all smiles these days—a new Oldsmobile. . . . Daily greetings to Esther Harmon, Geneva Pickering, Esther Ehrman, Alvena Lindemann, and Dick Evans. . . . Ola Kistler proudly shows snap shots of her pretty twin nieces. . . . Alma Fruchte of Section 7-50 is the mother of the girl of 29 charms—Margaret Fruchte. . . . John Dale and Judy Gail are the names of the twins born to Mr. and Mrs. John D. Meyers. . . . John Owens reports his little granddaughter's name is Becky. . . . Lloyd Ahr forgot to turn the clock back, ao on Sunday morning took his family to church an hour too early. . . . Jason Moser didn't duck that one in time. . . . Buford Dull and friends enjoyed the week-end at Chicago taking in night life and the White Sox-St. Louis Brown's ball game. . . . Our sincere sympathy to Erna Weiland and Ray Bleeke upon the death of their father; and to Clarence Brunnegraff and family upon the death of their grandchild. . . . Here it is cold weather and Pauly Myers still has that old Pontiac that just won't start when the weather is a bit chilly and I suppose he'll expect Jake Eady to pull him all over the country trying to start it. Why don't you buy a new Ford, Pauly? . . . Vacation time and Herm Keller insisted that he would do the driving up to the lakes when he and the boys went. Do you know something must have happened, because Lorena decided that she was going to drive, too; we hear that Jake Eady did the driving in that yaller Hudson. Isn't it too bad you have a new Ford and you can't drive it, Herm. . . . Pete Schumm is a man of very few words and sometimes those are mighty words but the next time he talks to a man he will find out whether he is a preacher or not. It seems the good Reverend decided he should pray for Pete after Pete got through talking. . . . Clarence (Riggy) Geisler by this time is the proud possessor of a brand new Ford. Watch him strut his stuff. . . . Okeleah Stetler promised to give me some news but I guess she has her mind on going to Tennessee, so nothing there. . . . Doris Evans is still driving that old jalopy of a Chevy around the town. . . . Kate and Dick Steele haven't been eating the last week because they bought a new Buick. By now they should be over the excitement and back on schedule. . . . Mary Ann Laurent celebrated her 21st birthday, Sept. 30. There was a beautiful cake on her desk that morning and Mary Ann was very pleased. We're quite sure Mary is 21 legally. . . . In case you are wondering who the person is that is driving the '40 Studebaker it's none other than Julie Baker. Old faithful Chevy is no longer with us but Julie says it's not forgotten. . . . The guard with a new uniform is none other than Lawrence Beal.

Applications For G-I Insurance Dividends Are Made Available

All veterans who took out National Service Life Insurance before Jan. 1, 1948, and kept it in force three months or more, are eligible for the special G-I Insurance dividend.

Applications forms are available at the Veteran's Administration office, 220 E. Jefferson St.; at the Employment office, Bldg. 21, and at Hubert Myers' office, Taylor St.

Children are little people constantly bawled out for acting as their parents did at that age.

US SECOND SHIFTERS

By Earl Stauffer

It has come to the attention of this reporter that US SECOND SHIFTERS haven't been taking advantage of the opportunities offered by the G-E Club. The new officers as well as the outgoing leaders are sparing no efforts to plan events that can be enjoyed by the second shift as well as the first shift. . . . A very fine tribute by the Bldg. 4-5 gang was given to Rudy Becker, who is retiring after 19 years' service. Wednesday night, Sept. 28, which also happened to be his birthday, a large group celebrated with a potluck. A very gala occasion it was with formal presentations, practiced (?) speeches and many, many nice remarks. A birthday cake, a beautiful monogramed billfold and gift checks were given him by his coworkers and friends. Individual gifts were given too and in case he tires of his other activities he can always take up the organ grinding business. Last but not least he has the distinguished honor of being graduated from the College of Euchre with a diploma, signed, sealed and delivered. Working in various divisions around the plant he has acquired many friends. Nothing but the best can follow a man as well liked as Rudy and we all say, goodbye, good luck, we will all miss you. . . . More from Bldg. 4-5 where Madonna Enders has taken up traveling. From the wilds of Canada during vacation to the hills of West Virginia, over inventory. Take care, Madonna, that one leg isn't shorter when you get back. . . . We have been informed that a certain winder in Bldg. 4-5 has taken up reducing exercises but they tell me that it gets expensive. She could take it, but the furniture couldn't. . . . Put the following in "can you top this" category. Everett Hamilton, Bldg. 26-4, was displaying some of his Owl Golf League ability to a few of the boys the other day and really did it up big. He shot a hole in one. The only trouble was that the hole was his golf bag and the little white pellet didn't stop when it got to the bottom, it went right on through. His fellow workers have promised not to let the word get around and further promised to weld a new bottom on his golf bag that is indestructible. . . . Along the lines of golf it is getting bad when two of the Hot Shots have to invent a grandmother in Garrett to keep from playing golf with Warren Wickliffe. The wayward boys were Jim Sternberger and Oscar Bunch, Bldgs. 19-1 and 27. . . . John Shanahan, the Bldg. 17-1 perfumer, says that he has invented a new one.

Women's Division Holds Annual Reception



In the photo, above, are: (l. to r.) Mrs. Marvin A. Baker, president; Mrs. Frank Fleischer, member-at-large; Mrs. Robert Johnson, treasurer; Mrs. Kenneth Wheatley, program chairman; Mrs. Orval Doherty, secretary; Mrs. G. E. Hicks, telephone chairman; Mrs. Elwood M. Stanbery, nominating chairman; Mrs. Ronald F. Robinson, house chairman; Mrs. William Pringle, membership chairman, and Mrs. C. J. Herman, past president. Not present when this picture was taken were: Mrs. Lee Beard, vice president; Mrs. Robert Rowe, member-at-large; Mrs. Robert Hanna, contact chairman, and Mrs. Gilbert E. Jamieson, publicity chairman

The Women's Division of the G-E Squares Club held its annual reception Thursday, Sept. 22, at the Squares Club rooms.

The refreshment table was laid in a white cloth, centered by an arrangement of Autumn flowers and flanked on either side with three-tiered candelabra containing lighted white tapers. Mrs. Marvin A. Baker, president, and Mrs. C. J. Herman, past president, presided.

C. Lane Breidenstein, of the Fort Wayne Better Business Bureau, was the guest speaker. His subject was "How Not To Be Swindled."

Arrangements for the reception were handled by Mrs. J. J. Clarkson and Mrs. I. H. Freeman, cochairmen, assisted by the members of the Board of Directors.

The next event scheduled by the Women's Division is a potluck supper and bridge party for members and their husbands. It will be held Saturday, Oct. 15, at the Squares Club rooms, with Mrs. Carl H. Rinne and Mrs. J. B. Greer serving as co-chairmen.

MILLER SUCCEEDS EMMET AS ERIE WORKS MANAGER

H. L. R. Emmet, for the past 21 years Works Manager of the General Electric Company's Erie Works, retired Oct. 1 and is succeeded by Bertram Miller, Assistant Manager, it was announced recently.

18 City Firemen Are Conducted On Tour Of Fort Wayne Plants



Eighteen firemen from No. Five Engine House were conducted on their annual tour last week by G-E Fire Chief E. M. Hanauer. Taken Wednesday and Thursday to include both shifts of city firemen, the tours are made each year to familiarize the men with the Broadway and Taylor St. plants. Chief Hanauer pointed out the most hazardous spots, explained the alarm system, and showed them what parts of the buildings are controlled by sprinkler posts. In case a fire should break out at one of the plants, the city firemen are then prepared to find their way about the buildings without any difficulty.

In commemoration of Fire Prevention Week, a demonstration using an evacuator canvas will be presented by the city fire department Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in front of Bldg. 19. An aerial ladder will be run up to the fifth floor of Bldg. 19 and firemen will slide down the canvas chute. In case of rain, the demonstration will be postponed until the next day.

In the picture at the left, above, are: (l. to r.) Capt. Clint Baals, Lester Knipstein, William Weick, Theodore A. Grimme, Dist. Chief Paul W. Horstmeyer, Dwight A. York, Assistant Chief Edward Mueller, Harold S. Goldsmith, Donald L. Sonnenberg, and G-E Fire Chief Ernie Hanauer.

A scene during the tour Thursday is shown at the right. In the photo are: (l. to r.) Ralph Ellenwood, Carl Langas, Walter G. Lindenberg, Harold J. Roemke, Assistant Chief Henry A. Banet, Roy E. Lemmel, Capt. William Cook, and Chief Hanauer.

4-1 Floorage

By Marie Lantz

Here 'tis October, the year's favorite month, whose harvests golden make beauty triumph; and so, we should avail ourselves of Autumn's out-of-doors, to bask in its beauty. . . . Effective this month all citizens must observe P. C. O. (pedestrian control ordinance) No. 2332, which concerns motorists as well as pedestrians. Simultaneously, our safety committeemen are conducting a safety drive—to further cooperation with P. C. O. No. 2332 and also to decrease our accident rate on the job. Those red badges our safety committeemen wear reveal that our Fort Wayne Works' present accident rate is 2.43 per cent per 1,000,000 man hours. At this rate, if L. T. A. (lost time accidents) were passed around evenly, each of us would have a L. T. A. ONCE in 207 years. You, too, can wear your safety badge, now and always. Your badge is more than a red piece of paper. Your badge is your body, your whole body, your limbs, eyes and ears, your senses! Use your head to save your self. One of the first P. C. O. offenders, when questioned, said she knew about the ordinance, but "just followed the crowd" crossing a down town street. This "crowd" she followed was comprised of out-of-town visitors—hence our offender promised to use her eyes and go with the green—not with the "crowd." One must do what's right to be left. . . . When Avery Spayde worked last Saturday he lunched at a Broadway eatery where he accidentally (?) forgot his hat. Despite his efforts to account for his missed hat mishap, fellow workers still believe he just wanted another coke (?) come 3:30 p.m. . . . We bid farewell to Alva Parker who returns to Bldg. 26-1, where he worked previously and to Ruth Nordyke, who returns to Bldg. 4-3. . . . We extend belated sympathy to Jane Gisemore, whose nephew, Philip Fulk, 7, was Bluffton's first polio casualty. Philip died Wednesday, Sept. 21. . . . Came last Friday and Inventory, which meant different work for some, a holiday for others. Carl Riedel found it an opportune time to visit the Railroad Fair at Chicago. . . . Ruth Nordyke, a Blufftonite, didn't have to go far—for a fair. . . . Those who worked inventory in the stockroom were treated to cigars passed by Ray Swartzel—just as a goodwill gesture.



P's and Q's of 17-1

by Joe Kramer

The happiest city is the title well deserved by Fort Wayne, at least as is being shown by the returns from the Community Chest drive. The contributions are being given more freely and with a better "help thy neighbor" spirit than ever before. We would like to suggest that any stories pertaining to the Community Chest either for or against it should be investigated before a decision is made. . . . In keeping with the good neighbor policy being established this week, Clarence Doctor is planning a big farewell party for his next door neighbor. Doc is looking for suggestions that will enable him to insure a complete success for the party. Ray Rodenbeck has requested permission to furnish the fish for the party, as Ray and Doc are co-chairmen for the gala event. Doc is furnishing the apple cider. . . . We were glad to welcome Ralph (Cowboy) Beerman back to work. Cowboy is going to ride the range on the Brown and Sharpes during third operations. . . . With the return of college football, Ed Brosche is discontinuing his Florida tours. He has promised Weldon Stucky a midstripe seat at all Notre Dame football games. . . . It was a little confusing last Friday with the taking of inventory and the running of the machines. It is not known whether the fenced area around the Toggle press was to keep Herb Kellemeier closed up or was put there to keep Ted Brockmeyer out of his way. . . . While speaking of inventories, it is significant to note that George Mosshammer, the happy-go-lucky tool crib operator on the first trick, has been with the company 33 years and has just completed his 33rd inventory. . . . A special note to the men in the punch press section: Fred Reece, a former punch press operator, wants to tell everyone hello and says if you get a chance drop over and see him sometime. He would like to hear some of the tall tales that have been known to start spreading in the punch press section. . . . Cliff Coombes is starting in early getting prepared for ice fishing. Cliff went fishing a week ago with two pair of pants, two shirts, ear muffs, two pair of socks, heavy boots, and under all of that, he had on those long red you-know-whats. Cliff is hoping someone will invent a generator he can run off of his motor so he can wear an aviator's electrically heated suit. . . . Living in the country, Argend Denney has been telling everyone about the chores he has to perform before coming to work in the morning and also upon returning home in the evening. We wonder what kind of an excuse Argend will have to give to the people who saw his wife carrying a pail of milk up from the barn. Now, Argend, who really does all the chores? . . . George Mosshammer and Charlie Niblick were seen reaping the harvest of a hard summer's work. George and Charlie were gathering up their special variety of strawberry popcorn. We don't know for sure but we believe George still has a few pounds of popcorn for sale. Orders are being taken at the tool crib. . . . Clarence (farmer) Doctor was also among the fenced-in operators during inventory last Friday. We don't know what Doc was objecting to, whether it was because he couldn't get out of the area, or because he was supposed to stay in. . . . Ray Rodenbeck doesn't believe in using light switches. Ray believes the safest way to turn off the light is to unscrew the bulb. . . . Frank Martin has been blamed for a lot of things, but the latest was due to this column being missing from the WORKS NEWS three weeks ago. Ed Martin says the lack of the column was due to his brother Frank being on a vacation. . . . Danelda Dotterer is going to look first and speak afterwards. It seems Danelda was going to have a rolling operation performed by someone other than who had made the offer. . . . Realizing the benefit a person living in the city can get by spending a few hours in the country, Argend Denney is extending invitations to certain fellows in the office to come out on Saturday and Sunday to enjoy a restful day in the country. Of course, Argend doesn't mention the fact that he is now engaged in evacuating the basement under his house and it would be by sheer accident that he would have a pair of overalls for his visitors. In case you accept the invitation, don't say we didn't warn you ahead of time.

A music critic says good music is heavenly. The kind that comes from next door usually is unearthly.

Elex Club Journeys To Chicago's Railroad Fair



Two hundred Elex members and their friends boarded the Nickel Plate train for Chicago Saturday, Sept. 24, to see the Chicago Railroad Fair. The above layout shows some of the scenes taken on the way nd at the fair.

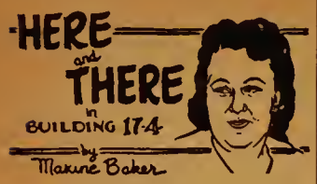
In the top row, first picture, are the girls boarding the train early Saturday morning. Next is Betty Puff shaking hands with Genial Joe, who surprised the girls by calling them by name (thanks to Irene Meyers behind the scenes). An old train for the Atcheson, Topeka and Santa Fe is pictured in the third photograph.

Second row: It's all aboard for the fair. Posing by one of the old locomotives are: Rachel Fisher, Virginia Stefan and Mabel Liggett.

Third row: Another group is getting on the bus in Chicago for the fair. A pretty scene was the reproduction of the Bok Singing Tower, in the Florida exhibit. Some of the girls got a "sailor's eye view" of Chicago on their boat ride around the harbor.

Fourth row: A number of the Elex-ites took time out to pose while looking at an exhibit in the Eastern Railroads display; Thelma Stone, Bldg. 18-1, and Betty Garber, Bldg. 4-6, are getting forty winks on the way home; while the picture at the right shows another group of Elex members enjoying one of the displays.

Fifth row: Elex members are shown viewing one of the displays; Alice Dahman, Bldg. 4-5, and Betty Puff, Bldg. 4-6, catch up on their rest back to Fort Wayne; and this museum piece was part of the Atcheson, Topeka and Santa Fe exhibit.



That was some downpour on Monday morning. Such a way to start a week. Everyone looked so wet and dis-spirited that Monday really was a blue one. . . . Those red feathers sure give their wearers a bright, gay look. Did you get your mark of distinction yet? Better hurry. . . . Welcome to Virginia Harris who replaced Betty McPherson. Hope you like us and decide to stay a while. . . . Good luck and best wishes to Bill Hurtt in his new job at Columbia City. Don't forget the gang. . . . For that "Man of Distinction" look, see Walter Konow and his new pipe. Nice combination. . . . By the way, have you had your taste satisfied yet with that wonderful Fall favorite—cider? Better hurry. Time is a fleeting. . . . Better take a look at the Elex Christmas cards Marian Leiter has; they may be just what you are looking for. . . . Several prominent names of our co-workers have made their way into the headlines of the vital statistics section of the morning newspaper. Only recently a new one was added and it wasn't Ray Solga this time. If you haven't heard by this time who it is, I don't think I should tell you, however our private sleuth found Carroll Elder in a local bakery trying to arrange to have a cake baked with a hack saw blade in it. Would that give you a clue? Carroll says he doesn't want Ray to hog all the limelight. "Good morning, Judge" or "Have a cigar, Judge," is getting to be a familiar greeting now-a-days. . . . Everyone was expressing their sympathy to Cy Seymour after Boston lost the final game to the Yanks. Cy still is using last year's alibi as to the size of the ball park at Boston and New York. More people can crowd into Yankee Stadium than can get into Fenway Park, so the old dollar sign still prevails and determines the winner. . . . Larry Reed is down on the Tigers until next year. They lost third place to the Indians. . . . Wanted At Once (Before squirrel season ends) One large cow bell to hang on Don Kruse's neck to keep him from being lost from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. while recently chasing a barking squirrel through a large woods near Portland. He finally came trudging in after being directed back one mile by a local farmer. . . . If anyone sees a 1949 Chevy coming down the street, you better get out of the way; how about it, Les Dafforn? . . . We want to wish a happy birthday to Al Middaugh whose birthday was Oct. 4 and a belated greeting to Les Dafforn whose birthday was Sept. 21.

Second Shift Members Of Elex Arrange Tour

The second shift members of Elex Club will open the fall season with a tour through the local Coca-Cola plant. They are to meet at the plant, corner of Pontiac and Lillie streets, at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 20.

Following the tour, the group will have a luncheon at the Ace Cafe. Special favors will be given at the meeting.

Tickets for the affair are $1 and can be obtained from contact girls. Reservations must be in no later than Friday, Oct. 14.

Celebrates 30th Anniversary



Isabelle R. Hausbach, Bldg. 26-2, celebrated her 30th anniversary of G-E service Sept. 25. She is seated (left) showing her 30-year certificate to Helen Brindle. Looking on are: (l. to r.) H. F. Briggeman and A. J. Lange, of the Specialty Transformer Purchasing division.



The Apprentices took top honors in the G-E Interdivision Softball League when they downed the Works Lab in a 2 to 1 thriller. Don Dimke pitched his best game of the season as he scattered three singles. The Apps though able to get only the same number of hits off Paul Beltz, took advantage of three walks and a hit to score their two runs in the first inning. The players are hanging up their spikes after a successful year in which the team had a record of 25 wins and nine losses. The teams leading hitters were John Leffers batting .360 and Warren Berkheiser with a .350. Marc Junk led the team in the RBI column with 27 and Kenny Zurbuch was the leading pitcher with a 14-5 record, Kenny also led in strikeouts with 98 for the season. Let's all congratulate Frank Woenker and our team on their championship. We thought all along that they were the best. . . . With sadness the Transformer Drafting section says goodby to Frede, but they think Motor and Generator is getting a good man. . . . Dick Wagner says as far as he is concerned the draftsmen can go without their checks, since they showed disapproval of last week's bearer. . . . A rumor is going around that since Brownie has a house that he is expecting some of his "buddies" to have a party in his honor—at his house. . . . If Brownie has no phone, at least he should be able to get some sleep without Frede or Schmidt calling to ask what time it is. . . . An embarrassing moment occurred to one of our instructors on a Sunday morning some few winters ago. He strolled into Sunday School, noticing that a fair attendance was in prospect. As he reached the coat rack and removed his top coat, he realized that he had failed to put on his suit coat over his vest. So there he stood wondering what to do. He solved the problem by removing the vest and attending services in his shirt-sleeves. That was one Sunday that everyone noticed that Dick was in church. . . . The fleet's in—Dick Gebert and Don Konow have returned from their week-end navy cruise safely. It is reported that both our sailors became very lake sick. That wasn't unusual because even the crew became ill after Prof. Gebert had taken over the wheel and went swaying over the course. It seems that in the Navy they believe in doing good deeds too. Dick pitched in and helped Don wash a few million dishes so they could go on shore leave together, but Don's whole evening was ruined he was so self conscious of his dishwater hands.

The sun comes up, and
The sun goes down.
I ask the boys for news
They turn me down
Life gets tedious doesn't it?
"Tex Miller"



Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Burkhardt who are the proud parents of a baby boy. His name is James Lee. . . . Birthday greetings of the week go to Bob Crick and Charles Brown who is retired. Pat O'Brien helped him celebrate at Lake George fishing. . . . Bud Kissinger is now a member of the wrong side out club of Bldg. 4-5. He came to work recently wearing his shirt wrong side out. . . . Roy Woods (farmer or gardener) displayed his freak tomato formed like a chicken. . . . Mabel Beatty claims she was lucky for the first time. She won a wrist watch recently. . . . We hear from a very unreliable source that when Leonard Jenne stopped at the hospital to visit a friend, an interne mistook Leonard for a patient. . . . The co-workers express their sympathy in the death of Don Coolman's mother.



News from Bldg. 18-4: We are happy to report that Dorothy Long, who is a polio victim, is now on the mend and can receive visitors at the St. Joseph Hospital. She will be very glad to have visitors now as we know the days are long for her. . . . Carl Brandt and Fred Andrews had to take several days toll with the influenza (or what ever the 1949 version of the malady is). . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Al Tharp in the death of his mother, Mrs. Amos Tharp. . . . Bldg. 18-3: Peter Kuttner returned Monday from a vacation, and James Craig spent part of his vacation in Chicago and the remainder—just relaxing. . . . The marriage of Vivian Eller was solemnized Sept. 24 at Marion, Ind. The reception was held at New Haven. . . . The Notre Dame game played in South Bend two weeks ago was attended by at least three G-E employees from this floor, Joe Wauro, Clara Theisman and Joann Springer. . . . Jerry Snowberger was ill a couple days last week. . . . Betty Carter will be married Sunday, Oct. 9. . . . Question—Was Robert "Archie" Archibold so engrossed in feeding the pigeons in front of the Court House recently, that he forgot to get on the G-E Special? . . . Bldg. 18-1: The Payroll girls braved the weather last Monday night and enjoyed a wiener bake—from all reports the party must have been a huge success. . . . Visitor from Florida: Janet Van Auken Leeper recently from West Palm Beach, Fla., visited Payroll friends last Wednesday. She was proudly displaying a picture of her young daughter. She is sweet too! . . . Jean Rose recently visited the Railroad Fair in Chicago.

Red Feather

To be sure the red feathers are small, but isn't it a satisfaction to see so many of them being worn throughout the plant? "Care Enough to Share"—To those of you who are not wearing the symbol, why not think it over? I am sure you will be pleased with the satisfaction it gives you—just knowing that you are helping someone else. A trip down to the Day Nursery will help you reach a decision if you are in doubt.

"Tremblin' In The Kremlin"

Next Wednesday through Saturday, there will be Family Night for the General Electric Employees—nine shows in all. In addition to "Tremblin' in the Kremlin" they will present—"Our Family Album" and "By Their Works." This is all a part of the Charlie Wilson Golden Anniversary program. Do not overlook the opportunity of (1) to see a well planned entertainment, (2) to join in the Wilson Anniversary festivities, and (3) to bring your family to the G-E Club. . . . My appreciation to Donald E. Rust for the following—

Every Day
Do more than exist, live
Do more than touch, feel
Do more than look, observe
Do more than read, absorb
Do more than listen, understand
Do more than think, ponder
Do more than talk, say something.



CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, October 10, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Two keys in brown leather key case. Found in Bldg. 4-1.

FOUND—Pair blue cloth gloves. Found on west side of Broadway by Bldg. 19 gate.

FOR SALE

CUTE PUPPY—Part scottie, part terrier. H-90481.

HIGH CHAIR—Solid maple, $6. A-76304.

GIRLS' CLOTHING — 8-12 years; Boy Scout uniform. H-69081 or 4318 S. Wayne Ave.

BOY'S BROWN OVERCOAT—Size 14, good condition; also boy's tan sport coat, size 14, good condition. A-19442.

PAIR 1" STARETT MICROMETERS—Like new. Columbia City phone 260J.

FLOWERS — House plants, perennials, corsages, wedding, funeral, holiday pieces, graduate floral designer, free delivery. New Haven 7763 (no toll).

JONATHAN APPLES — $1 bu., bring own containers. 1125 Clara or A-87012.

1936 STUDEBAKER—With heater, original finish, very low mileage, clean. H-9398.

FOR RENT

SLEEPING ROOMS — Near Broadway plant. 2146 Fox Ave.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDERS—Dale Grigsby, from Columbia City. Works in Bldg. 26-2 from 8-5:15. Extension 753 or phone Columbia City 260J.

WANTS RIDE—From Waterloo, Pauline Badman. Works in Bldg. 4-6, from 8-5:15. Extension 408.

Partizans Announce Fall Harvest Party

The Partizan Chapter of Elex will hold a Fall Harvest party Tuesday, Oct. 18, at the G-E Club building. The program will begin at 1 p.m.

Nora Kern is chairman of the afternoon. Assisting her are Lola McCague, Louise Heine, and Lois Henry.

Tickets for the second annual chapter banquet will be on sale that day for $1.45. The dinner will be held at the YWCA Tuesday, Nov. 15.



The eyes of America are on New York this week-end as the New York Yankees and the Brooklyn Dodgers battle for the World Series. Not even the football games can take any of the color away from King Baseball until the last side is retired. . . . According to the latest safety badges, if we had 1,000,000 man hours without a lost-time accident and this was divided evenly, each of us would have a lost-time accident once in 207 years. If you could go that long after 207 years, you wouldn't care. . . . Are you using the proper tools for your job? If you are using tools that are worn and not doing a proper job, contact your foreman. He would rather write a new tool order than one for the dispensary. Let's make this a safe year. We are on the last lap. . . . Bob Walt has joined the Floorwalkers, Inc. since Karen Sue is issuing her calling cards from the Walt residence. We think Karen Sue is a very lucky girl who Bob and Marie has opened their hearts and home and taken her as their adopted daughter. I'm sure her new papa and mama will give her a wonderful home. Also congratulations on the blue bootied tax deduction of the Walter Hart home. The mama, Frances McCague, was a former co-worker. . . . FAMOUS SAYING: "Joe, what pretty blue eyes you have." . . . MYSTERY: Why does Hershel Case stargaze out the south window? . . . EXCITEMENT: All the excitement back in the lead section was due to the fact that Velma Seibt suddenly found herself 750 smackers richer than when she came to work. . . . Ocie Allen, Neoma Bodle and Delbert Thomas were last week visitors. . . . We thought Mary Wright was coming out with a new kind of corsage. It was just paper slips pinned to her dress for reminders. The string around the finger method must be on its way out. . . . It's a happy birthday to Lucille Allen and Gertie Beekner. . . . Walter Kryder changes his ties so often that he hasn't even time to remove the price tag. Bow ties are short, but last longer, Walter. . . . THE UNUSUAL HAPPENING: We hear of people hooking fish, and the fish eventually end in our tummies. Floetta Zartman is different. The fish hooked her, and she ended up in the emergency room of the hospital. . . . Rosella Farrell has joined the "I gotta new car" club. It's a Buick. Hedy Harrison was seen helping her enjoy it. . . JoAnn Kemery was lucky at bingo. If you are hungry for cake, maybe she will help you. . . . Ivah Grandstaff spent last week-end at Terre Haute visiting her daughter. . . . Bertha Bertsch had the wrong lunch the other day. She didn't discover it in time to keep Nettie Huhn from going out to buy another. . . . Lucille Allen must have had too much Chicago, because she had it in the neck last week. . . . Mary Shumm celebrated her wedding anniversary last Wednesday. . . . Several girls have heard from Lowella Koogle. She finally found an apartment and she also has a job at the RCA. We hope you like your new home and job. . . . Martha Rice thought she was seeing things. The sun shining on the crystal snaps of her purse was the whole cause of the smoke scare. . . . Margie Drake must have started morning exercises. She has a monopoly on the rubbing alcohol bottle these days. . . . Have you noticed that the girl who writes "Behind the Cracker Barrel" changed her name since her last column? Wish you lots of happiness, Marie. . . . Congratulations to our new Elex president. Let's all help to make Mary Leiter's year a good one.

One test of bigness is in doing little things in a big way.

Erxleben Enters Retirement



August J. Erxleben is shown, above, relaxing at his home on Sinclair St., after his retirement Sept. 1. He first started working for G-E in 1927 as a helper in Bldg. 4-1. He has worked in Bldgs. 4-4 and 6-4. When he left for retirement, Mr. Erxleben was employed in Bldg. 4-4.



Why everyone wants to pick on me I don't know, but last week I came back to my bench and found a box of shavings and a sketch with a note stating that was the way the job came out. I didn't think the bore being larger than the O. D. would make that much difference. One inch shouldn't make too much difference, or should it? Maybe someone was waiting for an opportunity to get even. . . . Ralph Solt made arrangements to take Glenn Miller home in his car and after getting to Glenn's home and stopping to let him out of the car realized he had left Glenn stranded at the shop. Glenn had to call his wife to come in and get him. Then the next morning Ralph forgot to stop and pick Glenn up on his way in, or rather Ralph failed to come in to work, leaving Glenn stranded again. . . . Walt Schelper celebrated another wedding anniversary last week. . . . Ray Bowers has been telling all the fellows about that new Nash he has purchased. What we want to know is when he is going to unveil it as he is still driving the same old car to work. . . . Dewey Erne was a bit peeved last week by not being able to have the whistle blow in order to save him and his partner Bill Johnson from being skunked, but that pleased Louie Watt and Ernie Brown. . . . Fred Vietmeyer had his name on the front pages of the Works News for considerably less than $160. Anyway, we hope the guilty culprits are caught. . . . Arnold Engle sawed a piece of steel in the big saw and then put the remaining piece of material back in the stock rack. Returning to the saw, he found his piece had vanished. After accusing all his co-workers and making various threats as to how he would get even he went back to the rack to saw another piece. Was his face red when he found the saw had failed to completely saw through the material and there was his piece of steel still on the bar. . . . Ozzie Nahrwold being one of the early birds to work, was quite conspicuous by not getting in at his usual time the other morning. But just as the whistle blew, in blew Ozzie who had a flat tire on his way in. . . . There was a cartoon of various types of fishermen on the bulletin board the other morning and someone had assigned some very appropriate names to some of the types including Louie Watt, Paul Boedeker, Bill Johnson and Hot Rod Deveny. Deveny had told Louie Watt last Friday he would eat all the heads raw of all the pike he could catch over the week-end. There was a sack with a pike head on Russell's bench Monday morning, but Russ backed out, claiming a foul, it not being the particular pike that Louie caught. . . . Birthday greetings this week to John Repine and to Dave Bartle who I missed in last week's column.



Inquiring Reporter:

IN YOUR OPINION, WHAT IS THE GREATEST CAUSE OF INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS?



DEWEY WICKLIFFE

Bldg. 19-2

"I think the largest percent of accidents are due to carelessness. They are not always the fault of the individual involved, but through the carelessness of someone else."



WILLIAM GRIM

Bldg. 17-1

"I think one of the greatest causes of industrial accidents is doing the job the wrong way, instead of taking a little more time and doing the job safely. Short cuts often lose more time than they save."



ROSIE THOMAS

Bldg. 20-2

"Thoughtlessness, lack of personalized safety instructions, and disregard of safety rules."



ALMA KURTZ

Taylor St.

"I think the greatest cause of industrial accidents is carelessness and disregarding safety rules."



WHEELER A. GOBLE

Bldg. 24

"I think the greatest cause of industrial accidents is carelessness—too much of a hurry to get the job done, faulty equipment, and not using safety devices."

100 G-E Golfers Compete In Blind Bogey Tournament



A field of 100 G-E golfers played Saturday, Sept. 17, in the Blind Bogey tournament at Brookwood golf course.

The first prize, a membership ticket for 1950 presented by the owner of Brookwood, was won by Harold Mosshammer of Taylor St. The medalist prize went to Willie Adams for his effort of 73. A prize of two golf lessons was awarded to John Lea, Bldg. 26-5, for high score of the day.

In the group whose scores ranged from 70-90, winners were: C. A. Anderberg, John Skevington, Al Reynolds, Roland Wickliffe, Lloyd Grider, Ray Hills, J. Wichman, Bob Hall, Walter Sunier, and G. Ludeman.

Winners in the 91-100 group included: Bob Dent, R. Smith, A. W. Lee, Bill Purman, Lloyd Garland, W. Miller, Don Dimke, Ray Rogers, Lew Davis, and Stan Marquardt.

In the remaining group for scores of 101 and over, prize winners were: Wolf, Taylor St.; Horstman, Bldg. 19-2; A. Black, Joe Rowan, Bernie English, E. E. Kester, Walt Pohler, C. H. Nicholson, F. J. Gnau, and Bob Knepple.

Merchandise certificates were mailed to the winners.

Prizes in the cash hogey were drawn by Bernie English, Emil Ponsot, Forest Carlson, and Jack Jennings.

The league championship playoff was also held Saturday.

Shown in the layout of pictures, above, are:

(1) Denton Manecke, manager of the G-E golf leagues, is shown (second from the right) with Bill Kaiser, Harold Braden, Bob Dent, and Bill Miller.

(2) John Skevington, Winter St., makes an attempt at getting out of the sand trap. John recorded one of the low individual scores, 82.

(3) Walter Lamboley fishes one out of the stream.

(4) Leon Lahrman approaches the green.

(5) Bill Kaiser and Harold Braden prove there's more than one way to get the ball in. From left to right are: Bill Kaiser, Bill Miller, Roland Wickliffe, Harold Braden, Bob Dent, Leon Lahrman, Don Dimke, and Lew Davis.

(6) Putting on the green are: (l. to r.) Bob Aldrich, John Winstel, Myron Cox, and Ray Horstman.

(7) Lew Davis brushes out a mental hazard obstructing the way to the cup for Bill Miller. The critical audience includes: (l. to r.) Harold Braden, Leon Lahrman, Roland Wickliffe, Don Dimke, and Bill Kaiser.

MEDICAL MEMOS.....

by Mary Heymann

October's bright weather has arrived in all its glory. The crisp, invigorating air helps to lighten our spirits and make our walk more brisk. Even before World Series history has been made, King Football ascends the throne to begin his reign. Mabel Wilson attended the Ohio State-Indiana football game at Columbus, Ohio, last Saturday. . . . Alta Bishop Mayle was called to Toledo last Thursday because of the illness of her brother-in-law, Howard Rittenhouse, age 35, a victim of polio, who has been placed in an iron lung. Mr. Rittenhouse is the father of four small children. . . . Mary Heymann attended the annual reunion of the class of '42, of the Methodist Hospital School of Nursing, held October 2, at Rushville, Ind. . . . "IT'S A BOY": Steven LaMar—and his mama is Maurine Snyder Nail; also Michael Terry, who arrived at the June Edsall home. Both mamas were former nurses of the Medical section. . . . Bertha Schrader has returned to work after a week's absence on account of flu. . . . Wedding bells will soon be ringing for Mildred McCollem, former clerk in the Dispensary at Taylor Street. Her new home will be in San Antonio, Texas, where her husband is in business. . . . Drs. Harry W. Garton and Harvey L. Murdock, attended the Indiana State Medical Association's annual convention held in Indianapolis last week. This year marked the 100th anniversary of the organization and we wish to offer our congratulations. . . . FOR SALE: 1941 2-door Chevrolet car, good tires, newly painted, but won't run without gas. See Mae Mulvane, Dispensary, Bldg. 21.

PENSIONER PARADE

Here comes the second section of the "Pensioners' Parade," and more is to follow during the weeks to come. Why don't all you retired gals and fellows jump on the band wagon and tell us what you're doing these leisure days. Remember this is your column. Send any items to the G-E WORKS NEWS, Bldg. 8-2. Or just give us a buzz on the phone, A-2441, Extension 441. . . . It's a happy birthday today to Edna Voirol. . . . In our first column, we didn't give Sherman Stilwell much credit for his marksmanship. The distance between the deer and him for hunting a la bow and arrow is 30 yards (instead of feet). . . . Tickets have been mailed to all pensioners for the Family Night next week. The slide film, "Our Family Album," should bring back memories to you concerning the plant way-back-when—before the elevation, the "Lights," Mr. McDonald, Jenny Electric, or our stand-by, Mr. Barnes.

Keghead REPORTS

We notice that the News-Sentinel has added a few more highlights to the column, "Spilling the Maples," which has helped the column. It is Keghead's belief that they made a big mistake when they omitted the 200 scores from the men's bowling reports. It's just like giving the baseball scores and not getting the box scores. Let's hope they go back to giving the 200 counts.

The Sunday edition of the Journal-Gazette, not to be outdone has come up with a very interesting column under the heading, "Kegler's Korner" (no, it's not by Keghead Kegler), which deals with intercsting bowling topics of the Fort Wayne area. Did you notice that the G-E tournament was listed as a major tournament?

All league secretaries are urged to turn in their league sanctions promptly at the club counter.

Please, bowlers, let's not see any more of this dropping of the hall on the runways, as was observed at the club recently. The Club has spent plenty getting the alleys in shape. Let's not ruin them by unneeded carelessness.

Open Alleys Saturday

The G-E Club alleys will be open for open bowling from 3 to 11 p.m. every Saturday starting Oct. 15. That same evening the Fort Wayne All-Star League will give an exhibition. The All-Stars will appear at the alleys every fourth week. A featured bowler of the All-Stars include G-E's own Eddie Kraft, 1949 state all-events champ (also G-E tournament all-events and singles champ). Others include Frank "Chick" Carr, Everett Scott Jr., Bob Ramsey and Porter Pace, to name a few. For an evening of bowling, come down and watch the hot shots and then take to the alleys yourself. You can't beat fnn at the old bowling alley.

Frank Mataya gave an exhibition at the club alleys last Tuesday evening between leaves. Vic Rump and Don Dimke took on the old pro in match games. Don lost 214 to 183, and Vic, running into split trouble, lost 192-150. Mr. Mataya had plenty of questions from the boys and the gab-fest was still going strong at 10:30.

G-E Masonic League

The Doric boys are out front in the league with a seven and two record. Just one game back come the Fellowcraft and Pillar teams. The Composite team holds high three game total and high single game, with scores of 2721 and 958.

Don Shultz acquired the league's first 600. Don rolled games of 161, 238, and 221 for a 620 total.

Two hundred scores for the past two weeks are: Art Hickman, 236; R. Crabil, 230; M. Martz, 226; Ed Crabil, 223 and 201; Marion Bailey and R. Dale, 215; B. Summers, 222; "Lucky" Garrett, 206; H. Briant, 204; E. Gilchrist, and N. Boerger, 203; D. Jones, 201, and C. Rastetter, 200.

Bob Kohlenberg got off of the 94 average he had the first week. He picked up 30 points this week.

Apparatus League

Not much to report here, but Blomker got 218, and Knepple, 212.

Apprentice League

Two hundred scores were kegled by: Don Dimke, 201, and Gotschall, 200.

Homer Carson claims he'll never clean his ball again. He just can't seem to keep it on the alley with it all shined up.

Interdivision League

The first week's scores ran pretty good, except for a few of the old pros such as "Dodo" Matthews, Walt Mertz and Hal Fanning, who seemed to have had a little trouble.

Andy Anderson, the league's new secretary, started right out with a 610 series on games of 222, 216 and 172. Herb Habig was just one pin back on counts of 231, 194 and 184.

Two hundred scores for the first week: Oscar Shelper, 213; Erv Haughk, 201; Leo Elward, 214; George Luedeman, 220; Les Shroyer, 204; Frank Iannelly, 232; Paul Billman, 224; Don Dimke; Art Seidel, 202, and Noah Kuntz, 237.

After the second week's bowling, the boys are wondering if Matthews isn't closing his eyes. He is running an all time low. (Bill Doehrman will be challenging him to a match game if he isn't careful.)

No 600 counts this week and very few 200 scores, as the pins seemed to havc gone on a "strike" (pun intended). Noah Kuntz led the pack of 200 scores with counts of 204 and 202; Hal Fanning, 219; Paul Billman, 202; Oscar Shelper, 200; R. Tobias, 200; Ty Cook and "Keghead" Shroyer, 203.

Our fireman of fame, Ernie Hanauer, has given up bowling. What a shame to run out of steam at such a tender age. Won't ma let you out any more, Ernie?

The Brouwer Tire and Battery team is having a rough time with team personnel this year. Walt Mertz, who led all G-E Club bowlers in average last year, was forced to quit the game. (Be looking for you back next year, Walt). Last week, Lowell Welker, another top-notch bowler was forced to go into retirement for a time by re-injuring his back. The old men of the team seem to just keep plugging along. Wonder where the fountain of youth is?

Office League

Last week Frankie Schlink blasted out the league's first 600 count, a 628 on games of 191, 215 and 222. Incidently those scores helped the Designers sweep three games as the rest of his team really hit the skids.

Two hundred counts were knocked out by Don Waldrop, 232; Don Pappert, 221; Ted Ross, 201; Erv Aumann, 212 and 201; Carl Hattendorf, 214, and Clarence Rump, 212.

This week Bob Kallmeyer came up with a big 636 count, on games of 221, 227 and 188. Bob Stout, of the Motor and Generator team, came through with two 200 counts, 203 and 201. Bob had been hollering that he just couldn't hit that double century mark.

Erv Aumann, with 200 and 225, and Wade Tyler, with a 228, rounded out the evening's 200 scores.

Standardizing is now leading the league with a 10 and two record.

Small Motor League

The alleys at the G-E Club were really sizzling in the Small Motor Bowling League Wednesday night. Flager had the big 600 series with a 191, 210, and 212 count for a total of 613 pins. Kammeyer came through with two big games, 204 and 200. Hinton got a 203 as did Lamboley. Whonsetler and Hoffman each had a 201. Aumann got 211, Worley and Billue had a big 209. At the end of the second week of bowling Team No. 5, Inspection, have really turned on the steam with five wins to only one game lost. Close on their heels comc Production, Office and Test Teams with a count of four games won and two lost. Anyone interested in learning how to throw a shadow ball is asked to contact Orval (Gutterball) Haver. Orval still insists that it was the shadow of the ball that knocked the No. 9 pin over in the 10th frame.

Decatur Bowling

G-E Fraternal League: Two hundred scores were rolled by H. Murphy, 247 and 203; G. Schultz, 206 and 201; C. McIntosh, 219; and P. Hoffman, 231. H. Murphy kegled the high series of 630.

Monday Night League: Cook rolled 223 and 215, and he also got a 585 series.

Women's League: F. Engle got 181 and Schafer bowled high games of 177 and 178. They also got the high series, Schafer rolling 522 and F. Engle, 449.

From what we hear, if the old and young could change places we'd all be happy.

Owl Basketball League Sets Practice Session

The second G-E Owl League basketball practice will be held Monday, Oct. 17, at 9 a.m. in tbe G-E Club gym. Players are requested to bring their own equipment.

Stanski Completes Season With Majors



Tony Stanski

Tony Stanski, former Central high school cage star, has just completed a successful season as short stop for the G-E Club's Major softhall team. In addition to his airtight fielding, Tony belted the hall at a sizzling .426 clip.

Apprentices Take League Championship

The Apprentice team won two straight games from the Works Lab in the softball playoffs to win the Interdivision League championship. Works Lab was the first-half champion team, and Apprentice won the second-half.

The first game was featured by Goeglein's home run, with two men on base in the seventh inning, to break up the ball game and give Apprentice a 5-4 win.

The second game was a tight pitcher's duel between Don Dimke, of Apprentice, and Paul Beltz, of Works Lab. Each gave up only three hits, with Dimke getting two of his team's three hits as Apprentice won, 2-1. Works Lab could get men on base, but couldn't score after their one run in the second inning. Apprentice got both their runs in the first inning. Rasor gave a brilliant performance in right field, making several difficult catches and five throws.

Apprentice also played independent ball under the sponsorship of Brouwer's Tire and Battery. They won a total of 25 games and lost nine for the season.

Box scores:

FIRST GAME

Apprentice	AB	R	H	Works Lab	AB	R	H
Goeglein,2	3	1	2	Warwick,c	4	0	1
Leffers,c	3	0	1	Hemmeter,ss	4	1	2
Rasor,cf	3	0	0	Ferverda,1	4	0	2
Taylor,1	3	1	1	Beltz,p	4	0	1
Lahrman,3	3	0	0	Hanna,3	4	2	2
Berkheiser,ss	3	1	3	Thompson,rf	3	0	0
Birkenbuel,lf	3	0	0	Hunt,cf	2	1	1
Butcher,rf	2	0	0	Eggeman,rf	1	0	0
Junk	1	1	0	Trott,2	3	0	0
Zurbuch,p	3	1	2	Simmons,lf	3	0	1
Totals	27	5	9	Totals	33	4	10

	R	H	E
Apprentice 000 200 3	5	9	4
Works Lab 000 210 1	4	10	5

SECOND GAME

Apprentice	AB	R	H	Works Lab	AB	R	H
Goeglein,2	4	1	0	Warwick,c	4	0	2
Leffers,c	3	1	1	Beltz,p	4	0	1
Junk,lf	3	0	0	Hemmeter,ss	3	0	0
Butcher,lf	0	0	0	Ferverda,1	2	0	0
Rasor,rf	3	0	0	Hanna,3	3	0	0
Birkenbeul,cf	2	0	0	Thompson,rf	3	1	0
Berkheiser,ss	2	0	0	Hunt,cf	2	0	0
Taylor,1	3	0	0	Trott,2	3	0	0
Lahrman,3	3	0	0	Simmons,lf	2	0	0
Don Dimke,p	3	0	2				
Totals	25	2	3	Totals	26	1	3

	R	H	E
Apprentice 200 000 0	2	3	3
Works Lab 010 000 0	1	3	2

Basketball Team Issues Last Call For New Players

The G-E Club industrial basketball team has scheduled practice sessions for Monday, Oct. 17, and Wednesday, Oct. 19, from 8 to 10 p.m. at the G-E Club gym. This is the last call for players, as tbe season will open early in November.

Fourteen candidates, three veterans and 11 rookies, reported for tbe first practice. On hand from last year's squad were Dick Bucher, Lew Goehring, and Dick Gettys. Jim Walley, former Purdue player, led the parade of newcomers. Ray O'Keefe, Skeets Lahrman, Gene Etter, Al Meyers, Bob Taylor, Bob Baals, Don Hower and Ed Trable were all outstanding players in the Interdivision league last year.

A flirtation is attention without intention.



When anyone in the office wants to be sure of the spelling of a word, they always go to Alma Witte and her big book. But we heard recently that she has started making up her own words. Alma, we bave enough trouble with the plain English language without you confusing us with new ones. By the way, Butch, Happy Birthday Oct. 12. . . . Now that the baseball World Series is in full swing, we have been having some heated arguments in the office. When Gordon Smith, George Bridges, Perry O'Neill and Hugh Neely get together it's just too bad. . . . Tomorrow tbe Supervisors and Foremen of Div. 17 are having tbeir annual picnic at Pokagon State Park. If they spend the day playing baseball, horseshoe and, etc., there are going to be a lot of sore muscles on Monday morning. Take it easy, boys. . . . Ed Scbotter's two granddaughters are visiting him from Tacoma, Wash., and he says the little Indians are really keeping grandpa busy.

Oswalt Scores Hole-In-One At Sales' Golf Tournament

A golf tournament was beld at the South Shore Country Club near tbe South Sbore Inn at Lake Wawasee Sunday afternoon, Sept. 25, as a part of the Sales Conference held by the Specialty Transformer and Ballast commercial organization.

During one of the rounds, W. F. Oswalt, Manager of Manufacturing for the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, scored a hole-in-one on the fourteenth hole, which is 140 yards long with a par of three. Harold Briggeman, Bldg. 26-2; L. E. Gregory, Capacitor Engineer from the Fort Edwards plant; F. D. Reap, of the Pittsburgh office, and C. W. Kronmiller, Bldg. 26-2, witnessed the event.

Mr. Oswalt was presented with a half-dozen golf balls at the Sunday evening dinner for this golfing feat.

TOUCH FOOTBALL LEAGUE OPENS SEASON TUESDAY

The Touch Football League will start the season Tuesday, Oct. 11, at 7 p.m. on fields one and two at McMillan Park.

The schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, Oct. 11

7 p. m.—Apprentice School vs. Test Engineers.

8:15 p.m.—Messengers vs. Firemen.
Works Lab. vs. Transformer.

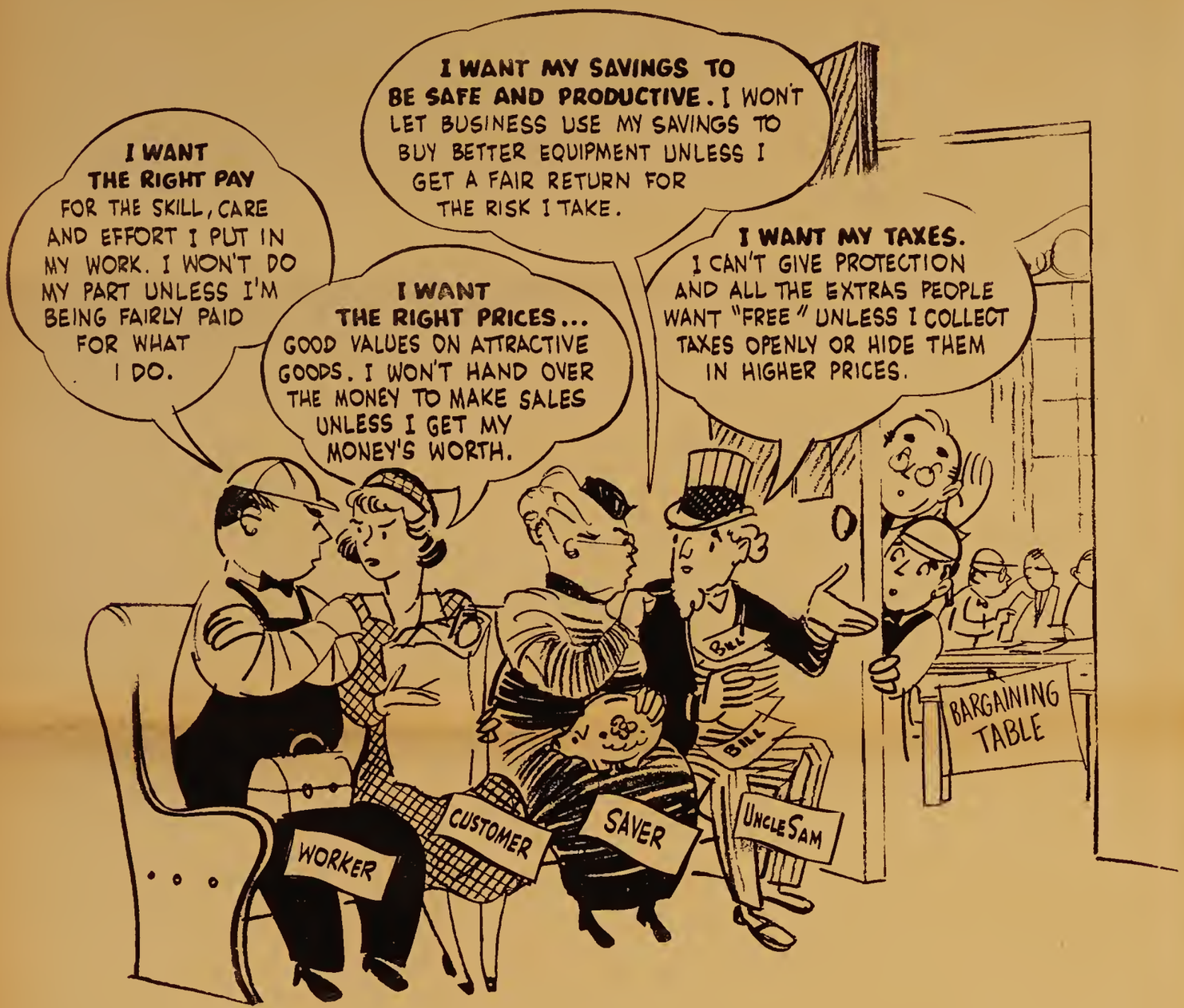
Thursday, Oct. 13

7 p.m.—Apprentice School vs. Tool Division.
Test Engineers vs. Winter St.

8:15 p.m.—Messengers vs. Works Lab.
Firemen vs. Transformer.

Any players or teams wishing to participate in the league should see Dennis O'Connell, Bldg. 8-1, at the park.

Blessed are the deaf for they miss so much small talk.



The "Anxious Bench"

Management Officials and Union Officials inside at the bargaining table don't have just each other to suit. The real job is to satisfy "The Big Four" waiting anxiously outside. Each of that four has a part to play. But not one of them *can* play it—or will even *try*—unless he thinks he is going to get what's right from the others for what he does.

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Community Chest Drive Exceeds Goal

Employees Contribute Over $46,000

Contributions from employees of the Broadway, Taylor St. and Winter St. plants exceeded the Community Chest goal of $45,000 last week by more than $1,092.

With returns still coming in, the total amount raised last week was $46,092.17, or 102.4 per cent of the goal.

The report by divisions of the accumulated totals is as follows:

FHP Motor Divisions	$19,371.44
Works Service, Contrib. Divs.	$12,850.24
Spec. Trans., Ballast Divs.	$6,844.99
Motor, Generator Divisions	$4,082.56
Winter St. Plant	$2,942.94

The percentages of the goal reached by each division, according to the quotas set were:

Works Service and Contributing divisions, 132.2 per cent; Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, 102.6 per cent; Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, 98.3 per cent; Winter St. plant, 85 per cent; and Motor and Generator divisons, 75 per cent.

The following sections exceeded their goals:

Works Service, Contributing Divs.

Wire and Insulation Divs. 6 and 23, General Service Div. 48, General Tool, Accounting and Payroll, Production Service, Wage Rate, Administration, Personnel, G-E Club, Employees' Store, Broadway

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D. H. Hanson, R. L. Spitler Are Named To New Positions



D. H. Hanson



R. L. Spitler

Effective Tuesday, Nov. 1, Robert L. Spitler is appointed Superintendent of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Development Division 33, Bldgs. 17-4 and 2-3, to succeed D. H. Hanson, who is being transferred to the Schenectady Works.

Mr. Hanson studied electrical engineering in Europe and did design work in Norway before coming to General Electric. He first started working here in 1929 as a factory contact engineer in the FHP Motor division. Since that time he

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General Electric Resumes Negotiations With UE-CIO

General Electric resumed negotiations Wednesday, Oct. 12, with the United Electrical Workers-CIO after a lapse of 12 weeks.

The union negotiators came in with the statement that "the situation has not been standing still," but then spent the whole period of the brief meeting in repeating their original $500 package demand unchanged from what had been presented four months ago and then had been considered in detail.

The meeting adjourned after a brief statement by G. H. Pfeif, Manager of Union Relations for the General Electric Company, that the union's restated demands would again be carefully examined and that, at the next meeting, Wednesday, Oct. 19, he would give the union "a statement of the Company's position."

In closing the meeting at 10:50 a.m., Mr. Pfeif reminded the union negotiators that the work stoppage demonstrations that union officials had attempted to organize at some plants for 11 o'clock Wednesday morning, apparently in support of the bargaining commit-

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10 SUGGESTORS ARE GIVEN LIGHTERS AS BONUS AWARDS

The following 10 employees were presented G-E monogramed cigarette lighters this week as bonus awards for submitting suggestions on which the regular awards were $10 or more:

Amel Beck, Taylor St.; Arthur Gardt, Taylor St.; Homer Markley, Bldg. 20; Pete Helmer, Bldg. 20; James Turner, Tiffin; Ralph Begue, Taylor St.; Ben Fleek, Taylor St.; William Hunt, Decatur; Calvin Magley, Decatur, and Clarence Drake, Decatur.

SCHAPER STORE IS NAMED AS AUTHORIZED G-E DEALER

The Schaper Home Appliance store, 1622 Sherman St., has been appointed as an additional authorized G-E dealer with a full line of appliances, it was announced today.

As new 1950 models become available, the store will have the complete G-E line of home appliances for sale at employee prices.

This increases the number of outlets to serve employees in Fort Wayne and is particularly advantageous to employees residing in the northern section of the city.

As in the past, major appliances will continue to be available at an employees' discount at the two Schueler stores, 2126 Fairfield Ave. and 126 E. Wayne St., and Wolf and Dessauer appliance store, 133 E. Washington Blvd.

The Schaper and Schueler stores will have on sale the complete line of G-E major appliances at employee discount. Wolf and Dessauer handles the complete line, except for refrigerators.

Employees may purchase radios at a discount at the Schuler stores; Martin's Radio and Electrical shop, 1123 E. State Blvd.; Central Elec-

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G-E Family Nights Are Presented



Boris Pavloff (center), a Russian spy portrayed by Alexis Rotov in "Tremblin' in the Kremlin," is forced to report to the Commissar of Visual Propaganda (Joyce Randolph) with his secret film in its pumpkin-vault in the comedy production which is being presented this week as a part of nine G-E Family Night programs for G-E employees, their families and friends, in the G-E Club auditorium. Two more performances are slated tonight at 7 and 9 p.m. and Saturday night at 8 p.m. The picture, above, was taken at one of the Decatur performances Tuesday.

G-E Club To Sponsor Fall Revue Nov. 5-6

The G-E Club will present its annual Fall Revue Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 5-6, it was announced today by Ralph Heminger, chairman of the entertainment committee.

Shows will be given at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, and at 1 p.m., 3 p.m., and 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6. Tickets will be available beginning Monday, Oct. 24, at the G-E Club candy-stand. Employees may get as many tickets as are called for on their membership card.

Taylor St. employees may obtain their tickets at the Personnel or Employment office.

"The Fall Revue promises to be an outstanding show," Mr. Heminger said, "as a variety of acts are being booked that will be enjoyed by both young and old. The booking agent for this show will again be June Darling, of Chicago, who has furnished us with a great number of fine shows over the past years."

The first act to be booked was Harold Gautier's poodles, in a 10-

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"Excess Baggage" is the title of the canine comedy act, which has been booked for the G-E Club's Fall Revue.

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THE CHALLENGE

By J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

"... What doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?"
MICAH 6:8

These three simple phrases set up an indestructible guide-post for human conduct. In clear and simple words they establish the essentials of decency. All are of the spirit—justice, mercy, humility.

The prophet's words are for the individual. "What," he says, "is required of **thee**," the individual? Their importance lies in the much-neglected fact that nations are but the sum total of all the people.

No nation grows in greatness save through the wisdom, the determination and the vision of individuals. Each victory of man over the tyranny of absolute authority in government is the triumph of leaders who know justice, are merciful and are humble before God.

Today the conflict between freedom for the individual and rigid authority for the state is in eruption throughout the world. Peoples who had struggled for generations to gain precious liberties are thrust back into the darkness of materialism and oppression. At every hand the way of the democracies is challenged by fresh aggressions upon the human spirit.

Sometimes these present problems seem beyond the power of any single man to cure. Yet if each follows the simple truths of the prophet, we can all influence the outcome. It is for us, who rejoice in the blessings of freedom, so to live our lives that, as a nation, we are an example to the world. We can then restore peace and dignity to mankind.

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The BIBLE Holds The Promise Man Can Make This A Better World

"Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul?"

Expressed in other words and presented in various forms, these two passages represent the underlying philosophy of righteous living and human happiness. Taken to heart and made a part of your life they stand as a bulwark against the gnawing of greed, the frenzy of intolerance and the corroding sin of selfishness.

The Bible contains many other searching truths and given many other directives to those seeking enlightenment for a life worth living. Lonely people, burdened people, despairing people search it for strength and courage. Anxious people seek light for judging these times of spiritual tempest and earthquake.

The nation is observing National Bible Week, Oct. 17 to 23, and it might well be made an occasion for refreshment of the spirit through reading the Holy Bible. Too many of us have let the Bible remain unopened too long and have thought there might be easier and more attractive ways of satisfying the soul. But in the moments of real resting there is no substitute for The Word.

It is apparent that the need for the teachings of the Holy Bible becomes greater and greater in these days of alien, godless ideologies—therefore, what greater need could there be than to set aside a specific time in which to observe and take heed of those teachings—at least one week out of 52 in the year.

The Need For Integrity

"Many years of soul-searching experiences have convinced me that one of the greatest needs of our country in the industrial and commercial ranks—likewise in the professional and in the ranks of government—is for more and more men and women of unquestioned integrity—that strict individual integrity which puts honor before all else in the relationships between workers and employers—between institutions and individuals—between doctors and patients—between bench and bar—between statesman and citizen."

—Charles E. Wilson, President

Cheaper to 'Let the Gov'ment Do It'?



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It's Your Federal Government

Our $500 Million Post Office Loss

By Rohert L. Johnson

Editor's Note: Following is the second in a series of articles describing the major findings of the "Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report." These articles are written by Robert L. Johnson, President of Temple University and Chairman of the committee. The committee is a voluntary, nonprofit, nonpartisan organization of leading citizens which has undertaken the task of informing the public of just what reorganization means and what the Hoover Commission recommendations, if enacted into law, will mean to each individual and to the nation.

If you feel concerned, as who does not in these days, over the vast increase in the cost of your government, and wonder about the reasons for it, you don't have to look beyond the U. S. Post Office for an object lesson in antiquated management, costly methods, and obsolete equipment.

As one of the world's biggest business enterprises with an overturn of $1.3 billions a year, it is the world's outstanding example of how business should not be conducted.

Naturally no private business could be so run that it showed an annual deficit. This year, the Post Office will go "in the red" for about half a billion dollars. This is one-sixth of the staggering sum of $3 billions which, according to the Report of the Hoover Commission, our government is wasting every year.

Nor could any private business survive if most of its key management men were changed periodically with changing political fortunes. And certainly no enterprise could succeed in this day of modern business equipment which adhered, as the Post Office does, to obsolete and crippling methods of work by hand in sorting, stamping, checking and otherwise keeping track of 37 billion pieces of mail each year.

113 Years With No Change

This condition of the Post Office is nothing new. It has been going on for a century or more. In fact there has been no basic change in its organizational structure since 1836.

The first recorded instance of anybody criticising the management and methods was in 1889 when John Wanamaker, the Philadelphia merchant, was made Postmaster General. After looking over his Department, Mr. Wanamaker went to President Benjamin Harrison with a revolutionary proposal. He told the President that he would contract to take over the Post Office as a private venture, put it under strict business rules of management, and show a profit to government as well as to himself.

This offer was not accepted but it is notable that 60 years after the bipartisan Hoover Commission, which was unanimously created by Congress to investigate government spending and waste, after a year's investigation of various departments, made a similar suggestion. It was that application of business principles to the Post Office would save hundreds of millions of dollars. It could save $140 millions at once, the Commission pointed out, by modernizing the organization, methods and equipment. An additional $114 millions could be saved by fixing new rates on certain items.

Good Joh Under Conditions

The Post Office employees are doing a good job under adverse conditions. They are operating a huge business.

Its revenues are $1.3 billions a year. It employs 500,000 people. It operates 42,000 branches and maintains 24,000 buildings. It has a fleet of 10,000 vehicles, of which the average age is 15½ years. It transports and delivers 37 billion pieces of mail each year and conducts 800 million other transactions in money orders, etc. And it runs a savings "bank" with 4 million depositors with total accounts of $3.4 billions.

That certainly looks like good business. But here is the other side of the picture:

The Post Office sells you, and delivers for one cent, a postal card which costs it two and one half cents to print and deliver. This loss in a year amounts to $45 millions. It carries 1.6 billion pieces of mail free. It pays huge subsidies to large users of mail and to airplane, steamship and other carriers. It has no control over its own accounting and cannot tell you what its financial condition is within eight months of date.

Moreover, because of its outmoded methods of work, and meager opportunities for advancement, it has a tremendous turnover of personnel. Its control is so centralized in Washington that its 42,000 postmasters have little to say about the conduct of their branches and none about their finances. Postmasters are politically appointed.

Remove From Politics

The Hoover Commission suggested drastic changes to improve these conditions. First, it would take the Department out of politics. It would have postmasters appointed from the service on merit, simplify the 900-page book of regulations which is their guide, do away with hidden subsidies, and adjust the rates to meet the expenses.

There are three bills now before Congress to effect these changes. They are next in order on the Congressional calendar. It is time for you, if you are anxious to see these improvements, to write to your Senators and Congressmen and urge tbeir support of these bills. It will mean money in your pocket.

The Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report, a nonpartisan, voluntary group nation-wide in scope, was organized to carry on an educational campaign following the expiration of the Hoover Commission on June 12. It was suggested by President Truman in order that the work of the Commission might be kept before the public during the progress of the Reorganization bills through Congress.

The directorate of the committee indicates its nonpartisan nature. On the board are leaders in agriculture, business, education, labor, and veterans and women's groups without regard to party or other affiliations.

RED FEATHER
Questions and Answers

Editor's Note: The following is the second in a series of questions and answers regarding the Community Chest. An attempt has been made here to answer the many questions which have arisen from time to time concerning the activities and operation of the Community Chest and its 20 Red Feather agencies. If you have a question you want answered, send it to the WORKS NEWS, Bldg. 8-2.

Do hoard members, campaign leaders and solicitors get a salary or a percentage of the collection?

No! Absolutely not. Only a small staff to administer the year round planning, collecting, disbursing, accounting, interpreting and coordinating of this half-million dollar corporation is paid. All others serve voluntarily without any compensation. In addition they make generous pledges to the campaign!

Will the Red Feather agencies solicit additional funds again this year?

No. They are pledged not to solicit for operating expenses. They may solicit for building or other capital improvements only with special permission of the Board of Directors. None will solicit this year.

Committee To Consider Increase In Maximum Benefits Of MBA Plan

The MBA General Committee will meet at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19, in the large conference room of Bldg. 8-2 to vote on proposed amendments that would increase the maximum benefits it is possible to receive from the Mutual Benefit Association. A comparison in condensed form of the present and proposed amendments to the MBA plan as related to benefits is as follows:

Article		Present	Proposed
XI (4)	Maximum payable for employees plus dependents in any 12 consecutive months—does not include death benefit of $200.	$800	$1600
	Coverage A—Employees Disability		
XI (5A)	Disability Maximum in 12 months	$3.60 per day—five days per week—$252.	$3.60 per day—five days per week—$252.
XI (5B)	Hospital Benefits	$6 per day for 27 days. Maximum in 12 months.	$7.50 per day for first 27 days. $5 per day for next 100 days.
	Hospital Extras	Up to $20 for each period of hospitalization.	Up to $50 for each period of hospitalization. Also up to $15 for each out-patient visit to hospital up to maximum of $50.
	Maximum reimbursement for above	Maximum of $182 in 12 months.	Maximum of $802.50 in 12 months.
XI (5C)	Surgical Benefits	Up to $175 in any 12 months.	Up to $175 in any 12 months.
	Coverage B—Dependents Benefits		
XI (6A)	Hospital Benefits	$5 per day for 27 days. Maximum in 12 months.	$6 per day for 27 days. Maximum in 12 months.
	Hospital Extras	Up to $20 for each period of hospitalization	Up to $40 for each period of hospitalization.
	Maximum reimbursement for above	$155	$202
XI (6B)	Surgical Benefits	Up to $131.25. Maximum in 12 months.	Up to $131.25. Maximum in 12 months.
XI (6C)	Maternity Benefits	Up to $50 for hospital and hospital extras and up to $50 for surgery.	$100 for normal delivery. $150 for Caesarean. $150 for extra-uterine delivery. $75 for miscarriage. Up to $25 for miscarriage where no hospitalization is involved.
XII	Weekly Deductions	$.50	$.55
	Class A—Employees	$.50	$.55
	Class B—Dependents	$.50	$.55

Three Are Commended For Best Records In Safety Reports By General Foremen

W. L. Greiner, Broadway; G. J. Nicole, Taylor St., and R. W. Boyd, branch plant, were named this week as having the best records as foremen in their respective plants according to the safety inspection reports of all general foremen for the second quarter of this year, it was announced today by Herschel L. Smith, safety engineer.

The reports contain the standings of each foreman, whose safety activities were analyzed by the general foreman of each division at the Fort Wayne Works. Those rating highest in their division or plant are as follows:

T. F. Bain, Div. 1; W. F. Walt, Divs. 19 and 20; W. L. Greiner, D. A. Bartle, Martin Kimble, and O. W. Rodenbeck, General Tool; P. G. Buell, Shipping and Receiving; J. C. Ruhl, W. K. Rohe, and V. A. Sheets, Wire Mill; E. J. Gebert, Insulation; L. T. Meyer and J. H. King, Decatur; R. J. Barnes, Apprentice; A. C. Braun and H. A. Misegades, Motor and Generator; R. W. Boyd, DeKalb; E. E. Kimmel, Div. 13; C. D. Shidler, Tiffin; T. M. Coxon and R. G. Oakley, Danville; R. D. Grove, Div. 94; W. F. Kryder, Div. 16; R. W. Keller, Theodore Budecki, C. E. Helms, and E. E. Sloan, Div. 17; L. H. Arnold, Div. 14; C. E. Elder, Div. 33; E. J. Schurenberg, Specialty Transformer; M. M. Macke, General Service; R. E. Morris, Div. 15; H. A. Hart, FHP Motor Testing, and T. W. Mullen, Div. 91.

New Positions

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has done cost reduction work, was a section engineer, a specialist on insulation, and did winding and process development work. In 1942, Mr. Hanson became the Assistant Superintendent of the FHP Development division. Four years later he was promoted to Superintendent.

Mr. Hanson is very active in engineering, civic, and school activities in Fort Wayne and Washington Township. He is past president of the Indiana Engineers' Council, Fort Wayne Engineers' Club and Squares Club. He is chairman of Boy Scout Troup 46 committee, and a registered professional engineer.

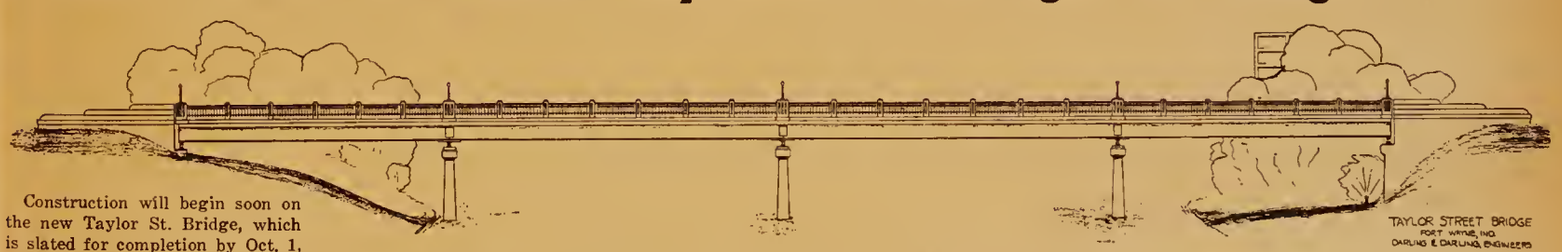
He is married and has two daughters. The Hansons reside on the Butler Road. His mother and sister reside in Schenectady.

An Apprentice School graduate, Mr. Spitler completed the machinist-toolmaker course in 1937. He then was assigned to the Tool division and later did tool designing in Bldgs. 4-3 and 4-4. In 1941 he was appointed Supervisor of Impeller Planning, Supercharger Plant at Taylor St. Since 1946 he has been Supervisor of Methods and Equipment Planning at the Tiffin plant.

Meeting Of Advanced Manufacturing Training Program To Be Held Here

Members of the Advanced Manufacturing Training Program will hold a meeting here Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 18-20, and will tour various sections of the Fort Wayne plants.

Construction Of New Taylor St. Bridge To Begin Soon



Construction will begin soon on the new Taylor St. Bridge, which is slated for completion by Oct. 1, 1950. The Allen County Commissioners will advertise on Oct. 20 for construction bids for the bridge, which will improve conditions for G-E employees traveling to the Taylor St. plant.

As presented by Darling & Darling, engineering firm, the plans call for locating the bridge north of the present structure, which will permit use of the old bridge until the new structure is completed, as well as eliminate the present jog in Taylor St. at the bridge.

The engineers said three factors have been stressed in their plans for the bridge. They are:

Straightening out Taylor St. to eliminate the present jog in the street. Under the plans, the new bridge will match the west side of the present Taylor St.

Making a wider bridge. They compared the 40-foot width of the new roadway with the 25-foot width of the present bridge.

Removing the constrictions from the present river bed which is affecting the flow of the stream. They said this would be accomplished by the longer width of spans.

The center line of the new bridge, which is to be a four-span, continuous steel beam structure, will be located approximately 50 feet north of the center line of the present bridge.

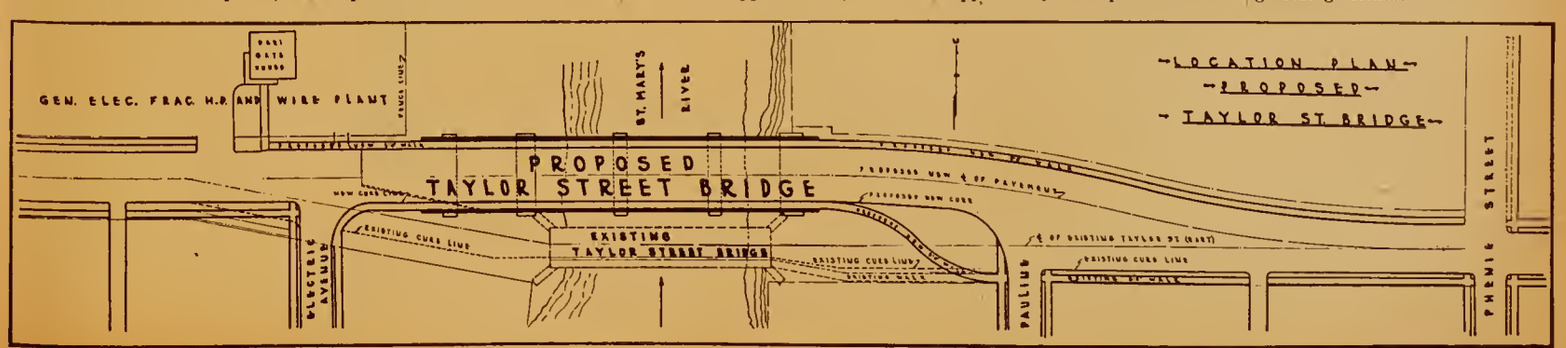
The new bridge is to be 260 feet in length, with 30-foot approaches at either end. The 260-foot length will include two 72-foot spans and two 58-foot spans.

The 40-foot roadway of the bridge will be of seven-inch reinforced concrete slab pavement on 33-inch, wide-flanged steel I-beams, supported by three piers.

Plans call for five ornamental lights on each side of the structure and five-foot sidewalks on each side.

The engineers said the bridge would present a low, thin streamlined appearance, featuring concrete posts with ornamental steel panels between the posts.

The $240,000 span will be of the latest design known to bridge engineering science.



G-E Club To Present Fall Revue Nov. 5-6

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minute playlet titled "Excess Baggage." This is an outstanding and unique dog act consisting of five smart canines.

The second act acquired is the Machino Troupe, the world's foremost whirling acrobats. This group has been imported from Sweden for the third time since the war and from all reports is a sensational act. The troupe presents a spectacular routine of whirling acrobatics, tumbling, pyramid building, and other tricks which hold the audience breathless. They have been a featured act with Ringling Bros., Barnum and Bailey Circus.

Negotiations for booking several other acts are continuing and will be announced later.



The Machino Troupe, above, will appear in the G-E Club's Fall Revue at performances Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon, Nov. 5-6.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

Our friend and reporter, Johnny McMaken, who has been a patient at the St. Joseph hospital several weeks, is reported to have made a marked improvement and is allowed visitors. We are all hoping for a speedy recovery, Johnny, so keep up the old fight. After all, you've got to get this news out; I am just a pinch hitter. . . . It's just a rumor, but we understand Doyle Miller will not be taking in the Decatur Fair this year. Maybe Mrs. Miller has something to say about this. . . . Russell Moore, the man who catches those big lake trout from Lake Superior, brought in one of his artificial baits for the boys to see. But, John Laymon got the impression that the bait was the scales for weighing since it had an oversize hook on it. . . . George Horner, the man who does all the jobs regardless how dangerous, how ticklish, how tough or if it might be sometbing no one else likes to do, seems to be having a small amount of trouble with his lead pad work. . . . Bob Mennewisch and Gerald Crum are planning a water pistol duel in the near future. No definite date has been set for the event. . . . You all know Fred Thieme returned from his third week of vacation. The unusual thing about it was tbat he stretched it into three weeks of fishing—one week before and one week after. . . . Eddie Dauscher is collecting quarters on the side. If these ball games had continued any longer, Paul Noffze would have had all our quarters. He had been hitting above the average. . . . We have a new honey man in our group. It's Harold Franz. I am warning you that if you buy any of those apples from him don't try to eat them. Hard isn't exactly the word for them. . . . It's funny what people will do for sparetime work. Bob Mennewisch just established a business of cracking nuts. Don't let this end up like the barber did. (Check Marion Diehm.) . . . Our congratulations to Arnold Ley for being the first in our division to win a new cigarette lighter in tbe suggestion contest. . . . Sam Rhoads does like pets, but we begin to think the pets don't like Sam. Gerald Crum recently gave him a young coon. After it spent one night under tbe bath tub, Mrs. Rhoads suggested a better place, a corn crib, but it found its way out.

Halloween Square Dance Is Planned By G-E Club

A Halloween Square Dance is being planned by the G-E Club's entertainment committee, it was announced today.

The dance will be held from 9 to 12 o'clock Friday night, Oct. 28, in the G-E Club auditorium, and will be free of charge to all G-E employees, their families and friends.

Two attendance prizes and awards for the most unusual and funniest costumes will be presented. Music will be presented by Joe Taylor's Red Bird band.

The majority of folks go to a lot of trouble they should avoid.

AMERICAN WELDING SOCIETY TO HEAR TALK BY GILLETTE

R. T. Gillette will addrcss the Anthony Wayne Section of the American Welding Society at 8 o'clock tonight at the Chamber of Commerce. His topic will be "Resistance Welding."

His talk will follow a buffet dinner at 6:30 p.m. and entertainment by the Reddy Kilowatt Barber Shop quartet.

Mr. Gillette has been a member of the Schenectady Works Laboratory since 1902. He was instrumental in the development of electric furnace brazing at G-E. The Coffin Award was given him for his work on welding dissimilar metals with the use of Elkonite electrodes.

Elex President Announces New Committees For Year

Mary Leiter, new president of the Elex Club, announced today the following appointments to committees for 1949-50:

Mildred Clark, Winter St., will keep the president's scrapbook, while Margaret Taylor, Bldg. 4-6, will take care of the club's book. Loraine VonBehren, Bldg. 26-3, has been named poster chairman for the year.

The serving committee will be headed by Eva Tucker, Bldg. 16-1. Assisting her are: Loretta Bloom, Bldg. 26-5; Helen Bilskie, Bldg. 8-2; Hilda Walda, Bldg. 4-2; Veora Habig, Bldg. 8-2; Helen Miller, Partizan Chapter; Cora Polhamus, Bldg. 8-2; Ann Johnson, Taylor St.; Jo Alles, Bldg. 4-2; Rosamund Schooley, Tayolr St.; Olka Johnston, Taylor St.; Lenore Nohlechek, Taylor St.; Mable Miller, Taylor St.; and Helen Engle, Bldg. 4-3.

Lois Drewett, Taylor St., was appointed chairman of the committee to assemble the "Echo." Committee members are: Charlotte Stanford, Taylor St.; June Getty, Taylor St.; Wilma Williams, Taylor St.; Mary Wyss, Winter St., and Lucinda Pettit, Bldg. 4-5.

The Christmas card chairman is Helen Bilskie, Bldg. 8-2. Betty Puff, Bldg. 4-6, will continue as "Echo" editor and staff artist. The editorial staff consists of: Bess Brown, Bldg. 28-2; Ireta Huffman, Winter St.; Helen Wyss, Winter St.; Mary Ramey, Winter St., and Lois Drewett, Taylor St.

The Trotty-Veck chairman is Helen White, Bldg. 4-3, and the song leader is Deloris Patterson, Bldg. 18-4.

The conference committee is made up of: Mary Wyss, Winter St.; Lucinda Pettit, Bldg. 4-5, and Mildred Clark, Winter St.

Thelma Stone, Bldg. 18-1, has been named as contact chairman. Mary Vorndran and Mary Wyss, both of Winter St., are hostesses for the year. In charge of the memorial books this year will be Alice Fuchshuber, Bldg. 16-1.

Mamie Allen, Bldg. 4-2, will act as chairman of the utility committee. Her committee members are: Mary Sitko, Bldg. 4-5; Susie Jones, Winter St.; Ireta Huffman, Winter St.; Joan Vorndran, Winter St.; Justine Luyben, Winter St., and Dorothy Fuhs, Winter St.

The dance committee consists of: Eva Fisher, Taylor St., chairman; Suc Thompson, Winter St., and Marian Leiter, Bldg. 17-4. Betty Puff, Bldg. 4-6, will be the new card-party chairman with Alice Dahman, Bldg. 4-5, and Helen Brindle, Bldg. 26-2, assisting her. The Christmas boxes this year will be handled by Elsie Fabian, Taylor St.

The coffce serving committee consists of:

June Martin, Bldg. 4-4; Olive Lewis, Taylor St.; Zella Sheehan, Taylor St., and Alice Rodgers, Taylor St. Lois Miller, Bldg. 8-2, will be in charge of the reservations at the door.

Mary Leiter has also announced that the executive board meetings will be held the second Wednesday of each month.

Community Chest

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Cafeteria, Taylor St. Cafeteria, Dispensary, Works Lab, Technical Service, Apprentice School, and Service Engineering.

FHP Motor Divisions

Management, Commercial, Manufacturing General, Inspection and Test, Accounting and Payroll, Developmental, Taylor St. Shipping, and Engineering and Drafting.

Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions

Div. 39, Div. 81, Engineering and Drafting, and Financial.

A contribution of $12,000 from the General Electric Company also was given this week to the Comunity Chest by C. H. Matson, Works Manager. This made a total of $58,092.17, or 12.8 per cent of the goal for the entire county, to meet the needs of the 20 Red Feather agencies.

Schaper Store

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tric Company, 120 W. Jefferson St., and the A and Y Home Appliance Company, 2707 S. Calhoun St.

All minor appliances, clocks, table model radios, electric blankets, vacuum cleaners, wiring devices, motors, exposure meters, photoflash bulbs, radio tubes, and lighting fixtures are available at the Employees' stores.

There's plenty of room at the top . . . because someone always goes to sleep, and falls off.

Elex Officers Are Installed At Special Ceremonies



The newly-elected officers of Elex were installed Monday, Oct. 10, at the G-E Club. Irene Meyers, Elex advisor, conducted the impressive candlelight ceremonies. The above picture was taken during the installation. Left to right are: (retiring officers) Charlotte Stanford, Elizabeth Wert, Nellie Wendt, Helen Wagner, Helen Wyss, Martha Keokuk, Rachel Fisher, Mildred Clark, Irene Meyers, advisor; and (new officers) Bea Lantz, Alice Dahman, Geraldine Schmidt, Jean Smith, Mabel Miller, Lois Drewett, Jo Alles, Betty Garber, Helen Engle, and Mary Leiter. In the circled insert, Charlotte Stanford is pinning the president's pin on Mary Leiter, incoming president.

Negotiations

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tee, were in violation of the union's contract with the Company and hardly a basis for good relations.

Mr. Dermody, the principal UE spokesman, attempted to imply that the demonstrations were spontaneous rather than organized by the union, but he agreed with Mr. Pfeif that they had no intimidating effect upon the Company.

Five Complete Draftsmen's Course At Apprentice School



W. E. Berkheiser

Warren E. Berkheiser graduated from the Apprentice School Sept. 23. A graduate of New Haven high school in 1940, he joined G-E in 1941 and worked as a transformer repairman until January, 1943. At that time he entered the armed services. He was assigned to the field and pack artillery in the 71st Division, serving two years in the United States and a year overseas in France, Germany and Austria. He received his discharge in January, 1946. Mr. Berkheiser entered the Apprentice School in March of that year as a draftsman apprentice. He is married and has two children. He resides at 1007 Bell Ave., New Haven.



Sorry we were unable to find time to compile a column for last week. Cora Polhamus was quite disappointed because she said that since she is out of the office so much she is unable to keep up on the activities of her co-workers. Glad somebody missed us anyhow. We are indebted to Ceal Romary for writing the previous week's column. . . . Our thanks is also extended to Audrey Thomas for the lovely flowers which we find on our desks several times a week. They certainly brighten our corner. . . . Herschel Smith and Loyd Bodenhamer ate lunch at the Chamber of Commerce. When Herschel left a little early he walked off with Loyd's hat. Oh well, don't suppose his own would fit anyway since he was the dinner guest of the Governor recently. . . . Lois Miller caused several people to raise their eyebrows and perk up their ears when she tried to find a calendar which would give the date when there would be a moonlight night. In case you haven't heard, the personnel gals attended a wiener bake at the home of Iris Knapp, a former co-worker. We were afraid for a while that Lois should have consulted the weatherman, but everything turned out lovely. The group was pleasantly surprised when we arrived at Iris' home to find that Lorine Peters, another former co-worker, was there to greet us with her husband and year-old son, Stanley. The girls took turns holding the Knapp's little offspring who won the hearts of all. After enjoying the wiener roast, we made pecan ice cream. We learned that Irene Sprunger eats like a bird—a peck at a time. Ceal Romary, as usual, kept us all laughing with her witty stories and remarks. Has she told you the one about the gambler? If not, you are missing the laugh of a lifetime. At a late hour we started for home after resolving that we should do this more often. . . . Ruth Shull says "thanks" for putting our division over the top in our Community Chest Drive. . . . Mary Fening, Rosemary Miller and Florence Shultz from Decatur GeCode Club were the guest of Irene Meyers one afternoon last week. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Don Campbell on the death of his grandmother. . . . Ken Michael went by our office on the double in an effort to catch a Taylor St. service car. When he returned his face was still red. Ken said he is getting too old for such speed. . . . Bill Allen and the Mrs. attended the Bears-Cardinal football game in Chicago Sunday and had a grand time. . . . Irene Meyers headed the group of Elex and Partizan officers who met at Valparaiso recently with officers from Decatur, Danville and DeKalb clubs to lay the ground work for the coming Convention to be held at the Palmer House in Chicago Oct. 15 and 16. . . . Ruth Shull and yours truly were among the many who cheered for Elmer DeBolt's daughter at the Bluffton Street Fair beauty pageant. Although their choice did not win, Ruth at least succeeded in winning a basket of groceries and the gals had a good time. . . . Did you hear bells ringing one afternoon last week? We had quite a time locating the cause. It was none other than a fancy old fashioned "belling" the co-workers gave to the new bride, Marie Kettering LaMons. . . . Orchids to Irene Ofenloch of the Employment Office who celebrated her 42nd anniversary with the G-E last week. . . . Laureen Procise was surprised when her son returned from school with this question, "Mama, I thought you said I was going to Adams School?" Laureen replied "Yes, sonny you are." He quickly remarked "Oh no, I'm not, I'm going to kindergarten."

Every man is rich or poor according to the proportion between his desires and his enjoyments.



R. M. Birkenbeul

Robert M. Birkenbeul was first employed by G-E in January, 1942, following his graduation from South Side high school. In 1943 he enlisted in the Army Air Corps and served as an airplane mechanic. He was discharged in February, 1946. Mr. Birkenbeul then enrolled in the Apprentice School as a drafting apprentice, graduating Sept. 16. He is married and has one child. The Birkenbeuls live at 1221 Fairfield.



R. D. Finton

Robert D. Finton finished his drafting apprenticeship Sept. 16. A 1940 graduate of Central high school, he began his G-E career in 1942 working at the Supercharger in tool drafting until he entered the armed services. He served over three years with the Panama Coast Artillery Command Headquarters and in the Southwest Pacific in the Combat Engineers Field Intelligence Corps. He was discharged in December, 1945, and entered the Apprentice School the following March. Mr. Finton is married and has one child. He lives at Roanoke, Ind.



Ruth Reed is on her third week's vacation and is spending some of it in Indianapolis at the Rebecca Lodge State Assembly. . . . Esther Walborn is on her vacation too. . . . Delphos Winters (he works in the paint booth on four) was on his vacation last week and didn't do anything too exciting. He informs me that he has another grandchild, a girl this time. . . . Anna Ruth Clements went to Racine, Wis., last week-end and had a wonderful trip though it was so warm. . . . Hazel Stauffer has taken up a new job, that of dressing dolls regardless of what the doll looks like. It may even have an apple for a head! . . . We welcome Delores Hartman, Luella Hockmeyer and Maudie Nordyke to 1x29 and Wilma (Krebs) Pfierman and Janis Egolf back. Marie DeVoe is back in 1x50. Ralph Waikel and Alva Hagy are new ones in 1x42. Glad you are all here and hope that you stay a long time! . . . Birthday congratulations to Bonnie Birely and Lem Clouse and belated greetings to Bonnie Wolf and Art Knoll. . . . To date Orville Coleman is a day late in returning from his vacation. Probably got too much rest last week and couldn't make it in to work today! . . . Louie Sauer is not grinding valves anymore, his new job is that of garbage collector! . . . Lorenz Korte drives a horse and buggy till he is a mile and a half from the shop and then drives his car. His car won't make it all the way so he has to rely on the good old horse! . . . Here is another story on Alva Foulks—he was bemoaning the fact that he had to get out the storm windows and wash them before he put them up when Evelyn said, "What storm windows?" She said they didn't have any and he said they did. He even went so far as to bet her two



L. D. Lahrman

Following his graduation from South Side high school, Leon D. Lahrman entered the Company's Specialist Training School in 1942 and was assigned to Bldg. 4-2. On March 12, 1943, he entered the Army and received training in the Engineers' Corps. He was sent overseas in September, 1943, serving in England, France, Belgium and Germany. He was discharged in December, 1945, and enrolled in the Apprentice School the next March. Mr. Lahrman resides at 3939 Buell Dr.

bucks that they did have some. His daughter said they had some and his son said they didn't have any. —so Alva checked and no storm windows! The funny thing about this is that they had the same argument last year! . . . Freda Farley is back again. Sure hope she keeps well for a long time now. Alma Doctor is feeling better and working again. . . . Merle Keesler is sporting a new Mercury these days. He is certainly putting the miles on it. That is one way of getting your money's worth, Merle. . . . Congratulations to Mrs. Thomas Krouse, formerly Eleanore Kohrman. We certainly hate to have you leave us but we know you will be very happy and wish you all the luck in the world.

110 Delegates To Represent Girls' Clubs From 7 Plants At Conference In Chicago

Delegates from Cleveland, Tiffin, Syracuse, N.Y.; DeKalb, Danville, Decatur girls' clubs, and Fort Wayne's Elex Club and Partizan Chapter will meet this week-end for an Interclub Conference in Chicago.

One hundred and ten delegates are expected to attend the convention, which will be held at the Palmer House.

The theme for the week-end is "Hand of Friendship," and a Friendship Dinner will be held in the Crystal Room tomorrow evening. The motto for the Sunday luncheon will be "Links of Tomorrow." The convention will be closed with the traditional candlelight service.

Buses will leave the Indiana Railroad Bus station at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, arriving in Chicago about 12 noon. The returning buses will leave Chicago between 3 and 3:30 p.m. Sunday.



F. C. Woenker

Frank C. Woenker came to General Electric in 1940 after his graduation from Central Catholic high school. He worked in the FHP Motor and Transformer divisions until Jan., 1943, when he entered the Army. Serving three years with overseas duties in the Rhineland and Central Europe, he was discharged in February, 1946. He entered the Apprentice School the following month and graduated Sept. 23, 1949. He is married and lives at 2815 Pittsburgh St.



Bill Altekruse celebrated his 32nd anniversary with the Company recently. Wonder why he didn't pass his cake around instead of just letting a select few in on it. . . . Louie Hopper tells us of his pleasant southern trip and of his visit with one of our former men in the Power Plant, Mike Brown. Mike, after serving in the Armed Forces, is now living very comfortably on a southern farm. He would like hearing from his former fellow workers. His address is Biloxi, Miss., R.R.D. No. 1, Box 82B. . . . Thought some of you would be interested to know that Edna Gage, formerly Edna Fritcha, was blessed with a 7 lb. 5 oz. baby girl, Nicole Diane. . . . We'd also like to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Nail on the arrival of a baby boy named Steven. I'll bet Johnny's hat size has increased too. . . . The Community Chest Campaign showed fine results, thanks to Big Chief Red Feather Pierson.

Working Man?



Does anybody recognize Farmer Kreigh of Bldg. 20? That's Ray, with a lady's straw hat on, getting a workout at his farm. We think that bow under your chin is mighty becoming, Ray.

Five G-E Inventors Are Granted Patents



F. W. Merrill

A patent has been granted to F. W. Merrill on his invention of an improvement on the center-contact regulator for speed-regulated motors.

Mr. Merrill is a consulting engineer in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering divisions, where he has been employed since 1922. His invention consists of a novel shaping of the regulator contacts to produce a rapid, forced vibration of the contacts. This serves to break up undesirable, slow speed oscillations of the regulator parts, which are the cause of serious current surges in the motor. The result then is increased heating and short brush life.

This is Mr. Merrill's twenty-second patent. United States Patent examiners ruled that the idea was different in 12 respects from anything similar ever previously patented or known. Mr. Merrill filed the patent application Jan. 3, 1947.



C. A. Thomas

The United States Patent Office has granted a patent to Charles A. Thomas on his invention of an improvement in the design of a Unicoil type of motor.

Mr. Thomas is a group leader in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Development Engineering division. He has been employed by the General Electric Company since 1935.

His invention permits the coil to be wound outside the motor and placed on the pole later without any unnecessary increase in the coil length. This is accomplished by employing an unsymmetrical depth in the design of the stator yoke.

The new design results in a considerable increase in the output of the motor for a given amount of material used.

This is the seventh patent which has been granted to Mr. Thomas.



P. S. Potts

Phil S. Potts has been granted a patent covering improvements in dynamoelectric machines. This patent covers an improved method of removing the cooling water from eddy current dynamometers. These dynamometers are used for testing various types of engines such as the common automotive engine which drives our present passenger cars. The dynamometer serves to load the engine and measure this load. The power delivered by the engine is converted into heat and this heat is carried away by cooling water.

The efficient removal of this cooling water has presented a problem; Mr. Potts has made improvements in this system which provide more efficient removal of cooling water from the machine.

Mr. Potts was graduated from Texas A and M in 1941. He came with the General Electric Company in July, 1941, and with the Motor and Generator division in 1942. Since 1942, he has been with this division as Mechanical Engineer and Design Engineer in the Dynamometer section.



P. A. Berghorn

A patent has been granted to Paul A. Berghorn on his invention of an improved end-shield for fractional horsepower motors.

Mr. Berghorn is a group leader in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Development Engineering division. His invention consists of a novel interrupted rabbet on a die-cast end shield which eliminates most of the machining formerly required on cast-iron end shields. It is particularly advantageous on high-production items such as washing machine motors.

This is Mr. Berghorn's first patent. He was credited with 13 original ideas in connection with his invention, which he had filed application for on April 27, 1948.

Mr. Berghorn has been employed by the General Electric Company since 1925. An apprentice graduate, Mr. Berghorn is a past-president of the Apprentice Alumni. He has been employed in the FHP Motor divisions in various capacities since 1928.



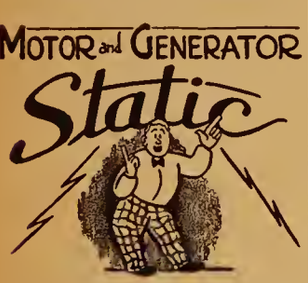
H. M. Stephenson

A patent has been granted to Hugh M. Stephenson on his invention, combination ball-bearing and speed reduction device for small motors.

Mr. Stephenson is a group leader in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Development Engineering division, and has been employed by General Electric since 1916.

His invention consists of a combination of a ball-type speed reduction mechanism, which serves as a thrust and radial bearing at the other end of the rotor. The thrust bearing maintains proper pressure on the balls of the speed-reducer, and can be adjusted to allow slipping at a predetermined overload. The device is particularly designed for application to speech recording and reproducing apparatus.

This is the twenty-seventh patent which has been granted to Mr. Stephenson.



"The Motor and Generator Safety Raiser"

This paragraph is intended to help reduce accidents and improve our position as a division in the Safety Movement.

Off The Job Accidents: When using a hammer at home, you may prevent personal injury by using one of the following suggestions.

1. Hold the hammer with both hands.
2. Let your wife hold the nails.
3. Don't use nails, use screws or wire.
4. Hire a carpenter and get the job done right.
5. Take plenty of time, your time isn't worth much anyhow. Be Cautious—Play Safe.

SCIENCE: Pappy Archbold is clever at figuring out weird labor saving devices and methods. His latest brain child is the vacuum flea and loose hair remover. It seems the Archbolds have a cat which requires continual grooming to remove loose hair and fleas. This grooming process can develop into quite a task if the cat gets the idea he does not want to be groomed. It remained for Mr. Archbold to bump his head against the wall and come up with the idea of using a hand vacuum cleaner to de-flea pussy. This method was tried and proved successful, the cat actually seemed to like the treatment. One day Mr. Archbold was downstairs taking a load off his feet while Mrs. Archbold was upstairs vacuuming the cat. Suddenly, there came a rending crash, followed by a loud feline yowl and the cat tore down the stairs as if pursued by demons. Investigation disclosed that a fan blade in the sweeper came loose and the resulting clatter scared kitty out of six of its nine lives. Mr. Archbold reports that since that day, if a vacuum cleaner is operated anywhere in the house kitty does not walk but runs to the nearest exit. Science is wonderful. . . . Now that the World Series is over, we can concentrate on football. Since it is too warm to think about football, we will go back to people in Bldg. 31-2. Good news is here. Some of the people who have been laid off have been called back. Paul Shive was transferred back to the Tool Division. Dresden Tiffany came back to take Paul's place. . . . We also have a new apprentice in the drafting room by the name of Richard M. Frede. . . . Our new file girl in the drafting room is none other than Gwen Steinbarger from Bldg. 4-6. . . . The M-G Engineering group finally came through successfully on the potluck, wiener bake at Dewart Lake. Last Saturday was a beautiful day for 50 people to gather at McDougal's cottage. After consuming much food, the group entertained themselves with badminton, card games, horseshoes, boating and swimming. Yes, we said swimming. The polar bear swimmers included Mrs. Charles Brown, Laurel Ann March, Lynn and Lou Ann McDougal, Stevie Emling, and Ty Scheurman. . . . Our sympathy to Minerva Russell, whose hushand recently died.



Something to shoot at: No, not Dewey Erne, or his picture, but at his safety record. Dewey has worked here for 33 years and has never had a lost time accident. He, being an arbor man, works on winding machines. His job has numerous hazards too, and to top this he came through last week with a $110 suggestion. . . . Anyone wishing to buy a stub nose Buick see Jess Batchelder. He was one of those fellows caught in the traffic jam one morning last week. . . . This bumperitis in the parking lot seems to be getting contagious. Harold Whonsetler was a victim as well as Phillip (Tiny) Shoppman. . . .Bob Repine had a bit of trouble getting a left hand die started on a right hand screw last week even with the help of Jack Pollock and Ernie Brown he couldn't make it. . . . Paul Mischo has replaced Gene Werling who has returned to the Apprentice School. It will he a big help to me if you can keep up Gene's reputation. He had a habit of getting in the column pretty regularly. . . . A brand new membership certificate has been awarded to John Bastian who joined the Sawbreakers Club last Saturday. The only bad feature of getting in on Saturday, only about half the fellows were here to give their advice. . . . Cris Delagrange and Art Kraft gave Ray Bowers and Paul Armstrong a whitewashing last week and then were handed the same treatment in turn by the same pair. . . . When Bill Herring bought his new car he had considerable trouble finding it in the parking lot. Now it seems that Ward Stalcy is having the same trouble since he has that brand new car. Why not park next to a certain light post, Ward, that might make the job easier. . . . Jerry Knight did a good job of canvasing the group for Community Chest, but fell somewhat short on hitting our quota. . . . Have you read the proposed changes in the benefits of the MBA. If not, be sure and do so.

YE OLD METER GIRLS TO HOLD FALL PARTY

The annual fall party for Ye Old Meter Girls will be held Wednesday, Oct. 19, at the Dehler-Hughes hall. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are 50 cents and can be obtained from members of the committee. Bertha Mattes, H-20342, is chairman. Assisting her are Bernadine Gocke, A-97645, Chloe Lee, A-70262.



Dorothy Mills is afraid of having her car stolen. She goes around and checks all of the doors to see that they are locked but she still makes it easy for the would-be thieves by leaving a glass rolled down. . . . If you hear some one call, "Hey, Dollface," just look around and you will see Herb Koch nearby. That is his new nickname. . . . Audrey Hickernell is taking her vacation this week and is going on a trip to Washington, D.C. What a beautiful trip that will be through the mountains with all of their beautiful coloring now, and the weather not too hot. Smart gal, Audrey. . . . If you see Bill Straub skipping rope or doing anything unusual it is because the cider that he bought a couple of weeks ago has passed the spicy age. . . . Dorothy Askren tells us that her mother is home from the hospital and doing very well. . . . The old flu bug has been active in the office. He started on Vern Castle, but after looking at his head, decided he wouldn't be a very good victim anyway. He, the flu bug, sure did work on some of the rest of us including Mel Kiessling's family, Harold Boles, Paul Clendenen and yours truly.

Men are not good or bad; they are good and bad.



ARITHMETIC: This past week has been very bad, for example Flawrence Lemper (yes, it's a boy) subtracted 12 thousand from 181 thousand and came up with a measley 68 thousand. Why worry? Lemper-Schlemper-Hemper, what's a 100 thousand more or less. If it would have been deep freezers it would have meant nothing at all. When Wimpy (Flawrence) was asked where he went to school he replied he didn't. But that yours truly had taught him how to add and subtract but not how to cover up mistakes. That's our secret, Wimpy. . . . SUPERSALESMAN: Claude Johnson went to purchase some cement blocks to build a garage. After quite a struggle something like Wimpy had Claude decided to buy 8 inch blocks at 16 cents apiece. Now the big mouth salesman steps in and tells Claude that he can let him have six inch blocks for only 15 cents apiece. So very quiet like our Claude snaps up what seemed to be a rare bargain, but which resulted in Claude having to buy 1146 six inch blocks at $171.90. He could have bought the eight inch blocks, which he only needed 860, for $137.50. Here's the pay off, he now claims the only reason he bought the smaller blocks was that Vaughn Sheets and Clarence Coulter who were going to help lay the blocks could not lift or handle eight inchers. We honestly believe that if we had a champion liars' club the champ's name would change almost daily. . . . WRESTLING: Jake Arnold went to see a wrestling match for the first time a week ago last Wednesday. Now he is asking everyone he sees if they think it's the real McCoy or just a put on show. Have you had any luck yet as to the answer, Jake? We might also add that the only reason Jake went was that someone gave him a pass. But for what, Jake? Don't answer that, we know. . . . FOREMAN: We thought Nolan Riley was a foreman in the Wire Division, but now we are not so sure. He was seen directing traffic at Calhoun and Washington streets last week one day. Were you working out a traffic ticket or something, Nolan? . . . FISH: No need to worry about fresh fish now, Bill Skinner has moved to Blue Lake. He'll take your order in the afternoon and deliver the fish the next morning, some racket. . . . WELCOME: Henry Reidenbach to the Wire and Insulation Division, we hope you will like us. Henry was transferred from the Regional Parts Warehouse. . . . SECRET: We'll let you in on a secret. Priscilla Thrasher was given those beautiful roses by our fellow G-E employees of our Peterborough, Ontario, Plant in appreciation for the way Pat took care of their accomodations, etc., upon their recent visit with us. That's a very nice compliment, Pat. . . . CORN: Our city farmer Charley Brubaker brought in a sample of his (Hi-Bird) corn we call it. You know what? It actually measures three inches long and one inch wide no foolin' not all corn at that partly cob. For further information, Leo Elward is resident agent. . . . SOCIAL SECURITY: If you have not as yet checked your social security number and your home address on your pay voucher, do it now, if any changes notify your foreman at once.

Lament of the Week by Al Swift

I think that I shall never see,
The 21 cents you took from me,
21 cents that I could have spent,
For various forms of merriment,
21 cents I lost to you so gladly(?)
21 cents which I now need so badly,
For whose return I had great hope,
Just like an optimistic dope,
For 21 cents lost to folks like thee,
Are not returned to fools like me.

Thanks to Bill Rohe for the above.



Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could have many weeks as lovely as last week-end was? Those golden days with gently falling leaves and bright blue skies are never to be forgotten adventures in pleasant living. Let's hope they last a while longer. . . . Congratulations to Howard Brooks, who yesterday celebrated his 30th Anniversary with the Company. Best wishes and many more years of pleasant association with all the G-E folks. . . . You may have heard rumors about our annual Christmas party. If you heard there is to be one—you're right. Everyone is getting "all hepped up" about our Christmas party. Details later. . . . Gerald Briggs brought a toaster in for repair. He declared it just wouldn't work. Imagine his surprise when he discovered you have to plug it in to make it work. . . . Carl Hattendorf lived a life of leisure this week on vacation. Such luck. . . . Bob Dorsey just finished a trying week of work. All the old married men, namely Drage, Shellenbarger, Devoe and Kruse have been generous with their advice to Robert. Saturday, Oct. 15, Robert says "I do," to that certain lady from Paulding, Ohio. We all join in wishing Bob and his wife a lot of happiness. . . . Tony Miller, Frank Magers and Don Thomas have been rather quiet since their fishing trip to Northern Michigan. Must not of been biting very good. Frank Magers missed some opportunities to catch some bass while he was there. He was so tired when he got back home he went right to bed and almost forgot to come into work Monday. However, his wife got him up in time to have coffee and doughnuts before coming to work. . . . Ray Solga says that if he gets any heavier he will trade in his four inch belt as a down payment on a girdle. . . . John James and Colette Buck are back from their third week's vacation. . . . Elfrieda Wolf says that four floors up is just too much for her all at one time so she takes a little rest on third now. . . . Ruth Theurer says no "banged up" fenders. lately. Good for Ruth. . . . Elizabeth Reed is really coming up in the world lately. The transit company is going to run a special mornings just for her. . . . Mr. Klomp has a lawn roller with a special serial number. It's a hot job, so he says. . . . Anyone knowing a way to cure color blindness or wrong-way-itis, please contact Frank Magers. It seems he doesn't know the difference between a black Chevy and a green Buick. He also thinks he should walk north to get from G-E to Taylor St. . . . Orland Surface had quite a time one day last week. First he cut one hand on an end mill, then the other. After getting first aid he proceeded to jam the table on his machine. All in all a bad time was had by all. Instead of calling him "Bear Paw" we've decided to call him "Sore Paw." . . . Did any of you see the look in Ed Klomp's eye as he stood outside the "girl show" at Bluffton's street fair. It may not be all the "barker" claims, Ed. . . . Friendship, wonderful friendship. Al Middaugh, Les Dafforn's friend, invited Les and his family for a rabbit supper. Al then proceeded to tell that the rabbit was not rabbit but alley cat. Some friend? . . . Ray Debolt is looking for a friend too. Seems he hasn't any in Bldg. 17-4. If the boys aren't picking on him one way, they're picking on him another. Ask him about the bath they gave him. . . . Tony Miller and Frank Magers are real close friends. If you don't think so, ask Tony or Frank about their fishing trip to Michigan.

Success is hanging on after everybody else lets go.



For the last several weeks numerous people have inquired as to what has happened to our column. These inquiries makes one feel that maybe the column does serve some purpose. But remember, folks, we just completed inventory. Between trying to do something on inventory, pushing rush jobs and handling our regular work we have been fairly busy. . . . Speaking of inventory, we would like to express our appreciation to all who had a part in this job. This year some people worked on inventory who have had no previous experience. Everyone did a fine job. . . . We have several more new people on our floor. We haven't had time to check on their names. Sam Bireley is back after having spent considerable time in Bldg. 26-3, and Eddie Alter from Bldg. 26-4 are working with our stock group. To all the new people we extend a hearty welcome and we hope you will enjoy working with us. . . . The following news items were handed to us during the past several weeks. They are old but we feel they should be published. . . . Lela White wishes to thank her friends and co-workers for their kind expressions of sympathy in the death of her husband, Edwin White. . . . It has been suggested to Joneal Gunkel that she make sure she has the correct side of the coil up before she attempts to pull the tap. . . . Kate Summers of Ossian had some poison ivy on her face, yet she insists she hadn't been near the stuff. . . . The second trick operators are starting a housecleaning campaign. They are asking the first shift workers to help them keep our floor clean. It has been suggested, as a first step, that everyone be sure to place all garbage in the cans which are provided for this purpose. We believe this is a worthy project and encourage everyone to lend a helping hand. . . . Some people are blessed with the ability to get into jams. It seems that the Elex Club members went to Chicago a short time back. Some of the girls went shopping. It is reported that a certain person had a red face when she discovered the material she was examining was not on a model but on another shopper. Could this person's name have been "Gerdom"? . . . Recently Al Miller had some repair work done on his car. He had to be at the Nash Garage on Fourth St. by 3:55 p.m. to get the car. Al asked Dick Pierce if he would drop him off at the garage, and Dick agreed to do this. Now, Dick drives a Model "A" Ford. Howdy Shipman is the designated co-pilot. On the way to the garage Dick took all corners on two wheels. Dick told Al he could have taken them a little faster if the tires were a little softer. Apparently the tires were too hard as one blew out. Dick, having received his mechanical training in the Air Corps, had things well planned for just such an emergency. Al was instructed to remove the spare wheel, Dick jacked up the car, and co-pilot Howdy removed the wheel lugs. Then the process was reversed, and they were on their way, arriving at the Nash garage at exactly 3:50 p.m. All this again demonstrates the caliber of training put out by the Air Corps during the war. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Paul Peterson just returned from spending several days vacation in the Smokey Mountains. . . . The golf league is over for this year. Four of our 12 members won prizes in the G-E Blind Bogey Tournament. We hope to continue this league next year.

Two Men From Motor-Generator Retire



Frank Ormiston, Bldg. 19-2, and Arthur Swain, Bldg. 19-3, retired Oct. 1 after working for General Electric seven and 33 years, respectively. Mr. Ormiston is pictured, in the left photograph, and Mr. Swain, right, with R. M. Hartigan, Motor-Generator Manufacturing Manager, who presented them gifts from their G-E friends.



Now—I know the answer to "What is so Rare as a Day in June?"—It was last week-end in Indiana! . . . Pokagon Park was a riot of color—from the stately oak trees in their autumn trim, the beautiful green of the evergreens to the brilliant red of the sumac, all of this with a man swimming in Lake James. It is hard to believe—but isn't it wonderful? We get too engrossed in the ways of the world—we forget to take time out to be thankful for the things before us. . . . A. S. Johnson and family were in Kentucky over the week-end and he reports that southern Indiana and, of course, the blue grass state were beautiful. . . . **Philadelphia Story:** The members of the Supervisors' Club, their families and friends enjoyed the Civic Theatre presentation of "The Philadelphia Story" Wednesday night. It was a very interesting story and the crowd a record one. . . . **Family Night:** This week—the presentations of the Family Night entertainment at the G-E Club have proven to be very interesting and have attracted many of our employees, their families and friends. Expect to see the show tonight at nine—so I can not give you any first hand information. By the way—there are still tickets available for the nine o'clock show tonight. . . . We have noticed much silence, in many sections, on the baseball game of last Sunday. Also have witnessed the payment of a few bets. Saw the game on television, my first one, by the way, and it was nice to see. . . . **Bldg. 18-4:** Gloria Koeble is still on the sick list, a victim of the influenza for the past four weeks. . . . Delores Patterson acted as leader of the singing for the Elex Club meeting last Monday night. She will also appear as a soloist at the Inter-Club Conference in Chicago this week-end. We are very proud of her. . . . **Confusing:** Edna Welch says that Monday mornings are very bad for her. First she missed her "Special," then tried to find her card in the rack in Bldg. 18-3. Finally the elevator operator took pity on her and showed her the way out of this maze and she finally reported for work in Bldg. 18-4 where she belongs. . . . Dorothy Long is reported to be improving at the St. Joseph Hospital. She tells the G-E girls about the attention given her by the Firemen and that she, as most polio victims, has a big appetite. She expressed her appreciation of the nice cards and letters she has been receiving. Let's keep it up for her! . . . **Bldg. 18-3:** Today we regret that we must say our farewells to Gloria Erhart and Clara Theismann. . . . Our welcome to William Anderson who is being transferred from Regional Warehouse to the Specialty Transformer Accounting. . . . Wilma Wine, Art Stuart and Jerry Snowberger have joined the "I've had the Flu Club." . . . Belated birthday greetings to Irene Draper, the group enjoyed the "turtles" (not the baby beast of Busco either). . . . I am told that Norman Singleton and Emily Guth are profitable baseball fans! . . . **Bldg. 18-2:** They say—no news is good news so they must all be good! . . . **Bldg. 18-1:** We extend our welcome to J. R. Clark, a new assignee to the Test Engineering course. At present he is working in the General Superintendent's office. . . . Phyllis Tanner is ill with the influenza. . . . Robert Meyer and family witnessed the Indiana-T.C.U. Game at Bloomington Saturday. . . . Gladys Forst and Opal Burns were spectators at the Midget Races Sunday. . . . I would say that what this country needs is not a good five cent cigar, BUT a good five cent Nickel.

Braun Rounds Out 30 Years At G-E



Andrew J. Braun, FHP Div. 13 at Taylor St., recently rounded out 30 years' service with General Electric. Several of his friends extended their congratulations on his long service. Left to right in the photograph are: Ora Goff, M. J. Pugh, Sid Hanson, W. H. Sunier, Clarence Kopp, Art Duries, Mr. Braun, H. E. Koehlinger, FHP Div. 13 Supt., and Carl Snyder.



One of those unforeseen things happened when only about about a half of our column appeared in the NEWS. It is one of those things that cannot be helped, and it is hoped that all of US SECOND SHIFTERS will go along and continue to submit items to make this a column read by the people on the second shift. . . . Farmer Ray Duff, Bldg. 26-4 tester, is really having his troubles. He ran over his son's pup, and his wife put him in the dog house to take care of it. Now he is expecting some new arrivals out in the hog barn. He is now wondering if his better half will let him back into the house after his chores are all done. . . . From Bldg. 17-2 we learn that Henry Dietchel has decided to buy a cigarette lighter. It will be less bother for him. . . Virgil Fogel has moved into his new house which he completed all on his own. Just another way to prove what can be done when the mind is set to the task. . . . We extend sympathy to Julian Eme on the death of his brother. . . . We have word that Mabel Buker is in the Lutheran Hospital. Mabel was until recently a second shifter in Bldg. 17-2. . . . The average person in Bldg. 17-1 doesn't think that it has been cold enough for fur bennies, but there are two fellows who will differ with you on that. They are Kurt Hartz and Walt Bauermeister who have started collecting hides. . . . Wanted—A sponsor for ladies' Monday afternoon bowling team. They all are reading Billy Sixty's newspaper column faithfully, so undoubtedly the team will soon be in first place—or will they! . . . Did you notice a new face in Bldg. 8-1 dispensary last Friday night? Berneta Welbaum from Winter St. was an Owl for the evening. . . . Could it be that new blouses are coming in? Let's not try to design them at work. You might cut out wrong piece, eh Faye, Bldg. 4-5. . . . We have decided that our Red Feather solicitor in Bldg. 4-5 missed his calling. He should have been a salesman, but after all was said and done he forgot to sign his own card. . . . Anyone wanting any saws sharpened should see Art Kurtz and son. . . . It is an odd twist of fate when a man gets a helping hand and then refuses to thank the helper. Let's get Gale Johnson, of the maintenance to tell us about the buttons and safety pins. . . . Naturally Dick Gidley had a hand in the buttons, etc., but he is at his best when he apes John Nesbitt, the famous story teller. . . . We extend our congratulations to the new first vice-president of the Elex, our own Owl, Bea Lantz. From now on everybody in Bldg. 17-2 will call her V. P. for short. . . . Al Fry is trying his best to sport a new mustache (cookie duster to you, Bud) but on him it doesn't look good. . . . Good old Freddie Fenner showed the effects of stumbling over a finger the other day. . . . Helene Evanoff joined the Bldg. 17-2 gang as an inspector. . . . Nothing ever happens in Bldg. 4-3. They just work I guess. . . . Bldg. 4-2 welcomes Bernadine McCune from Bldg. 4-5. Now Vergie Stephen and Alice Klingle can get along without the walkie talkie they were going to ask Al Kissinger to install. . . . By the way, Al has given up all hope for this season. He even feels satisfied with crawdads. . . . Paul Boyer played early bird at 3 a.m. up at Wawasee. Results: no hits, no runs, NO FISH. . . . Paul Habecker, Paul Habecker, Paul Habecker. How is that, Paul? . . . "Roy Rogers" Schlie and "Tonto" Johnloz, Bldg. 17-4, had better not let their sons know that they also go for the "kid" heroes or else there is bound to be trouble on the border. . . . Eileen Foor, Bldg. 17-3, wants to let Harry Crause know that she already belongs to the "98" Club for the year. . . . Barbara Wilson, Bldg. 17-2 Elex contact girl, reminds us that the Christmas cards are soon going to be available along with the cook books (there's a good deal), pencils and stationery.



According to the latest news, Howard Rittenhouse, brother-in-law of Alta Bishop Mayle, is still confined to Toledo Hospital with polio and is completely paralyzed. His condition remains critical. We are hoping for more favorable news. . . . Dr. Harvey L. Murdock is spending this week on a hunting expedition in North Dakota. We hope to see lots of pictures of the big game and of his trip later. . . . Mary Heymann and her mother, Mrs. Etta Heymann of Convoy, Ohio, recently enjoyed the beautiful scenery of Brown County. . . . Mabel Wilson and Minnie Fryback and their respective parties attended the Barber Shop Quartet Contestant Entertainment at Goshen, Ind., on Sunday. . . . Bertha Schrader and family spent Sunday at Pokagon Park.

In Song and Story

I am a nurse, a superwoman.
My job allows of nothing human.
Divinely we are called to render
Such services as will engender
Romantic notions. Both song and story
Depict us kindly, amatory.
The movies too will add their share;
Good looking docs are never rare.
Unknown are smudges, baggy pants,
Nor is there lack of elegance.
The nurses, spotless and unruffled
With great perspective, voices muffled,
Know how to handle situations
At dire and difficult occasions,
And with astonishing precision
Help patients, just by intuition.
The lame man walks, the dumb will speak,

The fretful child grows calm and sweet.
Not ice bags soothe the fevered cranium
But hands—as fragrant as geranium.
We often wonder, I and you,
Have they no actual work to do?
Are they not rushed? Not ever harried?
Do always all of them get married?
No doubt, it does us good at times
To see into director's minds.
But if a'nursing thou wouldst go
Know that the life is never so.
Nursing (don't let me make you frantic)
Is wonderful, but not romantic.

By: Ingeborg Henningsen

When a man is on his knees proposing to a girl, he might as well say his prayers at the same time.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, October 17, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—One key in brown leather case with name Maxton Chevrolet, Angola, on it. Lost between Jones St. parking lot and Bldg. 19-2.

FOUND—A bar pin with various colored sets. Found on west side of Broadway.

FOR SALE

LADIES' BROWN PREMIER BEAVERETTE FUR COAT—Size 15-18, in A-1 condition. $35 if taken at once. H-37924.

MAN'S GENUINE ALPOGORA COAT—Size 48; also one tan and one plaid sport coat. A-86831.

ONE WHEELED, WATERPROOF TOP TRAILER—Must sell. Glenn Ellis, Lot No. 6, Tibbles Trailer Park, east on Highway 24 and 30.

MISS'ES BROWN COAT—Size 12; gray coat with hood, size 14, all in very good condition. A-89814.

GIRLS' RAINCOAT AND RED FALL COAT—Size 5-6; baby swing. H-57156.

FOUR TIRES, SIZE 660-17—Like new, two Firestone Deluxe and two Goodyear. H-28963.

HIGH CHAIR—Play pen, Taylor tot. 815 Huestis Ave.

GIRLS' COTTON DRESSES—Sizes 8-10, like new. H-76272, week days only.

LADIES' BROWN COAT—Fox trim, size 16-18, excellent condition, $10. H-50781.

BLACK SKUNK CHUBBIE—Size 14-16, good condition, $15. H-82436.

MODERN TWO-PIECE LIVING ROOM SUITE—Excellent condition, must sell. 1828 Andrews St.

SHOT GUN—20 gauge, J. C. Higgens Model 583.12, six shot, bolt action. 706 W. Third St.

SINK—42x20. Three faucets, 12 in. splash board, left hand drain board, $7; range boiler, $5. A-69594.

BEES FOR POLLINATING—Poor honey market forces sale. A-88512.

DINING ROOM SUITE—China closet, gas stove, refrigerator, bed, rug, cheap, sell at once. A-79924.

GAS SIDE ARM HEATER—With water storage tank, $5. H-48952.

ONE WHEEL TRAILER—$44.50. 1429 Pemberton, A-35812.

G-E MONITOR TOP REFRIGERATOR—7.2 cu. ft., good condition, $50. H-50801.

1933 DESOTO—Four-door sedan, good tires, motor and paint. H-83306.

1938 HUDSON—Six cylinder, two-door, good condition, reasonable. A-68213.

SHOE ROLLER SKATES—Size 5. E-37591.

RECORD PLAYER — And records. A-50945.

BOY'S ALL WOOL SHIRT JACKET—Size 10, $2; raincoat and bathrobe, size 10. H-66332.

COMBINATION STORM DOOR—Outside steps, girls' and boys' clothing. H-60025.

THREE ROOM HOUSE—At 2422 Kenwood, has storm sash and insulated, or will trade for larger house. H-79125.

COMPLETE SET OF DAMPER CONTROLS Thermostats and dome fan thermostatic switch. $12.50. H-39151.

LOT—80 ft. frontage. Fairfield Terrace. H-68811.

ELECTRIC DROPHEAD SINGER SEWING MACHINE—Like new. E-1454.

SEWING MACHINE—And attachments, good condition, $15. 501 Buchanan St., H-78562.

1945 FORD—Good condition, reasonable. A-85834.

ELECTRIC TRAINS—Accessories; linen table cloth and napkins; also trains repaired. E-5204 or 1132 Wabash.

WANTED

WASHING AND IRONING—E-37591.

MEN'S BOWLING SHOES—Size 8½ or 9. H-58811.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Agnes Neideffer, from Harlan on second shift. Works 3:18-11:48 in Div. 17 at Taylor St. Extension 425.

THANK YOU

RAY SOUGHAN—Wishes to thank everyone in the Specialty Transformer and Ballasts divisions for their generous help and contributions during the Community Chest Drive.



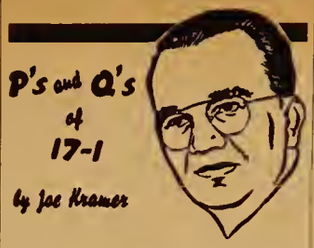
I guess everything is under control right now including Glenn Hurless who has stood on his head for several evenings trying to perform for his baby boy. I hear he is pretty good at it too. . . . Okeleadh Stetler got herself a southern B. F. while she was in the state of Tennessee seeing the Grand Old Opera. How are you all? She says she is ready to go back anytime. . . . Merrill Weaver, the label slapper, got himself a baby girl last week. Yep, and do you know he is recovering very nicely at this time. Oh yes, the mother is also doing fine. Congrats, Mr. Weaver! . . . Dorothy Ketrow, the winding lassie, really and truly likes her work, so well, she believes in doing it right even if she has to do it twice. . . . Pete (Vernon) Fairchild has a hankering for pinochle, and was he in a hot game last week? Let him tell you about it. . . . The Geneva Whirlwind, Al Windmiller, is still around too. In fact, his smiling face can be seen on the Assembly Line anytime after 3:30. . . . Riggy Geisler now has his new Ford and will take you a ride anytime you desire. It's that big blue job you see around. . . . Speaking of hickory nuts, and if you would care for some, there is a place near Geneva that has over a thousand bushels in one woods. Merrill Weaver says that these nuts can be found on his farm. Now I am not one to assume, but I believe the "ole" boy has outdone himself a little, but he said everybody would be welcome to a bushel or two if they care for some. . . . A number of birthdays are being celebrated within the last few days on the first trick. Among them we have Pat Girod who passed out delicious glazed doughnuts, Ruth McCristy from Ohio, Leona "Red" Tinner, who has, by the way, her fiance from Kansas here to celebrate her birthday. Iola also had a birtbday and bas been sick in bed for the past few days with a bad cold. We hope she gets back very soon. . . . This week vacationers are really having a good time. On the list we have Ed Dietsch, Bob Miller, Herman Keller, George Buckley, Jake Eady, and Walter Lister. Oh yes, Solman Lord is also vacationing with Herman and J. K. Eady. Charles Langston is having his vacation this week. He's planning a southern tour of the state and a stop over at Bloomington where his daughter, Alice, is studying music and he plans to bring her home for the week-end. . . . Last week we overlooked mentioning Leonard Meyer's new Oldsmobile. Did you keep your bike or have you traded it on the car? . . . Featured acts are at the street fair but when Bonnie Foor claims she fell over sand bag weights we have doubts as to whether she was thrown out or sneaking under the side show tent. . . . Chloe the dark haired winder with the '49 Plymouth sure gave a Nash a boost on the way out of the parking lot. Forest suggests you get an older model car to do your test pushing, Chloe. . . . This week's Safety Motto—Reckless operators never collect Old-Age Pensions. . . . Dr. Richard Goldner of Ypsilanti, Michigan, is spending a week here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Goldner. Dr. Goldner is a resident physician at Ypsilanti State Hospital. . . . We have proof Charlotte Gepbart has a morbid curiosity. Her appetite wasn't spoiled but we don't know if the cream puffs were edible after she sat on them. . . . Olive Journey enjoyed the Bluffton Fair so she says. . . . Oct. 3 anyone who was an early bird could see the beautiful rainbow in the western sky. . . . Albert Berry returned from a three weeks' vacation. He reports going places and doing things he never did before. . . . Art Miller is playing nursemaid to his two sons while his wife is taking care of their daughter, who recently underwent an operation. . . . Kate Burkhart had her tonsils removed Oct. 1 at the local hospital. Speedy recovery, Kate. . . . Eddie Gase and family spent the week-end at Findley, Ohio. . . . Clyde Gould can very readily be proud of his son as a gardener. . . . Anyone wishing their garden spaded see Art Denig. He's an old hand at it. . . . We extend sympathy to Emery Hawkins upon the death of his father. . . . Daily greetings to Pat Abbott, Nina Brown, Ruth Knittle, and Emma Lou Kuklehan. . . . Dianne Linn, daughter of Laurence Linn, was winner of Decatur Community Slogan award—a $25 bond. Dianne in turn donated this bond to the drive now in progress.

Corn S'talks

TAYLOR ST. SHIPPING

By Gloria Geesaman

Any resemblance to people in this column is purely coincidental, but intentional. . . . Our motto—is to be prepared for anything. . . . This is so you won't be surprised. This Indian summer is too wonderful to last. It'll probably snow next week. . . . These little old '37 chevies, especially the one that has a wolf whistle, really gets results. Maybe that's why Joe Franklin and Paul Howard are always seen going around the corner on two wheels. Nice whistle you have there, Joe. . . . Delores Connin and Kathie Richter looked beat for a few days. They worked overtime during the week. Maybe we should suggest that cots are furnisbed so they can relax while they work. . . . Mary Caruso has a little dog. His name is Jack. He follows her to work, and all she does is send him back. . . . This place is liable to do anything to anyone. Fred Wheeler knows! Thought he would be smart and not tell anyone when his birthday was, till it was all over, but he found two cakes (special 'cause he rates with the girls around here) and presents on his desk. By the way, he is only two. . . . Some people have unusual hobbies. But Al Kruse has a humdinger! He collects pictures of pretty girls (ones that you see on calendars). Asking him what his wife says or thinks, he replied, "She says nothing. She just knows me." Isn't it nice to have a wife so understanding, Al? . . . The girls in the office put on a big feedbag one noon. It was so nice that we decided that why don't we do this more often. Hate to admit it, but we have some mighty good cooks in this office. . . . Mr. Blackburn ate his lunch, then came back to the office to eat the leftovers from the potluck (beans and potato salad). The cooks were Helen Reisser and Gladys Cleland. Of course Blackburn said they were mighty tasty. He had to—the girls were standing over him with a club. . . . Bernadette Collis' favorite saying is, "Well, I'll be a Murpby." What we want to know is, who is Murphy? . . . Almost forgot to tell you the Yankees won the series. As if you all didn't know. . . . And Al Kruse is riding around in style. He has a new Studebaker.



Those third week vacations are really coming in handy with the fellows in Bldg. 17-1. Argend Denney is taking his third week vacation spending his time making necessary repairs and winterizing the house. This includes putting in a new heating system. . . . Jerry Humbarger isn't adding to on his vacation but is spending the time removing the barn on the back part of the lot. . . . Ray Epperson, the genial dispatcher in 19x71 and 72 group, has enjoyed the past week fishing at Holton Lake. There is some doubt as to whether Ray will catch many fish as it wasn't possible for him to take his fish guide Ed Arthur along with him this time. . . . The new subscriber to the Hand Machine magazine, Blue Chips, is Bill Grimm. . . . We wonder why Ed Martin didn't go out in the boat when he was at the lake last Sunday. Could it have been Ed was afraid of getting sunburned? . . . Due to the scarcity of iron, Andy Degler is trying to invent a means of removing the iron from the water in his area. Andy says he is sure he can make 100 nails out of the iron found in a glass of water from his well. Any suggestions will be appreciated. . . . Very reluctantly, we bid farewell to Weldon Stucky who has left us to go to Taylor Street to work on a grinder. . . . With Weldon leaving, Ed Brosche is going to miss bis good morning newspaper. If anyone wants to help Ed out by bringing in a paper for him to read in the morning, Ed will return the favor by giving them his superdeluxe travel tour to Florida, or if requested, Ed will take the donor on the highlights of the Notre Dame football game. . . . With the recent spring-like weather, Ted Brockmeyer has started making plans for next spring. Ted is spending a lot of his spare time beautifying the surrounding area of his home planting various bulbs and flowers for the coming spring show. . . . The "fever" seems to be catching in 19x72 group. Paul (Doc) Gieger has all the details as to the cause and cure. Ed Brosche was the latest victim. . . . Henry Wichern is now keeping Ralph (Cowboy) Beerman in tobacco. Heinnie says he can be sure of having an empty tobacco pouch when he comes to work after Beerman has been roaming the ranges on the third trick. . . . Vic Hall was seen getting first hand information from Ed Brosche for his proposed trip to Florida. It is being rumored that driving lessons have been offered to Vic prior to his departure. We don't know, as yet, who is going to give Vic his lessons. . . . The New York Yankees really paid off to Argend Denney. Argend won baseball pools last Saturday and Sunday. We hope no one tells Mrs. Denney about this as Argend would like to keep it a secret. . . . For a while the Braden name was in the limelight only during the baseball season, but now Harold Braden has stepped out and has been named coach of the Indiana Technical College basketball team for the coming season. We can predict great things for the Indiana Tech team as the "racehorse" will really work to have a winning team. Our congratulations to coach Braden. . . . We extend our sympathy to Al Decker in the death of his mother-in-law.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT NEW ACTIVITY WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE THE G-E CLUB SPONSOR?



HENRY H. PLIETT

Bldg. 17-3

"I would like to have the G-E Club sponsor a barber shop quartet, as that type of entertainment has become very popular among the young and old alike."



EUGENE M. WEAVER

Taylor St.

"I would like to see them have one night each week for teen-agers' entertainment, such as dancing or parties, so they will have a place to go."



VAL SITCLER

Bldg. 26-4

"I would like to have the G-E Club sponsor an amateur program or contest. The contestants to be eligible must be employed by the General Electric. The winner of the contest could then be a guest star on a General Electric radio program."



NORMAN STOLLER

Bldg. 19-1

"Frequent, conducted, week-end tours and excursions, open to employees and their families at the lowest cost possible to points of historic, economic or scenic interest throughout the midwest."



MARY BROWNFIELD

Bldg. 18-1

"I believe it would be very profitable for the G-E Club to sponsor a mixed chorus. The members of such a chorus would not be the only ones who would derive much pleasure from it. A good chorus could present various programs for G-E employees and might also be a means of entertainment for many of our organizations."



RETURNEE—Glen Seabold is back working in the Developmental Division for C. J. Herman. What is that saying about "Bad pennies always return"? . . . CLEAN UP WEEK?—Lydia Wilkening did her fall housecleaning early due to an accident with the furnace. . . . WONDERING—We in the Developing Div. would like to know when and how long ago C. J. Herman learned to write his reports in Chinese. . . . OPPORTUNE TIME—We are glad to have Betty Puff back to work after four days of the flu. At least she could hear the World Series. . . . DOUBLE HEARING?—Ralph Kaeck was seen talking over two telephones at once. How do you do it, Ralph? . . . SLEEPY?—Weir Anderson, AC Division, lost all his sleep. Last Friday night due to his cousin's boy getting lost. Can you tell by this if you are getting old or not? . . . TOURING—Johnny Nute is traveling over the southern part of Indiana this week. He is planning on taking a few pictures. Betty and Frank Ross were visitors of Brown County over last week-end. Beautiful, isn't it! . . . GLAD TIDINGS—Congratulations to Joe Jamison in Sales, who welcomed a new bundle of joy named Judy Margaret Oct. 5 . . . MISS YOU—We in Commercial Div. shall miss Marylis Redding who left us last Friday. The girls in Sales Division had a luncheon for Marylis last Thursday and presented her with a lovely gift. In her place we want to welcome Ellen Harkless to the Commercial Division. Hugh Folsom leaves today for Commercial Div. at Taylor St. The AC Div. will sure miss his beaming face. . . . WELCOME—We are glad to see Al Reynolds in AC Div., who is the new test engineer. We also wish to welcome Lowell Ray the new Division engineer. . . . SORE JAW—Billie Mae Frain, who recently arrived in the Engineering File Room, was off for a while with a sore tooth. We really feel for you, Billie. Joe Hiles, AC Division, also has teeth trouble. He has wisdom teeth coming in where there is no room. . . . FOOT BALL ENTHUSIAST—Lois Tritch, Payroll Division, enjoyed herself at the Indiana - Texas Christian football game last Saturday. . . . TELEVISION—While home in Toledo last week-end, Isabel Bartholomew saw the World Series in television. . . . GLADNESS AND GREAT JOY—Now we know the reason why Thelma Barbeau has been so-o-o-o- happy the past several weeks. Last Monday morning when Thelma came in to work, she was wearing a beautiful diamond on her third finger, left hand. . . . HAPPY BIRTHDAY — Congratulations to Mildred Schroeder and Bertha McCague. . . . EARS RINGING? Does Ned Hackney always hear bells like he did on the elevator last Monday? . . . GOLF—Not only does Jack Jennings swing at a golf ball and leaves it sit where it was, but he also hits the ball so that it comes back to him. (The ball bit a tree.) . . . BASEBALL—Johnny Reuille was lucky enough to win in the baseball pools not once but twice. It's a good start on that G-E washing machine, Johnny. . . . BIGGER AND BIGGER — Everett Letsinger is still growing bigger and better apples. We hope he doesn't have any office worms to get them. . . . GADGET — That gas saving record Carlson reports has been thrown away. Recently he found he had a leak in his gas tank. Tough, Forry. . . . TWO OF A KIND—Delores Giltz and her husband both won on a baseball pool in which they both had the same inning, in the same game. . . . WHAT HAPPENED, GLEN? It is rumored and it is a fact that Glen Stapleton has bought a 1947 DeSoto. What happened, Glen; we thought you were a Hudson enthusiast? . . . MONEY MAKER—It seems as if Johnny Leffers made money off of Shorty Poyser on the baseball games. John bought Shorty's ticket on the game for a certain amount and then sold it back for a "little" profit. Is this true, Shorty? . . . TRAVELS — Tabulating Section has taken advantage of the pretty fall weather to do some traveling. Leonard Krumbigel had his third week of vacation last week and visited scenic Brown County. Mary Olson was in Terre Haute this week-end to attend the Beta Sigma Phi Convention. Ella Cox had a "Happy Birthday" Oct. 11. We wish her many more. . . . DIRECT QUESTION—To Garland Roby: Did you know that the rush job you did this week was on a fake requisition? You should have, everyone else did.

Apprentice School Squad Wins League's Championship Title



The Apprentice School ended a successful season by taking the Interdivision League softball championship. To attain this title they defeated the Works Lab, the first-half winners. The Apprentices also played under the sponsorship of Brouwer's Tire and Battery, winning 25 games and losing nine. The team members are: (standing, l. to r.) Merle Aughinbaugh, Emmett Rasor, Don Dimkee, Marc Junk, Walter Wolf, Apprentice School Supervisor; Bob Taylor, Bob Birkenbeul, Kenny Zurbuch, Leon Lahrman, and Frank Woenker, manager. Kneeling are: (l. to r.) Warren Berkheiser, Willard Butcher, John Leffers, and Milton Geoglein.

Partizan Chapter To Meet Tuesday

The Partizan Chapter of Elex will meet Tuesday, Oct. 18, at the G-E Club building at 1 p.m. The theme of the meeting will be on the order of a Fall Harvest.

Nora Kern is chairman of the party. Her committee members are Lola McCague, Louise Heine, and Lois Henry.

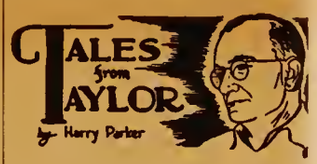
Tickets for the annual banquet will be on sale for $1.45. The dinner will be at the YWCA Tuesday, Nov. 15.



The World Series is over and the time for fall tax payments is here. Then our thoughts can turn to Thanksgiving. Personally, I'd be thankful for a winter full of the weather of last week-end. . . . Caroline Becker took advantage of the weather by spending the week-end at the lake. . . . If you notice that Delores Wonderly is walking around and her feet not touching the floor, take a look at the third finger, left hand. You'd be up in the clouds too. However, someone should give Delores a second hand euchre deck so that she can do a little practicing. . . . Heard on the elevator before 7 a.m.: "Good morning, how's your arthritis today?" One would think we were getting old in Bldg. 17-3. . . . Pauline Kirchner is keeping the Decatur Fair open this week. . . . Ross Domer thought Eunice Zehr was drinking rusty water. It really was the autumn drink, cider. . . . Ah, Sweet Mystery Of Life: Has Bob Mosshammer found out where the cake was from that was at his place?—Why Harold Kiel was wearing dark glasses last week?—Why anyone would wear a "do not inventory" sign a week after inventory was taken? Bill Martin did. . . . Have you heard Jess Habn sing, "All I Want For Christmas Is My Front Tooth"? . . . Why Erv Lange was seen carrying a doll? (Small girl variety). . . . Why Lucille Miller looked for her clock card after coming back from a fire drill. . . . Why Betty Pressler's light bulb was staying brighter longer the last few days? . . . The way Pauline Kirchner can blow into work on Monday morning with a bang is quite fetching. . . . Hershal Case copied the style Tuesday. Must've washed his hair the night before. . . . Have you seen Harold Bowker imitating "Frankenstein" for the girls on line four, giving them his fierce look? Harold, no doubt saw the act done by Junior. . . . Did you ever hear of taking a cat to a show? Frances Eckrote wanted a ticket for her husband's cat. . . . It's a happy birthday to Jennie Zimmerman, Isabelle Blackburn, Verna Kohart, Dorothy Johnson and Mary Wright. The girls on 534 line had a surprise potluck for Mary. . . . Daisy Richard, Mabel Buker, Pauline Gnau and Margaret Monnot are on our sick list this week. Hope you are all back when this goes to press. . . . The girls thought it was snowing one day last week. It was just Mildred's glasses playing tricks on her. . . . Mabel Schaaf is off to far away places this week. She is visiting in Oklahoma. . . . Helen Kaminski went to Chicago last week-end to attend a wedding. . . . Frances Wilkie is enjoying her third week of vacation. . . . JoAnn Kemery had quite a family increase at her home—22 young porkers. Imagine all those little pork chops on the hoof. . . . Peggy Bahde, Ocie Allen and Minnie Ley are back in the groove. Also hello to Ruth Stout and Harold Frazier. . . . Sorry to have Ben Farrington leave, but glad he could return to his former job. . . . Edith Paxson is grandma. . . . Anne Gibson almost had a trip to Cafeteria Court. She was going to cross the street against a signal light with two cops watching her. . . . Ellen Dittlinger surprised the girls with her baby picture. Mighty cute baby way back when. . . . Charlie Francies has been busy painting his new home. Housewarming coming up? . . . Lyle Byerly paid us a visit last week. . . . Our sympathy to Edith Paxson on the death of her mother.



Congratulations to Cleo Toy Haymonds, who is the grandmother of a grandson. . . . The girls in Bldg. 4-5 will be glad to know Melba Hartman is a proud mother of a daughter. She used to work on the washing machine line. . . . Birthday greetings of the week go to Edna Stanton, Viola Vannata and Edna Fletcher. . . . We wonder if Dorothy Jensen doesn't have any water at home. She carries her thermos bottle home full now and then. . . . Iris Summers is going out to Taylor St. to work. We wish her the best of luck on her new job. . . . We wonder what happened to Whitey Moring after inventory. He had a swollen face for a few days. Whitey, it is very unusual for anyone to get their third set of molars. . . . Velva Smith was spending her third week's vacation last week doing her fall cleaning. However, she had a fairly nice week. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hickernell are spending their third week's vacation in Washington. . . . Who was the girl who walked down to the bus in her fancy white satin slippers and also was late for work? It was Marcella Schwartz. . . . We wonder why Bob Morris is wearing a bright red stripe across his clothes. Could it be he is leaving us to be a painter or accidentally spilled the paint? Did everyone know the boys of the packing section are feeding a group of pigeons every morning. Charles Dingman puts about a pound of feed out to them. The fellows claim they cannot work unless the birds are taken care of.



Admiral Brandenberger has had his flagship in drydock for the last month undergoing extensive repairs and painting. He wants it to be in good shape for the final Big Long Lake regatta to be held the last Sunday in this month. By the way, he has had a more powerful motor installed. With the noise of this new motor plus his loud whooping, no doubt, this performance will be outstanding. So get your ear plugs, folks. . . . Phillip "Tiny" Schoppman, eager to demonstrate his skill in dodging other cars in the parking lot, was doing real well until another car loomed up in front of him. Being unable to stop suddenly Tiny swerved his jalopy, hooked bumpers and scratched off a little paint. The damage was slight. Someone said that he only had brakes on one wheel. . . . Sometime during the past week-end Ed Moodie was assisting his son-in-law hang paper. From all reports they had a hectic time such as running their fingers through the pasted paper and tearing same. Nevertheless they finally got the room done, but the crowning exasperation came when they arose the following morning only to find all of the paper lying on the floor. . . . Clarence Stove who has been vacationing the past week reports a very busy time. He spent most of the week rehabilitating a dilapidated barn on a farm near Willshire, Ohio. He told us that he painted the outside of said barn while it was raining, which he said would be all right as this would give it the appearance of being stippled.



This Saturday's the day. The Club alleys will be open for open bowling and as an added attraction the All-Star League will take to the alleys for an exhibition. Hope to see plenty of you keglers around Saturday evening.

Thanks to Frank Quinn for the use of his old WORKS NEWS. Back in December, 1934, the Winter St. Bowling club, composed of Ed Kramer, Herb Adamske, George Jackson, Fred Zurcher, and Milt Bryan, issued an unqualified challenge to any Broadway team. The prize was to be a keg of beer. The offer was snapped up by a quintet of Broadway bowlers consisting of Bill Doehrman, Bill Buuck, Frank Matthews, Eddie Kammeyer, and Maurice Cox.

Here are the results of the bowling, although the results of the keg are unknown.

WINTER ST.

Kramer	223	236	295	663
Adamske	171	214	292	587
Bryan	223	183	227	633
Zurcher	291	246	181	627
Jackson	172	200	181	563
Totals	999	1977	996	3963

BROADWAY

Doehrman	233	248	N185	666
Buuck	189	197	227	612
Matthews	171	198	299	569
Kammeyer	227	224	291	652
Cox	219	268	225	703
Totals	1930	1135	1937	3202

Out of the 10 bowlers, only Frank Matthews is still bowling at the Club in league competition.

The General Service team held the high team average of those days at the Club. The team was composed of Bill Doehrman, 202 avg.; Bill Buuck, 197; Ted Schlup, 193; C. Mugg, 163, and R. Kaiser, 162.

Did you know that back in those days Ray Lindemuth was carrying a 182 average. Ah, what fond memories.

Office League

The Standardizing team is leading the league with a 12 and three record. Just two games back come the Designers, who were really hot Monday evening. Dick Hanson (Master of the Back Up) paced the boys to a league-high 2994 total and 1067 single game with a 614 total on games of 217, 192 and 205. Frank Shlink and Paul Perry hipped in with games of 229 and 227, respectively.

Two hundred scores were kegled by: Bob Blomker, 217; Clarence Rump, 210; Don Pappert, 209; Erv Aumann, 205, and Ife Holmes, 201.

We were reminded to mention a 602 count rolled by Don Waldrop, which included a rousing 266 single game, which is just about high for the leagues this year.

NOTE: We forgot to mention Bob Johnson's 200 score in last week's column.

Apparatus League

Team No. 10 is leading the league with a nine and three record. Team No. 2 and 4 are just one game back, to keep the league all tightened up.

Two hundred scores were accumulated by Jimmie James, 214; Fred Schafenacker, 206; Bob Stute, 204; Vic Rump, 204; Oscar Hugc, 203; Harold "Lucky" Garrett, 202; Andy Anderson, 202, and Walt "Brink 'Em Back" Beaty, 201.

Apprentice League

Compasses are out in front with an 8-4 record, and back in sixth and last place come the Triangles with a five and seven talley.

Don Dimke, after his lesson from Frank Mataya last Tuesday evening banged the pins for two 203 counts. Marcus Junk came up with the only 200 count of the evening.

Masonic League

The Fellowcraft team is leading the league with eight wins and four losses.

Two hundred scores were rolled by Dale, 225; Larson, 211; Art Crayton, 206; Frank Quinn, 205; B. Somers, 200, and R. Crabill, 200.

Transformer League

The "M" and Watts are sharing top honors with three wins and no losses. Rogers rolled the only 200 game of the evening, with his 211 game.

Decatur Bowling Leagues

MONDAY NIGHT LEAGUE: Flanges is heading the list with a six and three record. The office is only one game behind for second place. Cook scored 206 for the only 200 game of the evening.

FRATERNAL LEAGUE: The Teeple Truck Line team is leading the parade with eight wins and four losses. Elks, Preble AC, and K. of C. are tied for second place by breaking even on the 12 games. Tied for third and last place are Moose No. 7 and the G-E Club with five wins and seven defeats.

Teeple Truck Line rolled new high series of 2941 and the new high single game of 1053.

Six hundred series were kegled by G. Schultz, 631; Bob Lord, 626; and G. Baumgartner, 610.

The following rolled 200 games: Baumgartner, 210 and 201; Leonard, 205; Lord, 209 and 225; G. Schultz, 236 and 217; McIntosh, 209 and 221; Laurent, 241, and H. Murphy, 235.

BASKETBALL TEAM PLANS TWO PRACTICE SESSIONS

The Industrial basketball team prospects will head into a rugged conditioning program next week. Practice sessions will be held at the G-E Club gym from 8 to 10 p.m. Monday, Oct. 17, and Thursday, Oct. 20.

Manager Bill Schible will select his squad after these sessions. The game will be played Monday, Oct. 31, against the Indiana Tech five, who are coached by former G-E Major's coach and player Harold Braden.

The Industrial team had a record of 29 wins and 16 losses last year.

G-E Rod, Gun Club Wins County Trophy

The G-E Rod and Gun Club rifle team won the Major John Miller, Allen County .30 caliber Team trophy. G-E Team No. 1 shot a total of 533, and Team No. 2, 501. Their opponents, Fort Wayne Rifle and Pistol Club, tallied scores of 501 and 310.

The G-E club is now getting into full swing for the indoor season at the South Side High School range. Twenty-two caliber class shooting will be held every Tuesday from 7 to 11 p.m. Anyone interested in shooting in this class of rifle or pistol is invited to attend these matches at South Side High School.

The following are the scores for the trophy:

G-E TEAM ONE		G-E TEAM TWO	
L. Bland	119	P. Sowers	196
K. Hart	108	L. Allmandinger	104
O. Emerick	106	V. Allmandinger	191
E. Allmandinger	196	R. Allmandinger	96
F. Reed	103	H. Allmandinger	96
Total	633	Total	591

F.W. RIFLE CLUB TEAM ONE		F.W. RIFLE CLUB TEAM TWO	
K. Griffin	196	A. Pentz	197
W. Vanderford	191	G. Nix	192
R. Miller	99	S. Bowlin	191
Meckler	98		
Rowland	97		
Total	591	Total	310

Owl Basketball Team To Practice Monday

There will be an Owl Basketball practice Monday, Oct. 17, at 9 a.m. The session will be held at the G-E Club gym. Players are asked to bring their own equipment.

G-E Club To Hold Open Bowling, All-Star Exhibitions Saturdays

There will be open bowling at the G-E Club from 3 p.m. until 11 p.m. this Saturday and every Saturday thereafter.

Featured tomorrow night will be an exhibition by the Fort Wayne All-Star League, and they will appear every fourth week at the Club alleys.

One of the top bowlers in the league is G-E's own Eddie Kraft, 1949 state all-events, and G-E tournament all-events and singles champion. Others include Frank Carr, Everett Scott, Jr., Bob Ramsey and Porter Pace.

The following is some data on the various league members:

ALL STAR LEAGUE

Standing	W	L	T.Pins	Ave.	HSG	H1G	Stks.	Spra.	Splts.	Ers.
Helmsing's, E. Kraft	19	5	3952	293	1078	238	72	78	6	6
Ritz Bar, R. Vaughn	19	5	2762	184	1964	225	53	61	16	17
Sugar Bowl, E. Lester	10	5	2736	182	952	211	38	66	14	16
Five Point Cafe, R. Ramsey	9	8	2632	176	995	205	41	86	17	19
Scott Rec., E. Scott	8	7	2883	192	996	228	65	78	16	3
Court St. Rec., F. Carr	8	7	2825	188	1030	245	66	81	13	7
Fair Tavern, R. Sawyer	7	8	2646	176	979	202	41	88	11	16
Tacks Cafe, H. Patterson	7	8	2599	173	910	211	54	65	15	23
Messenger Corp, P. Pace	6	9	2626	176	923	214	46	70	26	12
Rialto Theatre, C. Huffman	5	19	2725	182	927	220	59	63	15	17
Star Bil. & Bowl., D. Stump	5	19	2678	178	936	204	57	72	13	14
Hoosier Elec., H. Muesing	5	19	2535	169	849	216	37	85	17	20

High Five Game Total, E. Kraft 1076
High One Game, F. Carr 245
Leader in Strikes, E. Kraft 72
Leader in Spares, R. Sawyer 88
Leader in Splits, P. Pace 26
Least Errors, E. Scott 3

WEEKLY SCORES 10-8-49 BOWMANS ALLEYS

Player	1	2	3	4	6	Total	W	L	S	S	S	E
E. Scott	291	228	174	290	177	980	4	1	22	25	3	2
C. Huffman	194	144	169	181	215	893	1	4	18	24	3	7
F. Carr	169	193	181	180	161	884	2	3	18	26	7	3
R. Vaughn	172	168	147	197	212	896	3	2	17	22	6	5
R. Sawyer	144	178	161	167	183	833	1	4	14	26	5	8
R. Ramsey	174	205	173	182	171	995	4	1	14	29	6	1
D. Stump	127	196	152	191	189	845	1	4	17	21	6	6
E. Lester	202	202	156	188	204	952	4	1	22	21	4	4
H. Patterson	168	172	199	168	159	866	3	2	17	22	5	7
P. Pace	133	199	160	154	205	849	2	3	12	28	9	3
H. Muesing	184	178	185	147	146	840	1	4	12	29	4	8
E. Kraft	297	174	185	195	190	961	4	1	18	33	1	2

b2 (Note) Kraft won tie game from Muesing.
Schedule for Oct. 15, 7 p.m. G-E Club.
1-2 E. Kraft-E. Lester; 3-4 C. Huffman-H. Patterson; 5-6 H. Muesing-E. Scott; 7-8 R. Vaugn-R. Ramsey; 9-19 F. Carr-D. Stump; 11-12 R. Sawyer-P. Pace.

INTERDIVISION VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE TO OPEN SEASON NEXT WEDNESDAY NIGHT

The Interdivision Volleyball League season will open Wednesday, Oct. 19, at the G-E Club gym. Playing time will be from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. every Wednesday.

Any team or person interested in playing volleyball this year can get further information by calling Hubert Meyers, Taylor St. Extension 487.

Team captains and their extension numbers are: Winter St., Bill Burtzner, 225; Taylor St., George Cowan, 355; Apprentice Draftsmen, Jack Kirlin, Bldg. 4-6, 2148; Apprentice Machinists, Dick Wagner, Bldg. 12-2, 739; Main Office, Ray Soughan, Bldg. 26-2, 695; General Tool, Jack Schemeborn, Bldg. 19-4, 557; Small Motor, Harvey Von-Guten, Bldg. 4-6, 2890, and Squares, Hugh Folsom, Bldg. 4-6, 379.

TOUCH FOOTBALL LEAGUE SCHEDULE IS ANNOUNCED

The Touch Football League is now in its second week of play. The games to be played Tuesday, Oct. 11, were rained out.

The following schedule will be played next week:

Tuesday, Oct. 18

7 p.m.—Test Engineers vs. Messengers

Firemen vs. Works Lab

8:15 p.m.—Transformer vs. Tool Division

Apprentice School vs. Winter St.

Thursday, Oct. 20

7 p. m.—Apprentice School vs. Messengers

Test Engineers vs. Firemen

8:15 p.m.—Works Lab vs. Tool Division

Transformer vs. Winter St.

Elex Shifts Schedule Coca-Cola Plant Tours

The first shift girls of Elex will have a Coca-Cola party Monday, Oct. 24, at 8 p.m. The main feature of the evening will be a tour through the Coca-Cola plant, corner of Pontiac and Lillie Sts.

Following the tour, a buffet lunch will be served through the courtesy of the Coca-Cola company. Special favors will also be given. A reservation fee of 25 cents will be charged.

The second shift girls will tour the plant Thursday, Oct. 20, as their season's opener. Members are to meet at the Coca-Cola plant at 11 a.m. A luncheon will be served at the Ace Cafe following the tour.

Reservations must be made sometime today. Tickets for the meeting are $1 each.

PENSIONER PARADE

It will be "ship ahoy" for Simon Bugo the first of next month. He will sail from San Francisco Nov. 1 for his homeland, the Philippine Islands to visit his family. This will be his first trip home since before the war. Simon plans to stay at the Islands six months, but if he can get an extension to his visit he would like to remain there a year. One of the first things he hopes to do is visit the old swimming hole to see if it is still there after all these years. Here's wishing him a bon voyage. . . . Helen Engle, Bldg. 4-3, talked with Bertha Piper recently. Bertha says that the thing she enjoys most about being retired is the 40 winks she gets after seeing John off to work. . . . Jack Singleton was in to see his friends in FHP Div. 1 last week. It was good to see you, Jack, drop in more often. . . . Lillie Benz is coming back from California.

MAJOR'S UTILITY STRENGTH



Dick Bueker



Don Ewing

Dick Bueker, reserve outfielder, and Don Ewing, dependable infield replacement, gave the G-E Club's Major softhall squad that much-needed reserve power this past season.



The consistent losing of the New Haven football team has taken all the enjoyment from Paul Kennerk's new private box overlooking the field. After every game he crabs to Kenny Guisinger, whose boy in on the team, but Kenny always has an iron-clad alibi. . . . Ben Bennett has been generous in passing out slightly used half tickets for the New Haven movie house, but to-date no one has tried to gain admission with them. . . . When Irma Miller discovered a loose heel on her shoe, she did a repair job as efficiently as a professional cobbler—just another in her long string of accomplishments. . . . The weatherman's lack of co-operation with vacationists last week put a definite hamper on Martin Brown and Gayle Stripe. Brownie was planning to cut corn with Gayle's assistance after he had finished his painting. The paint is still in the can; the corn in the field; but if this present bit of belated summer keeps up they may both finish their tasks. . . . As last Thursday drew to a close True Sheets smugly assumed his birthday was to pass unnoticed, but not so, for just as the quitting buzzer sounded, a couple of choruses of Happy Birthday by the group saluted him. . . . Jake Harshman and Fred Bailey are vacationing this week. Not taking us into their confidence as to how they will spend the time, we can assume that Freddie is probably tucking his rosebushes into their winter snuggies and Jake is more than likely changing oil in his newly patented wheelbarrow and hose. . . . Bill Shuler and Charlie Curtis escorted their spouses to Chicago over the week-end to see "Kiss Me Kate" and visit some of the interesting spots of the big city. Outside of the fact that Charlie struck up an acquaintance with his usual redhead, the week-end was uneventful. . . . Lola Whitacre livened up an otherwise dull Monday morning by arriving with a pair of non-matching shoes. Even she was blissfully unaware of it until mid-morning after the news became public.

"Abe" Mertens



Willis Mertens, Bldg. 4-2, might be considered a 20th century Abe Lincoln. He recently completed his home, above, on South Dale after a year and a half of construction. Willis built the five-room Oregon log house entirely by himself.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Clara Hoeh, Mattie Brunner, Irene Snyder, Mildred Geerken, Basil Squires, Lois Emmert, Elmer Fuhrman, Chester Pens, Martin P. Vogel, M. Marie Welch, Harry Kessler, Helen Babb, Pauline Gnau, William Meek, Rachel Mounsey, Luella Knoche, and Constance Hille.

Returned to Work

Lloyd Forsythe, James Laisure, Betty Gates, Paul Johnson, Katherine Biltz, Gladys Bracht, Patty Rogers, Bobby Black, Joe Adam, Lloyd Forsythe, Inez Green, Delbert Meyers, and Maxine Lonergan.

$150 Award Is Presented For New Idea



Miriam Valentine, Bldg. 17-1, recently received $150 for a suggested change in the purchase of certain parts for FHP Div. 19. She is shown receiving her award check from Virgil Hartman. Attending the presentation are: (l. to r.) Barbara Yingling, Iona Foster, Mr. Hartman, Miss Valentine, Betty Sue Morris, W. H. Franke, FHP Divisions 19 and 20 Supt., and Voyce Brumbaugh.



First of all we extend our sincere wishes for a speedy recovery to Marie Welch, who is recovering from an operation. We hope to see you in the pink of condition and back with us soon, Marie. Also we'd like to wish Marie a very happy birthday, belated of course, but none the less sincere. . . . Charlotte Daun and Helen Elbert also celebrated birthdays on the 4th and 5th respectively. Happy birthday to you two gals. Here's a birthday wish that isn't belated for C. L. Saurbaugh whose birthday is tomorow. . . . I suppose that there is hardly a one among you readers who hasn't heard the familiar old saying "Experience is the best teacher." For the benefit of you girls or fellows, as the case may be, and always trying to do a good deed your Ed herewith conveys the harrowing experience Rae Smith encountered with some limp old carrots. No doubt, you have all seen radishes and carrots that are as limp as an old dishrag, well such was the product facing Rae. Seeing these limp old carrots, and being a very thrifty young lady, Rae decided to revive them if she could. First a glass, then the carrots into the glass, then fill the glass with water, there the job was all done. Several hours later Rae decided to give the carrots a look see since she was sure that by now they would be all perked up. Would you look at those carrots, swelled up so tight in that glass that no amount of prying or shaking would budge them. Sometime later and with tiny bits of carrot spread haphazardly over the whole room Rae finally gave up. I'll bet a cookie that from now on Rae will put her vegetables in a nice big pan to let them do their swelling. . . . Lucky C. "Buck" Buchanan is back this week after spending his third week's vacation in Michigan. . . . Ray Quinn is looking for a good dog. Anyone having any information about such a dog please notify Ray. . . . With the Works Service division's new clean up committee checking around for any unclean spot everyone is trying to keep out from behind the eightball by keeping everything spic and span. However this week Regional Warehouse has the eightball.

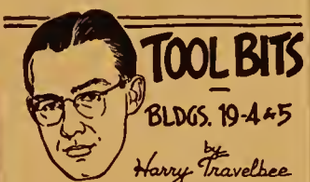
Doctor Riddance



If "an apple a day keeps the doctor away," Harvey F. Adair, Bldg. 6-3, should have no worries for two days with the double apple he found in his orchard. Although the apple has two cores, it has one stem and is joined "Siamese-twin" fashion on the sides.

Freeman To Address Dinner Meeting Of Decimal Minute Men

I. H. Freeman, Supervisor of Personnel, will address a dinner meeting of the Decimal Minute Men Monday, Oct. 17, at the Chamber of Commerce. His topic will be "Putting Power to the Wheel."



The fellows of Walter Greiner's section went out to Bob Truelove's farm last Friday evening and cut a bee tree. According to reports, only Woody Hursh and Marion More got stung. Elmer Sauerwein, protected by his son's bootball helmet, a mosquito net and a pair of hip boots, retrieved the honey. Don Alcott and Walter Greiner took credit for felling the tree, and Bernie Byanski did a lion's share by building Bob and Mabel Truelove a new driveway across a newly seeded lawn. . . . Art Dicke and Henry Frey must have been acting as sentrys from their posts 50 yards from the tree. Glen Ramsey bought his honey at his neighborhood store. Claims he had two flat tires near Huntertown and had to turn back. . . . Russell Jones thought Bill Jeffries wasn't very sociable by not getting out of his car, but Bill thought Russell's dog overdid his friendly act when he floored Bill on the last trip to the Jones' ranchero. Bill retired recently. We hope he doesn't have anymore fall outs with the Jones' dog. The fellows all wish you the best, Bill. . . . Every once in a while, we run across a fellow who has a rare collection of stamps, insects, or stones and we just have to stop to admire one who has patience enough to gather a collection of any interesting items. Speaking of collections, we feel that we should mention one of the boys in Bldg. 19-5 who has an unusual collection of tickets. He was displaying them last week, but for some undisclosed reason, he wasn't just too proud of them. Maybe you can guess why. When we tell you that the tickets are small and pink and they were placed on his car and he has four of them. Now this fellow works on the shaper in Bldg. 19-5 and he just bought himself a new pair of glasses which might help to keep him from getting anymore of those nice pink tickets. . . . Scott Click and his family left Friday evening, Oct. 7, on the Trail Blazer for New York City where they will be staying at the Knickerbocker Hotel. They plan to see all the interesting sights in the big city while they are vacationing there. . . . One of the boys in the mill section drew two numbers on the baseball pool, but was dissatisfied, so he traded one of his number sevens (he drew two sevens) for another number (number nine), to find later that the seven he traded was a winner. Better stick to your first choice next time, Clem. . . . Paul Schoeff is going to find the fish now and there won't be any stalled outboard motor to slow him down because he feels that he really has the outboard motor situation under control now. Don't look now, fellows, but it's a brand new 1950 five-horse Johnson. . . . Today is Ed Steward's birthday. The whole gang from Bldgs. 19-4 and 19-5 wish you a mighty happy birthday, Ed.

Children are small people not allowed to act as their parents did at that age.



The Norb Gicks have an increase in the family—a cute little puppy. . . . Paul Gressley went to the Brookfield Zoo last week-end. He said monkeys are the craziest people. . . . Emma Lytal is thinking about going back to Wisconsin for one of those king size steaks. . . . Hazel Dilworth was admiring her picture in the paper last week. . . . Leatha Hey went to Milwaukee last week-end. She brought back some beautiful pictures. They weren't all scenery pictures either. . . . You can never tell where Hilda Vance is roaming around at. She was seen on the streets of Buffalo, N. Y., last week-end. . . . Emil Schurenberg just came back from his vacation. . . . Anyone wanting to know how to beat the new city ordinance in jaywalking, see Ralph Braden. . . . The boys said Paul Peterson would have to bring smoke back in a can to make them believe he was any farther away than New Haven on his vacation. . . . Anyone wishing information on how to get out of working inventory, see Mel France. . . . Warning: If you are buying any wood from Lee Gamble, be sure he leaves before you go into the house, or he will take half of it back with him. . . . Bill Fowler entertained friends at Peabody, Ind., last Wednesday night. . . . We hear Tom Hildebrand is recuperating from his recent operation. He is now allowed visitors. . . . Anyone wishing to purchase cosmetics, see Lee Gamble. . . . Norb Sordelet wonders why his name never appears in this paper. . . . By the grapevine we hear Ray Horstman is going to raise pet rats on his newly acquired ranch. . . . Mabel Odell transferred to third floor. . . . Dick Gollar has served an eviction notice to Herman Conrad for not turning off his lights at 9 p.m. . . . There was a terrific explosion on the east end of the floor. We found out that the camera flew up when Frank Schlotter had his picture taken for 35 years' service with the Company. Anyway, congratulations, Frankie. . . . Otto Braun took last week off so he could chauffeur Paul Peterson around on his vacation. (P.S. He borrowed Joe Troendly's new Packard.) . . . Congratulations to Eva Hickman who is wearing a beautiful sparkler these days. . . . Lloyd McNamara should have a little helper to carry his bifocals around for him when he stops to talk to people. . . . Theresa Lindenberg is looking for an accomplished seamstress to help her make that rag doll. . . . The local red hot Nosemeyer was made leading operator in the lead section. . . . Don Bahde came to work one day half asleep and then found out he had put on two different stockings. . . . Mary Ann Miller went to Chicago last week-end and saw the world series games over television. . . . Congratulations to Sally (Bryan) Doty who was married Sept. 16.

Zuercher Dies

William A. Zuercher, 49, of 317 Edgewood Dr., died Friday, Oct. 7, at 6:55 a.m. while working at the Taylor St. plant. He had worked for the Company 24 years. At the time of his death, he was a cylindrical grinder in FHP Div. 13.

He was a member of the Trinity English Lutheran Church.

Dr. Paul H. Krauss conducted services at 2:30 p.m. Monday at the Klaehn Funeral Home. Burial was in Lindenwood Cemetary.

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G-E Contributions To Community Chest Top Last Year's Average

Community Chest contributions from employees of the Broadway, Taylor St. and Winter St. plants soared to 103% of the quota set for 1949 and rolled up an increase of 12.1 per cent participation over last year, it was reported today by K. W. Michael, campaign chairman.

The average individual contribution per total employees was 18.3 per cent over last year.

The quota for the Fort Wayne plants this year was $45,000. A

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MBA Benefits Are Increased

130 Employees Receive Awards For Suggestions

One-hundred and thirty employees received a total of $1,970 in suggestion awards during the last four weeks, it was announced today.

Dorothy Johnson, FHP Motor Div. 16, headed the list with a $225 award. Her suggestion concerned crimping leads.

For his idea to install partitions in degreasers, P. A. Schoppman, FHP Motor Div. 13, received $150. Dewey A. Erne, also of Div. 13, was awarded $110 for his suggestion pertaining to winding machine pulleys. An additional award of $110 went to John L. Laymon, Sr., Specialty Transformer Div. 91, for his suggestion to change the die gauges.

Raymond Milliron, Tiffin Plant, received an $80 award for his idea to repunch sections. Fifty dollars went to John Driver, FHP Div. 13, for his suggestion of substituting

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Dorothy Johnson, FHP Div. 16, received $225 for her suggestion to change the method of crimping terminals to leads. The picture, above, was taken when Mrs. Johnson was presented her check. Left to right are: H. E. Boles, Supt.; V. R. Castle, General Foreman; Jack Dobson, Foreman; Mrs. Johnson, and H. A. Schultz, Suggestion Secretary.

Section Chairmen Vote Adoption Of Amendments Effective Nov. 7

The General Committee of the MBA, composed of section chairmen, adopted the proposed amendments to the constitution and by-laws of the Mutual Benefit Association at a meeting Wednesday morning.

The new benefits, which will become effective Monday, Nov. 7, are:

Article		New Plan
XI (4)	Maximum payable for employees plus dependents in any 12 consecutive months—does not include death benefit of $200.	$1600

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Halloween Square Dance Is Planned For Oct. 28

All G-E employees, their families and friends have been invited to attend the G-E Club's Halloween Square Dance Friday night, Oct. 28.

The dance will be held from 9 to 12 o'clock in the G-E Club auditorium, and will be free of charge.

Two attendance prizes and awards for the most unusual and funniest costumes will be presented.

Music will be furnished by Joe Taylor's Red Bird band.

G-E Earnings Drop In Third Quarter

Reflecting in part the price revisions undertaken to stimulate business as well as the fluctuations in production schedule because of erratic demand, net earnings available for dividends of General Electric Company's consolidated operations in the first nine months of this year were $67,612, 879 or 19 per cent less than the $83,893,459 earned in the corresponding period last year, even though the net sales billed were 5 per cent more than in the same period last year. The Company's net sales billed during the first nine months this year totaled $1,190,372,404 as against $1,137,935,052 billed in the same period last year.

The earnings were equivalent to 5.7 cents on each dollar of sales this year as compared with 7.4

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Foremen's Association To Hold Ladies' Night

The Foremen's Association will hold its annual ladies' night in the G-E Club auditorium Wednesday, Nov. 9, Everett Lindeman, president, announced today.

ELSA MAXWELL TO SPEAK AT ELEX DINNER NOV. 7

Elsa Maxwell, noted entertainer, will be featured at the next Elex meeting for first shift members.



Elsa Maxwell

The program will be held Monday, Nov. 7, at the G-E Club auditorium. Dinner will be served from 4:45 to 6 p.m.

Tickets for members are $1, and the price includes the dinner. Nonmembers may attend the program at 6 p.m. by paying the $1 admission. Reservations must be made with contact girls on or before Thursday, Nov. 3.

111 Delegates Attend First Inter-Club Conference

The first Inter-Club conference of G-E women's organizations was held Saturday and Sunday at the Palmer House in Chicago. One hundred and eleven delegates attended the two-day convention, representing clubs in Illinois, Indiana and Ohio.

The Saturday afternoon session opened with a welcome by Irene Meyers, Elex advisor. She stressed the theme and slogan of the conference, "Hand of Friendship" and "Forward Thinking." The two mottos were linked together throughout the week-end.

Mary Leiter, Elex president, then presided over the first business meeting. At this session, reports from the five clubs were given concerning their various service, social, trips, and finance projects.

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The 111 delegates paused before the Saturday evening dinner at the Inter-Club Conference to pose for their official picture.

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Our Country Pays Tribute Monday To The United Nations And Peace

United Nations Day will be celebrated throughout the United States on October 24 this year, marking the day on which the charter came into force four years ago for this organization dedicated to world-wide and universal peace.

Sparked by a Presidential proclamation, United Nations Day will see hundreds of thousands of Americans paying tribute both to the achievements already accomplished by the UN and to the laudable ones still on the roster.

The General Assembly of the United Nations just recently went back into session. Each time the Assembly meets there are many, both in the thick of it and on the side-lines, who hope that the new gathering may be the one which will find the magic formula to assure all the world of a secure peace. The new president of the Assembly, Carlos P. Romulo of the Philippines, gave voice to this hope in his first remarks to the body. He pointed out that the Assembly last met in Paris under a heavy threat of a new war, and that now this threat has largely dissolved. This session, he hoped, might earn the title "peace assembly."

Probably there will be no one session which can win that title, at least not until long afterward when the full results of each session's work can be appraised. Great wars develop slowly. Looking back over them in after years, historians my place a finger on any of several events and say that here war really began, or here it could have been prevented, or here it became inevitable. No one can be sure which was really the key event. A secure and lasting peace will develop slowly, too, and probably no one will ever be able to say that one particular event accomplished it. If that peace is obtained through the United Nations, it might be said that the creation of the United Nations, in the midst of war, was the birth of peace.

But that was only the beginning, and it is only the beginning which has yet been made. As individuals and as a nation we must have faith in the slow growth of a great organization, perhaps of a great peace. It needs the support and help of our strength and energy, and of our earnest interest—the interest of the people of America.

What Is The Greatest Standing Offer Ever Made?

The greatest standing offer ever made has been in effect since the days of the colonists.

It is this—reward for extra effort.

It is a basic fact of human nature that people will work amazingly hard if they get something extra for doing it.

Through the years it has stimulated Americans to invent new and better machines—to invest in new enterprises . . . to create the world's greatest industrial plant . . . to compete in free markets.

By increased use of machine power on our mass production lines, we have been able to lower costs—to produce more for every hour we work than any other people on earth.

Our productive efficiency has resulted in constantly higher wages and shorter hours. Our labor has the right to choose jobs, to organize and bargain collectively.

No wonder that the United States, with only seven per cent of the world's population, produces as much material wealth as all other nations combined. No wonder so many other countries are looking to us today for help and guidance.

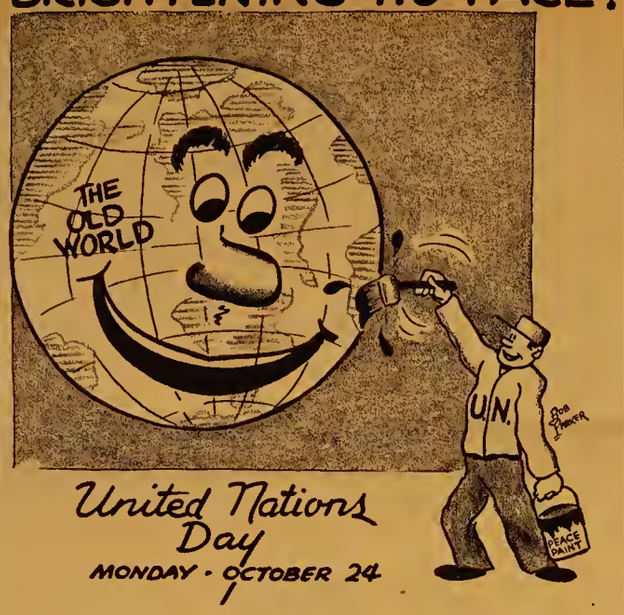
Our American system has its faults. We all know that. We still have sharp ups and downs of prices and jobs. We'll have to change that—and we will.

Business and Human Relations

"This is still a restless, ever-changing society, forever clamoring for the things that will make it better—to improve the conditions of home, office, school, and factory, and to speed the transportation of men and goods. To this healthy material progress and attitude, we must now bring a new understanding of human relations—a correlation of conflicting and diverse factors—a higher co-operation. Business has been a great civilizer; it can be a better one."

—Charles E. Wilson, President

BRIGHTENING ITS FACE!



It's Your Federal Government

A Career In Government

By Robert L. Johnson

Editor's Note: Following is the third in a series of articles describing the major findings of the "Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report". These articles are written by Robert L. Johnson, President of Temple University and Chairman of the committee. This committee is a voluntary, nonprofit, nonpartisan organization of leading citizens which has undertaken the task of informing the public of just what reorganiztion means and what the Hoover Commission recommendations, if enacted into law, will mean to each individual and to the nation.

As the largest employer of civilian workers on this continent, the United States Government, it must be admitted, has a lot to learn about personnel relations and procurement.

Its total civilian payroll lists over two million employees, who draw combined annual salaries of more than $5.6 billions. And yet these employees, although protected by Civil Service regulations and other safeguards, voluntarily quit their jobs at a rate of about 500,000 a year.

Obviously there is something wrong with a concern from which every fourth worker resigns. In the years 1945-48, inclusive, the government lost 3.9 million workers and hired 2.8 million, making a total of 6.7 million personnel movements in three years.

Turnover Is Expensive

This turnover has been very expensive and wasteful. The cost of processing and training replacements reaches astronomical figures. Members of the Hoover Commission task force pointed out that a saving of only 10 percent of the government's payroll costs of $6.5 billion would mean an annual saving of $600 million.

The Commission made the interesting discovery that discharges for cause from the federal employment are very rare. The task force studied this question closely. It concluded that the same percentage of government employees were prone to inefficiency, carelessness and disinterest in their jobs as in any other organization. Yet such employees are kept on, the task force found, because of the time and trouble entailed in discharging them.

It developed that it takes an average of seven months of red tape, hearings, appeals and paperwork to discharge an incompetent employee. One case was found in which a "stenographer", who was unable to take and transcribe dictation, was finally induced to resign after 21 months. No less than 45 specific charges of carelessness, incompetence, inefficiency, insubordination, — and worse — were proved against this one employee.

The report also studied the question of "empire building." This means the practice of some bureau chiefs in deliberately "building up" their own jobs and salaries by hiring unnecessary employees to do unnecessary work.

Commission Outlines Plan

The mission of the bipartisan Hoover Commission was to delve into this and some 24 other major problems of government and to make recommendations for economy and efficiency. The Commission, in a 19-volume report to Congress found ways in which, I personally believe, at least $4 billions a year can be saved without curtailing government services. President Harry Truman and former President Herbert Hoover are jointly urging Congress to pass the laws that will make these savings possible.

In the field of personnel management the Commission suggested:

That each government agency set up its own recruiting service. At present, all recruiting is handled by the Civil Service Commission.

That the heads of agencies interest themselves in obtaining career employees of high calibre and in their advancement.

That salary ceilings be raised for career employees.

That greater efforts be made to place qualified veterans in civil employment.

When the Civil Service Commission was created in 1883 it had control of only 10 percent of all applicants for federal employment. There were then about 100,000 federal civil employees. In the interest of fairness, the Commission applied the merit system and obtained workers through competitive examination. At that time this system was satisfactory.

But when the federal payroll expanded into the millions, and about 1,500 different skills were required by government, the system became inadequate. But it has not been changed. Today there are sometimes 250,000 applicants for a single nation-wide examination.

A man with outstanding abilities needed by government cannot, as in private employment, go to the head of the appropriate agency and apply for a job. He must wait for the announcement of an examination in his line. If he passes, he may get a job. Even if he does, the time required from the first application to his actual appointment may be as long as nine months. Most of this is carried on by correspondence in a vast haze of paperwork and form-filling. The Hoover Commission discovered that more than 40 percent of all eligible candidates got tired of waiting and dropped the idea during this waiting period. The Commission's suggestion for agency recruitment will overcome this condition.

Two Groups Polled

The task force received some revealing opinions of the government as an employer from two interested groups. A poll of former government employees resulted in 300 replies which were almost identical. They all said that their reasons for leaving the service were (a) the low rate of pay and, (b) slow advancement in the service.

Similar reasons were given by 3,448 seniors in 92 colleges for not wanting to work for the government. Only one in four expressed any desire for federal employment.

The scales of pay, the Commission reported, vary among different agencies, where five different pay policies are in force, and even within the same agency and the system is topheavy with personnel workers. The government employs 23,430 personnel workers at a combined annual salary of $76 million. This is one worker for every 76 persons on the payroll and, in some instances, one for every 38 employees.

The Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report, a strictly non-partison, nation-wide group, is now disseminating information about the Hoover Report and its possibilities. I hope you will be interested because you, and all the rest of us, must pay, in increased taxes, for government waste and inefficiency.

Employees Are Requested To Check Insurance, MBA For Correct Beneficiaries

All employees are requested to check their additional insurance and free insurance policies, as well as their MBA, for correct beneficiaries.

130 Receive Awards For Suggestions



Charles Druce, Bldg. 26-1, earned $40 for his recent idea to install a small sand-blast barrel in Bldg. 26-1. This suggestion eliminates the necessity of taking parts to Bldg. 26-B for sand blasting. Walter Wolf (left) and Mr. Druce are shown, above, looking over the application of the suggestion.

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V belts for chain drives on the P and J lathes.

Clarence Seslar, FHP Div. 14, received $45 for his suggestion pertaining to the conveyor in the shaft section. For his idea to install a sand blast barrel in Specialty Transformer Div. 91, Charles Druce received $40.

A Decatur employee, John Loshe, was awarded $30 for his suggestion for plate-capacitor covers. Joseph T. Troendly, Specialty Transformer Div. 94, and Erich J. Gewehn, of the Motor and Generator division, each received $25 awards.

Cigarette lighter winners for the week ending Sept. 17 were:

Motor and Generator Div.: Arnett Clauser, Richard Grote, George Fields, and A. R. Keller; FHP Div. 33: Roger Crabill and George Miller; Specialty Transformer Div. 94: Ned Greulach and Murry Sherman, and Tiffin, O., plant: Ralph Grunder and Hiram Hippler.

Those receiving awards ranging from $5 to $20 are listed below:

FHP Motor Div. 13: Maurice E. Jacobs, John L. Bailey, Freda B. Bunnell, Hobert Winebrenner, Mable M. Miller, John T. Repine, Lindsay E. Eastes, Donald Long, Jacob Allstetter, and Richard Pemberton.

FHP Motor Div. 14: Alverna L. Crowell, Donald W. Sterling, Martha J. Lee, Robert M. Turschman, Clarence W. Rothgeb, Esther E. Watson, Glenn F. McNamara, and R. F. Sealover.

FHP Motor Div. 15: Walter Amacher, Gerald Meeks (two awards), Edwin C. Rodenbeck, John A. Craig, Rudolph A. Becker, Richard Evans, Henry E. Vance, Harold J. Cunningham, Dallas R. Emberlin, Eugene F. Berg, Herman C. Macke, Neil Anderson, and Milton E. Roller (two awards).

FHP Motor Div. 16: George Eshelman (two awards), A. D. Feighner, Charles Hayden, Irene M. Bristol, Cliff Dowden, Albert R. Wickliffe, Juanita V. Likens, Velma M. Seibt, H. K. Beam, William G. Martin, and Dorothy F. Askren.

FHP Motor Div. 17: Homer H. Huser, Norman Wolf, Norman A. Hughes, Ralph J. Begue, Carl Kuzeff, John W. McKee, Joseph Eifrid, and Robert D. Rodgers.

FHP Motor Div. 19: Lloyd Foulkes.

FHP Div. 33: Philipp H. Kraft, Roger R. Crabill (two awards), Robert L. Todd, Betty J. McPherson, and Earl D. Stauffer.

Decatur: Richard Mailand.

Tiffin: James Turner, Virgil R. Spitzer, Clive Lupton, Addie F. Wenner, and Donald Welty.

DeKalb: J. Donald Ramsey (three awards), Ivan E. Prall, Vincent Hayes, and Walter Gibson (two awards).

Specialty Transformer Div. 91: Donald C. Ford (three awards), Mearvin E. Ruhl, Martha Newell (two awards) Arnold B. Ley, Avenel Stanton, Fred Wellensiek, and Paul Noffze.



Clarence Sealar, FHP Motor Div. 14, was awarded $45 for his suggestion concerning changes in the conveyor, making it possible to eliminate placing shafts into stock. He is shown at the right, above, being congratulated by William Skevington, General Foreman.

Specialty Transformer Div. 94: Eugene A. Scherer, Virginia Reed, Max W. Lydy (two awards), Phil A. Roberson, Frank F. Schultz, Jr., Walter Mertz (two awards), Bronson E. Miser, Levi C. Carpenter, Mary B. Reed, Zella M. Clutz, J. Virgil McKeeman, Charles Wrisk, Elma E. Berger, Arthur F. Pequignot, Olen I. Lehman (two awards), Fredrick Leinker, Earnest Pfeiffer, Edward M. Dullaghan, Robert L. Richardson, Harry M. Rollins, Gertrude Kummerant (two awards), James P. Locker, and Donald E. Waldrop.

Motor and Generator Division: Lester Patton, William C. Klepper, Raymond D. Stout, and Arnett Crittenden Clouse.

Wire and Insulation Division: Amel D. Beck, Robert G. McCollister, Arthur G. Gardt, Earl E. Glass, Virgil S. Nash, and Louis A. Dasher.

General Service Division: John Madden, Clifton J. Mugg, Dorsey Wendell, Homer A. Markley, and Raymond Bailey.

Distribution Division: Charles Strong, Arthur E. Thompson, Grover M. Wheeler, Ruth E. Moodie, Gladys E. Sorenson, Herman Ebel, Faye Alexander, and Granville Heck.

Waldschmidt Reviews G-E Hospitalization Plan For Pensioners

Provisions of the G-E Pensioners' Hospitalization Plan, which became effective Sept. 15, 1948, were reviewed in a statement issued today by George Waldschmidt, of the Personnel division, as a reminder to all pensioners.

The plan, which was first announced just a year ago this week, allows $5 a day for hospitalization, plus $25 for special services given by a hospital. Pioneering in a new field of hospitalization insurance, the experimental plan provides hospitalization benefits for pensioners at no cost to the pensioners.

Pensioners Given Booklets

Provisions of the plan were mailed to all eligible pensioners last year.

"Many have mislaid the booklets and have forgotten about the benefits from the plan," Mr. Waldschmidt explained. He urged that pensioners keep the booklet in a safe place for future reference.

Funds for payments of benefits under the plan are held in trust covering retired employees having at least 10 years of continuous service at the time of their retirement. It is hoped that the experience gained from the plan will enable the continuance of similar protection through Mutual Benefit Associations and insurance plans.

Provides Hospitalization

The plan provides that the $5 allowance will be toward the room charge for each day that an eligible pensioner is confined as a bed patient in a legally constituted hospital. The $25 for special hospital services is applicable to each separate admission to a hospital, even though the pensioner may not be a bed patient.

Under the plan, total maximum benefits are limited to $250 for any one pensioner during his lifetime. Benefits are not obtainable where hospitalization is available free of charge, or for any accident or sickness entitling the pensioner to benefits under any Workmens' Compensation Law, Occupational Disease Law, or similar statutes. Benefits cannot be used for payment of charges made by doctors, surgeons, or nurses, or other charges not made by the hospital.

Benefits are payable directly to the hospital rendering the services, to the claimant, or to any person the Pension Board may determine is best fitted to receive or administer the benefits to such pensioner. Payments are made on a reimbursement basis for charges actually billed by the hospital.

G-E Contributions

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total of $46,581 was contributed by employees at the three plants. A contribution from the Company of $12,000 sent the total contribution for the 20 Red Feather agencies to $58,581.

"I would like to thank all the solicitors and contributors for doing such a fine job in putting us over our goal," Mr. Michael stated.

Schoppman Receives $150 For New Idea



Paul A. Schoppman, FHP Div. 13, received $150 for his idea to put a partition in degreasers to save cleaning fluid. In the picture taken when he was awarded his check are: (l. to r.) George App, Mr. Schoppman, George Reker, and Frank Calkins.



Michigan Visitor: On one of our recent sunny days, Veda Orff went to Michigan to spend a few days with her brother and sister-in-law. It was good news for all when we heard she was able to make this trip. . . . **Back to Work:** Alta Mayle is back on duty. Her brother-in-law is improving slowly from a polio attack. . . . **Fancy Vegetable Grower:** Wonder if all of the vegetables in Mae Mulvane's garden grow in odd shapes. Could it be Ossian's soil? . . . **Opening Session:** The first meeting of the N.E. District Industrial Nurses Association was held last week. Berneta Welbaum, Lyle Rupert, and Olive Walters attended the meeting. . . . **Fair Time:** Many faces from the Medical section were seen on the midway at the Decatur Fair last week. . . . Lyle Rupert attended the organ recital at Hartford City last Sunday.

111 Delegates Attend Inter-Club Conference

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Forward thinking and friendship was again stressed at the Saturday evening banquet. Norma Grimes, President of Danville's DanGee, was toastmistress, and the DeKalb club was in charge of the decorations.

C. H. Matson, Works Manager; I. H. Freeman, Supervisor of Personnel, and Stuart Monroe, Supervisor of Personnel at DeKalb, each gave inspiring talks on the themes. Following the speeches, a song-fest was held, with each club contributing their club songs. Mary Smith, President of Gen-E-Deks at DeKalb, then sold tickets on a necklace to be given at the Sunday dinner, which Mary Leiter, of Fort Wayne, won.

After an impressive devotional period led by Irene Meyers, the Decatur GeCode president, Mary Fenig, presided over the morning session. At this meeting, the possibility of future Inter-Club conferences was discussed. Gay Kohlenberg, of Tiffin, and Louise Barthold, Cleveland, expressed the desire of continuing these conferences.

During the morning session, Miss Meyers outlined the advantages of such a conference. To illustrate her talk she had four rings to link together to make a strong chain. These links were titled Production, Character, Spiritual and Americanism.

Kathryn Cullen, Partizan President, presided over the Sunday luncheon in the Crystal Room. The Partizan chapter and Decatur had charge of the decorations, which carried out the theme of the meal, "Links of Tomorrow." Miss Fenig then continued the meeting with a discussion of future projects. Two plans decided upon were a blood bank service and special recognition of the various clubs' members retiring.

The conference was closed by an inspirational candlelight service. As the delegates entered the convention room, they lighted candles from those of the presidents and formed two complete circles of light. Miss Meyers then conducted the impressive ceremony which closed with the hymn, "God Be With You."

During the Sunday dinner, the Partizan chapter presented a song about the Inter-Club conferences. The following song was then adopted as the conference song:

INTER-CLUB SONG

(Tune of Clementine)

Forward thinking, building friendship,
We're united in the main,
If we work and play together
It will form a mighty chain.
Inter-club, inter-club
Linked together in our aim
Keep your eyes on the horizon
And we're sure to win the game.

Some men spend so much time trying to make a living that they forget to make a living.



Presidents of the G-E women's organizations at the Inter-Club Conference in Chicago last week are shown, above, with I. H. Freeman, Supervisor of Personnel. Standing: (l. to r.) Kathryn Cullen, Elex Partizan Chapter of Fort Wayne; Mr. Freeman, and Mary Smith, Gen-E-Dek of DeKalb, Ill. Seated: (l. to r.) Mary Leiter, Elex; Norma Grimes, DanGee of Danville, Ill., and Mary Fenig, GeCode of Decatur, Ind.



We have finally discovered who is the bravest man in the shipping section and it's none other than Bob Gebert. Bob, single handed, defended all the gals in the traffic section from a very furious mouse. We bow from the waist to such gallantry. . . . From all reports the Elex girls who attended the conference in Chicago last week-end, namely Eva Westrick and Betty Millhouse, had a marvelous time. . . . Last week was vacation week for Sarah Harris and can you imagine anyone on vacation getting up at 5:30 (yes, there is such a time) to help deliver papers. Will wonders never cease. . . . This past week found Herb Grueb enjoying his third week's vacation. Those people who are enjoying their third week's vacation this month are certainly receiving Mother Nature's nod of approval for I've never seen lovelier weather. . . . Happy Birthday to Ludella Conrad, who celebrated that pleasant day last Wednesday. Also may we be the first to wish the very happiest of birthdays to Emma Meyers on next Tuesday, and to Mary Ann Obrien next Thursday.

Elex Plans Style Show

Elex Club will hold a card party and style show featuring fall suits and furs at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 2, in the G-E Club auditorium. Tickets are 50 cents.

Table and attendance prizes will be given during the evening. A suit will be given as an attendance prize. Later in the evening, refreshments will be served.

Betty Puff, Bldg. 4-6, is in charge of the arrangements. Helen Brindle, Bldg. 26-2, and Alice Dahman, Bldg. 4-5, are assisting her.

Definition of a baby sitter: "One who accepts hush money."

Worry is like a rocking chair, it will give you something to do, but won't get you anywhere.

MBA Benefits Are Increased

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	Coverage A—Employees Disability	
XI (5A)	Disability Maximum in 12 months	$3.60 per day—five days per week—$252.
XI (5B)	Hospital Benefits	$7.50 per day for first 27 days. $5 per day for next 100 days.
	Hospital Extras	Up to $50 for each period of hospitalization. Also up to $15 for each out-patient visit to hospital up to maximum of $50.
	Maximum reimbursement for above	Maximum of $802.50 in 12 months.
XI (5C)	Surgical Benefits	Up to $175 in any 12 months.
	Coverage B—Dependents Benefits	
XI (6A)	Hospital Benefits	$6 per day for 27 days. Maximum in 12 months.
	Hospital Extras	Up to $40 for each period of hospitalization.
	Maximum reimbursement for above	$202
XI (6B)	Surgical Benefits	Up to $131.25. Maximum in 12 months.
XI (6C)	Maternity Benefits	$100 for normal delivery. $150 for Caesarean. $150 for extra-uterine delivery. $75 for miscarriage. Up to $25 for miscarriage where no hospitalization is involved.
XII	Weekly Deductions	$.55
	Class A—Employees	$.55
	Class B—Dependents	$.55

Another Act Is Added To Program Of G-E Club's Annual Fall Revue

"Pansy, the Horse" has been booked for the G-E Club's annual Fall Revue Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 5-6, it was announced today.

This brings the number of acts to three. More are being planned pending negotiations.

The revue is free to all employees and their families.

Andy Mayo's "Pansy, the Horse" is fast becoming an American institution. Other than appearing at leading theaters and clubs throughout the country, Pansy has also been featured in several motion pictures.

The first two-men-in-a-horse act wasn't a horse at all, but a donkey. Andy Mayo's great uncle in Italy, a sculptor and mask-maker, created a comical-looking donkey to entertain the village children when their pet animal died. It wasn't long until neighboring towns heard of this funny donkey and soon it joined traveling plays, musicals and vaudeville, gradually becoming famous throughout the European continent. This was about 55 years ago.

When Andy Mayo decided he would follow in his uncle's footsteps he set about to perfect the motions of the horse. The only way to gain this knowledge, he decided, was from the horse itself. So, night after night, he would trail along after milk wagons, making notes of every movement the horse made. Finally he was ready to present Pansy. The continued success of this offering has proven his painstaking study to be worth-while.

The revue will be given at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, and at 1 p.m., 3 p.m., and 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6. The free tickets will be available beginning Monday at the G-E Club candy-stand. Employees may get as many tickets as are allotted on their membership cards.

Taylor St. employees may obtain their tickets at the Personnel or Employment office.



Pansy and her girl-friend, above, are one of the featured acts to be presented at the free Fall Revue Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon, Nov. 5-6, in the G-E Club auditorium.

Advanced Manufacturing Program Holds Meeting Here



Robert Wylie, General Superintendent, at the left above, is showing members of the Advanced Manufacturing Program a model of the Fort Wayne Works. Twelve members of the program were here for the three-day session this week.

The Fort Wayne Works was host this week to members of the Company's Advanced Manufacturing Program. The men were here for a three-day meeting of tours and talks on manufacturing.

The meeting was opened Tuesday by Robert Wylie, General Superintendent, who gave a description of the history of the Fort Wayne Works and pointed out the salient features on a model of the Works.

The group then heard talks on sales by R. C. Hanna, Assistant Manager of Sales for the FHP Motor divisions, and on design by J. J. Clarkson, Manager of FHP Motor Engineering. The direct order routine was then discussed by A. J. Rose, Production Manager of the FHP Motor divisions. I. H. Freeman, Supervisor of Personnel, was the luncheon speaker.

In the afternoon, the men viewed and discussed the FHP Motor material handling system with T. L. Staley, Supervisor of Planning. They also heard a talk on IBM tabulation methods and uses by N. J. Singleton and L. F. Krumbigel.

The remainder of the afternoon was spent discussing material purchase controls with W. R. David, Assistant to the Supervisor of Inventory Control and F. E. West, Assistant to the Purchasing Agent, for the Large Motor and Generator division.

Vetter Addresses Group

In the evening, a dinner was held at the Hotel Van Orman at which Mr. Freeman introduced W. C. Vetter, chairman of the Board of Works for the city of Fort Wayne, who talked to the group on the problems of management in a community.

A. V. Feigenbaum, Supervisor of Manufacturing Training for the Apparatus Department, conducted the entire session of training activity Wednesday. C. H. Matson, Works Manager, was the guest speaker at the luncheon.

Wednesday evening the group attended a second dinner at the Hotel Van Orman. M. E. Lord, Manager of the FHP Motor divisions, was the speaker.

Men Visit Wire Mill

The group spent Thursday morning viewing and discussing the application of the matching conveyor and the operation of branch plants with L. D. Hodell, Manager of Manufacturing for the FHP Motor divisions. The men also viewed the Wire Mill with H. E. Hire, Superintendent of the Wire and Insulation division.

In the afternoon, the group toured the General Tool division with C. A. Brenner, Superintendent.

The trainees then observed some special applications of carboloy with F. M. Metrailer, Supervisor of Methods, Planning and Wage Rate in the Large Motor and Generator division.

Horstman Conducts Tour

The men then toured the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions with E. J. Horstman, Supervisor of Procedures, and discussed the production control system used on small lot manufacture.

The members of the Advanced Manufacturing Program, which is a part of the Company's Manufacturing Leadership Program, are assigned to the various works for a period of approximately six months and periodically gather for meetings at one of the works. To date, meetings have been held at about three month intervals at Schenectady, Philadelphia, Lynn, and Fort Wayne.

During the meetings, two days are usually spent viewing and discussing the various manufacturing facilities at the works and one day is spent on manufacturing training activity. The Company's Manufacturing Leadership Program is coordinated by A. V. Feigenbaum.

Three Assigned Here

Three men on the program are assigned to the Fort Wayne Works at present. They are: J. W. Bergman, Decatur; J. R. Hunneman, Taylor St., and R. G. Saunders, Large Motor and Generator division.

Members of the Advanced Manufacturing Program, and the works where they are assigned at present, are:

Warren H. Fischer, Thomas B. Greenman, Robert E. Sessions, and Spaulding Schultz, Schenectady; J. Richard Hunneman and Richard G. Saunders, Fort Wayne; John W. Bergman, Decatur; Calvin R. Depew and Leonard G. Rauch, Philadelphia; Sanford H. Barber, Lynn River; DeWitt C. Brown, Pittsfield; Charles M. Schaninger, Fort Edward, and John G. Sorauf, Pittsfield.

Apprentice BROADCAST

by MILDRED ELLIS

I want to apologize to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Woenker for not mentioning their four year old son Bobbie in his dad's graduation notice last Friday. . . . Another apology goes to Lew Davis who was not present when the Softball Championship team's picture was taken. I'm sorry it wasn't mentioned that he played on the championship team. . . . Men still die with their boots on—but usually with one foot on the accelerator. . . . We extend our congratulations to Ruth Talbert and Homer Carson, and also to Elaine Farr and John Marks on their engagements. . . . Dick Gebert making conversation to his small daughter (who has just started to kindergarten) asked her what she wanted to be when she grew up. With no hesitation she answered, "a nurse." There was a long pause, then Kaylene asked, "Daddy, what do you want to be when you grow up?" . . . For the latest gadgets to "fix" chapeaux see Schmidt. He has a hat that can't be put on, because it bounces into the air. . . . We hear that Konow got one of those pretty little pink tickets for speeding. . . . I'm afraid none of us have been showing the respect due to the actor in our midst. "Star" Barnes and his supporting cast did a very good job in "Tremblin' in the Kremlin." . . . "Pretty Daddy" Hoffman is very proud of his son Tommy who won second in the one to two year old group of the Baby Flame contest. . . . Last Saturday Gene Werling came so close to being hit while crossing to the Purdue stadium he still shudders. Tuesday night he got so excited because his team was being defeated in bowling that when he went to sit down he missed the chair completely. Wednesday morning Gene and a fellow motorist stopped with just inches to spare, otherwise he would have been hit broadside—Thursday when he backed up in the parking lot he hit another car. Other than that he had an uneventful week. . . . Today Milton Goeglein will pass through our portals as a graduate draftsman apprentice. Lots of luck Milt. . . . In a conservation paper it stated that a study is being made to determine whether or not outboard motors affect the fishing adversely. Perhap the study will do more harm than good—as it may eliminate some of our apprentices' best excuse for a fishless fishing trip. . . . We are sorry to hear that Paul Wuttke had an accident in Ohio Sunday night. We hear that he has a broken arm and bruises but we don't know the full extent of his injuries. We hope Paul will be able to be with us soon.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Bob Bunyan

The entire division wishes to express their deepest and sincere sympathy to the family of John McMaken, who died last Friday. We are all going to miss him. . . . Don Edgar has been putting Red Marshall and Nick Penick on about being able to get away from their wives to go fishing with him. Now the shoe is on the other foot, Penick waits and waits and lo and behold Don Edgar didn't show up. Mrs. Edgar had him hanging wall paper, or so the story goes. . . . We hear that Charlie Kaiser has a new home at Crooked Lake. When are you going to have the house warming, Charlie . . . Congratulations are in store for Arthur Garner, who returned to work after his auto accident. Bud says that he is going to get a bike—one without a motor for sure. . . . Gerald Aspy is having a hard time at work this week. Couldn't be that Wheeler Goble isn't here to help him, or could it? . . . The office drew quite a lot of attention the other day. Someone said Mary and Lowella were learning some new dance, but later information revealed a little mouse in a desk drawer had caused all the excitement and high stepping. . . . Fred Thieme just isn't doing as good as usual at his fishing. Fred says that the river has gone down and someone else beat him to his spot. . . . Eddie Dauscher is just about convinced to collect a dollar debt, but he will have to carry change for a $20 bill. It would help Harrold Franz too. He then wouldn't have to keep loaning Paul Noffze those dollar bills. . . . The office force of Div. 91 held a wiener bake at Franke Park last Friday. There was a good attendance, and all I can learn about the affair was that cider was the refreshing drink. Of course, Sam Macy could give you more details of the party held at his home later that evening. . . . Adam Ragan started Monday morning out with a fresh start. He came in with a fresh perfumed haircut. . . . We noticed Russell Aker's bowling average has dropped since he has a sore arm. . . . No one understood why Paul Conrad looked so tired out Monday morning, but it's very understandable now. He worked Saturday and Sunday.

Tales from Taylor

by Harry Parker

Ed Moodie, our expert kibitzer, was seen the other evening doing a little sidewalk kibitzing. He was standing outside of a downtown cigar store watching the card games through the window. We are wondering if some of the players might have become ruffled at some of his suggestions and requested him to do his onlooking from the outside. . . . In order to get to work last Saturday a.m. Sid Hanson had to drive his own car, which by the way is a brand new bright red job. And we mean it is really red, rivaling that of a fire chief's private car. We have never seen a car with so bright a finish and Sid is mighty proud of it. On the way to the plant his passengers tell us that he turned the radio on so loud that one was unable to hear the many rattles and squeaks that have developed in his pride and joy. . . . During the World Series someone told Ward Grim, Denver Carpenter and "Red Snapper" Renz that they should take a trip out to the gatehouse and take a few glimpses of the game on television. Whereupon all three of them hastened out to see what was cooking. Not seeing such a device, Renz even asked one of the guards where the television set was located. . . . Last Wednesday Chet Price celebrated his 30th birthday (so he says). The girls of the switch section pleasantly surprised him by presenting him with a birthday cake with one candle on it. Using a small electric oven they whipped him up a roaster full of baked hash, which is his favorite dish. Then they all helped Chet consume it.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Left The Hospital

Armin Mittermaier, Thomas Hildebrand, Oliver Miller, and Clara Hoeh.

TOOL BITS

BLDGS. 19-4&5

by Harry Travelbee

Things seem mighty quiet on the Bldg. 19-5 news front. It seems that news is about as hard to get as a Russian peace settlement. . . . We all wondered why Karl Smith was out trying to locate a gold detector, but we have the story now. Karl is spending his vacation in Denver, Colo., and since the US Mine is located there, he plans to locate some of that surplus gold. Have a good time, Karl, but stay within the law. . . . Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sage on the new addition to their family—a girl, born Oct. 14. . . . John Ebert was approached a few days ago to trade his eggs for some goat's milk. Better investigate further, 'cause if it's mountain goat's milk, you can learn to yodel by drinking it. We'll be listening for you on the radio, John. . . . We have been told that Dick Florent has been having a tough time telling a queen from a king in the big card game just east of the tool crib at noon. Dick says anybody can make a little mistake. Right you are, Dick, 'cause last week we wished you happy birthday in the WORKS NEWS and it was your son's. Please accept this correction.

Trouble is usually produced by those who turn out nothing else.



Things are getting better all the time. Several new girls came in last week on the swing shift which includes Jane Harding, Margaret Amsbaugh, and Clisty Rich. Miss Rich is also a future sister-in-law of Margaret Fruchte. Then you will recognize the Mrs. Amsbaugh for she is the gal with the strawberry blonde hair. Welcome, gals, and make yourself at home. . . . Well, if that doesn't take the cake. Did you know Bert Strickler, ex G-E gal, has a big baby boy? That's right and I believe they said it weighed 11 pounds. I congratulate Bert and she has all the best wishes of the entire second shift. . . . It's a shame, Doris Evans, Charlene to you, had some misfortune last week. Someone slashed her tire on her car while it was parked in the parking lot. We're sorry and hope it doesn't happen again. . . . Have you noticed Al Windmiller, the Geneva Whirlwind lately? Married life must certainly agree with him. . . . Lloyd Kreischer, fisherman, sportsman, and man about town, has purchased a nice new Chevy. . . . Has anybody seen cord-set Fisher lately? Since he traded that old Plymouth I guess he hasn't time to stop. Come on, Smoky, pay us a visit. . . . Do some of you people want a skating party? Several have inquired and I thought I would ask and perhaps we could have one some Friday night after work. What say you gals and guys? . . . Mickey McDougal will have to take to carrying a spare suit when he goes to parties like you do a spare tire. It seems as though he had a little accident. . . . Girl of the Week Club—Charlotte McDaniels gets the orchid for being the only gal this week who can blush without rouge! . . . Yep, Clarence (Baldy) Hoblet, Ex-G-E punch press operator, is still kicking in the traces over at Willshire. Baldy is retired. Hi, Baldy! . . . FOR SALE: One Chevy Tudor, model 36, heater and radio — $125.00 — Charlie Debolt, Plant Two. . . . We are glad to see Paul Hancher back after a few days illness. . . . In case you happen to see a new four door Studebaker around the plant the owner is Wanda Bailey. Drive it to work, Wanda, and let's see the job. . . . Ray Leitz says it's pretty bad when you can't even trust your best friend. It seems Dort Schnepf was trying to drive his car away from work when her own car was about two cars down from Ray's. Better put a special mark on your car, Dort. . . . One noon during a euchre session around Roger Schuster's desk the phone rang. Herb Foos was watching the game, so he answered the phone. Herb's end of the conversation went like this: "Hello"—pause—"He isn't here"—hang up. Someone asked Herb who they wanted and he replied nonchalantly, "Me!" . . . What do you know Pat Girod has gone western —after 21 years she rides again. She and her husband purchased a retired race horse for their daughter, Marlyn. Pat rode it first to break it in as it was too frisky for the little girl to ride. . . . Pop corn. peanuts, candy—what's this now? It's none other than Dowell Singer selling cotton candy at the Street Fair. He looked like an old hand with the dope. . . . Pud Miller of the candy cage in Plant I is celebrating his third week of vacation. . . . Oscar Teeple has been gazing at the free acts at the fair during his third week. . . . Now Revia Stauffer and Evelyn Thurston can save their pennies. While at the Fair they were lucky winners on a piggy bank a piece. . . . The Kentucky Derby is over, Jerry Ross, so it's no use in planning an entry this year. We'll be rooting for you in next year's race, so be sure you get that trot and pace polished up. . . . What causes Dick Meyers to slow down so after three o'clock? Could it be that homecooked meal mama is preparing? . . . Louisville, Ky., was where Fred Busse's third week of vacation was spent with his son who is in radio-television school. We hope your son makes a successful career in this study, Fred. . . . Did you see that gray streak? It was Esther Ehrman in her gray Ford. . . . It sure is the thing around here now—new cars everywhere. Now it is Doris Paxson with a Studebaker and Martha Mazelin with a Ford. . . . Has anyone heard how Jake Keller is spending his third week vacation? Anyway he'll probably have a good time. . . . **Safety Is Like a Mirror**—you get out of it—only what you put into it. Does yours reflect safety? If not—a little polish in the right places might help. . . . With baseball season over, the football fans now have the front seat. . . . Patrick Eugene is the name of John Loshe's grandson. Congratulations, grandpa. . . . Happy birthday to Alma Fruchte and thanks for the treat. . . . Flossie Hower, Ransome Barkley, Charles Langston, and Charles Keller are enjoying their third week's vacation. . . . Santa Claus came early in the name of William Kohls. His treat of pears was delicious. . . . Peter Koenig and family spent the week-end at Delphos. . . . Cheerie greetings to Georgiana Myers, Hermenia High, Martha Mazelin, Theresa Weaver, and Margaret Trisel. . . . Have you heard the latest? Leonard Meyer worked one whole hour the other evening getting his new Oldsmobile off the cistern. Just because Henry Krueckeberg takes his new Pontiac out and has a wreck, Leonard doesn't have to get his new car wedged over the cistern. The secret —he forgot to lock the car and his son decided to back it out of the garage. . . . GeCode is out with such a lovely cream sachet in three different scents. What a nice Christmas gift. Here is your chance to remember the little wife at Christmas time. The early bird remember? . . . Lucile Braun will wed Edward Gelzleichter of Yoder Nov. 5. . . . We've heard stories about mother's scheming to get daughters a prize husband, but now comes a new twist. Fred Busse mixed up and baked a big angel food cake, decorated it into a sparkling castle mounted candles, labeled it "Happy Birthday," and presented it to his son's girl friend's mother. Fred's wife reports he even washed the mixing bowls. . . . Cal Magley, Bill Hunt, and Clarence Drake celebrated fire prevention week by resolving to discontinue the use of matches. The resolution was absolutely painless because each one had received a deluxe monogramed windproof lighter as a bonus to their suggestion award checks. (Ed. Note: A little effort now to get that idea on paper may get the little lady a mink coat for Christmas or a new toaster for the table or a radio for the daughter's room.)

Many a husband has wondered why his wife complains she has nothing to wear and needs five closets to keep it in.

Squares Women's Division Entertains 75 Couples At Dinner, Bridge Party

The Women's Division of the G-E Squares Club entertained their members and husbands at a potluck dinner and bridge party in the Squares club rooms Saturday, Oct. 15. Seventy-five couples attended.

A special event of the evening was a raffle, which was won by Mrs. William Oswalt.

Bridge prizes were awarded to Mrs. George Hoopingardner, Mrs. Frank Fleischer, Mrs. A. L. Johnson, R. H. Johnson, Ray White, and Marvin Baker.

Mrs. Carl Rinne and Mrs. J. B. Greer served as co-chairmen of the event. Their committee included Mrs. Richard Hartigan, Mrs. William Oswalt, Mrs. Kenneth K. Cooper, Mrs. C. R. Atkinson, Mrs. Donald Riek, Mrs. Maurice Felger, Mrs. Forrest Gibson, and Mrs. Richard Gallmeier.

7,000 Attend Performances Of G-E



Approximately 7,000 G-E employees, members of their families and friends attended the nine Family Night programs staged in the G-E Club auditorium last week. The programs featured the showing of part of the recent G-E film, "By Their Works"; a sound slide film titled "Our Family Album," and "Tremblin' in the Kremlin," a one-act comedy featuring a Broadway cast.

The premiere performance was presented Tuesday in Decatur. Then nine shows were given during the same week at Fort Wayne.

John E. Estabrook, Assistant to the Works Manager and chairman of the Family Night Committee, acted as master of ceremonies at all the performances. He is shown in the layout, above, as he related the history of the Fort Wayne Works in going through "Our Family Album," during the slide film of old pictures from the past.

D. L. Crossman, a representative from the motion pictures section of the District and Distribution division for the Apparatus Department, operated the movie projector during the show. J. B. McLindon was in charge of arrangements for the comedy "Tremblin' in the Kremlin" and acted as technician. Mr. McLindon is a member of the Apparatus Department's Employee and Community Relations division and is in the program development section.

We Report an Offer*

WHEN NEGOTIATIONS began again this week between General Electric and the UE, we explained to the union how unrealistic we felt it was to persist in the $500 package demand which had been repeated unchanged at the resumption of negotiations a week ago.

We explained why we believed that no wage increase or hours-of-work decrease was in order.

But we indicated this week, as we did last week, that there have been significant developments around us in the past month. And we urged the union negotiators to take a more realistic view, in the light of these recent developments, of what should or could be done.

We told the union negotiators that we believe our employees are noting the trend of the times. Benefit programs — of the type we have had in various forms for about 40 years — are now being actively sought throughout industry. Meanwhile, we have been improving our own program in anticipation of just such a broad active interest as we now see.

We impressed on the union negotiators that we believed our employees would like their various unions which deal with us to inquire about these benefits — which we have instituted voluntarily in the past — together with any possible further improvements which, in their opinion, we should make.

We told the union that regardless of our being under no contractual or moral obligation to do so, we were willing to explore the general pension and benefit field. And we urged the union to state its own views as to what changes it would like to have made.

The union indicated it had no additional specific proposals other than those advanced in the past.

Accordingly, the meeting was adjourned and we prepared for submission the next day the following combined program of *old* and *new* benefits — to be offered for the period up to December 31, 1950, and beginning promptly upon acceptance by the union.

GROUP INSURANCE— Life, Accident, Sickness

Group Life Insurance to be available to employees after 3 months of service approximating *one and one-half times straight-time annual earnings* — with $2,000 as the minimum amount of life insurance and with the average amounting to about $4,500. (Most group life policies elsewhere provide insurance equal to only about *one* year's earnings or less).

Plus Accidental Death Benefit of $2,000. Thus, death from an accident on or off-the-job would give the family of such an employee at least $4,000 and the average payment will be about $6,500.

Weekly Sickness and Accident Insurance amounting to approximately 50% of straight-time average earnings up to $30 a week for 26 weeks will be paid (tax free) for off-the-job accident or illness, after the first week of disability. In event of hospitalization during that week, benefits commence immediately.

Waiver of Contributians. No disabled employee eligible to receive sickness benefits will be required to contribute to the Group Life, Accidental Death and Sickness Insurance Plan.

Paid-up Life Insurance to be Pravided for All Pensioners (over 65 for men and 60 for women) equal to 1/3 the average amount of life insurance on their lives under the plan during the preceding 10 years.

Cast. The insured employee's share in this whole insurance program is measured by the amount of life insurance he carries in excess of the first $1,500; the amount is 60¢ per month for each $1,000 of such excess. When he is within 10 years of normal retirement date he begins paying an additional 60¢ per month for each $1,000 above the first $1,500. This additional contribution is to be returned if the employee quits and does not want to retain his paid-up insurance. At retirement date all payments stop and his life insurance is paid up. For example, an employee having $2,000 of group life insurance will pay only 30¢ a month to age 55 (50 for women) but after that an additional 30¢ per month (total 60¢) for the next 10 years.

PENSIONS

Pensions for Life. After one year of service, employees can join the General Electric Pension Plan which provides pensions for life at age 65 for men and age 60 for women. The retirement age for those in the Pension Plan, as in the case of other employees, is regularly 65 for men and 60 for women. Under certain circumstances early retirement is provided.

Members retiring at normal retirement ages get payments-for-life amounting to 40% each year of the total payments they have made to the plan during the entire period of their membership in it. The average member so retiring would receive in total pension payments more than 6 *times* what he or she paid in as his or her share.

Guaranteed Minimum Return. A participating employee, should he die after 60 (55 for women), to be guaranteed a total of five years' payments of the monthly pension provided in the plan to go to his beneficiary. An employee retiring at age 65 (60 for women) is guaranteed at least two times his own contributions, even if he should die within 5 years after retirement.

Benefits Nat Reduced by Social Security. For the next year at least it is proposed that the pensions will be in addition to social security payments. Also no subsequent changes can, in any material degree, adversely affect the pension to be received as a result of any member's payments into the fund prior to the date of such change.

Survivorship Option: Disability Pension. A member can arrange to have his pension continued to his wife after his death by electing a somewhat smaller payment rate. A member who becomes totally and permanently disabled after only 15 years participation in the plan is eligible to receive a disability pension.

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Benefits on Leaving the Compony. A member who is 50 years old and has been in the plan for 20 years can, on leaving his job, draw out his own payments (with interest) or leave them in the plan and elect to receive at normal or optional retirement date the annuity-for-life provided for during the period of his service. Also any member not meeting these age and service requirements who leaves the Company for any reason receives back his own payments with interest.

Past Service Benefits. We believe in pensions and have had a plan in effect here for 37 years. It was substantially liberalized three years ago. The Company is making large payments into the Pension Trust to provide the past service benefits accrued to employees before 1946.

The liberalized plan calls for members putting into the fund as their share only 2% of the first $3,000 of annual earnings and 5% of the balance. All employees whether hourly, or executives, or officers, are on the same basis. The Company pays the rest of the cost, which, for the average employee who retires under the plan, is estimated to be twice what the employee will have put in. The cost of funding the service prior to 1946 is paid for entirely by the Company.

Increosed Social Security Anticipoted. We are willing to anticipate an early increase in the social security benefits prescribed by law, so in the meantime, for employees retiring with ten or more years continuous service prior to retirement, we are offering an additional $15 a month up to the point where the pensions plus such additional payments from us total $100 a month.

HEALTH INSURANCE PLANS

Present Mutual Benefit Association and Health Insurance Plans provide all or some of the following benefits for members and their dependents as worked out locally, but under this proposal when made effective they can be made available at lesser overall cost to members.

Employee Poyments for Weekly Cosh Benefits during absence for illness or accident by local groups can be reduced or can be used to buy additional desired benefits, because of the weekly cash benefit payments provided in the new group insurance program described above.

Hospitol Doily Benefits are provided for in cash for each day a member (or in some cases his dependent) spends in the hospital.

Hospitol Speciol Service Benefits. Most plans provide for payments towards extra charges for special services while in the hospital.

Surgical Benefits are provided in most plans as an aid towards cost of operations.

Moternity Benefits are provided by most plans to help with cost of hospital and doctor's bills.

Death Benefits are continued by some plans, but many local groups may no longer consider them necessary in view of new group life and accident programs described above.

Employee Savings and STOCK BONUS PLAN

Employees are given additional security and the opportunity to accumulate some extra personal capital through a gift by the Company of 15% of the value of U. S. Savings Bonds purchased and held five years.

IMPROVED VACATION PLAN

Hereafter in the event of layoffs, discharge or quit, the employee will be paid vacation pay based pro rata on earnings since his last vacation period. Also the new provisions will in many cases result in somewhat increased payments to employees.

COST

The foregoing program gives even greater benefits than those previously enjoyed by our employees. The *cost to the employees has again been reduced,* the *benefits have been increased,* and the company is standing the balance.

This is not an offer in cents-per-hour. It is an offer by the Company to underwrite certain old and new benefits by paying the balance of the costs over and beyond the nominal, and now lesser, amounts paid by the employees.

The Company put $31 million into the Pension Trust last year. There will be in the Trust Fund well over $200 million on January 1, 1950. It is presently estimated that more than $85 million additional will be needed to properly fund the past service of our employees — this in addition to making proper current payments into the Trust — all to the end of keeping the fund actuarially sound.

In addition to assuming roughly two-thirds of the subsequent operating cost of the proposed Group Life, Accident and Sickness Insurance program, and reducing employees' own present payments for their share (which in effect *increase* their net take-home pay) there is a $19 million transition expense that must be met because of the new paid-up life insurance feature. Of this amount about half will be paid from contributions already collected — under the present additional life insurance plan — which have been held in a reserve for just such a purpose.

We do not yet know what are our exact expenses in connection with the new improvement in the pension program effected three years ago. We will not know the cost of the proposed pension and insurance program until we have had experience with it.

Meanwhile, we estimate that the cost will be generally less than one-third to the employees and more than two-thirds to the Company — with the Company's resulting current cost far above the total 10¢ being widely discussed now as a benchmark.

* This is a condensation which intends only to give highlights and general statements. For accurate understanding of all the details, we will be glad to supply the full 18 page text of the offer to anyone requesting it.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

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The reason Rege (Bones) Eggeman was in such a lather the other day was that as she was taking a shower and was all sudsed up, it turned ten o'clock and the Landlord shut the water off. . . . George Prince was seen going out the wrong way at the cafeteria the other day. George, were you really trying to see the cook or were you trying to get out of paying your check. Must be a good looking cook or something. . . . Congratulations to Marie Martz whose birthday is the same day Columbus discovered America! We also send birthday greetings to Ethel Yunker, Stella Mailand, Ardola Johnson and Lucille Schriener. Hazel Martz has a new date pudding recipe. She wanted everyone else to try it too so she wrote it on a tag and sent it on down the line on a board of work. I would rather eat some of it instead of just reading the recipe, Hazel. How about a sample? . . . Ed Glenwith is really rushing the season, he has been passing out Halloween candy. . . . Ed Boedeker had his feelings hurt when we erroneously stated that he paid $8 for that new paint brush when he really paid $8.50! So sorry, Ed, we promise never to do it again! . . . Here is something we never knew before—that the candy woman carried cheese on her candywagon! I have been reliably informed that Elmer Sible bought some to bait the rat-trap that he received for a gift! . . . Wonder if Bill Wickliffe's wife will like the clock he won last week. Too bad she doesn't have an anniversary coming up then he could save some money on a gift! . . . George Crickmore has been back in Div. 1 for several weeks. Glad you are back and so sorry we forgot to mention it before. Also to Division 1 we want to welcome Irene Kreger, Neva Scott, Velma Hetrick, Vergie Stephen, Millicent McHenry, Kathryn Gilbert, Treace Trout, Robert Black and Bernice Johnston. Hope you all stay a long time! . . . Anna Ruth Clements is on her vacation this week, and is taking a trip through the Smoky Mountains. . . . Bill Crane left them up in Bldg. 4-4 and they all send him their blessings! . . . Art Knoll entertained last Thursday with a formal party—he even went so far as to have place cards. Some of the names he had on them sure were a riot! . . . Fred Castor hasn't much to report about his vacation last week. Evidently he had a quiet vacation at home! . . . Babe Donohue better not make anymore trips to Cincinnati over the week-end! Last Monday was almost more than she could take. Babe, you can't have your cake and eat it too! . . . I hear Harry Berry may soon have his name legally changed to Harriet. O.K., Harry, we are not letting you ring out at 3:25 either. . . . C. Nahrwold has been put in class 1 in bowling now; 117 doesn't look too good but you just keep on trying! . . . We hear that Wendell Heckley might give up bowling. Please don't give up, Wendell, 117 isn't too hard to beat. . . . Pondo has taken up bowling. From all reports he is as good at bowling as he is at singing. Don't forget to see Pondo bowl at the G-E Culb! . . . We all thought someone was getting murdered the other day when Clarabelle Sapp let out that horrible scream. It brought everyone to life again for a few minutes. . . . Dick Bucher put on a good act the other day. We thought he was either stepping on burning coals or was practicing yogi dancing. He just dropped a field-core on his foot was all. . . . Everyone in the section is smelling good. Helen White was selling sachet for the Elex and we all tried some. . . . If I haven't seen you about the Elex Christmas cards and wrappings you come and see me. I have the samples to show you.

Spencer Addresses Meeting Of Ft. Wayne Engineers' Club

"Engineering and Management Relationship" was the topic of a talk given last night by J. A. Spencer at a meeting of the Fort Wayne Engineers' Club. Mr. Spencer is Assistant to the Manager, Employee Relations, for the Employee and Community Relations divisions of the Apparatus Department.

Family Night Programs Last Week



The cast from Broadway included Joyce Randolph, as the Russian Commissar of Visual Education; Alexis Rostov, as a Russian spy, and Martin Noble portrayed the role of Joseph Stalin.

Robert Barnes, foreman in Bldg. 12-2, was shot and dropped on the floor nine times in his role as one of the Russian soldiers. Other G-E men, who alternated in the role of another soldier, were Cary Creamer, Ross Strodel, Hubert Myers, P. A. Vance, Robert Blomker, and E. M. Hanauer. Joe Zasa led the audience in group singing.

In the upper left corner is a photo showing a scene during the comedy, which points up the American way of life in contrast to Russia and the importance of electricity and of G-E in America.

Members of the Supervisors' and Foremen's clubs were ushers for the show. They included J. C. Duryee, Carl Reynolds, S. A. Macy, Henry Gollmer, J. V. Johnson, Paul Ohnesorge, G. L. Smith, Herman Korte, A. C. Jenne, A. C. Hensick, G. H. Smith, R. C. Mennewisch, Marvin Hamilton, W. L. O'Brien, William Charleston, J. L. Wyss, T. W. Mullens, Paul Clendenen, Clarence Nussel, and R. W. Esterline.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Barnes are shown, in the upper-right corner, enjoying one of the performances. Mr. Barnes was General Superintendent of the Fort Wayne Works before his retirement 18 years ago.



The Community Chest drive is over and G-E went over the top. Bully for us. Community help today makes a better community for tomorrow. . . . Did you attend the G-E family performance? From all reports everyone had a fine time. The community singing was especially enjoyed, so start limbering up your larnyx to be ready for the next one we have. . . . Our "We wish you happiness" mat is out for Fern Monroe and Richard Wagner who say "I do" tomorrow. . . . Hershel Case must have a case of squeaking shoes. He was seen oiling them the other day. . . . Congratulations to the Harold Kiels on their 21st wedding anniversary. We'll be around in four years and help you dance a jig for the 25th. . . . It certainly gets early in the morning. John Magley was seen salting his pancakes. Most people use maple syrup. . . . We're glad to see George Earl back after being ill. . . . It's a happy birthday to Minnie Barr. Also belated birthday greetings to Tillie Schultz. . . . The umbrellas going down the conveyor on line 536 had better be saved for Christmas. You might need them, it can rain instead of snow, you know. . . . Beulah Huff enjoyed last week-end in Brown County. It was really a wonderful week-end to do just that. . . . Nellie Bellamy is a lucky third week vacationer next week. . . . That was quite a snazzy belt Ed Martin was wearing last week. . . . Bertha Sbelly and Lola McCague visited us last week. . . . Margaret Hayden and Esther Miller are back in the groove again. Also a "hello" to Marie Hayes. . . . Edith Beaty's thoughts were air-minded last Friday. Her son was flying home from Panama City to pay his Mom a visit. . . . Hershel Case has quite a time with cigars. He only needs a couple packages of matches to keep one going. . . . The smile Edith Bohde was wearing is because she is grandma. . . . Congratulations on the pink bootied tax deduction at the Bob Mosshammers. Also the baby girl at the Howard Pruetts. The mamma, Senora Schultz, was a former co-worker. . . . Hedy Harrison was among the Elex girls who went to Chicago. . . . Halloween is drawing near and Phyllis Lupton was sure someone was playing a prank.

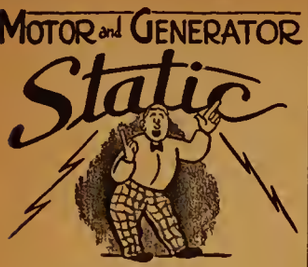
McMaken Dies

John D. McMaken, 28, of 2222 S. Hanna St., died Friday at 3:45 a.m. at St. Joseph's Hospital after being a patient there six weeks.

He was employed by General Electric in 1941 as an iron handler in Bldg. 26-1. He enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1942 and was discharged in 1945. At the time of his death he was working in Bldg. 26-1 annealing punchings. He was a division editor for the WORKS NEWS, and a member of the Volunteer Fire Department.

Survivors include his wife, Bernelle; a son, Danny Jo; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John G. McMaken, and a sister, Mrs. Margaret Willibey.

Funeral services were held Monday morning at the Mungovan and Sons Mortuary and at St. Peter's Catholic Church, the V. Rev. Msgr. John Bapst officiating. Burial was in the Catholic Cemetery.



Thought for the Week: "Lots of men who wouldn't steal a dime from you think nothing of stealing $10 worth of your time."—Luke McLuke

ODDS AND ENDS: Traffic was conjested even in ancient Rome. According to the National Safety Council, Julius Caesar was considerably more than a military genius. He was one of the first to employ one-way streets and no parking signs. His regulations undonbtedly worked a hardship on those Irish slaves he must have brought down to Rome to be his traffic cops. Imagine the difficulty of getting mad in Latin at a Roman in a speeding chariot. "Sine Qua Non, Slow down will ya." Hudson News Letter. . . . Pedestrian: A fellow in all walks of life. . . . SAD DAY: Pearl Mosier's Scotch ancestors would probably roll over in their graves if they knew of the costly error she made. Pearl was a member of a group that visited Clifty Falls over the week-end. After the group left Cincinnati they decided to stop at a roadside inn for dinner. When the waitress came for the orders, all the party except Pearl ordered chicken. Pearl did a little fast thinking, "chicken costs more than steak in Fort Wayne. You get more steak for your money and there is less waste." So Pearl ordered steak. When the meal was finished and the checks came, chicken cost $2.50 per helping but the steak was $4.42. As we said before, if Pearl's ancestors knew it, it would be a sad day in the highlands. . . . ALL THE TIME. Ed Foley, who considers himself the Burbank of Bldg. 31-1, has completed his years' agricultural activities. This last act was harvesting the tomatoes off vines located along the west wall of Bldg. 31. We might remark in passing that our janitor Al Scherer planted, watered and cultivated the plants while Mr. Foley's activity was restricted to harvesting the results of Mr. Scherer's labor. We are not positive whether Ed Foley was color blind at the time or just afraid that someone else might get the fruit, but he picked the tomatoes while they were green. He wrapped each tomato in a piece of paper and placed them on his desk to ripen. a few hours later he unwrapped one and his jaw dropped. It was ripe red. Turning to a co-worker he exclaimed. "look at this, two hours ago, green now ripe. I've made the discovery of the century. My fame and fortune are established." His friend examined the tomato then laughed. "Ed," he sez, "your discovery isn't so hot, that tomato has been painted with red nail polish." When Ed recovered his composure he remarked, "Gosh, they didn't fool me, I knew it all the time."

Safety Raiser

One of the boys asked us why this paragraph was titled "Safety Raiser" instead of "Safety Razer." We came back with a quick answer since we had already peeked in the dictionary.

Our purpose is to raze our accident hazards, poor housekeeping, etc. Raze—To level to the ground; blot out; efface; but we also wish to raise our Safety record, housekeeping, etc. Raise—To cause to rise; lift up; elevate.

Anyone got any better reasons, send them in.

Firemen Are Evacuated From Bldg. 19 During Drill For Fire Prevention Week





City and G-E firemen are shown, above and at the right, evacuating men from Bldg. 19 last week during a mock fire drill arranged as a feature of Fire Prevention Week. The evacuator, a canvas chute, is used with the department's modern aerial truck to safely move persons from burning structures where exits have been cut off. Within a few minutes, the men glided down to the ground from a fourth-story window.

The mock fire drill was supervised by Fire Chief Edward L. Uebelhoer, Assistant Chief Henry A. Banet, and G-E Fire Chief E. M. Hanauer.

The department's modern aerial truck, Chief Uebelhoer said, would prove of untold value in the event of a major building or hospital fire in the city.



Good-bye is always a difficult word for me—it really should not be—for when one analyzes the word, making "good" and "bye," one should feel that the going is good. Always there are two sides to such a statement—for, what is good for one is a loss to someone else. So our good-bye this week is said to our friend Mary Occleston, who is leaving today for a vacation period before her retirement on Nov. 1. It is difficult to imagine Mr. Matson's office without the efficient secretarial knowledge supplied by Mary, and we are sure she will be missed. It is Good that Mary will now have time for many things she wants to do, for her time has been well taken with her duties at the office and in conducting the many chores in connection with running her home. 'Twas on March 28, 1917, that Mary came to work here. Her first assignment was in Bldg. 18-3 for Henry Herrman, then head of the Thermostatic Metal Department. Did you know—in connection with Mr. Herrman's office in Bldg. 18 there was a small shop building, since torn down, located approximately between Bldgs. 8 and 9? It was here that they brazed two metals together to make a thermostatic control. When the business was sold on March 1, 1920, Mary became secretary to E. A. Barnes, General Superintendent, with offices in Bldg. 18-1. Mr. Barnes retired in 1931, and Mary worked for some time for F. G. Duryee, now retired, R. J. Hoffman and Paul Grimme. In August of 1932 she was selected as secretary to C. H. Matson and has served in this capacity since that time. To cover a span of over 32 years in a few short paragraphs is impossible. One has a rush of thoughts about the progress that has been made in General Electric Co. in that length of time. The knowledge that in her first year Bldgs. 19, 22, 27 and 28 were all erected. Mary's plans for the future are first to visit Chicago for a short time—then rest up for a while. Looking forward to a dream trip to California next Summer. Thursday, Mr. Matson entertained the girls in Bldg. 18-2, with a luncheon in her honor. This afternoon a reception is being held in Bldg. 18-2 conference room where Mary's friends may call to wish her well. She will be presented a gift from her coworkers to help make her retirement more enjoyable. . . . Our sympathy is extended to Harriett Dewart in the death of her mother. . . . We are happy to report that Mrs. Ralph Clark is convalescing nicely at her home following surgery at the Lutheran Hospital. . . . Chester Kowalski and family spent the week-end in Toledo. . . . The voice greeting you from the Information Desk this week is Betty Jean Rose —"pinch hitting" for Hilda Mueller who is enjoying a vacation. . . . R. J. Hoffman of Bldg. 16-3 is on vacation and Edna Neiber of Bldg. 16-3 is spending the week in Bldg. 18-1 in the General Superintendent Office. . . . J. V. Johnson of Bldg. 18-2 is also vacationing this week. . . . The Family Night show was very enjoyable. I liked Our Family Album—there is a wealth of historical data accumulated that will be even more valuable as the years roll by. J. E. Estabrook is to be congratulated upon his presentation of the material. We liked it! The "Tremblin' in the Kremlin" carried a huge message. Of course, Joe was in his usual good music form. . . . It is nice to learn that Veda Orff is improving at her home. . . . In fact, the beautiful Indian Summer makes one very happy to be alive.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, October 24, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—One pair ladies' pink plastic shell rimmed glasses in a brown case. Found in No. 8 locker room at Taylor St. plant. Call Employment Office, Taylor St., Extension 8-488 to obtain them.

FOR SALE

BICYCLES—One man's and one girl's, good condition. Make an offer. H-46684.

DRAPES—New pair, chartruse with Chinese pattern, extra wide for picture window; child's Kenwood coat set size 2. H-40021.

CAS STOVE—Side oven; fireplace fixtures, complete set; four pair floral drapes. E-40265.

8 x 10 BUILDING—Two years old, would make excellent milk house. A-55741.

CIRL'S THREE PIECE SNOWSUIT—Size 1-2, in good condition $4.50. A-26725.

BEAUTIFUL BROWN BEAVER JACKET—Black caracul fur coat, 36" length, both size 14 and like new. H-01322.

DINING ROOM SUITE—Eight pieces, walnut. H-4143.

SCANDALLI ACCORDION—Like new, 120 bass, four shifts. H-48921.

HOT WATER HEATERS—52 gal. electric, and coal burning; Solid walnut dining room suite, eight-piece. H-76443.

TWO LIONEL ELECTRIC TRAINS—With accessories A-1 condition. 1050 Forest Ave. or E-2313.

COMPLETE WINDOW — Including frame, sash, sills, weights and inside and outside casing, perfect condition. E-38782.

THREE "P" COATS—Sizes 14, 18 and 20, good condition. A-3724 or 2509 N. Anthony Blvd.

CIRL SCOUT UNIFORM—Size 14; white nurse or waltress uniforms, size 34-36, almost new; Boys' sport suit, size 16-18, $5. A-16964 or 715 Third St.

DELUXE BABY BUCCY—H-59422.

HOLLYWOOD TWIN BED—Sleeprite, like new. H-8653.

EIGHT PIECE WALNUT DINING ROOM SUITE—Good condition. A-77695 or 2127 N. Clinton.

LADIES BOWLING BALL—And bag, good condition, H-35043.

BABY SCALES—$3; Schick electric shaver, $10; automatic toaster, $5. H-8851.

BABY BED—Metal, clean mattress, $5. A-50561.

1937 FORD—Radio heater, new tires. H-28225.

1934 BUICK—$50. H-02338.

LIVING ROOM SUITE—H-20481.

FOR RENT

ROOM—Large front room, upstairs, gentleman preferred, one block from bus line. H-8768.

SLEEPING ROOMS—Single or double, private entrance, twin beds, hot water, shower, home privileges. 1037 Swinney.

ROOM—Large attractive, near G-E, gentleman preferred. 823 W. Dewald.

FIVE ROOM FURNISHED HOME AT LAKE—Driving distance to Fort Wayne. H-59122, after 3:30 p.m.

WANTED

SMALL ORCHESTRA AND CALLER—To play for barn dances Saturday nights. E-37854.

WIRE LAWN FENCE—42", approximately 30 ft.; also evergreen shrubbery. A-75442.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Two men from Blue lake, Work at Broadway from 3:30 to 11:48. Earl Nicolet, extension 2357.

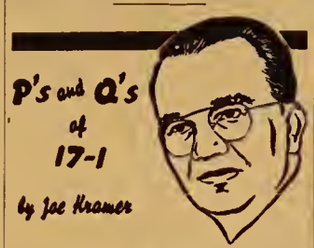
WANTS RIDE—From Kendallville to Taylor St. May Sucher works from 6:48 to 3:18. Contact Mr. Arnold Div. 14, Taylor St. extension 375 or phone 836J, Kendallville.



A MESS: Is a lot of many kinds of things all mixed through each other, for instance for a small mess take a look at the top of Herb Thompson's desk. For a medium size mess look at Wimpy Lemper's or Vaughn Sheets' desk top and drawers. Now for a large and awful mess take a look at Orville Doherty's desk top, drawers and everything that's hanging in and out of them. We don't believe anyone could come within gunshot of what the junk dealer would give for this pile of junk. No doubt, it would be plenty. . . . PEANUTS: Amel Beck is trying to raise them. Most likely to sell, so he can pay for that brand new red Ford he is driving. Be sure they are peanuts, Amel, and not small dried up peas. . . . MY SON RICHARD: Lawrence Walters has the son of the week. He doesn't need all that old fashioned fishing equipment any more. Naw, he just anchors onto the weeds and pulls out five pound bass with his little bare hands. For that one Lawrence takes the champ's crown for the week. . . . POLE: How do you rate the pole position in the parking lot Earl Glass? Is it because you get up before breakfast? . . . WELCOME: Vera Flesher to the Wire Division. Hope you will like us, Vera. . . . CONGRATULATIONS: All employees of the Wire and Insulation Division for going way over the top in your contributions to the Community Chest. You'll find out you will never miss it, but that it will do a lot of good helping those less fortunate than ourselves. Remember always have faith, hope and be charitable and that heart of yours will feel and run much smoother. . . . LOVE NEST: Sewer or no sewer that little love nest Truman Buckles is building is getting to look cuter day by day. . . . BIRTHDAY GREETINGS: Belated, that is, to Herb Thompson who had another birthday Oct. 10. . . . CAKE: Esther Shannon we had some of that fine cake and it was really swell, but please take the shells off the peanuts next time. We were up most of the night trying to digest them. Those shells are all right for monkeys but not for Oh, Oh, so long be seein' you. . . . BARREL: Wimpy Lemper, we have heard through the grapevine that one day(that is before you came to the Wire Division) you were reaching in a barrel to get some castings and you fell in. How about that? Were you dizzy or just top heavy? . . . NAG: We are told that the one thing which induced Steve Bobay to buy that nag he now owns is that it had a saddle already built in. . . . DEEPEST SYMPATHY: To the family of John McMaken, whose funeral was held last Monday morning in St. Peter's Catholic Church. Johnny was a Division Editor in the Transformer division and a very fine friend of ours. May God grant him Eternal Peace and Happiness. . . . QUIET SNORER: Must be Melvin Bill after arriving home one afternoon and not finding his better half there, Melvin decided to get forty winks. When the hour came for our Melvin to partake of some food his wife called here and there and everywhere. Finally she called one of his co-workers who suggested she look in on his bed. This she did, and what do you know, there she found her little Melvin sleeping as peaceful as a kitten. This is what we call a model husband. . . . YOU: Yes, you, when are you going to give out with some NEWS? Oh, Yes, well we will be looking forward to it.

Insulation, Bldg. 12-3

Ever hear of anybody taking a shower wearing a raincoat? Francis Isenbarger can give you all the details in this matter. . . . Dorothy Baumgartner pulled the fast one of the year last week, and really had a lot of people fooled—especially one Bill Hattendorf. For the benefit of those still stumbling in the dark, we would just like to say simply that Dot doesn't believe in long engagements—(especially if they're the real thing, eh Dorothy?) . . . Happy birthday to Bill Glenn, Oct. 19. Just think! Now both he and Jack Benny are 39. (We figure that it must be the faithful intake of those pink pills that keeps Bill so young.) . . . Agnes Ryan went to Canada on her vacation. She says everything was wonderful, except that she was disappointed with Lake Louise. Agnes says it was just another puddle of water to her.



Those new sweaters Bldg. 17-1's championship golf team are now wearing have come in handy on these chilly mornings. We just hope that Charlie Lauer and Bob Dent don't get their sweaters mixed up. We don't believe Charlie's sweater would quite fit Bob. . . . We wish Virgil Hartman would take another trip to Pennsylvania and bring back some more colored pictures. . . . George Mosshammer has at last found a good use for a shuffle board in the places that serve liquid refreshments. George says, "They really come in handy guiding you back to your table." . . . It sure must be nice to return from a vacation and get winnings of two baseball pools. The lucky person in Bldg. 17-1 was Argend Denney. After a little prompting, Denney bought a box of candy to pass around in the office. . . . Don't forget to get your tickets for the Firemen's raffle from any of the volunteer firemen throughout the Works. . . . Frank Martin must have been looking for a spring from which to get water for his coffee the other morning. Frank was seen looking down the aisle with a pair of binoculars. . . . Johnny Junk didn't bring his thermos bottle full of coffee last Monday morning. John said that one of his boys had the cork and went fishing over the week-end but forgot to bring the cork back with him. . . . Andy Degler believes in the old saying, "An apple keeps the doctor away." Andy has been eating two apples a day, but Doc keeps hanging around. . . . Singing seems to be busting out all over in Bldg. 17-1, especially the yodeling type. E. P. Tickel is giving free yodeling lessons to anyone desiring them. . . . If the Metropolitan is looking for a soprano who can hit high "C," Elizabeth Love can fill the part, but she must have some outside help. . . . We don't know if there was anything else in Chicago other than the ice show, but Barbara Yingling spent the last week-end there. She said the ice show was very nice. . . . Frank Martin brings back a report from Clear Lake that fishing is very good. Frank reports a catch of a 14 pound, 6 inch catfish. Now we are trying to figure out if maybe it wasn't a 14 foot, 6 ounce catfish.



FLASH—The first O'Neill twin has a tooth. Last week Sharon surprised the family by flashing a tooth at them. Perry is sure that Karen will be following along very soon, but it has him worried already how he is going to afford steak for both of them when they get a full set. Don't start staying awake nights worrying yet, Perry, that will be quite a while yet. . . . Alma Witte made a trip to Cleveland last week-end and she said they had a wonderful time and the weather was just perfect. . . . Why is it when the fellows in the office get together and play a little poker no one wins anything and everyone loses? What happens to the money? . . . Have you noticed the clicking of knitting needles at lunch time? Several girls in the office have the bug and they are really going all out. Ann Smith is the instructor and helps everyone out when they get stuck or drop a stitch. Peg Turschman has been working only a week on a pair of mittens and she has nearly two rows done. You had better hurry, Peg, or your niece will be grown up before you get one mitten finished. Norma Bastian and Marg Stodgell are both making sweaters and they are very proud of their work. . . . Welcome back to Charlie Briggs who has come back home to the Planning Section. . . . We are all wondering how Kenny Sheehan is making out on his hunting trip in Canada this week. We can hardly wait until Monday to hear all the wide tales he is sure to have.



This is the story of a freak with mule ears and an extra pair of eyes in the back of her head. She is the person you run up to and say, "what happened to our column this week?" In short she or he is your division editor. I think that most of you do not know that most of the paper's editors write their columns on their own time and are only too happy to do so. The least that all of you can do is to give them something to write about. Also, I think that most of you have the wrong idea of what kind of subjects make an interesting column. It isn't just things that happen around the plant, it is also interesting happenings in the families of employees. We of the G-E are homey people. We like our homes and families and are also interested in the things that happen in the families of our co-workers. Such as whose wife had a baby, whose little girl did something unusually cute, or whose husband went fishing and did or did not get any fish. After all, most of us take our paper home for our families to read. So they, too, should be mentioned in it occasionally. I am not complaining, only suggesting that you ask yourself if you have contributed to the column this week before you ask the editor why there wasn't any. This is OUR paper, not just the editors. The only way we can get rid of our big ears and extra eyes is for all of you to help us more. You dish it out, we'll write it. . . . If you are not sure what the word interesting means, consult your dictionary. It explains it very thoroughly.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE DECISION BY LOCAL BANKS TO GO ON A FIVE-DAY WEEK?



MARGARET NORMAN
Bldg. 31-2

"I think it is an excellent idea inasmuch as we will be able to do our banking after work, thus avoiding the noon-hour rush. It also gives the bank employees the five-day week which we have enjoyed for so long."



EDNA WOLFE
Taylor St.

"I think it is a nice thing for the bank employees to have a five-day week the same as factory employees. It is more convenient to bank after work, than to take Saturday for banking."



JOHN A. C. LEA
Bldg. 26-5

"As a factory worker, the new five-day bank week rates an okay from me. With the bank being open later on Friday, it won't be necessary for the factory worker to have to make a special trip to do his banking. This will save some much-needed time on Saturday."



ALMA DOCTOR
Bldg. 4-3

"I think it is a very good idea. It gives everyone an opportunity to do their banking, and gives the bank employees a longer week-end."



WILSON GARMAN
Bldg. 19-4

"I think the new banking week is a good thing. It gives the employee a chance to start his week-end activities along with a majority of his fellow men—whether it be a fishing trip, a football game, or just working around his home."

Becker Receives Retirement Gift

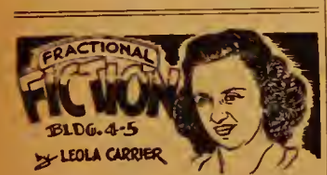


Rudolph Becker, Bldg. 4-5, left recently for retirement after 20 years' service with G-E. On his last day, his friends in FHP Div. 15 gave him a send-off by presenting him a going-away gift. Mr. Becker is seated in the foreground of the picture opening his presents. Watching him are: (l. to r.) Boyce Lambert, Gilbert Auth, Robert Shoemaker, Berle Beaman, E. F. Sonday, Madonna Endres, James Battrick, L. M. Chesterman, H. G. Siebold, H. C. Macke, and P. K. Hapner.

Us Second Shifters

by Earl Stauffer

Each week starting now Us Second Shifters will feature a different floor or division making known what kind of work is done and who it is that does the work. In this way we will acquaint you all with the different sections of the G-E family. . . . This week we are featuring Bldg. 17-4, Division 33, Developmental Test and Model Shop, where the difficult job is everyday routine and the impossible takes a few days. It also is where the engineering dreams become a reality. . . . First of all we extend our best wishes to D. H. Hanson who is leaving for a new position in Schenectady. His keen interest in this division has gone a long way in its success and also its enviable "no lost time" accident record. . . . The Owl Foreman is Harold Knepp, who lives in a home that he had a hand in building on beautiful Cedar Shores north of the city. His daughter Deborrah is the apple of his eye. He likes to tinker with his car. . . . Our radio Ham is George W9AQO Fann who has contacted other radio bugs from North Carolina to the State of Washington. He also likes to dabble with photography. . . . Fred Howbridge has a sideline of beekeeping and does quite well with it. At the present time he has available the hottest fish bait on the market, none other than wax worms. Fred is plenty clever as a cabinet maker and has the workshop tools for the purpose. . . . Dale Lauer has been lamenting the nice weather because he is waiting for the ice fishing season. He makes his own equipment. . . . For two years Ed Jenkins has been painting his home and he will finish the job if the weather holds out. . . . Ford, Kenny not Henry, has a Ford but he doesn't brag about it. It does, however, take him to and from Hamilton Lake but he seldom comes back with any fish. . . . In the same boat is Sandy "Pop" Bennett who will tell you that he doesn't rely on the cane but the eggnogs to keep him in trim for those exhausting fishing trips. . . . A real raccoon hunter is Bill Johnloz, mayor of Murray. We hope that he can find some of those Ring Neck that he helped put out for the conservation club down at Bluffton. . . . Morrie Snyder can sit on his front porch and watch the traffic go by now that his new home is completed. Except for the plastering and plumbing Morrie did the whole works. . . . Another home builder is our Paul Schlie who is putting up a ranch style home on Route 37. He still has some to do but it's going to be a swell place when he is finished. . . . Blackie Blackburn finds time to train his bird dog along with completing his new home north of the city. . . . Carl Freygang, who always has a helping hand for anyone stumped with a difficult problem, likes to dabble with electricity on the side. . . . Jim Young finds that two boys take up the extra time he formerly used soaring through the air while the Myers airport was a neighbor of his on the Paulding road. . . . Besides woodworking Louis Becker is a shutter fan. . . . Mark Gotsch goes in for hunting, fishing, and boating besides being one of these unusual boys that can make workshop tools sing. . . . Bob Todd doesn't have any hobbies but he does find time to work in his workshop. . . . Charlie Hunt, a past president of the local Archery Club, is our sports inventive genius. You ask him a way to fish or hunt and he will tell you about a new wrinkle that he has made. . . . Cliff Imbody also a past president of the bow and arrow club thinks that if he had the time the twang of the bow would take up all of his spare moments. . . . In the next month or so Charlie Crain hopes to move into his new home built by his own hands. . . . Chuck Stone spends his extra time building character in the future generation. He is Scout Troop No. 6 leader. . . . Big Joe Dibert is quite a squirrel hunter. As a matter of fact he says he hunts anything in season. . . . One of the most unusual hobbiests is Henry Koch. He has rosy backs, moons, sword tails and many other tropical fish. . . . Glen Castle who just recently joined us from Winter St. has a house trailer that takes him to his favorite sport, fishing. . . . Jesse Ebersole is one of those die hard fishermen who can sit out all day, get skunked and enjoy it. He catches his share too. . . . Clarence Koepke will soon tell you all of the angles of the finer arts of shuffleboard since he just recently set up a court in his basement. . . . Joe Quinlan and Charlie Stuckey of the swing shift are a couple of boys who yearly go north with a bow and arrow to fetch home a deer. But this year they saw a plenty of deer but didn't get any good shots. . . . Harold Dimke almost spent the whole summer trying to get a power mower to work. What did you do, Harold, give up and buy a new one? That covers everyone on the Owl shift in Bldg. 17-4 except this scribe whose exploits are well known by all of those people who come in contact with him. . . . A few notes from other floors. . . . A Bldg. 4-5 scoop. Pete "Herman the Great" Macke recently was cited for his bravery when he captured a six inch rubber lizard singlehanded. High up in the shelf it was submerged in a box of wedges. Little do we know what his next exploit will be. He may go on a conquest of the Busco Turtle. . . . In Bldg. 17-1 we have all makes of cars and also many arguments, so what happens — John Shanahan buys a Kaiser. . . . Dolores Gladback, Bldg. 4-5, would welcome any new ideas to get a certain brown haired lad out under the moon. . . . Barbara Wilson, Bldg. 17-2, tells us that the Christmas cards and wrapping paper are priced at $1. . . . Next week we hope to feature the Hermetics, Bldgs. 17-2 and 17-3.



Those of you who were at the Decatur street fair last week will know that that look in Herman Lankenau's eye is the result of too much "carnival barking." . . . Lucinda Pettit, Dorothy Jensen and Alice Dahman attended the Elex conference in Chicago. . . . Mary "Touchdown" Sitko seems to be following in the footsteps of her brother "Red." She claims that those neck bruises she brought to work last week were the results of an "off side" end run. . . . We are glad to see Basil Squires back with us. He has been on the sick list. . . . Mark Brindle is beating the seamstress' time by doing his own mending. He is starting a new fad by using white thread on his black trousers. . . . It's reported that Forest Bunner is recovering nicely from his operation. His co-workers wish him a speedy recovery and hope he will be back soon.

Here's Proof



The proof that we have at least one fisherman on our floor is shown in this photo of Bill Geist and his oldest son, Sam. The fish were all big enough to keep and were caught at Cedar Shores, within 15 miles from the city.



"He who cannot forgive others breaks the bridge over which he must pass himself, for we all need to be forgiven."
—Lord Herbert

Everyone seems to be enjoying this wonderful Indian summer. Your reporter couldn't resist the urge to take a long drive since I stayed home during vacation. I loaded the old Plymouth with luggage and three other gals and drove down through Pennsylvania, Virginia and to Washington, D.C On the return trip we stopped and brought back 20 pounds of that wonderful Ohio Swiss cheese. There are certainly a lot of "cheese hounds" in Bldg. 17-2. . . . Congratulations to Archie Evans and his wife Margaret on the arrival of a baby boy. His name is Ronald Lee and he weighed 9 lbs. 10 oz. at birth. . . . We extend our sympathy to the family of one of our WORKS NEWS reporters, Johnny McMaken, who died last Friday morning. . . . Ruth Hines' father is in the hospital for observation. We wish him a speedy recovery. . . . Al Wickliffe just doesn't like pumpkin pie but he isn't very careful about where he throws it. We think Jerry Wert could find a better place than where it landed. . . . George Skinnell is the proud owner of a new Oldsmobile. . . . Bill Straub spent his third week of vacation in Indianapolis. . . . Mel Kiessling's little boy took a nickel out of his Dad's pocket for the Community Chest and the teacher gave him a red feather. After due consideration, Mel, Jr., returned the feather to the teacher and in turn asked for his donation. He came home and gave the nickel back to his dad. He then told Mel that he didn't need a feather and besides five cents was too much for it anyway. What fun the kindergarten teachers must have along with their very interesting work. . . . Clara Fulmer retired officially Oct. 1. We hope that her health will continue to improve and she will enjoy many years of her pension.

Behind the Cracker Barrel in General Stores

Melba Kelly will soon say goodbye to her many friends in this section. These friends would like to take this opportunity to wish her the best of luck and that she will take time to drop around and see us all now and again. . . . The welcome mat is out to Hilda Krause, who comes to our section from the Shipping Division, to Carl Tuerschman coming from Bldg. 18-4 and to Dick Jones of the Engineering Section. We wish you all the best of luck on your new jobs. . . . It seems the Canasta bug has really bitten Kenny Redding. When he comes to work kinda "droopy-eyed" his only explanation is, "We played Canasta last night." . . . Don't forget, fellows and gals, that the Elex Club is selling Christmas cards and gift wrappings and your patronage will be appreciated again this year. . . . The good housekeeping campaign is really on its way with the "Eight-Ball" going to Fred Guebhart of the Regional Parts Warehouse for the poor housekeeping in the office. Better luck next time, Fred. . . . We are glad to see Marie Allegier back at the G-E. Marie formerly worked for Tom Dent in Bldg. 6-1 but has now joined forces with Al Hartman and Laureen Procise in Bldg. 8-2. . . . We hope that by the time you read this that Dick Robertson's son is home from the hospital and that his injury was not too serious. . . . Frank Parker is back to work after his third week's vacation. He says he didn't do much but fish, paint and "baby" a sore finger. . . . We wish a speedy recovery to Clarence Rosselot who has been ill at his home for the past three weeks. . . . A familiar face belonging to Jim Laisure is back in our midst. Jim recently returned to work after being on the sick list the past four months. . . . "People are very openminded about new things—so long as they're exactly like the old ones." Charles F. Kettering.



Last week Harry Combes was using the vibrator pencil to make some work when there was quite a noise by a hammer contacting the back of the bench he was working on. Harry dropped the vibrator like a hot potato and sat back like he had been shot before he realized what had happened. . . . Ozzie Nahrwold vows he will leave softball for the youngsters and act his own age after limping and dragging about the place for a week following the game he played with the supervisors of Div. 17. . . . John Driver again hit the suggestion system for another $50. Nice going, John. . . . Several of the fellows almost choked during lunch last week when Joe Mattis again started to extol the virtues of his friend Bill Johnson. Joe said, "You fellows don't appreciate a good man, I'll have to see his boss." And he did. Bill should have a fine rating on his control card if they put everything on it that Joe said. . . . We think John Bastian must have had burned toast for breakfast last Friday. When questioned, John said he didn't have toast for breakfast that morning. . . . We hope Dewey Erne enjoys his extra week of vacation he is taking this week.



The Brouwer Tire and Battery team, of the Interdivision League, shot the high three game series of the year at the Club alleys. A 2841 count on games of 967, 985 and 889 was reported.

Rolling against the Hire's Parts team, which had 2719, they were only able to win two games. Big counts in the match was a 604 by Les Shroyer on games of 167, 215, and 222, and Frank Iannelly, 203 and 205; Don Dimke with a 569 on 205 and 214; Whitey Ponsot, 204; Vic Rump, 590 with 233 and 200; George Luedeman, 209, and Frank Matthews, 222.

Six hundred and 200 counts weren't confined to this one match, as Foerster had 608 on games of 183, 236 and 189; Kenny Bainbridge rolled 606 with games of 198, 206 and 202, and Berning Sr., had a 612 on games of 236, 192 and 184. Other 200 scores were garnered by Erv Haugk, 222 and 205; Dickey, 203; Frank Gitter, 201; Frank Kopp, 210; Ivan Parrish, 200 and 202; Putman, 224; Bob Dressel, 212; Walt Siedel, 209, and Carl Miller, 223.

The previous week Clarence Rump had the only 600, a 621 with games of 222, 204 and 195. The 200 scores were rolled by Frank Gitter, 234; Frank Iannelly, 215; Don Dimke, 223; R. Wiek, 217; Noah Kuntz, 210, Whitey Ponsot, 225 and 201; Wayne Wiemer, 214; Leo Allmandinger, 206; Erv France, 200; R. Zelt, 218; Putman, 201, and Bob Dressel, 204.

Apprentice League

Compasses are out in front by two games. Two hundred scores were kegled by Chasey, 221, and Harold Fremion, 202.

Masonic League

Plumbs and Fellowcraft are leading the league with a 10-win and five-loss record.

Two hundred scores were made by B. Somers, 245; Manor, 207; Hughes, 204; Harold Garrett, 203, and Meyer, 222.

Apparatus League

The boys loosened a little this week as Team No. 4 led by A. Thompson's big 255 rolled high single game of 1086.

Other 200 counts were rolled by Bienz, 207; Bressler, 221 and 209; Burton, 201; Andy Anderson, 203 and 205; Dunten, 206 and 201; Bob Stute, 200; Arnold White, 209, and W. Spahr, 204.

Team No. 10 and 2 are tied for first with 10 victories each.

Office League

The Designers followed up their high single and high three-game totals of the week before with a new league low, a 735 with a handicap of 57 pins.

Clem's, the former Blueprint team, shot the high score of the week with a 1041 being paced by Dick Getty's 239.

There were plenty of 200 counts: Bob Knepple, 222; Frank Schlink, 214; Bill Piercy, 214; Claude Holmes 208; Walter Nitz, 207; Clarence Rump, 205; Wendel Miller, 203 and 202; Wade Tyler, 202, and John Root, Carl Hattendorf and Bob Blomker, all a neat 201.

Here's one we missed last week, "Brownie" Brown, a 234. We found out that he reads the column regularly, especially if he shot a 200 or a 600.

Friday Night Girls

Bess Potts was really in the groove, as she shot a new high for the season, a 580 series on games of 158, 202 and 220. Virginia Bowman, got a neat 530 and games of 183, 176 and 171.

Other high scores: Liz Shearer, 199; Ginny Mollet, 190; Kaufman, 189 and 174; Huber, 181, Werkman, 180; Koontz, 170 and 176, and Malizzo, 170.

Transformer Division League

Watts are out in front with five wins and one loss. Two hundred games were rolled by: Miller, 248; Hoopingarner, 230; Hamilton, 215, and J. Hurst, 200.

Bowling and Stuff

There was a big turnout last Saturday evening for the opening of the alleys and the bowling exhibition. Our own G-E star, Eddie Kraft, failed to show up (sick). His sub, Earl Beard, proceeded to win five games for Ed and take over first place with 15 wins and five losses. The boys averaged 183.51 at the G-E alleys.

Berquist Dies

Frank O. Berquist, 50, of Lafayette, Ind., died recently at the Central State Hospital in Indianapolis, where he was employed. Prior to working at the hospital, he was employed by General Electric from 1920 until 1931.

Squares Club To Hold Dance At Lunz's Barn

The G-E Squares Club will hold a square dance Friday night, Oct. 28, at Lunz's Barn, off the Sand Point road.

The dance will start at 9 p.m.

Refreshments will include, cider, doughnuts, coffee, and sandwiches.

Tickets may be obtained from contact men for $1.20 per couple.

G-E Touch Football Season Is Underway

The Apprentice School's touch football team defeated the Tool Division in a game, 14-6, Thursday, Oct. 13. The Test Engineers downed Winter St., 9-0, while the Messengers won a forfeit from the Works Lab. Transformer went down before the Firemen, 35-9.

In games played Tuesday, Test Engineers blanked out the Messengers, 19-0. Works Lab was the Firemen's victim, losing 18-0. Tool Division defeated Transformer, 14-12, and Apprentice School beat Winter St., 21-6.

The following games will be played next week:

Tuesday, Oct. 25

7 p.m.—Apprentice School vs. Firemen

Messengers vs. Transformer

8:15 p.m.—Test Engineers vs. Tool Division

Thursday, Oct. 27

7 p.m.—Messengers vs. Firemen

Apprentice School vs. Test Engineers

8:15 p.m.—Apprentice School vs. Transformer

Tool Division vs. Transformer

LEAGUE STANDINGS

	W.	L.
Firemen	2	0
Test Engineers	2	0
Apprentice School	2	0
Transformer	1	0
Messengers	1	1
Works Lab	0	2
Tool Division	0	2
Winter St.	0	2



Fall harvest with all the fruits, vegetables and flowers really means something to Blanche Allen. She thought the horn of plenty had been upset on her desk. There were apples, carrots and flowers. Now all she wants to know is, who was so generous? Anyway, she says thanks. . . . The leaf raking business has really been keeping Dick Scidel and Ed Schneider busy. So far the battle is still raging and no one has won. We heard Ed's new leaf rake got mixed up with the fire and got a little scorched. Looks like the leaves will win yet. Cheer up, boys—the snow will soon cover all those leaves and no one will be wiser. . . . Did you take a real good look at those bright ties of Larry Rickert's? They really help brighten the corner where he is. . . . Baseball is dying a mighty slow death, and at the rate the gang is going it won't even be buried before spring training begins. . . . Jackie Bowers started a new hair fad with her light spot in front, only now she is waiting for it to grow out. . . . We've only now discovered how careless Ray Debolt is. First he dropped a box of small parts on the floor; then he gawked out the window at the firemen practicing till after the whistle blew. How lonesome did you get, Ray? . . . Les Dafforn won a deep freeze. His big problem now, how to raise cattle that will fit into an eight foot freezer! . . . Carl Mathias got a bargain. He got a drill press for only seven dollars. He learned too late that it was so worn out it was no longer useable and had been run over by a tractor! Some fellows have all the luck. . . . After Maurice Crow looked high and low for Ray Debolt one day, he remembered he had sent Ray to work on another machine! . . . George Miller still has heating worries. He wants to put in a furnace but can't figure any way of getting one into his basement. Why not jack up the house and slip it under, George? . . . Frank Surface still is awaiting the birth of a litter of rabbits at his house. Could it be you have a papa rabbit, Frank? . . . Someone ought to tell Bill Schultz not to stand in front of a car. He almost got run over in the parking lot the other night. . . . The Bldg. 17-4 bowling team is now leading the league. Boy, are those guys lucky! Or is it just another case of good hearted pin setters. . . . John Howard has been elected our 1949 Christmas party chairman. Let's everyone give him our support and make this the biggest, best party yet. . . . Tony Miller recently ordered a "big, free catalog." No inside plumbing, Tony? . . . What become of the mustache Jimmy James was nursing. It seems as though he cut it off just about the time you could see it, without taking a second look. Must of been afraid he would get some publicity in the WORKS NEWS if he let it grow. So he played safe and cut it off. As Confuscious say, "Hair today, gone tomorrow," and I do mean hair. . . . Bob Dorsey left us to start a new test assignment in Schenectady and also to start his married life. The boys from the Test Section gave Bob a waffle iron for a wedding present and was he happily surprised. . . . Don Thomas got up early Saturday morning and drove 30 miles to the lake to go fishing, bailed out the boat and went back to the car for his fishing tackle. Was his face red when he discovered he had left it at home. That's what happens when your fever gets too high. . . . HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS from all our people to Mr. Hanson on his new assignment. All our best wishes for your continued success.

Decatur Team Wins City Golf Championship For Third Year



For the third consecutive year, Decatur's factory golf team won the City Golf League's championship title. Members of the team are: (l. to r.) John Baumann, Bob Lord, Clarence Morgan, Sephus Jackson, and William Morgan.

Basketball Team To Hold Pre-Game Practice Sessions

The Industrial basketball team has cut their squad to playing strength and will hold practice sessions Monday, Oct. 24, and Thursday, Oct. 27, from 8 to 10 p.m. at the G-E Club gym.

Their opening game will be held Monday, Oct. 31, against the Indiana Tech team.

Manager Bill Scbible will work on team plays and defense next week. The effects of the rugged conditioning are showing some good results. Dick Bucber and Jim Walley look as if they have been playing basketball all summer. Dick Gettys and Lew Goehring are getting in condition fast and with two more practice sessions the team will be ready for the first game with the Tech boys.

ELEX TO TOUR COCA-COLA CO. MONDAY NIGHT

The Elex Club's Coca-Cola party will be held Monday, Oct. 24, at the local plant, corner of Pontiac and Lillie Sts. The group will meet at 8 p.m. for a conducted tour through the plant.

Following tbe tour, a buffet lunch will be served by the bottling company's management. Members and their guests can make reservations by paying a 25-cent fee to their contact girls.

Elex Opens Ticket Sale For Thanksgiving Dance

The third annual, semiformal, Thanksgiving dance will be held by the Elex Club Wednesday, Nov. 23, at the Prom Terrace ballroom.

Bill Miller and his orchestra will play for dancing from 9:15 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. Jean Kelly will be the featured vocalist with the band.

Tickets for the dance, which is open to the public, are $1.20, tax included. They can be obtained from either committee members or contact girls.

Eva Fisher, Taylor St., is chairman of the dance. Vice-chairmen are Sue Thompson, Winter St., and Marian Leiter, Bldg. 17-4. Assisting them are: Maxine Daniel, Taylor St.; Janice Mueller, Taylor St.; Donna Bauermeister, Bldg. 4-6; Justine Luyben, Winter St. and Mary Leiter, Winter St.

Decatur Plant Has Exhibit On Display At Street Fair



One of the featured exhibits at the annual Decatur Street Fair was the display by the Decatur plant. The color movie "Running Water on the Farm" was presented continuously throughout the week. Hilda Staley and Erna Weiland, above, were attendants at the booth during the fair.

G-E Earnings

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cents last year. This was equal to $2.34 on each share of common stock this year as compared with $2.91 last year.

In the third quarter the differences over the experience last year were even more striking. Again, sales volume was greater, some of this coming out of the backlog of orders placed earlier, but much of it due to the lower prices put in effect earlier to stimulate buying. Sales in the third quarter amounted to $388,615, 888 or 6 per cent more than the corresponding quarter of 1948. The degree to which General Electric was willing to take the risk to get such volume is indicated by the drop in earnings for the three-month period to $21,060,037, 28 per cent less than in the same three months of 1948.

Throughout the third quarter of 1949, the backlog of sales orders was being used up, but nevertheless, employment was coming back in many lines before this healthy and desired trend was arrested by a coal or steel strike. It is greatly to be hoped that the steps General Electric has been taking to assure continued high volume production with the highest employment possible under the circumstances will continue to have the chance to be effective. Certainly, it can be promised that the Company will be trying to keep on getting production back up, whatever the circumstances.

Despite the lowered earnings, the usual dividend of 50 cents a share of General Electric common stock will be paid October 25 for the third quarter of 1949, making a total of $1.50 a share the first nine months of this year. This will be the 209th dividend on the Company's common stock, and will be distributed to about 251 thousand stock holders.

	3 months ended Sept. 30, 1949	9 month ended Sept. 30 1949	1948
Net sales billed	$388,615,888	$1,190,372,404	$1,137,935,052
Costs, expenses, and other charges	357,401,901	1,082,577,108	1,003,858,939
Income from sales	$ 31,213,987	$ 107,795,296	$ 134,076,113
Income from other sources:			
Interest, dividends and other sundry revenue	$ 5,004,820	$ 11,363,333	13,894,265*
Less interest and other financial charges	1,158,770	3,545,750	3,896,658
	$ 3,846,050	$ 7,817,583	$ 9,997,607
Total income before provision for federal taxes on income	$ 35,060,037	$ 115,612,879	$ 144,073,720
Federal taxes on income	$ 14,000,000	$ 48,000,000	$ 60,000,000
	$ 21,060,037	$ 67,612,879	$ 84,073,720
Minority and nonconsolidated interests in net income	—	—	180,261
Net income applicable to General Electric Company common stock	$ 21,060,037	$ 67,612,879	$ 83,893,459
Earning per share on 28,845,927 shares issued	$0.73	$2.34	$2.91

*Includes dividend, from prior years' earnings, of $6,525,310 received in September, 1948 in connection with the liquidation of G-E Employees Securities Corporation.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY — Happy birthday to Herb Behm, Oct. 10; John Chipco, Oct. 19, and John Nute, Oct. 23. . . . GOOD LUCK—The girls in the Engineering File Room had a party last Tuesday noon at the Works Restaurant in honor of both Jo Ann Ansberry, who is leaving the Company, and Bernice Fisher, who is getting married Saturday, Oct. 22, at 9:00 a.m. . . . NO PAPER—Won't somebody please take pity on Norm Oetting and see that he gets to see the Journal-Gazette in the morning. Since Thelma Voiral left it is hard for him to get one. . . . SYMPATHY—We extend our deepest sympathy to Al Ulmer on the death of his brother. . . . TRAVELS—Betty Puff and Donna Bauermeister went to Chicago to attend the Elex Convention. Jerry Duryee traveled to Southern Indiana. Rita Streck and her husband attended the International Dairy Exposition at Indianapolis. . . . Many miles were added to the speedometer of Joan Traxler's car this last week-end. She and her husband, Paul, traveled through Southern Indiana, Louisville, and Cincinnati. They visited Clifty Falls State Park and enjoyed other scenic points of interest. . . . VACATIONS—Al Ulmer is back from his third week's vacation. He went to Phoenix, Ariz. While he was there, he saw Miss America. Was that the reason for going, Al? . . . NEWS—The Developmental Division received a letter from Joan (Poos) Dreyer, a former employee who is now living in Louisville, Ky. She says Kentucky is a very nice place. . . . BY BY—Today is Max Hower's last day. He is leaving the Company to accept a position in the Diesel Div. of General Motors. We wish you a lot of luck in this and also in your other new adventure coming up. . . . DING DONG TIME—Some of the gals and guys of Bldg. 4-6 had a wienie bake last Saturday under the very beautiful stars. Almost all were present and accounted for. It was held at Foster Park in the third pavillion, which was difficult to find because no one knew for sure where it was.



C. W. MacKay got to be a grandfather Oct. 6 in Dayton, Ohio. He thinks the grandson will grow up to be an engineer too, because he is already using Charlie's thumb for a slide rule. . . . We also have another new grandfather among us. Mart Macke is quite proud of his little granddaughter. . . . Welcome back to work, Herman Bertsch. We really missed you during your long absence. . . . If Harry Rohrbaugh had returned from Norfolk, Va., with a crew cut we'd have thought he enlisted in the Navy while there. When approached about this, all Harry answered was that it was purely a vacation trip to visit his daughter and son-in-law stationed there. . . . What's this about Albert English being seen in Lawton Park one Monday afternoon trying to outdo Mahatma Ghandi? Or were you waiting for someone, Albert? . . . Everyone seems to be getting excited about "Oscar, the Busco Beast," again.

Corn S'talks

TAYLOR ST. SHIPPING

By Gloria Geesaman

Last week we had surprises. This week we have a mystery. . . . More interesting, huh? Telephone calls and candy bars are left at a certain desk. And our Romeo is going around asking if anyone is trying to pull his leg. He just has a secret admirer. Since it's still a mystery we will not tell who the Romeo is. So tune in next week, same time, same station to find out if anything new has developed. . . . Some husbands would rather listen to "Jack Armstrong" than to his beloved wife. Guess Ruth Sutorius will just have to get out the rolling pin and beat bumps on Dick's head so he'll mind his manners. Just advice, Ruth. We all have the same trouble with our husbands. . . . Doris Dimke was showing me her little branches, from the two big trees. The results was two cute kids (children that is). Just wanted you all to know she's a mighty proud mamma. She has the right to be too. . . . Grace Taylor is our "Trouble Shooter" around here. If there's anything you want to know, just ask Grace! . . . Is Alice Uffeleman's face red. Her chair is broken so much that she's ashamed to call the repair man to fix it. Standing more than sitting, maybe you should get a new chair or not be so rough, Alice. . . . Barbara Rebb's boy friend has a real cute name for her. Why don't you all ask her what it is? . . . Talking about boy friends, Pat Waterman, after a telephone call, looks like she is floating on air. Only trouble is, we can't find out who he is, darn. . . . You heard of people cating "pickled pigs feet." Naomi Snyder eats chicken feet. Maybe she likes to develop her teeth. . . . Russ Carpenter teaches his small son things to say, then blames it on his oldest boy. The saying goes, "Like father, like son," Russ. What we want to know is, what is a Jigaboo? . . . When you go out to our Complete File, you will find Nancy Woodhull completely snowed under. It's a good thing that Helen Tartlon helps dig her out once in a while, or we would never be able to find Nancy at all. . . . When Clarence Schaefer goes out to lunch with the truck drivers, he always comes back with some kind of a picture. Only thing is that he won't show it to anyone, tch, tch, Clarence. . . . The rest of you people whose name that hasn't appeared in this column, well your time is coming. I just haven't dug up enough dirt on you. . . . This reporting of the news from our division has really got Gloria, our reporter. She is now talking through holes in the wall.



The report in last week's column concerning the redhead and Charlie Curtis was in error. Instead it was Casanova Shuler who was having a tete-a-tete with the gal. . . . No alibis from Kenny Guisinger were necessary for last week's game. New Haven beat Payne with a score of 31 to 7 at the "Dad's Night" celebration. The buttons are still popping off his vest. . . . Mondays seem to be bad for lots of people. As for instance, last Monday when the quitting buzzer sounded Bessie Potts innocently inquired if it was time for lunch or time to go home! It must be wonderful to have all that vitality. . . . We have word that Luella Knoche has returned home from the hospital and is improving. . . . Group 15-50 and 51 received a card from Bryan Brown who is ill at his home in Monroeville. . . . Vier Johnston and his missus are driving south on their vacation this week. If the new Ford performs as it should and time permits they expect to go as far as Florida. . . . Carl Stadelman is having mice trouble in his new house. The hungry "varmints" would like to share it with him but Carl is distributing traps all over the place. Here's hoping he doesn't go walking about in his bare feet and catch the wrong animal. . . . Mary Rupp spent her vacation last week in the Smoky Mountains where she had an enjoyable time.

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CHARLES E. WILSON Anniversary 50 years with GENERAL ELECTRIC

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G-E Club To Present Square Dance Tonight To Observe Halloween

A Halloween Square Dance for all G-E employees, their families and friends will be held tonight in the G-E Club auditorium.

Sponsored by the G-E Club's entertainment committee, the dance will start at 9 p.m. and is free of charge.

Two attendance prizes and awards for the most unusual and funniest costumes will be awarded during the intermission. Music will be presented by Joe Taylor's Red Bird band.

Instruction in square and round dancing will be given for all those desiring it.

Reservations Are Taken For Trip To Ice Show

Reservations for the Elex trip to see the Sonja Henie Ice Show at Indianapolis, Saturday, Dec. 3, must be made immediately. A charge of $3 should be paid when the reservation is made.

Vernon Sheldon To Address Foremen's Dinner Nov. 9

Vernon C. Sheldon will address the Foremen's Association at its annual ladies' night and dinner in the G-E Club auditorium Wednesday, Nov. 9.

Mr. Sheldon has been recognized as an able and entertaining speaker for many years.

He spent nine years in Lyceum and Chautauqua work and has been on the staff of the Indiana University Extension as a lecturer on public speaking.



V. C. Sheldon

For the past 10 years he has been in the real estate business and is a member of the Fort Wayne Board of Realtors, Educational Committee of the National Real Estate Association, and counselor for the Fort Wayne Forum Club.

His topic will be "A New Formula."

Dinner music will be presented by Buddy Nolan, organist from Huntington.

Tickets for the dinner meeting may be obtained from contact men starting Monday.

Elex Card Party To Feature Style Show Wednesday Night

The Elex Club will have a card party in the G-E Club auditorium at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 2. Tickets for the evening are 50 cents.

Featured during the party will be a style show presenting fall suits and fur fashions. Table and attendance prizes will be given, with a suit to be presented as an attendance prize. Refreshments will be served.

Those attending the party are to form their own tables and can play any card games. Members are requested to bring their own cards.

Betty Puff, Bldg. 4-6, is chairman of the card party. Helen Brindle, Bldg. 26-2, and Alice Dahman, Bldg. 4-5, are her committee members.

STOCKHOLDERS TOTAL 251,064

The General Electric Company had a total of 251,064 stockholders as of Sept. 23, the record date for dividends payable Oct. 25, according to W. W. Trench, Secretary of the Company.

The new total is an increase of 1,725 over the 249,339 stockholders recorded as of Dec. 17, 1948, and 2,214 more than the number recorded Sept. 24, 1948, Mr. Trench said.

Eighty-seven per cent of the stockholders are individuals, the Company Secretary reported. Brokers, banks, bank nominees and other business enterprises total less than two per cent of all stockholders, while "trustees, guardians, and other fiduciaries" account for 10.7 per cent of the number. Various educational and charitable institutions owning G-E stock total approximately six-tenths of one per cent of the stockholders and hold more than 410,000 shares.

16 SUGGESTORS ARE GIVEN LIGHTERS AS BONUS AWARDS

The following 16 employees were presented G-E monogramed cigarette lighters this week as bonus awards for submitting suggestions on which the regular awards were $10 or more:

Fred Schamerloh, R. L. Mills, Clarence Morgon, Jay Rippe, Lowell Welker, John Inches, Lucille Neville, Olen Lehman, Dorthea Kaylor, L. W. Johnke, Stephen Sallot, Jr., Raymond Schuckel, A. J. Delagrange, Simon Kuapp, Erma Cummings, and John Schreiber.

Negotiations Are Recessed Until Nov. 2

As in the other recent session, discussions between the General Electric Company and the United Electrical Workers-CIO Wednesday, Oct. 26, continued to be centered in the exploration by the union of the important features of the offer made by the Company last week.

At the close of the session, the negotiations were recessed until Wednesday, Nov. 2.

Apprentice Alumni To Hold Stag Party

The G-E Apprentice Alumni Association will hold its Fall Stag party Tuesday night, Nov. 1, at Kreis Stolzenau hall, 111 E. Brackenridge St.

Refreshments and card games are being planned. Tickets may be obtained from contact men for $1.

This will be the final social affair for the association before its banquet and election of officers in December.

G-E Squares To Hold Barn Dance Tonight

A barn dance for members of the G-E Squares Club will be held tonight at 9 p.m. in Lunz's Barn, off the Sand Point road.

Don Motter, Bldg. 28-2, is chairman of the event.

Tickets may be obtained from contact men for $1.20 per couple.

Congratulations

To All General Electric Employees:

All of you who participated either as solicitors or contributors in the Community Chest Campaign, conducted in the various Fort Wayne General Electric plants, can be proud of the success of your efforts. A total of $46,750, or 104% of our $45,000 goal, was raised. This is the first time since the end of the war that we have exceeded our goal.

An analysis of the results indicates that 78.9% of us contributed to the work of the Community Chest and its 20 Red Feather agencies and the USO, which is an increase of 12.1% over last year; the average giving per employee was 18.3% higher than in 1948.



In a published statement concerning the progress of the Community Chest Campaign, Herb Weil, General Chairman, referred to our giving as "one of the most splendid examples of cooperation in the present campaign."

Our employee gift of $46,750 supplemented by the Company gift of $12,000 brings our total participation to $58,750 or 12.9% of the Community Chest goal of $453,000, which must be raised if the social welfare and character building agencies of the Chest are to continue to offer their worthwhile services.

My sincere personal congratulations to all who participated in this fine, successful effort. May you wear your Red Feathers of neighborliness proudly.

C. A. Matson
Works Manager

Emcee, Magic Show Are Announced For G-E Club's Revue Nov. 5-6



DICK WARE

Dick Ware will act as emcee for the G-E Club's annual Fall Revue Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 5-6, it was announced today.

Free tickets to the revue are available to all employees at the G-E Club candy-stand and at the Taylor St. personnel or employment office.

Dick Ware has been featured in several New York shows, in motion pictures, and has played vaudeville theaters from coast to coast.

The G-E Club's entertainment committee also announced today the return engagement of the Jack

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JACK GWYNNE

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HERITAGE OF CONFIDENCE

At this very moment, General Electric equipment is generating power in the mountains of Chile, hoisting ore in the mines in Africa, propelling ships across the Pacific, hauling trains in South America. It is cutting lumber in Oregon; irrigating the dry lands of California; freezing fish in Florida; washing dishes in a New England home. It is X-raying the diseased bones of an invalid; and lighting a hospital operating table.

Our turbines, motors, refrigerators, radios, oil burners, lamps, plastic, and wiring supplies are well known in the four corners of the world. Through the medium of reliable products we have struck a common tongue so that the words "General Electric" are understood everywhere.

It may seem superfluous to say the Monogram, backed by research, engineering and modern manufacturing techniques, has brought countless benefits into the lives of hundreds of millions of people all over the world, but it is true.

The story behind the Monogram and its benefits to people everywhere is the story of American industrial creativeness, courage and cooperation. It is the story of creative men, some being individual geniuses who toiled alone. But by far, the majority have worked in cooperative teams. It is the story of a reliability and unquestioned quality which General Electric employees everywhere build into the products they make for a waiting world.

It is little wonder that General Electric can pridefully include in its advertisements the phrase:

"You can put your confidence in General Electric."

Confidence in a product is a sure sign of successful production. And successful production means a continuing successful acceptance of our product by the consuming public which recognizes the Monogram as a symbol of quality and a pledge of reliability.

That there is public confidence in General Electric is due in great measure to the pride which General Electric employees everywhere build into their jobs and into the products they make; it is due also to the "word-of-mouth advertising" through which our employees express their pride in the products they help to make and through their team efforts which result in giving the nation and the world the best we have to offer.

Each single employee in our plant and, in fact, in the entire General Electric family, shares in the trust we hold for peoples everywhere—a trust exemplified in the production of quality products at retail prices set as low as it is intelligently possible to make them.

The next time you look at the General Electric Monogram, remember that through your employment, you, too, have:

"Put Your Confidence in General Electric."

—Hanford WORKS NEWS

COMPETITION

Competition is harsh, sometimes cruel, but it works. It gets results. It compels improvements in methods that multiply the efforts of a man a hundred and a thousand times.

A high school graduate can outline more utopian ideals in an hour than the world can achieve in his lifetime. Only after the young man has had his face rubbed against the grindstone can he be taken seriously.

Of course, the highest type of man is one who, in full knowledge of what is, keeps his mind and vision open to what ought to be, and supplies impetus to push the world in the right direction.

These men are rare. They are the leaven that has caused mankind to rise slowly but surely to the stature of freemen.

—DeKalb PLANT NEWS

A More Abundant Life

"Here let it be enough to say that we have the advantage of a growing general knowledge that no government and no politician can make a more abundant life. They are not instruments of production. And today, more than ever before, people know that the creation of new things for a better life is largely in the hands of business leaders. This implies duty and responsibility more than it means power or authority."

—Charles E. Wilson, President

- CHEER UP PAL, WE ASKED FOR IT!



It's Your Federal Government

Confused Federal Finances

By Robert L. Johnson

Editor's Note: Following is the fourth in a series of articles describing the major findings of the "Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report." These articles are written by Robert L. Johnson, President of Temple University and Chairman of the committee. This committee is a voluntary, nonprofit, nonpartisan organization of leading citizens which has undertaken the task of informing the public of just what reorganization means and what the Hoover Commission recommendations, if enacted into law, will mean to each individual and to the nation.

With your own money worries and problems of making your own budget balance, you have probably given little thought to the colossal financial structure of the government.

You very likely take it for granted that the richest government in the world, spending this year more than $42 billions, must be operated with super-perfect accounting routines, controlled by financial wizards. You may suppose that accountability for the last penny is clear, and that a financial statement of the condition of the country is immediately available for examination and check.

But this is not what the bipartisan Hoover Commission found after a thorough survey of the government's operations in the fiscal field. You as a stockholder in the corporation, must want to know what the Hoover Commission found. The Commission wrote:

> "The time has come when the budgeting and accounting system of the federal government must be modernized. Some of its fiscal concepts came down from Alexander Hamilton. They were archaic when the total expenditures of the government were $4 billions per annum. Now, with a government which spends over $40 billions per annum, they are totally inadequate."

The existing system, the Commission decided, is confusing both to Congress and the public. It therefore recommended an entirely new structure, designed to tell Congress and the public these things:

On Budgeting: What is the money wanted for?

On Accounting: What does the taxpayer get for it?

The 1949-50 budget, the Commission found, does not give an understandable plan for Government expenditure. Its 1625 pages, of 1,500,000 words are badly organized. For example, it carefully itemizes a request for $114.53 for a minor expenditure in the Bureau of Indian Affairs and then calmly dismisses a request for $1 Billion—that's right, one billion dollars!—for the Veterans Administration with the single entry: "Salaries and Expenses."

In Government accounting the Commission revealed that literally tons of vouchers arrive by freight car loads in Washington for auditing by the General Accounting office. Storage costs for this mass are tremendous. The Commission recommended that this checkup be made by the departments concerned in the field. Moreover, it said a simple "spot check" would do the job without examining every one of the millions of vouchers.

Up To Congress

The mission of the bipartisan Hoover Commission was to delve into this and some 24 other problems of government and make recommendations for economy and efficiency. The commission, in a 19-volume report to Congress found ways in which, I personally believe, at least $4 billions a year can be saved without curtailing government services. President Truman and former President Hoover are jointly urging Congress to pass the laws that will make these savings possible.

You may be surprised to learn that, under the system in use, there is no formal accounting plan for the government as a whole, and no place where an overall picture of government finances can be found. In this connection, the Report points out that there is no person charged with the duty of preparing such a plan nor anyone with the authority to install one.

To the average man this will seem backward and confusing. But more of the same sort is to come. Some of the agencies, the Post Office, for instance, do not keep their own accounts and the Postmaster General himself could not tell you, within eight months of a given date, the financial standing of his department.

Demanding Of Others

But while lax in its own accounting, the government is very demanding in its regulation of private enterprise. Not only does it require full disclosures of financial transactions but often dictates to these enterprises how they shall keep their books.

There has developed, in this department a situation in which a Comptroller General has been forced into a Jekyll and Hyde position. When the Bureau of the Budget was moved from the Treasury to the Office of the President, the chief of this bureau began taking part in making decisions of the Executive Branch which he later had to review as auditor. He is in a dual role. He is, in fact, his own auditor.

The solution of this, the Commission suggested, was the creation of a new official, to be known as the Accountant General, who would serve the President as an accountant serves the head of a private company. This would leave the Comptroller General free to do auditing, and nothing else.

Revamp Treasury Dept.

A general reorganization of the Treasury Department was recommended by the Commission, to relieve it of encumbering agencies which it has collected during the years which have little or nothing to do with finance. These, the Report suggested, should be transferred to more appropriate departments.

The non-fiscal agencies now in the Treasury include: the Coast Guard, Bureau of Supply, Board of Transportation, Narcotics Bureau, U. S. Secret Service, Bureau of Printing and Engraving.

The Bureau of the Budget came in for some criticism by the Commission. This bureau was organized 27 years ago to modernize budget processes and produce an understandable budgetary document. So far, the Commission says, it has not done so. It has, on the contrary, assumed functions for which it was not created, expanded its staff into the largest staff agency in the government, and has concerned itself with formation of administrative policy and management. For this reason, according to the Report, it has not always had the confidence of Congress.

SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q. Is there a planet, or some other astronomical object, called Miranda?

A. This name has been assigned by Dr. Gerard P. Kuiper, of the Yerkes Observatory, to a new satellite of the planet Uranus which he discovered in February, 1948. The four satellites that had been known previously are named Ariel, Umbriel, Titania and Oberon. Oberon and Titania are the king and queen of the fairies in Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream," while Ariel and Umbriel are mentioned in Pope's "Rape of the Lock." Ariel also occurs in Shakespeare's "Tempest," where he is an airy sprite who can change shape at will to serve Prospero, his master. Miranda, according to Prospero, in the same play, is "a little cherub that did preserve me."



BEAST OF BUSCO: It looked like that a week ago Wednesday night when the wrestlers threw Virgil Howell, the referee, out of the ring. Those who were at the wrestling match say that you would not have known it was Virgil. You might have thought it wss "Oscar" coming out of Fulks Lake. The size was sure there. We'll say that much. . . . LONG TIME: Before you will have enough stone for that driveway, Emmett Razor, by just hauling them home from the parking lot in your hub caps. Who did the loading? Was it the same L. M. who tried to teach you how to bring in those carp? They tell us, Pappy, you were so excited that it was pitiful. Don't feel too badly about it; Lou Maier's not so hot either. He had to take you way up in Michigan just to catch carp. He's been telling us right along they were bluegills. We thought something was wrong. We never saw any of them thar gills. . . . LIGHTERS: Amel Beck and Art Gardt received lighters along with their suggestion awards. Neither one of them smoke, so what will happen. Somebody will no doubt get a lighter for Christmas. . . . CHICKENS: Alva Johnholz has been selling them with the understanding they were corn-fed. Hobard Friend bought one and all he found in its craw was broken-up glass. No doubt this chicken was so hungry that it ate glass in hopes it would cut its 'ittle neck. . . . BACK AGAIN: Is Wimpy Lemper, he bought a calf and took her home in a trailer. Arriving home after dark, he had his wife hold the flashlight while he tried to pull the calf with just a rope around her neck out of the trailer. About the time the calf hit the ground, Wimpy's dog bit it in the hind leg. Off she was with Wimpy trying desperately to hang on, but when the calf went for a large mud puddle Wimpy left go. For this neat little trick, the calf got two days of real freedom. It took that long for our Boy Scout to catch up with her. . . . THINGS WE FORGET: Like the work our coworkers do. They were elected by you because you felt they would do a good job. We then proceed to forget about them until we, as individuals, are in need. Then he or she is the first person we think about. We are talking about our Division MBA secretaries. Our secretary is Art Gardt. Art does one swell job. Let's all give him a big hand and mention it to him sometime how much we appreciate his work. . . . WEDDING PRESENT: Leo Elward says, "Thanks, fellows, for our wedding present." . . . DOGHOUSE: Howard Smith and Dillo Patten told their wives they were going to the Decatur Fair. All went well until the next day, then Mrs. Smith read in the papers that the fair had not started yet. We don't know how Dillo came out, but our little Howard was in the doghouse for over a week. Where were you guys? We would like to know, too. . . . SHAVING SOAP: We must say that Bill Rohe is really a salesman. We believe he could sell shaving soap to Mustache Joe. . . . HALLOWEEN: Please have a good time, but in a decent way. Don't damage people's property. There is no fun or sense to it. Wear a mask if you must, but don't do anything you wouldn't do if you were wearing your real face. . . : TICKETS: Don't forget to get your tickets for the G-E Club Fall Revue, which will be held Nov. 5 and 6 in the Club's gym. It's always been a fine show, don't you agree?

Insulation News

It seems that Red Noyes waited a bit too long for his vacation. Old Jack Frost had the same week in mind. It looks like fine weather for ice fishing though, Red. . . . Notice to all your racing fans! Bill Lipp now sells piping hot coffee to the Sunday afternoon fans. He'll even deliver it personally—for a small fee, of course. Earl Gebert will no doubt be your first customer, Bill since he has become a racing enthusiast. . . . Has anybody else noticed how much better Russell Flaugh whistles since those teeth were pulled? . . . Belated happy birthday to Bill Hattendorf, Oct. 21. After that delicious divinity fudge, we all wish that Bill had a birthday every day.

Schnieders Completes 40th Year



C. M. Schnieders, Supervisor of FHP Budgets, recently celebrated his 40th anniversary at General Electric. A number of his associstes in the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions honored him at a luncheon. Left to right are: C. B. Smith, Supervisor of Procedures; L. I. Asher, Divisions Accountant; A. W. Bartling, Manager of Sales; Mr. Schnieders; L. D. Hodell, Manager of Manufacturing; M. E. Lord, Manager of FHP Motor divisions; B. R. McClure, Staff Assistant; W. H. Sunier, Supervisor of Inspection and Test; and J. J. Clarkson, Manager of Engineering.

Elex Club Plans Second Tour Of Coca-Cola Plant

The Elex Club's second Coca-Cola party will be held Monday, Nov. 14, at the local bottling plant. The tour will begin at 8 p.m., followed by a buffet served by the Coca-Cola management.

Approximately 700 members and guests of the Elex Club visited the plant Monday night. Doyle Anderson, owner and manager of the local firm, served as host for the party and tour of the plant. The evening closed with the serving of a buffet lunch.

Because the Oct. 24 group was so large, only a portion of the members were able to attend that party. This tour will be for those unable to go to the other party.

Pensioner Parade

One nice thing about being retired is that you can have all the time you want to travel instead of crowding all your travels into two short weeks. L. C. Yapp is one who is taking advantage of this opportunity. His friends back home have received cards from Grand Rapids, Seattle, Portland, Eureka, San Francisco, Sacramento, Los Angeles, Grand Canyon, and Holbrock. . . . Bill Koenig was in recently to visit old friends at Taylor St. Come in again, Bill, we're always glad to see you and other retired folks. . . . When you're up in Waterloo sometime, drop in at Irene's restaurant to see Ollie McBride. She is working as a waitress there. . . . It's good to hear that Fred A. Thompson is now out of bed after recovering from illness. . . . Some more of our pensioners are on the highways. Mr. and Mrs. W. N. (Billy) Wehrs and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hartman left recently for a visit at Clifty Falls, near Madison. . . . Fred Nute is recovering from a serious illness and is confined to his home in Bluffton. We hope you will soon be up and around again, Fred.

Prize Pike



Charles Strodel, retired foreman from Motor-Generator, caught this pike at Jimmerson Lake. It was caught on a 9½ ft., hamboo fly rod with a 28 lb. line, 6 pound gut leader and a No. 10 white miller, bluegill fly. The fish weighed 23 pounds, was 43 inches long, and 18 inches around the neck.

After the pike was landed it was tied on the boat with a piece of anchor rope. Charlie said it pounded the boat bottom hard, but luckily he had a steel boat which was given him by his coworkers when he went on retirement. Charlie lives at Jimmerson lake the year around and does a lot of fly fishing, but this tops all he has caught. By the way, he found a 10-inch bluegill inside the pike.

Elex, GeCode Officers Hold Meetings To Plan Activities For Coming Year





Following their election to office recently, the new officers of the Elex Club and GeCode Club held their first meetings to plsn the activities for the coming year.

The Elex officers are at the left. Seated: (l. to r.) Jean Smith, treasurer; Alice Dahman, second vice president; Bea Lantz, first vice president; snd Geraldine Schmidt, secretary. Standing: (l. to r.) Msbel Miller, director; Betty Gsrber, trustee; Lois Drewett, director; Mary Leiter, president; Helen Engle, trustee; and Jo Alles, director. Chsrlotte Stanford, past president, will serve as director and Alta Bishop Mayle will complete her second year as director.

The GeCode of Decatur officers are shown at the right. Seated: (l. to r.) Norma Bower, vice president; Dorothy Schumm, secretary; Mary Fennig, president, snd Florence Schultz, treasurer. Standing: (l. to r.) sre Betty Smith, director; Rosemsry Miller, director, and Dorothy Schnepf, director.

The GeCode members are at present conducting a sale of sachets. They expect to launch their annual Christmas card and gift wrapping sale on Nov. 10.

Meeting Planned Tuesday For Basketball Managers

A meeting of the Interdivision basketball team managers will be held in the G-E Club lounge Tuesday, Nov. 1, at 5:30 p.m. Any division desiring to enter a team in this league should send a representative to attend this meeting.

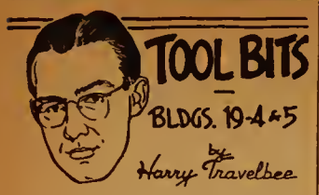
Emcee, Magic Show

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Gwynne Magic Show.

Gywnne recently went part way around the world for the USO, and came back with a completely new bagful of tricks.

The revue will be given at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, and at 1 p.m., 3 p.m., and 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6. Employees may get as many tickets as are specified on their membership cards.



Herb Thiele thinks football is a wonderful game, especially since last Saturday when Indiana turned on the heat against a favored Pitt team, to the tune of 48-14. . . . Jerry Widner and the Mrs. attended the Purdue-Illinois game, but came home feeling a bit on the blue side. Purdue was defeated and things aren't looking much brighter, as the Boilermakers meet Minnesota and Michigan the next two Saturdays. Maybe they can play Indiana. . . . We welcome two boys back to Bldg. 19-5 Tool Room. Del Stickler on lathe and Art Wolfe on vertical mill. Mighty glad to have you with us again, fellows. . . . We wonder why John Roemer had the biggest smile of any of the boys in the lathe section last Friday afternoon. . . . Had the boys in the lathe section, that worked overtime last Friday night, known it ahead of time; none of them would have had to bring any lunch. Reason: Chet Stone unveiled one of the largest pumpkin pies that we have ever seen. Not only was it big around, but it was really packed full of good old-fashioned pumpkin filling. It was a strong inch-and-one-half thick by actual measurements, to say nothing of the fine flavor. Thanks a lot, Chet, (and Mrs. Stoner, too) for that swell treat. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mutton finally had to take a look for the Beast of Busco last Sunday. As far as Ray is concerned, however, he could have stayed home, because said turtle just would not cooperate and show himself. Better luck next time, Ray. . . . Mike Rauner really likes those swell-smelling cigars, but does Gene Dennie like them? Well, we will let you guess. When Mike finally threw away the last bit (½ inch) of that cigar that he had been holding onto for so long, a big smile and look of relief came over Gene's face. . . . Steward says you find the darnest things under these tool cabinets, but most of the time it's the floor—after sweeping, that is. . . . Bill Jones (shaper man) finds that raising a family and getting an education at the same time presents a few complications. The other night, Bill was getting ready to do his homework (trig, or something), but decided to give that new baby her bottle first. She was a bit sleepy. So it took longer than Bill had figured. Finally she was finished and went to sleep. Back to the studies—but maybe I'd better check on the next feeding—sure enough, Bill had to go to the store for supplies for the baby's formula. Back to the homework, but wait—a knock at the door—you guessed it—company for the evening. Bill thinks he has more troubles than Mr. Orbit in the funnies. Don't give up the ship, Bill. . . . Walter Schust got a little confused on the west-end elevator Monday morning, as Ed Kayser and John Hensler stood across from him and acted as if they were talking about him (Walter). His face flushed a little (someone said you could have lit a cigarette on Walter's face) and as the elevator stopped at fourth floor, Walter just walked right off. He said he needed the exercise of walking to the fifth floor. . . . Just call us the Harmonica Boys, says Bill Jones and Emmett Rasor, they play in the stairway at noon with John Hensler as coach and accompanied on the bass fiddle. Something like the famous Mills Bros. Harold Huffman came into work last Monday with a gash across his forehead. He was moving some dirt from his backyard. His three-year-old son, Butch, was helping him. As he was stooping over to brush up the last of the dirt, Butch gave a swing with a full-sized shovel and hit Harold. Haven't you heard of the Child Labor Law? . . . Karl Smith came home safe and sound from his planned trip of nine western states. They had a fine trip and arrived home safely—no samples from the U.S. Mint at Denver.

In all auto driving classes pupils flunk until they learn how to pass properly.

Honored At Retirement Party



Mary J. Occleston, Bldg. 18-2, was honored last Friday at a party to commemorate her retirement after 32 years' service. She began her General Electric career in 1917 and at the time of her retirement was C. H. Matson's secretary. In the picture are: (front row, l. to r.) Vivian Bond, Emily Guth, Miss Occleston, Irma Tibbet, Helen Gellert, Edna Nieber, Mary Cooper and Mildred Whitmer; (back row, l. to r.) Doris Lehman, Hazel McDougall, Marilyn Mattes, Minnie Fryback, Lucille Currie, Irene Ofenloch, Helen Rider, and Jane Bradtmiller.

Information Clinic

QUESTION

Is it true that the Company is about to discontinue the manufacture of coffee makers?

ANSWER

"The General Electric Company is going to continue in the coffee making device business," according to C. K. Rieger, Manager of the Heating Device and Fan divisions, Appliance and Merchandise Department.

Mr. Rieger adds, "It is true that manufacture of the present design of glass coffee maker has been discontinued, since there is a sufficient quantity in stock to last for several months."

QUESTION

Is it true that the Company has sold its radio business?

ANSWER

According to I. J. Kaar, Manager of the Receiver division for the Electronics Department, "The Company has not sold its radio business and, as far as I know, has no intention of so doing. Actually the Company, in effect, sold out to RCA in 1930, but re-entered the business in 1935, and we have been engaged in the business ever since."

QUESTION

I would like to know if it is permissible to bring one's wife or husband to the Employees' store. Is there any special procedure to follow?

ANSWER

Yes, it is possible for an employee to bring the wife or husband for the purpose of making purchases at the Employees' stores. The following procedure should be followed:

At any time other than during the employee's regular working schedule, the employee should meet the wife or husband at the reception desk and be given an identification tag by the receptionist.



This week Roy Bracht, the Indispensable, is on vacation; which brings to a standstill all activity in the enclosure managed by him. It's to be hoped we will be able to carry on without having to call him in and that he will enjoy the much-needed rest. . . . Perhaps Johnnie Craig needs stronger lens in his glasses. He doesn't seem to be able to see bright red with those. . . . Hilda Walda spent the week-end visiting her sister in Toledo. . . . It takes a better excuse for being late to work on Monday morning than an empty gas tank, but Fred Bailey still insists that's the reason. . . . Ed Glusenkamp has been sporting a new pipe, which he thinks makes him look like Sherlock Holmes. Perhaps it brings inspiration when searching for lost material.

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C. H. MATSON, Works Manager

BLDG. 18-2

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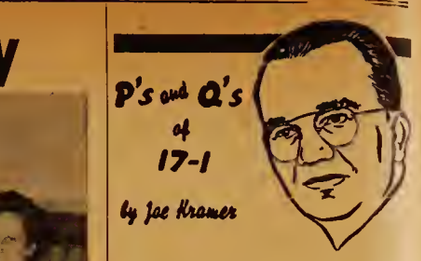
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Instead of the well-known saying "Where, oh, where can my little dog be," the words "Where are you going" have taken the spotlight in Division 19. More of this as time goes on. . . . Jim Carey, former employee of Group 19 x 72, paid a surprise visit the other morning to borrow a quill. Jim promised to return it as soon as he was finished. . . . Clyde Crabill is going to spend his third week of vacation in the North hunting deer. Clyde has taken the first step and sent for a bottle of "buck-lure." L. Decker visited Michigan last week and returned with some additional hints and helpful items for Clyde to take along on his trip. Decker brought his back in a little box. Clyde may be a little reluctant to show you what he has to guarantee his success while hunting, but with a little coaxing he will show you what is in the little black box. . . . Congratuations go to George Mosshammer who celebrated his 38th birthday last Monday. . . . The Elex tour of the Coca-Cola plant was quite a success. According to the reports from Ruby McBride and Elizabeth Love, the sandwiches were really something to look at and the coke was just right for sampling. . . . Ray Epperson is looking for some rye seed for his garden. Ray is mainly interested in the dwarf variety due to the trouble he experienced last year with his giant variety. As you remember, a number of occasions Ray had to conduct searching parties through his rye field to locate neighborhood children who had gotten lost. . . . Ralph Beerman was also a visitor to Bldg. 17-1 last week. . . . Ralph Pettit is now giving voice lessons on a different scale. His teaching technique is different from the usual voice instructor in that Ralph uses fright to attain his objective. He will gladly demonstrate. . . . Jack Cochran took another trip to the southern part of the state to visit Washington in search of some southern sand grown watermelons. We don't know what kind of luck Jack had, but bet he saw some beautiful scenery on the trip. . . . Ernie Riley has not decided whether he will make his intended trip to California this summer or not. He would like any folders or pictures you might have to interest him in taking the trip. . . . A new member of the Elex Club who joined so he could make the trip through the Coca-Cola plant was Frank Martin. Frank said it was worth the initiation to be able to eat some of those good ham sandwiches.

The Snake Pit



Ray Smith, Repair and Return section in Bldg. 4-4, is pictured showing a bottle of what is believed to be blue racer eggs to Perry Jeffries. Mr. Smith discovered the eggs this summer on his farm near Yoder.



This story comes to us belatedly, yet it is on time. Helen Burnam was seen at her bus stop one hour early Monday, following our return to standard time. Failing to find familiar faces, Helen then faced the dawn, double-ways, that is. The day was somewhat in the dark and so was Helen. . . . Radiant in its beauty, our last rose of summer didn't have a chance even to fade away. We left it overnight, and returned the next morning to find only a stem and leaves. It looked as if our night howlers were hungry. . . . Avery Spayde wonders why his name appears here so often. It's logical to say that one can always use a good spade to dig up dirt. One recent afternoon, Avery was the recipient of a rush job (supposedly) from Bldg. 19-5. When unboxed, it proved to be his missing hat, or a reasonable facsimile thereof. This hat differed somewhat from the original one; it was feather adorned. Had there been one feather less, we could have said Avery's hat came back "full of four feathers." . . . October's bright blue weather brings out the wedding belles. One such was Paul LeCoque's sister, Pauline, who was united in marriage to Joseph Radu Saturday, Oct. 15. . . . Howard Koehl's five-year-old son, David, has fully recovered from injuries received in a fall from a playground chute. His arm was broken in two places from the mishap. . . . After a two-weeks' absence, Clarence Rosselot returned to work. Clarence gave his knee a double twist. That is to say, he injured his knee cap—the same one, same place, on two different occasions. . . . We also welcome back Ed Hines, who devoted his vacation to "taking life easy." . . . Since the weather is starting to chill, fishermen are looking forward to winter and ice fishing, or else reminiscing over last year's ice-capades. Among the latter, we find "Big Bass" Berdleman, who reports the catch of a 13-pound pike in Michigan last winter. According to Roy, he "took it easy" performing this feat—and so did the fish. The first line he used caught the fish, but was too thin to pull it in. While Roy fixed a heavier casting line, the pike lay at the lake's depth until his line was cast. Roy claims it was the same fish—that he could see it through the ice while he changed lines. Perhaps the pike bit on that one—but, do you?



Mike Brayer should either have rubber fenders or rubber doors on his garage so he doesn't completely ruin his new car. We hear he has the chrome knocked off on the one side already. . . . Just who hanged the squirrel tail on Bill Weber? . . . Al Cupp has been knocking our eyes out with the shirt and ties he has been wearing. Any day now we are expecting to see him riding to work on a horse. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Till. Bob was all smiles when he came to work and announced his wife had presented him with twin girls. . . . "Grandpa" Holloway has been displaying pictures of his little granddaughter, and no wonder, she certainly is a "cutie." . . . Happy birthday to Irene Anderson, Cecilia Sidner, Olive Lewis, Alvera Crowell, Stella Strong, Fred Heinkel, Howard Poorman, Louis Hinen, Arthur Torbeck, and Wilbur Poehler. . . . Walt Niemeyer will wager anyone that the Big Z's will win the N.B.A. now that they have a "Wager". . . . Last week any man could have had the first and last word with Kathryn Irwin since she "just wasn't talking." The reason we don't know, except she was singing "All I Want For Christmas is a New Front Tooth." . . . Fritz Vogt is so good to his wife. He went shopping the other day for a new chamois skin for washing the car. There isn't anything Fritz won't buy for his wife to make her work more enjoyable. . . . Johnny Wilson insists Fritz is becoming more bashful daily. He now gives his apples to John so he can in turn give them to Dale Irwin. . . . The gang sure hates to see the student engineer, Jack Trott, leave as he kept them so well informed of that "Great Tulane Football Team." What Jack can't understand is why all the "Yankees" are pulling for Tulane. . . . We would like to know more about this "pick and win" deal Oyer has on? Seems the tables turned last week. . . . We hear Mrs. Ross has put the lawn mower away for the winter after giving Harry his final hair cut. . . . "Doc" Frick is still trying to figure how to pack an inverted mounted motor. His only solution is to cut a hole in the bottom. . . . Bertha Witte entertained the Birthday Club at her farm, and Ann Johnson finally got to drive a tractor. However, it was pretty rough on Clara, Madge, and Esther, who were riding in the trailer behind. When Ina, Nora, Edna, Marceil, and Rosamond finally got the fire started for the wiener bake, poor Bertha was worried she wouldn't have a tree left on the place. . . . After all these years why has Lottie suddenly willed her ruler she used to measure leads to Paul K.? . . . Mable Staley had a wonderful birthday and her old side-kick Effie Wyatt was her special guest. . . . More news about Mike Brayer's Buick. His son "Mickey" says it has a real-for-sure spotlight, and it is the "neatest" thing on the car. . . . The way "Vondy" was preparing for that certain wedding, we wonder if he isn't getting married. . . . Anyone wanting some pike bobbers see Earl Greenlee. Some of the fellows have had their orders in for a year, now. So be sure and place your orders early.

Retires After 32 Years' Service



Quincy R. Winans, Bldg. 6-1, is shown in the foreground being congratulated by his foreman, Ed David. Mr. Winans retired last week after 32 years of service with General Electric. Standing around him in the picture are many of his friends who gave him a send-off.

L. L. Ray Is Named Section Engineer



L. L. Ray

L. L. Ray has been appointed Section Engineer, FHP AC Motor Engineering division.

Mr. Ray received his BS degree in electrical engineering from Rose Polytechnical Institute in 1931. He was first employed by General Electric as a test engineer in Schenectady. After leaving the Company, he returned in 1936 as a design engineer in the FHP Motor Engineering division. Ten years later he transferred to the River Works in the Motor Engineering division. Mr. Ray returned to Fort Wayne this month.

He is a member of the Tau Beta Pi, national honorary engineering fraternity; the AIEE, and NSPE. He is married and resides at 1834 Clover Lane.



Dewey Erne, on his first day back from vacation and in his first game at noon, ran into one of those games that gets his name in the first line of the column. So I wish, also, to state that last week, I forgot to mention that Lyle Claphan and myself ran into one of those games. (The guy looking over my shoulder with the gun in my back says, "Oh yeah! you forgot.") And this was the first skunk Lyle won since we started playing, too. . . . SOCIETY: Mr. and Mrs. George W. Marks, 1421 Huestis Avenue, announce the engagement of their son, John A. Marks, to Della Elaine Farr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Farr of Ossian. . . . John Leiendecker, Jr., is improving satisfactorily from his polio attack. Thanks to the exerciser made up for him by Cal Langhor and Ray Ankenbruck, he is able to get the exercise he needs. . . . Jack Pollock is taking his additional week's vacation and hopes to visit Brown County and other places of interest in the good old Hoosier state. . . . Ward Staley, Sr., attended the Zollner basketball game Sunday evening, but left near the end of the regular game. On his arrival home he learned that he had left too soon, missing the two overtime periods. . . . Howard McMaken has been so busy with his lodge work and remodeling his home that he hasn't had much time to get his name in the column. . . . Fred Bishop was off ill several days last week, but is back on the job again this week. . . . With the announcement of John Mark's engagement, this leaves Clarence Stolte as the only ELIGIBLE BACHELOR in the group. Clarence also celebrated another birthday this week, too. . . . From the comments heard, everyone seems to be well satisfied with the newly adopted changes of the M. B. A.

Corn S'talks

TAYLOR ST. SHIPPING

By Gloria Geesaman

Greetings and salutations, everyone. This weather certainly is changeable. First it's hot, then it's cold. Oh, well, it still makes you feel good and energetic; but some people just can't take it. . . . Mary Nelson groaned "I'll never play ball again," while limping down the ball. It seems she overdid it and is not accustomed to such strenuous work. Mary, the only solution to that is to play ball every day. That way you'll be in shape for the week-ends you have. . . . Ah, football is pretty well through the season as well, and we have some players that are really good. They're only carried off the field when the game is over. Isn't that right, Jack Angel and Al Meyer? . . . Talking about football. We have some rooters for Purdue. Hillis Cobly and hubby went to the Purdue-Illinois game. Guess their rooting didn't do any good, or maybe they didn't yell loud enough. Anyhow, Purdue lost. . . . Some people really have class. For instance, Sally Ford has a new 1949 Ford convertible. It must be nice to have one of those wagons. . . . We have a real casanova—Jack Angel has so many girls that he doesn't know what to do. The other night he had callers and he wasn't home. So the next day he racked his little brain trying to figure out which one did him the honor. . . . We also have a crooner in our little cage. Bob Walters is always singing to himself. . . . Brooks Brickley survived his two weeks of vacation. He looks good, too. Maybe that's what he needed. . . . Gladys Cleland just got back, too. She didn't go anyplace except to the dentist. That's not my idea of a vacation. . . . Isn't Halloween a wonderful time of the year? Everyone can go to parties. Delores Connin went to a masquerade the other night and the skeleton grabbed her and kissed her. Later she found out that it was her own husband. Too bad, Delores, better luck next time. Hope everyone gets to attend a Halloween party like that. Just go as you are and you should win first prize.



At this time we wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to LaMar Alwine. This kindly electrician came to the rescue of Mae Mulvane, who was wandering around helplessly at Taylor Street one Saturday, trying desperately to find the dispensary. Plans are being made to supply her with compass, road-map, blue print and a guide before she has another such experience. . . . Berneta Welbaum spent a week-end in Indianapolis and also Brown County. Indiana can be justly proud of its beautiful, well-maintained state parks. . . . Vacation time again. Dr. H. W. Garton is enjoying his third week of vacation. . . . The Eve of All Hallows, or the Eve of the Festival of All Saints, falls on Oct. 31 and is known as Halloween. It originated back in the Middle Ages, in the days when belief in witches, goblins, evil spirits, and other mischief-making beings were much more common than today. By some strange coincidence these evil beings were supposed to run riot before All Saints Day. So be on the lookout for witches, spooks, etc.—or "The Goblin's 'll get you if you don't watch out! ! !"



I hope everyone read Belle Buchan's "2-2 Tales" last week. It really was the way a reporter has it. . . . Our "We wish you happiness" mat is out for Mary Jane Lochner, who was married last Saturday. . . . Isabelle Blackburn knows that people are honest. She lost her purse, and it was returned with all of its contents still there. . . . WARNING: If you see Harold Kiel coming your way, you'd better side step. He is sure to pin you down and tell you all about his operation. . . . How dee-doo-dee to Geneva Moody, Mae Jones, Freida Buuck, Callie Brooks, Betty Collier, Helmer Drayer, Ethel Shifflett, John Norris, Melvin Trout, Gwendoline Chinn, Clara Dixon, Phyllis Doswell, and Ann Lehman. If we have missed anyone, "Hello" to you, too. . . . Frank Shidler and Joe Meehan are third-week-vacationers this week. Rose Dowling was vacationing last week. . . . Glad to hear that Wilma Burkholder, Margaret Monnot, and Daisy Richard have returned to work. But sorry that Irene Blank and Erma Landes are on the sick list this week. . . . Wouldn't be a bit surprised to see Lorena Buuck leading "Elsie, the cow" into work some morning. Then our wire boy will really have fresh milk. . . . Alice Loftus left us last Friday to take up a full time housekeeping job. Sorry to see you go, Alice. . . . Verda Deal is looking forward to a second generation of pink-bootied tax deductions. Don't start walking the floor yet, Verda. . . . Ray Johnson has been out among them. He says he met Jo Stafford, and she isn't a bit high hat. She's just as common as an old shoe. . . . Bill Ort, on line two, has been entertaining his co-workers with songs from opera (Grand Ole Opery). They really think he should sing on the radio, so they could flip the switch. But for television, he'd really take the show; especially when they would see him cross one eye, push out his upper china clippers, and sing, "Honey, Won't You Haul Off and Love Me One More Time." . . . It's a happy birthday to Frank Shidler the day of Halloween. . . . If you noticed that Lewis Hoffman was slightly crippled, it was because he has been feeding Sonny too many vitamins. He lost the wrestling bout. . . . Elizabeth Wert, Eddie Bohde, Jenny Zimmerman, and Isabelle Blackburn were among the Elex girls to go to Chicago. A good time was had by all, even if they did have a flat tire on the way. . . . Hedy Harrison's mind must have been far away. She went after a card and returned with a stator. May be the forthcoming Sonja Henie revue. . . . Lena Schaper is sad over losing a front tooth. All of the orders for them, Santa is going to be busy. . . . Congratulations to Dorothy Johnson on her nice suggestion award. . . . Joe Jensen is going to have to brush up on his pinochle game. He admits he is getting rusty. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Iley Souder on the death of her son-in-law. Also, Leona Hollis on the death of her cousin.

Four little words too often lead a person to tell you all his troubles —"How do you feel?"

Schlotter Completes 35th Year



Frank C. Schlotter, Bldg. 26-4, completed his 35th year with General Electric Monday, Oct. 10. At the congratulatory ceremony, were: (l. to r.) W. H. Crouse, Al Hellwig, Ralph Smith, Joe Troendly, Mel France, Mr. Schlotter, Otto Braun, Art Gallogly, and Paul Peterson.



LATE VACATIONS — Jerry Duryee is on vacation this week and is traveling in a brand new Ford. Cecil Harrod spent his vacation last week in New York. While going through the Holland Tunnel, Harrod stopped for a red light. The car behind him didn't. Result: slight damage to Harrod's car, but a new grill and fixed-up fenders on the other car. . . . IT SURE IS HOT!—It has been said that the Walt Lamboley's were quite warm the other night. It was so warm that Walt got up and opened all the windows, but that still didn't do any good. (Why? Because Walt forgot the storm windows were still on.) Did you feel a little silly, Walt? . . . SUCH AN AROMA—Did anyone notice a stinking smell in the A. C. division the other day? If you didn't, you must have had a cold in your nose. Someone cut up a rubber eraser and mixed it with Norm Oetting's tobacco in his pipe. He smoked it, too. What we can't understand is why he didn't get sick. Have you had that mixture before, Norm? . . . TWO OF A KIND—Not so many weeks ago Ralph Kaeck was caught using two telephones at once. Now we noticed Dent Manecke doing it. Business must really be picking up. . . . DREAMS—Weir Anderson sure has odd dreams. The other night he dreamed he had shined his shoes, but he woke up and found them just as dirty as he had left them. Why don't you try making a million dollars or something easier? . . . TRAVELING—Maurice Bennett is on a two-weeks' vacation in Arizona and surrounding territories. . . . MILK DRINKER—Why is it that Harold Sherbondy drinks a glass of milk before going to bed every night? Some say it's because he is working too hard! ! ! . . . OVER-CONFIDENCE? — Carl Vizithum wanted Dorothy Brubaker to give him the money in check-pool before the checks were received, as he was sure he would win. Dorothy wouldn't do it though, because (as Carl found out) she was confident, too. Dorothy won the check pool. Tough luck, Carl, maybe you weren't confident enough. . . . HUNTSMAN FIRST CLASS—Al Volz, who enjoys a merry trek through a woody clump in search of red squirrels, (incidentally, he has yet to bag one) declares that mama pigs, when aroused by the sight of his red hair and his V gun totin', can climb trees. Now, Al, you don't actually believe the girls in your office know nothing of nature, human or otherwise, do you? This same gentleman has also made the discovery that fence posts have the same effect on one's anatomy as a bee. They sting. . . . STUMPED FOR A HEADING FOR THIS—Delores Kock receives the Oscar for her excellent performance in "Two Cigars in a Washing Machine." Silly title, but ask Delores. She will tell you it not only is silly but it leaves one with such a stupid, washed-out feeling. . . . MODEL—Why is it Johnny Leffers of the D.C. division, was the last one on the Apprentice Team to model his sweater? Was it because he didn't earn it, or did someone beat him to it? . . . VOLLEYBALL—the sport of volleyball started last Wednesday with Berkheiser getting his clothes ready Tuesday. He got his gym bag out, put his dress socks, sweat socks, towel, soap, shoes and T-shirt in and brought it to work Wednesday morning. When he checked his things, to his dismay, he had forgotten his trunks. They were sent by his wife via the New Haven bus. He picked them up at the bus station. . . . BAD EYES—After all these years, Glen Stapelton needs a pair of glasses. The other day Billie Frain walked into the D. C. division to talk to Helen Conrad. Stapelton saw her and came over and tapped her on the shoulder. Was his face red when she turned around and it wasn't Mary Smoak. . . . FIRE FIGHTER —Nate Horton was at the Tulane vs. Notre Dame football game. As he was enjoying the game, he struck a match to light his cigarette. The head of the match jumped into some girl's hair. Her hair started to burn, but Nate quickly smothered it out. Nice going, Nate. . . . BIRTHDAYS—Happy Birthday to Marilyn Franke and Thelma Barbcau of the Payroll division. Congratulations also go to O. Vaught of the D. C. division, L. Z. Gossman and E. Sherbondy, of the A. C. division. . . . HOME ON THE RANGE—W. R. Goss arrived a few minutes late the other morning because one of his boys left the gate open. Even cows will roam if given the opportunity.

Second Shift Members Of Elex To Hold Paper Party Nov. 16

The second shift members of Elex will meet at the YWCA Wednesday, Nov. 16. Luncheon will be served at 12 noon. A paper party will be the featured event of the meeting. Izora Roop will present the program.

Reservations may be made with contact girls by paying $1 on or before Friday, Nov. 11.



Christmas must be coming! The punchboards are circulating to raise funds for the Christmas office party. So far, the lucky winners are Earl Anderson, who won a turkey (with or without feathers) and yours truly won a midget camera. Gloria Wiebke did a wonderful job selling chances, but she says, "It ain't easy!" . . . We miss John Lare and Walt Muehlenbruck, who have been transferred downstairs. Walt has limited his conversation to "yes" and "no." Too bad about that loudspeaker, Walt. . . . You've probably all heard about people getting the wrong package in the morning and at lunch-time finding garbage instead of lunch. Well, last week, Stella Trumbower brought a bag of bones that were meant for her dog. Were any hounds trailing you, Stella? . . . We wonder how Tez Trump gets his work done minus glasses, when he can't read a cartoon without them. Or were you working, Tez? . . . How are you and your new set of ivories getting along, "Boodles" Bendel? . . . We hope Erv Huth remembers he isn't as young as he once was, if he ever gets the urge to play football with his son again. . . . The other day Rosie Thomas dashed out to have her birthday lunch with her fiance. Trying to keep it on the quiet, Rosie glowed like a neon sign when she saw the gang watching. . . . What really takes the cake is Gerry Didier eating a half a pumpkin pie in a one minute sitting. . . . Charlie Hartman is very proud of his coon dogs (or, I should say was). The other night on the way home he saw a dead coon on the road and decided to take it along to test them. He was unmindful of the sweet aroma it would leave in the car. Upon arriving home, "Sly" Charlie started down the field dragging the coon behind him. The sad part about it is that the dogs practically ignored him; but not his mare, which had picked up the scent and was close at Charlie's heels. We wouldn't be a bit surprised to see Charlie with his gun in his hand, mounting the mare to go coon hunting. . . . "Skinny" McGary sprained his ankle rather badly the other day while out hunting. We wouldn't have thought so much about it if someone had spiked him during a ball game, but this way he doesn't even have a good story. We know it's painful, "Skinny," hope to see you back to work soon.

Two Join Q-C Club



Howard W. Moore
Bldg. 20-1



James Hamilton
Taylor St.

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Candid Camera

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Voltmen Score Again . . . .C. H. Matsan, Fart Wayne Warks Manager, cangratulates plant baseball team an winning third cansecutive Natianal Semi-pra Baseball Champianship. Belaw left ta right: team members Scatt Carey and Dee Hamiltan, Mr. Matsan, Charles Babilya, Team Manager Jahn Braden, Charles Shipman, Danald Harmann, Mayar Branning af Fart Wayne, and Bill Ricks. (Abave) Bill Ebranyi, Valtman first baseman, gets traphy after being named leading infielder.



Off the Cob . . . Caral and Barbara, daughters af Francis Phelan af the Tauntan Plant, make light wark af the carn during recent clambake spansared by the Tauntan Athletic Assaciatian.





Bell Ringer . . . Jaseph Bilecki af the Erie Warks, received a check far $1170. Bilecki wan the award far a time and maney saving suggestian in the pracessing af sheet steel far use in refrigeratar cabinets. He is shawn here at his jab.



Tee-Man . . . Ed Byrd af the Switchgear Divisians, Philadelphia, was winner af the featured handicap af the day at recent G-E Cambinatian Galf Taurnament. Jae Hannifin af the Philadelphia Office willingly makes like a tee while Ed demanstrates a very unusual waad shat.

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GENERAL ELECTRIC'S philasaphy af "putting the human consideratians first" expresses itself in many ways. One af these is the training program far emplayees which the Campany has sponsared far mare than half a century. Over the years many thausands of emplayees have been helped ta better jobs and fuller lives as a result af this training.

All af us here at General Electric receive such training, perhaps withaut realizing it. As we became mare praficient in the jabs that we are daing, aided by aur supervisars and many specialists, we are preparing aurselves for the next step upward in the Campany. In addition, G.E. taday is canducting mare than sixty caurses in specialized fields far almast 30,000 emplayees wha are qualified and need such training.

These pragrams benefit the Campany by praviding trained peaple — but the greatest benefit lies in the help which they give emplayees in advancing their careers in the Campany.

Shawn an these pages are a few, typical af thausands af G-E emplayees, wha are taday reaping the benefits af this pragram.

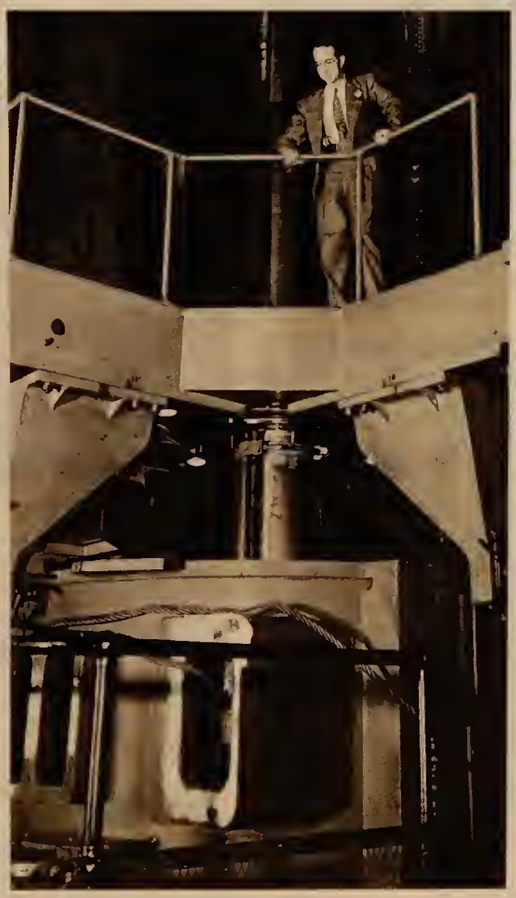


For 53 years the Apprentice Course has trained young men for highly skilled positions in the shops. Here Elbert J. Weller, of Schenectady, gets a new Apprentice Course under way.



A graduate of the Engineering Test Course in 1929, Dr. M. A. Edwards is today Assistant Engineer of the General Engineering Laboratary. He has three Coffin Awards and 76 patents.

John P. Keller, of Schenectady, graduated fram the Apprentice Caurse in 1933, fallawed by the Test, Foreman's Training, and Better Business Management Caurses. Today he is superintendent of the Turbine Division, successful at his work.





An Apprentice Course graduate 28 years ago, Michael Brogan is today a toalmaker in Schenectady's Turbine Division. Here he sees his daughter Shirley off for Cortland College.



M. J. Flynn, traveling auditor, boards a train far a 3-month trip to audit A. and M. plants on the West Coast. He entered this specialized field by taking a Business Training Course.

ning programs put human considerations first



Special training in Safety enables foreman Frank Knowles at Nela Park to give proper protection to his people on the job. John Craven, left, and Frank Horvath, right, are here shown getting the benefit of this training in his instruction.



Courses in Better Business Management, Jobs Method Training, and other subjects have helped Arthur R. Werther, inspection foreman in Plastic Division at Pittsfield, to "put the human considerations first" in his contacts with his people. Posed with him in this set-up picture is Mary Di Mashe, inspector.



Al Levin, graduate of the S. A. I. and Supervisory Training Courses, is now Supervisor in Automatic Heating Division at Bloomfield. Here he relaxes with his family; will soon move into their new home which is now nearing completion.



Max Culpepper, Radio and Television Sales Manager for the G-E Supply Corporatian, shoves off for a sail with his two sons. Max's progress in the Company was aided by training he received in the Sales Analysis Institute Course taken in 1936.



On-the-job training during his 12 years of Company service has enabled Donald H. O'Brien to rise to the position of production clerk in Refrigerator Cabinet Division at Erie. Here he is studying one of the production scheduling charts.



From time to time, to meet specialized demands, new courses are offered. Here at Bridgeport A. and M., a group of students are shown taking the new Manufacturing Training Course.

Candid Camera



Making Hey . . . G-E girls of the Coshocton Plant go for a hay ride during the traditional Labor Day parade held at Coshocton, Ohio. Marian Matchette makes a cute tractor driver.



International Session . . . Philadelphia's Switchgear Division was recent host to a visiting delegation of French engineers, employers and workers.. V. L. Cox, manager of engineering, speaks while two translators interpret talk to the delegation members.



Record Crowd . . . More than 4500 25-year employees turned out recently for the Schenectady G-E Quarter Century Club outing, believed to be the largest gathering of its kind ever held by any company. These guests of the Company viewed harness races, vaudeville acts, ond trick riding acts. Here the crowd is heading for big tent at right where buffet supper was served.



Hi-Ho Silver . . . Lee Ehmsen, pretty equestrienne who has won many prizes for barebock and bronco riding, is shown here riding the palomino on which she captured first prize in recent rodeo parade. On the job she is a laboratory assistant at the Hanford Works, Richland, Washington.



For Distinguished Service . . . G-E's Donville, Ill. Plant received a special citation from the local American Legion for "unselfish distinguished service and loyal cooperation with the American Legion in the promotion of a program for the betterment of the community, state and nation." Left to right are: Robert Jackson, Plant Manager E. F. Paul, Personnel Supervisor E. R. Woods, and R. J. Fitzgerold, who presented the oward on behalf of the Legion Post.



That's over now, I mean the street fair, and am I glad. When you pilot a couple of kids around a couple of hours you really been someplace. Of course, Nancy Tinkham was observed on the midway and she looked like she was ready to set up housekeeping with the things she had won playing bingo and other devices. . . . Auction Sale!! Not being able to dispose of my hickory nuts, I shall at the earliest convenience sell them to the highest bidder. Sale to commence at 3:30 any afternoon. Luncheon will be served by the winders on the grounds. Auctioneer—Ralph Gable, a former graduate of the Reppert School. Ray Teeple will clerk the sale. Not responsible for accidents as the hickory nuts and squirrels are very abundant. Terms—Cash! Please bring your own containers. Owner —Merrill Weaver, the adonis of Geneva. . . . Several employees took advantage of the swell weather last week-end and did a little motoring. Ira and Fern enjoyed the scenic grandeur of that wonderful country of Brown County. Carroll Geisler and his family with their brother-in-law Fred Jewell, the barber, and wife, also went to the Brown County area. Riggy Geisler and his wife did a stint to Michigan with his bright shiny new blue Ford. Gosh, I sure wish I had a new Ford. . . . Noticed at the street fair, Maggie Fruchte, the atomic blonde with the 29 charms, and was she dressed! She looked like something some Paris designer dreamed about. . . . Daffodils this week to Norma Poorman. Always ready with a smile for everyone. Nice going, Norma. . . . Do you know Cloyd Dellinger has at last decided that his house should be shingled? Yep and he started last week. We believe he will be finished by the last of November, if? . . . Yes, it is true, Charlene Evans will dispose of that Chevy and get her a good car and a little newer. It is a Ford five passenger coupe. Now she will be able to pass everything but a ten cent store. . . . Ethel Schlickman picks the most unusual pets and likes to have the rest of the girls to enjoy them, too. Lizards are the latest monstrosity and some of the weaker hearted ladies found that out. My what laughs. What next, Ethel? . . . Spike Cramer's middle name is "what ho." At least he is always yelling it. . . . Now is the time to do your Christmas shopping and be sure and look in the Employees' store before going elsewhere. I don't care what you get me, but for heavens sakes no ties or socks, thank you. . . . Mel Baumgartner, the adonis of the Winding Line, very nearly forgot he has birthdays, but he finally remembered it in time to treat the girls. Yes, his birthday was Oct. 18 and he thought of it the 19th. Congrats, Mel, and good luck! . . . Clisty Rich, the tender hearted rose who works for McDougal on the winding line, is now taking driving lessons all by herself. We hear she has been tying up traffic in some places with that Hudson. Now, Clisty, why don't you let Herb or Maggie teach you? . . . Roy Case of Willshire has started back to work in Plant 1. Welcome, Roy. . . . The crate Al Windmiller drives would give you the impression that an undertaker was coming your way. How does he manage to turn around in Geneva with it? . . . A. F. Passwater, assistant to Mr. Buffenbarger, is still on the sick list. Hurry up Ott, let's see you back on the job. . . . Bowling every Thursday night at G-E alleys for women. We have so much fun, why not come out and join us. A little rooting support would help, too. . . .Have you seen Ada Owens mending Leonard Meyer's trousers? . . . Daily greetings to Jerry Kohne, Junior Huffman, and Chloe Harkless. . . . Jason Moser and family spent the week-end at Kalamazoo, Mich. . . . How Zula Holloway rates a bouquet of mums. . . . Things we wonder, how Miriam Moore acquired the name "Nellie". . . . "Paper Spooks" was the theme of the October GeCode Club party carried out in Halloween style at the Legion home for the first shift girls. Garden flowers also helped to carry out the decorations. A paper demonstration by Izora Roop followed the lovely dinner with prizes awarded to Florence Schultz and Lorena Keller. Virginia Harvey was awarded the door prize. A short description of our conference trip to Chicago was related by Mary Fennig, president. A talk also by Bob Anderson on the Community Project was given. Hilda Staley was chairman, assisted by Emma Goldner, Alma Fruchte, Marie Coffelt, Mary Miller, Ardella Heare, Mary Jane Gage, Florence O'Shaughnessey, Ada Owens, Harriet Pollock, and Mary Fennig. . . . Saturday morning, Oct. 15, 11 girls and two delegates left Decatur to meet several Elex girls of the Fort Wayne Works, to journey on to the Palmer House at Chicago, for the Fall Conference. There we met the DeKalb girls, also the delegates from Tiffin, Cleveland, and Danville, Illinois. The theme of the conference, "The Hand of Friendship," with "Forward Thinking" as our slogan consisted of sessions in the morning and afternoon with social activities, our evening entertainment, then some free time to spend as you wished. "Forward Thinking" tending to nationalize our local Clubs all to be linked as one, the West, East, North and South with each local as an Inter-Club. The girls attending the Conference from Decatur were Mary Fennig, Rosemary Miller, Dorothy Schumm, Mary Ann Laurent, Barbara Roop, Ethel Schlickman, Norma Bower, Tye Frye, Verena Meyer, Eloise Noll, Genevieve August, Harriet Pollock, and Florence Schultz. . . . That big black Buick job you see going down the street belongs to George Myers in the lab. The first day he drove it to work he didn't know whether it was safe to park it in the parking lot or whether to put it in a field. . . . L. V. Baker also belongs to the "New Car Club." . . . Take note one and all—the GeCode has jello to sell and also has their new stock of Christmas cards, Christmas wrappings, everyday wrappings, all birthday cards, all get well cards, and all occasion cards. See Mary Fennig or Norma Bower. . . . Remember our safety motto this time—"Unnecessary horseplay at work might be completed six feet under the ground." Be Careful—The Life You Save May Be Your Own. . . . In the lead section we see Mildred (Helm) Young back on the job after quite an absence. . . . Oink! Oink! Folks, you ought to see Al Schneider hurry home at quitting time. He claims he can't wait to go home to Beulah. She happens to be his prize porker. How about a slice of ham after the slaughter? . . . This is really serious—how can one man come late to work twice in one week. Stanley, you're not the only one, "Speck" Hebble and Jack Teeple are runners-up. . . . Birthday greetings to Helen Wellman. Your flowers were very pretty, Helen. If we don't mention your birthday, folks, it isn't because we intend doing such a thing, but because you keep it such a secret that we can't find out when you do celebrate your birthday. . . . Why did Ezra Brandyberry quit taking the WORKS NEWS home? Could it be because he is always getting into things and the reporter hears about it, huh? . . . What became of our so called shy-bashful boy, Forrest Roop? We haven't heard about him recently. . . . What made Margaret Waltke blush so the other day? What is so terrible about asking someone to sharpen a pencil for you?

Idea Brings $50 Award



John Driver, FHP Div. 13, was awarded $50 for his recent suggestion to replace chain drives on P and J lathes with V-belts. This change decreases the carrying of spare parts. In the picture, Mr. Driver (right) is discussing his suggestion with Ewald Steinsmuehlen.

Elsa Maxwell To Be Elex Club Dinner Speaker

Elsa Maxwell will present a talk at the next Elex meeting for the first shift members. The program will be held Monday, Nov. 7, in the G-E Club Auditorium. Dinner will be served from 4:45 to 6 p.m.

Miss Maxwell's syndicated column "Party Line" is published in many newspapers.

Reservations must be made with contact girls on or before Thursday, Nov. 3. Admission for members is $1, and includes the meal. Non-members may attend the program at 6 p.m. by paying $1 admission.



Since it's always nicest to start with the very best news first we shall start right off with a sincere get well wish for Frank Goetz' wife who is now recovering from an operation. It's very nice to hear that she's getting much better. . . . Also we were very glad to see Marie Welch back after her recent operation. . . . We are going to enlarge our radius of news coverage, you might say, for the Distribution Division kiddies and we shall now do our best to cover all the divisions within the Distribution division. With the help of several new reporters in the various sections your editor hopes to make this a column of interest to every section in our division. The new section reporters are Gladys Sorensen, Regional Wholesale Office; Carl Click, Mailing; Delores Widner, Telegraph; Tom Fox, Regional Wholesale and Corrugated Box Stock, Bldg. 6-4; Anthony Koorsen, Bldg. 6-3; Elmer Griswold, Bldg. 6-1; Bill Miller, Receiving, Bldg. 6-1, and Jack Heiniger, Receiving, Oil House and Internal Transportation. I'm sure with the help of these able reporters and also from you readers we can cover our Division very well. . . . A very happy birtbday to Helene Schlund, who celebrated with the help of her fellow telegraphers last Wednesday.

Don't Get Behind the 8-Ball!—



KEEP THAT BENCH CLEAN!

Franke Celebrates 30th Anniversary



Lester Franke, Bldg. 4-3, recently celebrated his 30th anniversary of service with General Electric. Several of his co-workers joined in to give him their best wishes on his anniversary. In the pictures are: (l. to r.) Harry Bennett, James F. Sarasin, O. J. Mettler, FHP Div. 1 Supt.; Mr. Franke, Art Bobay, and George Prince.



Winter really paid us an early visit Monday. A real invitation to "long woolies." . . . We actually saw Steve Kelker speechless. He had been asking for a pie so long. Then when the pie got here, Steve didn't. The tbought of losing out on that pie was too much for bim. . . . Bill Schultz has a new way of getting help. We hear he bribed his granddaughter to help bim spread cinders in his drive. Such a way to get your work done, Bill. . . . William Fett was baving gnats in his work last week. No matter how hard be tried he couldn't get rid of tbem. Wonder why? . . . Harold Moore was surprised when he found a fur piece in his car, but be was more surprised wben it jumped at bis touch and bounded out of tbe car. Harold had put some food in the car and the dog had found it. Moral of tbe story—better eat the food next time, Harold, it's safer that way. . . . Congratulations to a proud papa from the gang on the arrival of Vicki Lou Lydy. Best wishes from all of us to all of you. Vicki Lou, in her first public interview stated, "I am surprised and delighted to find so many new friends. One fellow keeps hanging around that is called Buck. I can't figure where he fits in, but he keeps hinting for a loan. He must know that I have a Savings Bond." . . . A series of farewell parties were held this week for Mr. Hanson, who is leaving us Monday. The foremen and supervisors held a party at Ed Klomp's home Tuesday evening. The girls joined in a potluck Wednesday noon and the men of Division 33 and Engineering held a stag for Mr. Hanson Thursday evening at the Squares hall. Mr. Hanson was presented with several remembeRances at tbese gatherings. We bope he will take many happy memories to bis new home in the East; with our best wishes for his continued success. We hope he will think often of the gang and drop us a line occasionally. . . . Cora Jane Conrad "was" champion bowler; last year, that is. Get hep, Cora. . . . Something seems to be bothering Rutb Troyer. She can never remember to pick up her billfold while she is shopping. Last report was that she is over-working the City Police Dept. . . . Jean Forst says, "There is nothing like falling down twice before coming to work in the morning." . . . Even though the hunting season doesn't open for three weeks yet, Norb Lose has all the symptoms of rabbit fever. It seems he visions a rabbit running and he shoots two or three times at it and then whistles for his dog. . . . Poem by Walter Beeth:

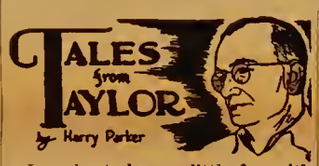
Mary had two little calves
They were neither slim nor fat
And everywhere that Mary went
Her calves were whistled at.

Monday morning was certainly cool. We all rushed into the air conditioned room to get warm. Sounds silly, doesn't it? They say that Eskimos buy refrigerators to keep their food from freezing, so we're not the only balmy people in this world. . . . Cora Jane Conrad stopped at the former Meyer and Kelley Field, wanting an airplane ride. Imagine J. C.'s surprise, no planes. What happened, sbe says. Well, Cora, when you were down South (south of Indianapolis) they moved to Baer Field. We'll give you time, you'll catch up with us sooner or later.

Completes 30 Years With Company



Irmagard E. Gehle, Bldg. 4-3, recently chalked up 30 years' service with General Electric. At that time, a number of her friends in FHP Div. 1 extended their congratulations. She is shown (center) reading the congratulatory letter she received on her anniversary. Looking on are: Esther Pape (left) and Dorothy Rebber. Standing in the back row are: O. J. Mettler, Div. Supt.; Florian Korte and Fred Castor.



In order to have a little fun with Buck Kline several of the boys engaged in a phony argument which became more heated as they went along. Buck fell for it by interceding, acting in the role of peacemaker, but this brought forth resentment from the participants who informed him that he had better keep out of it or else. Speaking up, he quickly said, "You would not hit an old man like me would you?" Whereupon everyone had a good laugh. . . . Newton Poland has a new dog and a very special kind of pooch, it is also very rare. This dog is known as a corn borer hound. It daily makes the rounds of Newt's cornfield selecting only those stalks wbich have the worms in. Biting them off at the base he places tbem in a neat pile. Then all Newt has to do when he arrives home is to throw on a little kerosene, touching a match to it, thereby destroying these pests. He said that he did not know whether this dog would be any good at capturing hellgrammites, but nevertheless he is going to take him down along the creek one of these days and try him out. . . . Hershel Foreman is becoming very interested in culinary art and is going in heavy for pastries. He has been having some success, coming up with some very excellent white cakes. He has no recipe for devil's food cake and is anxious to obtain one. If any of you have a good one please pass it on to Herschel. Some of the boys brought him in some good ones last week, so he is going to spend the week-end trying them out. . . . After watching Notre Dame defeat Tulane at South Bend by a large score and coming to the conclusion that the gate receipts must be tremendous as the crowd was large, Virginia Busching thought this was an easy way to make a fortune quick. She has decided to increase her savings to the $10,000 mark, but how to do this leaves her in a tizzy. Anyone knowing of a safe and sound get-rich quick scheme, please pass it on to Virginia as we know she will appreciate it.

Brunner Is Named Assistant To Supervisor Of Production



L. N. Brunner

Louis N. Brunner has been appointed Assistant to the Supervisor of Production in the General Service division.

A June graduate of the Apprentice School, Mr. Brunner entered the school as a machinist-toolmaker apprentice in 1942. The next year he enlisted in the Army and was released from active duty three years later as a first lieutenant. He then re-entered the Apprentice school to complete the course. Since his graduation he has been on special assignment in the General Tool division.

Mr. Brunner is married and lives at 4409 S. Park drive.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Bob Bunyan

The old barber shop has been reopened. Arlo Amick is head man now. If he keeps regular hours, perhaps he can stay in business longer. . . . Paul Noffze celebrated his twenty-first wedding anniversary this past week. All the boys were given the usual candy treat. Congratulations to you both. . . . John Laymon, Sr., found himself in a spot this fall, but has worked out his little problem satisfactorily. It seems Mrs. Laymon had refused to build the fire, split kindling, and carry the coal. John found the answer by buying an oil burner, which he installed himself. . . . Someone should suggest return-springs for Jim Stauffer's desk drawers, so Mary and Lowella won't be stumbling over them. . . . As much as George Honer enjoys watching fire drills, he should have been a fireman. I think they're interesting, too, George. . . . Al Bierman can give some good tips on safety. Let him tell you some. . . . Freeman Rohlfing was seen fishing this week in a new place, and he caught one, too. The location — "a compound tank". . . . Fred Wellinsick and Bob Miller claim their Ingersol watches are the most accurate. They check with each whistle and re-set with each whistle. . . . Bob Mercer is down in the dumps. Couldn't be because his heart throb moved to Michigan, or could it? . . . Who could tell that our modest, genial Ed Parker would be able to make your blood run faster, put that skip in your step, make those slick chicks groovie. Don't think so, huh? Well, ask some of the boys about Ed and his Saturday night doings. Where? At the Busco Legion Hall. . . . Charlie Gordon takes his third week of vacation, then has to take an extra day to rest up. Must have been a dandy week, huh?



CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, October 31, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Pair gold rimmed glasses. Lost in washroom Bldg. 17-8.

FOUND—Part of a large gold pin, no back, with rhinestone sets with blue set in center. Found In Bldg. 16 yard.

FOUND—Gold tie clasp with initials A.C.J. Found by Bldg. 19 gate bouse.

LOST—Small Alligator purse, contains keys to lock box and mail box, $2.50 In cash. cosmetics. Lost between JK restaurant on Fairfield Ave. and C-E.

FOUND—Small brown leather purse with coin purse inside, contains keys with lucky charm, money, left in Bldg. 4-1.

FOUND—Two keys on small ring. Initials D.D. and C.D. Found on Lindley parking lot.

FOR SALE

COCKER SPANIEL—Full blooded, black blanket, very gentle, good child's pet, three years old. 1951 Sunnymede or A-58714.

STORKLINE BABY BED—With innerspring mattress. like new. H-48776.

WINKLER STOKER—Used one year. $100, make me an offer. ½ mi. north of Markle. Markle 100-OR.

BROWN CHESTERFIELD—Size 14, $5; Spanish Halloween costume, black satin and rose, size 14, $3. H-9744.

TWO GIRLS' WINTER COATS—Dark green, kitten's ear, sizes 8 and 14, excellent condition, $10 each. H-9489.

STUDIO COUCH—Rose and wine colored figure, wooden arms, three years old, $25. H-59131 after 5 p.m. or Saturday.

BOY'S STANDARD BICYCLE—Electric train, track on plywood board; ice skates, size 5; Superior and Cub rotary printing press with type. H-56353.

PATRICIAN GRILL AND SANDWICH TOASTER—Like new, $5. Zanesville 34X or P.O. Box 112, Zanesville.

SINGER SEWING MACHINE — $25; Dark green winter Chesterfield coat, like new, $8, size 36-38; plaid short coat, size 14. E-36254.

1941 PLYMOUTH — Four-door sedan. Special Deluxe, good condition, with heater, $350. A-57824.

BRIGGS AND STRATTON DOUBLE CYCLE GASOLINE MOTOR—In good condition, reasonable. A-85341.

VERY LOVELY MATCHED BED AND LARGE CHEST OF DRAWERS — $35 E-38901 Saturday or Sunday.

FORMALS—In very good condition, Size 10. 435 Kinnaird.

CORNER LOT—60x150, paved streets, all improvements. H-50924.

AUTO RADIO—RCA, separate speaker, A-19893.

KENMORE GAS STOVE — Year old; Coldspot refrigerator, five-piece bedroom suite, chrome dinette table and chairs, studio couch, chair and ottoman. Nine-mile 1014.

SIX FT. CROSSCUT SAW—Like new. $7.50. H-82035.

FRIGIDAIRE REFRIGERATOR—5 cu. ft., A-1 condition. H-8496.

DININC ROOM SUITE—8-piece, $39. A-86354.

CIRL'S THREE-PIECE SNOWSUIT — Blue, size 2, $7; Man's grey overcoat, size 36, $5. E-35432.

TYPEWRITER — Very good condition, reasonable, H-79503 after 5:30 p.m.

CEDAR CHEST—Like new, walnut finish; kitchen table and four metal chairs; radio equipment. E-2670.

JUNIOR WALNUT DINETTE SET—Eight pieces, table pad included, $40. A-87131.

WATER HEATER—Kerosene, automatic storage; 55 gal. kerosene drum with stand and gauge. buy drum and get heater free. H-3435.

SHOES—Size 9½ black, heavy police shoe, never worn. H-55225.

CIRL'S WOOL SKIRTS—Size 10; Boy's raincoat, size 8; gym shoes, reasonable. 1429 Pemberton Dr. or A-35812.

REFRIGERATOR—7.2 cu. ft.; 20 gal. water supply tank for furnace; Hawaiian guitar and case, H-82821.

FOR RENT

LARGE HOUSEKEEPING ROOM—Cas stove, sink, and space oil heater, utilities furnished, reasonable. Apply 812 Greeley St., Apt. 2 or E-1345.

TO TRADE

ALL MODERN FIVE-ROOM HOME—In city for 5 or 5 acre suburban. A-46172.

WANTED

CHILD'S SNOWSUIT—Size one year; watch cleaning machine, A46172.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Edmund Crover, from Waynedale. Works In Bldg. 4-B from 7-3:30. Call Carl Steinbacker, Extension 495 or H-58112.

WANTS RIDE — Jack Heiniger, from Blue Lake. Works at Taylor St. 8-4:30. Taylor St. extension 445.



This week we have the low down of Bldgs. 17-2 and 17-3, better known as the Hermetic Division. If you can imagine a section growing from 12 (yes, an even dozen) units per week to a peak of 39,000 units per week, then you have the picture of Hermetics. Through this division have gone the rotors and stators of a great many of the refrigerators in use by the American public today. . . . A perennial owl is Fred Fenner, the second shift general foreman, who has grown as the division has grown. He started in Hermetics in its infancy and watched it grow to the giant it is today. Fred is quite a fisherman, but he goes to New York State to do his fishing. At the present time, he is building a new home. . . . Of the Bldg. 17-2 fold is the foreman, George Skinell, a 20-year man, who keeps the section running smoothly under his guidance. That new Olds is his hobby. . . . The first vice president of Elex is Bea Lantz who is an ardent bowler and who loves to travel. . . . Another prominent Elex member and contact girl is Barbara Wilson. She is quite a bowler. . . . Stan Wisnewski in the Punch Press Section is a fastball and basketball fan. . . . In the same category is Don LaGontaine. . . . Joe Hawk, who just recently became the proud papa of twins, tells us that they have their days and nights mixed up. They cry all night and sleep all day. They are worth it all though, he says. . . . Gardening is the mainstay for Herman Mielke, but he still finds time to fix up his home. . . . John Anderson can repair any furnace and dabbles around as a plumber. . . . Lloyd Oberholtzer likes to fish and hunt, but hates household chores like washing and drying dishes. . . . Helene Evanoff likes to dance and travel around the country. . . . Building his own home with the help of his better half is the hobby of Virgil Fogle. Football and basketball are his favorite sports. . . . Harold Lyons, who came up from Bldg. 4-1 has a hobby of singing. He shed crocodile tears when his favorite "Dem Brooklyn Bums" lost to New York in the World Series. . . . Upstairs in Bldg. 17-3, our favorite informer is Eileen Foor who has been an Owl for so long that they would have to draft her to get her to change shifts. She has one of those dispositions which makes friends wherever she goes. She is quite an archer and bowler. . . . Bldg. 17-3 welcomes Florence Converset and Nona White. Florence worked with us before. Nona was a first tricker who has joined the Owls. . . . Augusta "Hoopy" Hoopingardner is one whom we just couldn't do without on the second shift. She is also a patient, loving nurse for her husband who is ill. . . . Ura Mae Tinder spends her free time raising beautiful flowers. . . . If you want to learn about Canasta, see the expert, Aleda McWhirter. . . . Betty Yarger, who winds stators, serves in the private dining rooms. When she has any spare time, knits and sews beautifully. Still, she always has a helping hand when needed. . . . Virginia "Ginnie" Franzdorf is a good friend and swell gal. . . . Dale Stalter likes to fish. His wife fishes, too. . . . Wilbur Eytcheson hunts and runs racing dogs in field trials. . . . William Miller plays for square dances. He makes good cider, too. . . . Francis Girardot, the great fisherman — nothing smaller than the limit size. . . . Loyd Siebern, another fisherman, has an eight-year-old son who is the "apple" of papa's eye. . . . Martin Laughlin sells household products to housewives. . . . Joseph Griffin likes to hunt and fish, but building a home prevents this at present. . . . Louis Wyss' time is taken up in repairing his home. . . . Harold Dominique likes to smoke big, fat cigars. . . . Vernon Wyatt collects old coins. . . . M. R. Cook is an amateur color photography fan. . . . NOTES FROM HERE AND THERE: Owl Basketball practice will be held Tuesday, Nov. 1, at 9 a.m. The session will be held in the G-E Club Gym. . . . Elmer "two for dat" Mourning and Walt Esterline, Bldg. 17-1, have joined "Hides Incorporated." . . . "Bowl of Soup" John Miles, Bldg. 17-1, says someone is missing the boat! "No comics in the WORKS NEWS!" . . . Next week, we will read the pedigree of Al Kissinger's gang, Bldgs. 4-1, 4-2, and 4-5. If you like this, let me know.

Fist Full of Fish



The lad, above, holding the nice pike is Jerry Fleck. He caught it at Green Lake.



Congratulations go to Eva Hoover for her belated birthday. . . . We wish to welcome Dessie George and Harold Rosenberry to first trick. . . . Harold Blauvelt spent his third week of vacation at Spider Lake last week. . . . Georgia Treavy has taken up a new hobby of making artificial flowers now. . . . We wonder what Erma Manar did last week that she lost her voice. The packers claimed it was nice and quiet since it happened. . . . Everybody was wondering whether Dale Fredericks was going to perform an operation or going to do some butchering, by the looks of a new, long, white apron. . . . Charles Faulstick celebrated his wife's birthday by purchasing a new outfit of clothes for himself.

Accidents don't just happen: They are caused.



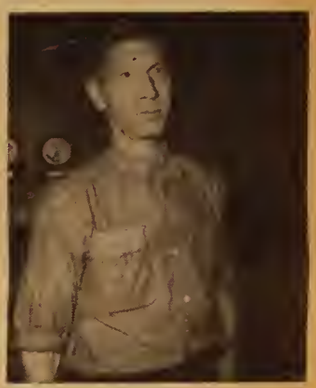
Last Friday, Mary Occleston's last day, we believe was a pleasant one for her. Many of her friends called during the afternoon to wish her well. Light refreshments were served, pictures were taken, and she was presented a gift from her friends. I am sure that Mary is very familiar with the following Edgar Guest poem, so to her we say:

Worry not! The care you dread
May vanish ere the hour be sped.
Let not your present song be stilled
Nor blend one sigh with laughter's ring.
Because your heart with fear is filled
Of some mischance the dawn may bring.
Be peaceful! When your skies are fair
Fret not about tomorrow's care
Seek not to pry with anxious eyes
Into the griefs that may await
Hope for the good and keep your sighs,
Till trouble rattles at your gate.
Today is yours. If calm it be
Spoil not its gladness needlessly.
Have faith that what is best will stay.
If doubt you must, doubt evil first;
Believe that good will come your way
And cease believing in the worst.

Did anyone hear Phil Amrick's radio program Saturday morning? Phil is from Bldg. 18-3. . . . Sophia Jesse, Bldg. 18-3, with her sister and brother-in-law, recently visited Brown County. . . . Miss Helen Bluhm and Carl Miller, both of the Accounting Div. in Bldg. 18-1, are enjoying vacations this week. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kissinger, Bldg. 18-3, returned from a tour of the southeastern states. Someplace in the Virginias they came across a fox hunt. The participants were all dressed in their red coats and the dogs were noisily waiting the start of the hunt. It must have been very colorful and exciting, for the Kissingers went back two hours later to see the kill. Sure enough the hunters had returned with their fox and were being served tea. Jolly, wasn't it? . . . Rex, Bldg. 18-5, and Maxine, Bldg. 18-3, Mericle returned Monday from a vacation of just resting. . . . Last Saturday, the Purdue-Illinois game attracted many to Lafayette. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Janel, the latter of Bldg. 18-1, and Florence Badger, of Bldg. 18-5. Florence reports that Nickie Hill's new son, Terrie Lee, is doing nicely. . . . H. S. Shields, Bldg. 18-4, is reported to have had the Monday morning blues. It seems that the high winds have blown everything into his yard. It is such hard work to keep it clean. . . . It seems that Mary Slater, Bldg. 18-4, has window panes. Her dog could not get through the door. So it did the next best thing and went right out through the window. . . . Dorothy Hill, Bldg. 18-5, is still a patient at St. Joseph Hospital. It is reported that she is on the mend, but will be in the hospital for some time. Let's send a card today. . . . Last week the Bldg. 18-1 Payroll girls had a chili supper with Phyllis Tanner at her home. . . . The welcome mat is out to Marlus Redding who has been transferred to Bldg. 18-5 from Bldg. 4-6. . . . Ruth Givens and Pat Olinger visited Purdue last week-end to see Purdue beat Illinois, but something happened! Illinois beat Purdue instead. . . . NO COMMENT about the Bldg. 18-5 Bowling Team. Except that we wonder if anyone has a good book on "How to Bowl a Good Game"? So far Eloise (Strike) Kartholl and Ginny (Spare) Bradtmiller are the stars. . . . Food For Thought: Henry Ford once said, "The best pay that I ever got was experience, which I still think is the most valuable thing in the world. It is the one thing no one can take away from me."

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT DO YOU THINK COULD BE DONE TO FURTHER THE WEARING OF SAFETY SHOES AT G-E?



CLARENCE A. KOPP

Taylor St.

"Everybody likes a comfortable shoe. If all employees could be assured of a good fit that was really comfortable, I believe more safety shoes would be worn."



JOHN WESTERHAUSEN

Bldg. 17-2

"I believe more people would consider buying safety shoes if the price of the shoes was presented to the people through the facilities of the WORKS NEWS or the bulletin boards. I also believe it would be practical to explain the consideration a person receives if he is sold an unsatisfactory pair of shoes."



MARTHA MUSSELMAN

Bldg. 19-2

"In order to further the wearing of safety shoes at the G-E, we should be given more safety education to make everyone conscious of the fact that a large percentage of accidents in the factory are foot accidents. We also need to be reminded frequently that safety shoes are sold at the employees' store, so that when we need shoes for work we will remember to buy them there."

DORIS A. HILL

Bldg. 26-3

"I think wearing of safety shoes are just the right thing for everybody to do. But there are so many people who cannot afford to buy them. If the price could be brought down or have different priced safety shoes, I think everybody would be willing to buy them for their own protection."



LEE DOVE

Bldg. 10-1

"I think the WORKS NEWS and the bulletin boards are about the best way to sell safety shoes. One good way is to display more actual cases in pictures in the WORKS NEWS."



Motor and Generator Static

ODDS AND ENDS: Listen to your conscience and you won't need a lawyer. . . . A carpenter is the only man who should have a chip on his shoulder. . . . A family of five needs about 3,000 pounds of vegetables and fruits annually. . . . It is often difficult to see more than 100 yards in the Arctic, but an ordinary conversation can be heard two miles away. Hudson News Letter. . . . Bldg. 31-1's golden voice Dick Hobson managed to fall from his chair Friday, and also ripped a fender. . . . Big John is keeping an eagle eye on his friend Sam Baumgartner these days. Sam is very sharp—in business deals. . . . George Montgomery Murray, Bldg. 31-1, states that while on a trip last week he was mistaken for a member of the U.S. Senate. . . . Laurel Mary Land, take note, news is scarce.

Safety Raiser—How to Work Safely and Save Money

A cheap, common ordinary glass eye will cost you about $75. An Implant Glass Eye, one that is fitted to the eye muscles so you can move it the same as the other eye, will cost up to $250 or somewhere thereabouts. You can get goggles in the Tool Crib or you can get an order for prescription ground Safety Glasses or prescription ground goggles from your foreman Free. Glass eyes wear out and Safety Glasses and Goggles must be replaced periodically. Each time this happens you again save $75 to $250. Oh yes, we about forgot, with Safety Glasses or Goggles you can also See.

Ramblings in Bldg. 31-2

Motor-Generator has a new engineer in the D-C division. He is Douglas Johnson, a graduate of the University of Minnesota. Doug has just finished his training on testing machines. . . . Ruth Maher, who has been filing for the engineers, is now back again in the drafting room at her board. To take Ruth's place, we have Bea Collar, who has been transferred from Bldg. 31-1. . . . Thelma Clements recently spent a week in the Smokies. . . . Have you missed Jack Scott, our mail boy? He is at home recovering from a recent appendicitis operation. . . . Venus Fann has been transferred to the Data Bureau, where she will have a position as Commercial artist. . . . We hear that Harry Rife finally dusted off his file cabinet. 'Tis said that enough dirt had been collected to grow vegetables. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. James Meeks. They are the parents of a new baby girl.

Brooks Celebrates 30th Anniversary



Howard Brooks, Supervisor of FHP Motor Development Div. 33, recently completed 30 years' service with the Company. On his anniversary, D. H. Hanson, Supt. of the division, presented him with a congratulatory letter. Attending the presentation were: (l. to r.) Mr. Hanson, W. F. Konow, Supervisor of Methods, Planning and Wage Rate; J. H. Oman, Assistant to Production Manager; Mr. Brooks; E. G. Stock, Supervisor of Costs, and C. A. Hartman, General Foreman.

Erne Is Presented $110 Award



Dewey Erne, FHP Div. 13, recently received a $110 suggestion award. He suggested a change in the design of the pulley clutch on winding machines. The picture, above, was taken at the time Mr. Erne (right) received the check from his foreman, H. J. Nahrwold.

Jhsa and Jhata "Specialty Motor"

by Helen Engle

By way of the grapevine I hear that Ray Snyder and Hank Wiegman have three kitties in their possession and would like to dispose of same! . . . Helen White and Reggie Eggeman both celebrated their birthdays on the same day last week. Congratulations! Belated greetings to Ruth Nordyke and Gilbert Walker. We extend birthday greetings to Beulah Briner, Olive Elliot, Cora Rice, Carl Metker, and Joyce Schroeder. Here is hoping that you all have many more! . . . Folks on the Getz road have been wondering just what is going on at Mardo Tobias' home. He is digging at night with a flashlight tied to his shovel. Some invention! Could it be you are hiding your gold, or are you really going to have a new walk? . . . It won't be long now until Marie and Frank Deyoe move into their new home. . . . Fern Painter and husband, Harold, spent last week-end baby sitting for their year-and-a-half old nephew. . . . Veva Healy says that her twin granddaughters are getting cuter and cuter. She visited them last week-end in Bremen, Ind. . . . Ruth Ann Shilling is taking dancing lessons. It won't be long until she will put Arthur Murray to shame. . . . If you wondered why Mildred Gaffer looked so tired the other day, we have the reason. She had spent the night with her sister-in-law, who brought two new little Gaffers into the world. . . . Florence Rekeweg spent last Sunday hulling black walnuts. Gosh, suppose she'll make some candy and let us sample it? . . . Eleanore Krouse was presented with a wonderful G-E clock and an iron as wedding gifts from her co-workers. . . . Evelyn Petgen is leaving us today to become a full-fledged housewife. We all know she will enjoy keeping house in that nice log-cabin, but we will miss her cheerful smiles and good fellowship. Sorry you are going, Evelyn. . . . Edna Hergenrader came to see us one day last week and says that she will soon be off the sick list. Didn't you notice how much wiser she looked now that she has parted company with her wisdom-tooth? . . . We want to welcome Harold Frazier, Edmund DeWeese, Jessie Hamilton, Viola Martin, and Carrie Edgar to Division 1. Hope you all stay a long time. . . . Frieda Knoche and Louie Barrows are both taking their third week's vacation this week. Marguerite Dasher, Art Bobay, Anna Ruth Clements, Art Knoll, and Ruth Reed have returned from their extra week's vacation. . . . According to Art Knoll, he really cleaned out Big Long lake. He caught all the perch in the lake. Seeing is believing, Art! . . . Louie Sauers is busy grinding valves for a Chrysler instead of a Chevrolet now. . . . Ruth Tutwiller told Bonnie Birely that she wanted a piece of cake on Bonnie's birthday. So Bonnie fixed one for her. She put red-pepper between the layers and gave it to her! Ruth got the surprise of her life when she took a bite. If I were you, Bonnie, I would be very leary of anything Ruth offered me to eat for a long time to come! . . . Harry Berry is really a good chef! Alva Foulks and Evelyn spent an evening at Harry's home and he really put on a feed! He prepared it all himself and served it, too! Anyone wanting to plan a party, just call Harry and he will be glad to help you out. From all reports he missed his calling, he should be a chef instead of an inspector! . . . We all want to thank Louie Barrows for that mint candy he was passing out last week. He said his dog had pups! Today I find out that he doesn't even own a dog! Well, the candy was good anyway. . . . Anyone wondering what those two men were doing who carried the ladder for a few feet, then crawled up and did something to the ceiling? I have the answer for you. Their names are Henry Tucker (he is Emery's brother) and Oren Miller. They were replacing the automatic sprinkler heads. In case of a fire, it gets so hot it melts the small bit of sodder and it automatically turns on the sprinkler system. I bet not many of you knew that we had such a system. My curiosity got the best of me and I wanted to know what they were doing. So I asked them. Then I thought I'd let you know, too.

2-2 Tales

by Belle Buchan

Hugh Reynolds is the most popular fellow in tbe office these days. He supplies us with baskets of apples. If there is anything to the old adage, "An apple a day keeps the doctor away," then we should be the healthiest group in the whole plant. . . . SWISH. Yes sir, that was Perry Esterline going by in his brand new Packard. How about giving a poor old lady a ride, Perry? . . . This week we say good-bye to Joan Bailey, who is leaving to take up her duties as a housewife. We also say hello and welcome to Clara Theismann, who has been added to our time clerk staff. . . . Frank Shidler, Robert Esterline, and George Skinnell are all on vacation this week. The lucky guys! . . . Vern Castle says that his daughter, Gladys Ann, is looking more like him these days—sort of fat in the face—due to having four wisdom teeth pulled. It's no laughing matter. . . . Larry Gase and Harold Boles have become interested in lizards as a pastime.



The Interdivision League had its biggest night of the year last Wednesday evening with four big 600 counts, thirty-three 200 scores, three 1000 counts, and a league high three-game total of 651 individually and 2923 team high total.

The Brouwer Tire and Battery team followed up their 2841 of the week before with a 2923 total on games of 919, 1014 and 990. The Firemen shot a 992 against the boys to win the last game by two pins. Frank Matthews led the Brouwer Boys with a 651 league high total on scores of 212, 258, and 181. Les Shroyer helped him out a little with a 632 total and scores of 187, 223 and 222.

Herb Habig, of Pierre's team, shot a 642 on games of 206, 235 and 201. Paul Walker, a member of Schuelers' G-E Appliance team (formerly known as the Motor-Generator boys) had the other 600 count, a 617 on games of 222, 183 and 212.

Two hundred scores: Bill Ort, 233; Frank Kopp, 201 and 222, Leo Elward, 205; Erv Haugk, 202; Frank Gitter, 205; Clarence Rump, 214; Russell Rose, 204 and 209; Hal Fanning, 200; Frank Iannelly, 206 and 201; Paul Billman, 202; Hal Spath, 205; Wayne Weimer, 204; Arnie Horstmeyer, 212; Erv France, 209; Putnam, 203; Cuney, 213; "Proud Pop" Ponsot, 210; Art Seidel, 212, and Noah Kuntz, 218.

Foerster started the evening with a 113 game and just to show how consistent he is, came back with games of 201 and 226.

Friday Night Girls

Tommy Williams pulled out the stops Friday evening and blasted out the second high, three-game total of the year at the G-E Club for women. She had games of 172, 190 and 215 for a rousing 577 total, just three points short of Bess Potts' 580 high.

High single games were rolled by: Ginnie Mollet, 186 and 170 (what happened to the other game, Ginnie); June Gettys, Liz Shearer and Betty Workman all a juicy 178, and Marge Malizzo a 175.

Helen Miller made the 4-7-10 split.

Apparatus League

Vic Rump grabbed the spotlight Thursday evening with a big 635 total on games of 234, 209 and 192.

Two hundred games were rolled by Arnold White, 223; W. Spahr, 209; Dan Oesch, 212; R. Dunten, 235; Charlie Briggs, 203; and J. Burton, 237.

Team No. 2 is leading the league with a 12-6 record, just one game back comes Team No. 10.

Apprentice League

The Compasses are out in front by three games. Jack Kirlin came up with the league's high three-game total of the season, a 569. (Bowling and table tennis, what a combination!)

Two hundred scores were rolled by: Jack Kirlin, 209; Smith, 203; Werling, 202; Marcus Junk, 201, and Chasey, 200.

Harold Fremion was happy to have his 200 score mentioned last week, but he'd rather no one knew he rolled under a hundred this week.

Office League

The Standardizing Team is out front by four big games. The boys had plenty of 200 counts Monday evening, but none of them were able to crack that 600 circle. Dick Gettys had the big 200, a 245. Other 200's were rolled by Erv Aumann, 233; Forrie Carlson, 232; Dick Hanson, 223; Maury Cox, 221; Paul Perry, 214; Fred Schafenacker, 207; Wade Tyler, 205; Don Pappert, 205; Frankie Schlink, 204; John Root, 204; Clarence Rump, 202; Bob Knepple, 202; Dudley Snyder, 201; Ife Holmes 201, and Robert Hanna, 200.

Bowling and Stuff

Homer Carson of the Apprentice League made the 7-9 split the other evening. Homer claims he shot at it enough during the evening that the law of averages took care of it.

High scores for those trophys this year are as follows: Frank Matthews, 651; Don Waldrop, 266, and Bess Potts holding both high counts for the women, 580 and 220.

Harold Patterson has moved into the second place slot in the All Star league. Harold had the weekly high total this week a 992 count. Ed Kraft continues to lead the league, being five games out in front. Both boys are G-E employees.

Small Motor League

The Small Motor Bowling was really spilling the maples during league play Wednesday evening—200 and better scores were prevalent, with Walker getting a big 618 with games of 199, 181, and 238 to take the lead in high three-game series. C. Holmes tied E. Haugk with a 247 high single. Other 200 games were Hinton, 203; Bice, 227; Horstmeyer, 210; Aumann, 200; D. Hoffman, 214; Seidel, 223; Miller, 202-200—(Bill claims he blew the ball up before he rolled these two games); Conrad, 213; Lamboley, 202 and 208; Whonsettler, 202; Walt, 222. Although not rolling a 200 game, Leo Reffelt deserves mention for his consistency in bowling. Leo rolled 165, 165, and 165. No, that is not a typographical error, he actually rolled those games. Kramer finally nosed Haver out. Kramer threw two in the gutter about half way up the alley. Somebody should tell him they have the gutter cleaned out after every league.

Transformer League

Watts are out in front with seven wins and only two losses.

Two hundred games were rolled by: Downine, 200; Howlett, 203; Hoopingarner, 213, and Moore, 225.

Ladies' Monday Night League

High games were kegled by the following girls: Dorothy Fuhs, 190; Helen Hardy, 184; Mary Weidman, 183; Maxine Root, 185; Mildred Bleivernicht, 178; Louise Fanning, 177, and Esther Muzzillo, 177.

Decatur Bowling Leagues

MONDAY NIGHT LEAGUE: Flanges are leading the league with 10 wins and five defeats. Two hundred scores were tallied by Sauer, 205; Shoaf, 201; Schultz, 203, and Laurent, 203.

G-E FRATERNAL: Teeple Truck Line team is the league leader with 12 victories and six losses. Preble and Elks are tied for second with a record of nine and nine. Teeple rolled the high singles with a 1033 total.

Six hundred series were piled up by H. Hurphy, 626 and Stump, 610. Two hundred games were rolled by: P. Hooman, 232; Stump, 224 and 200; Petrie, 223; H. Murphy, 223 and 210; Laurent, 200; G. Schultz, 221; Baumgartner, 200, and Leonard, 206.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE: High individual series were rolled by H. Wellman, 477, and M. Miller, 458. The high games were kegled by: B. Schneider, 179; R. Wellman, 182, and H. Wellman, 182.



The Firemen defeated the Test Engineers by the score of 26-25 in league touch football play Thursday, Oct. 20. The Apprentice School scored a 35-6 victory over the Messengers.

The Tool Division met a 14-6 defeat from the Works Lab. Transformer won over Winter St., 12-0.

Firemen downed Apprentice School, 24-19, in the last 45 seconds of the Tuesday, Oct. 25, game. An Apprentice School player knocked a pass down, hitting another team member. The Firemen recovered and made the winning touchdown.

The Messengers defeated Transformer, 13-0, that same evening. The Test Engineers handed Tool Division a 6-0 decision.

The following games will be played Tuesday, Nov. 1:

7:00 p.m.—Firemen vs. Tool Division

Test Engineers vs. Transformer

8:00 p.m.—Messengers vs. Winter St.

Apprentice School vs. Works Lab.

The rest of the schedule will be played in twilight games because of conflicts with the basketball and bowling schedules.

Basketball Team Opens Season Monday Night Against Indiana Tech

The G-E Club Industrial basketball team will open its 1949-50 season Monday night, Oct. 31, against Indiana Tech in the G-E Club gym at 8 p.m.

Bill Schible, manager and coach, has assembled a fast and experienced team that is packed with scoring ability and all-around good floor play. Bill feels that the team is in A-1 condition for the opening game.

The team consists of the following players:

Bob Baals, 5 ft., 8 in.	Guard
Richard Bucher, 5 ft., 10 in.	Forward
Richard Gettys, 5 ft. 11 in.	Forward
Lou Goehring, 6 ft. 1 in.	Center
Don Hower, 5 ft., 9 in.	Guard
Leon Lahrman, 5 ft., 8 in.	Guard
John Lindholm, 6 ft., 5 in.	Center
Ed Trable, 6 ft.	Forward
Jim Walley, 5 ft., 11 in.	Guard
Bob Zimmerlee, 6 ft.	Forward

Basketball fans are reminded that no tickets are necessary for the games at the G-E Club gym and everyone is invited to come.

Congratulated For Long Service



George L. Thimlar, Bldg. 20-1, celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric recently, so a number of his friends in General Service gathered to extend their congratulations. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Milford Toner, W. O. Luebke, Bill Schible, Howard Treesh, Mr. Thimlar, Raymond Kreigh, Sam Houser, Tony Arthur, and Edmund Bauer.



"A real friend is one who will tell you of your faults and follies in prosperity, and assist you with his hand and heart in adversity."—Horace Smith

The past week has been one of farewells. Hilmer Drayer and Mary Beaman have gone to Bldg. 17-3. Lena Shaw transferred to Bldg. 2-2. . . . Vance Burnau attended a farewell party for his brother and family who are moving to Phoenix, Ariz. . . . While Bill Straub was on vacation, he attended the Odd Fellows' Convention in Indianapolis. He was presented the medal of Past Grand Patriarch by his good friend, James Leverton, who is 93 years old. Congratulations to you, Bill, for this honor that has come to you. . . . Bob Esterline is vacationing this week. . . . We wish a speedy recovery to the little daughter of the Clifford Smeads', who has been suffering with whooping cough and bronchitis for the past two weeks. . . . Herb Halley and wife have declined the offer of learning to play Canasta taught by Johnnie Westerhauser. Johnnie just wants to be helpful and save Herb the time of trying to read the rules. . . . Gene Wheeler and Ed Meyer seem to be lucky in choosing the winners in almost anything. See them for the forecast on the football and basketball games. . . . Congratulations to the Fred Slaters on the birth of a baby boy. His name is Stephan and he weighed 9 pounds at birth last Saturday.



High wages—Low prices?

We can have them!

A lady sat down at day's end before a weary shoe clerk. She began to tell him just exactly what she wanted. But soon the salesman broke in with "Yes, yes, lady, I know—*big* inside but *little* outside."

That's just the way we are about wages and prices.

We want high wages. But we want low prices too.

Labor is about 85% of the cost of getting goods from the ground to the ultimate user. To get this big labor cost inside of low prices, we have really got to have lots of help with the shoehorn.

But we can do it!

We can have low prices with high wages—*if* we each in this country turn out a lot of goods in a day for that day's high pay. For we can then buy lots of goods from each other with our day's pay.

If we each *turn out little* goods for lots of pay, we will each be able to *buy* just *little* goods for our big pay.

How can we each get more done during our day's work?

Nobody in his right mind wants to get it done through having employees put forth more or harder body effort than ought to be in an honest day's work by our reasonable modern standards.

So the extra goods from a day's work—the extra goods that can then be bought with a day's pay—have got to be produced largely with our minds instead of our muscles.

We each have to put our most fruitful thinking into waste elimination, improved designs, and arm-lengthening tools and methods . . . into heightened interest, ingenuity, skill, and care in increasing productivity and making a given amount of cost result in as many goods as possible.

This kind of thinking by us all is the shoehorn that can help us squeeze the big cost foot into the little price shoe.

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FHP Motor Divisions Receive Two Gold Key Contest Awards

The Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions received two Gold Key Order Contest awards last week for orders achieved through extra effort by members of the FHP Motor Sales divisions and district offices.

Gold key tie clasps were presented here Friday as individual recognition awards to three members of the local sales divisions by A. W. Bartling, Manager of FHP Motor Sales.

The individual awards for their efforts in obtaining an order from the Royal Typewriter Company were made to R. W. Grott and E. F. Rhodes, of the FHP Motor Sales divisions, Fort Wayne. F. A. Dred-

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Individual Gold Key awards were presented last week to E. F. Rhodes, H. E. Priwer, and R. W. Groot for their efforts in obtaining orders which brought the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions two out of the 10 awards made by the Apparatus Department as a part of the Gold Key Order Contest. Taking part in the presentation, shown above, were: (l. to r.) A. W. Bartling, Manager of Sales; L. D. Hodell, Manager of Manufacturing; Mr. Rhodes, sales engineer; L. I. Asher, Divisions Accountant; Mr. Priwer, application engineer; J. J. Clarkson, Manager of Engineering; Mr. Groot, application engineer; C. B. Smith, Supervisor of Procedures; M. E. Lord, Manager of the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions; B. R. McClure, Staff Assistant, and W. H. Sunier, Supervisor of the Inspection and Test division.

Decatur Employees Contribute $1,935 To Community Chest

Employees at the Decatur plant have contributed more than $1,935 to the annual city-wide Community Chest drive, it was announced today by G. F. Laurent, chairman of the campaign. The total contribution represents 1/6 of the city's $12,000 quota.

Armistice Day

On Friday, Nov. 11, there will be a general observance of Armistice Day as a tribute to those who gave their lives in the service of their country.

All employees are asked to observe two minutes of silence at 11 a.m. To aid in this purpose, horns throughout the factory will sound a warning signal at 10:55. Five minutes later at 11 sharp the signals will again be sounded, power will be shut off, and all work will stop for the duration of two minutes during which employees are asked to maintain a respectful silence.

Foremen and others responsible will see to it that individual switches in and around the shop, switchboards, etc., are thrown out so that power may be restored at the expiration of the two-minute period.

C. A. Matson
Works Manager

Foremen's Association To Host Ladies Nov. 9 At G-E Dinner Meeting

The G-E Foremen's Association will hold its annual ladies' night and dinner meeting Wednesday, Nov. 9, in the G-E Club auditorium.

"A New Formula" will be the topic of an address by Vernon C. Sheldon.

Music for the dinner meeting will be furnished by Buddy Nolan, Huntington organist.

Tickets may be obtained from contact men.

Employees Are Requested To Return Non-used Tools

All employees should get a list of tools which have been charged to them from their respective tool crib attendants and return all supplies not being used, it was requested today in a statement made by L. D. Platt, Supervisor of General Stores.

Most employees have tools in their bench drawers or around their work stations that are seldom or

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Graduate Students Are Invited To Apply For G-E Fellowships

For the 26th consecutive year, the General Electric Company will grant aid to college and university graduates who wish to undertake or continue research work in scientific or industrial fields, it was announced today by W. W. Trench, Secretary of the Company and chairman of its Education Committee.

Applications for fellowships for the 1950-51 academic year are now

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Employees Maintain Perfect Safety Record

The Fort Wayne Works had a perfect record of no lost-time accidents during the entire month of October, it was announced this week by Herschel L. Smith, safety engineer, at a meeting of the General Safety Committee. It was the first time for as many years as records have been kept by the safety section that a perfect record was maintained for an entire month.

The no lost-time accident record was set as a goal by the safety section as part of the Wilson 50th Anniversary Program.

Edward Stettinius, G-E Director, Dies

Flags at the Fort Wayne Works were placed at half mast this week following the announcement of the death of Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., a member of the General Electric Company's Board of Directors. The wartime head of lend-lease and former U.S. Secretary of State died of a heart attack Monday at the age of 49.

7500 EXPECTED AT G-E CLUB'S ANNUAL REVUE

Six Acts Are Booked For Shows Nov. 5-6

Approximately 7500 tickets have been issued for the five performances of the G-E Club's annual Fall Revue Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 5-6, it was announced today by Ralph Hemminger, chairman of the entertainment committee.

Shows will be given at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, and at 1 p.m., 3 p.m., and 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6.

Jack Davis, an outstanding banjo player, is the final act to be booked for the revue. This act completes the cast, which also includes Harold Gautier's dog comedy act, the Machino Troupe of acrobats, Andy Mayo's "Pansy, the Horse," the Jack Gwynne Magic Show, and Dick Ware, master of ceremonies.



JACK DAVIS

Free Booklets, Comics Are Offered To Readers Of 'Adventures Ahead'

Five free offers of comic books and booklets are being made to young subscribers to Adventures Ahead, General Electric's bi-monthly magazine for teen-agers. Now in the mails, the November-December issue carries a variety of material, from history and biography to domestic science and how to make Christmas candles.

The new comic books being offered are "Adventures Into the Past," which takes young readers into the past to the days when Williamsburg, Va., was the capital of the young colonies, and "The Story of Light," the latest in the comic series, which deals with lighting from the days of the caveman to the present. Adventures Ahead's first article tells how the Williamsburg comic came to be written and drawn and shows pictures of restored Williamsburg and

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FORT WAYNE WORKS NEWS

Don Campbell ..... Editor

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Your Ideas May Become A Worthy Contribution To Better Living

Everything that concerns our present day standard of living was first an idea. Each of the improvements in quality and cost of production, as well as additional job opportunities that have been created, started as someone's idea.

Aside from the better living and greater efficiency that develops from idea-thinking, ideas—in the form of suggestions submitted to the G-E Suggestion Committee for approval—have paid suggestion-minded employees more than $2,500,000 since 1922. One suggested improved method of operations on refrigerator cabinets brought a G-E employee a single award of $2,285.

Yet no idea is too trivial or too simple for consideration. Get in the habit of THINKING, SUGGESTING, SUBMITTING. Turn in MANY suggestions, YOURS may bring a cash award . . . and become a worthy contribution to better living.

Health Program Here Includes Detection Of Tuberculosis Cases

The detection of tuberculosis in its early stages is a public health problem that is receiving the attention of many private and public agencies. It will soon be called to our attention again by the sale of Christmas seals, the proceeds of which help carry on this program in our community.

Well-organized industrial medical departments also include tuberculosis case-finding in their health programs. The extent of this activity by our own medical section may not be generally known by all employees.

Our program was first expanded some 12 or 13 years ago when a fluoroscopic X-ray unit was installed and was used as a method of chest examination to detect suspected cases of lung disease. The suspected cases found by this method were then given an X-ray film study. This method served to identify a number of cases of active tuberculosis. About five years ago a special X-ray unit, developed by our own Company, was installed. This unit makes possible the taking of a chest photograph on a film about 1/12 the size of former films, thus reducing some of the problems of developing and filing space for large numbers of films.

In 1948 our medical section did 2,173 chest X-ray examinations and 1,617 chest X-rays have been done up to Oct. 31 this year.

In general, the following groups are routinely given chest X-rays:

All new employees applying for work.
All employees returning to work after an absence of longer than two weeks.
All periodical examinations of hazardous occupation groups.
Periodical follow-up of suspected cases, or arrested cases of those who have returned to work and require continued observation.
Cases referred by the Fort Wayne Tuberculosis Association.
Cases referred by private doctors.
Employees coming to the dispensary with chest complaints.

Any requests by employees for chest X-rays, either through their supervisors or directly to the medical section, will be given consideration.

The goal of eventual elimination of tuberculosis depends upon the finding of cases in the early stages of the disease. The chest X-ray is the one most effective measure in finding these cases. With all the various public agencies, as well as private physicians, now interested in this program, it is possible for everyone to have a chest X-ray.

Industry has a definite stake in this program. First because it is a public health problem, and secondly because it is a definite contribution to individual health maintenance. Our medical section stands ready, as in the past, to give all possible assistance to the private and public agencies that are cooperating in this effort.

By Dr. H. W. Garton, Works Physician



It's Your Federal Government

The Veterans Administration

By Robert L. Johnson

Editor's Note: Following is the fifth in a series of articles describing the major findings of the "Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report." These articles are written by Robert L. Johnson, President of Temple University and Chairman of the committee. This committee is a voluntary, nonprofit, nonpartisan organization of leading citizens which has undertaken the task of informing the public of just what reorganization means and what the Hoover Commission recommendations, if enacted into law, will mean to each individual and to the nation.

As a patriotic citizen, you certainly will agree that the people of this country, through their government, are under an obligation to the veterans of our wars which they can never discharge spiritually, but which they should do their utmost to meet materially. It was in that spirit that the Veterans Administration was created. The Veterans Administration is doing its utmost. The question raised by the Hoover Commission is whether it is being done in the most economical and efficient way.

The Hoover Commission, as you probably know, was bipartisan in its makeup. It was created by unanimous act of Congress and given the task of delving into the affairs of some 24 problems of government and of making a report to Congress with recommendations for improved efficiency without impairing services. President Truman and former President Herbert Hoover are jointly urging Congress to pass the laws that grew out of the Commission's 19-volume report.

If all these laws are passed, Mr. Hoover has said in a conservative estimate, the annual saving in the cost of government will be at least $3 billions. In my belief it will be nearer $4 billions.

The Report on the operations of the Veterans Administration raises some questions which we cannot afford to ignore. It discloses the estimate that whereas there are now about 20,000,000 veterans, in ten years veterans and their dependents will number 62.5 millions, or 40 per cent of the population, entitled to benefits. The Veterans Administration will spend $5.3 billions in fiscal 1950. This is 11 per cent of the federal budget, a sum second only to our defense expenditures. Obviously the need for careful management of the Veterans Administration is great.

The Report found the greatest cause for concern in the areas of hospital construction, and government life insurance.

Plans Ignore Shortages

At this time the Veterans Administration has planned or is building 89 hospitals for a total cost of $1.1 billions, some of them in areas where it will be difficult, if not impossible, to obtain doctors, nurses, and technicians to operate them. This program is being carried out, despite the known shortage of nurses which is being felt by every hospital in the country. Even in New York City, with its numerous schools for nursing, one of its largest hospitals, the New York Hospital, has closed 150 rooms because of this shortage of personnel. The Veterans Administration itself has 6500 empty beds for lack of staff.

The cost of Veterans Administration hospitals greatly exceeds the average of $16,000 per bed paid by voluntary community hospitals. Veterans Administration hospitals cost from $20,000 on up to $51,000 per bed. Moreover, the Veterans Administration program conflicts with the Government's policy, under the Hill-Burton Act, of aiding non-federal hospitals in order to establish a sound hospital system for the whole country. Its hospitals will compete with such institutions for scarce personnel.

Lack of Planning

All this is the result of a lack of any overall plan for hospital construction, the Commission found, and stated:

"The Government is moving into uncalculated obligations without an understanding of their ultimate cost, the lack of professional manpower to discharge them, or the adverse effect upon the hospital system of the country."

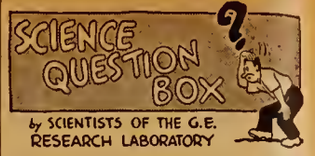
The Commission referred to the fact that 100,000 Veterans Hospital beds are being occupied by veterans with non-service connected disabilities. The report does not comment upon the propriety of this, but it scores the method by which it is being accomplished. Congress authorized the agency to hospitalize such cases only when beds were "available." Yet 100,000 beds have been built or authorized for no other purpose than to make room for such cases. The conclusion of the Commission was that such cases could be more cheaply cared for in non-federal hospitals on a reimbursable basis.

Congress Overrules Saving

Aware of the need for economy in this field, President Truman ordered cancellation of $280 millions for unnecessary hospital constructions last year but Congress overruled him and restored this sum to the budget.

According to the findings of the task force, the reason for the marked delay of the Veterans Administration in paying death benefits on life insurance results from great numbers of basic reports having been mislaid or lost. The Administration, it showed, consumes an average of 73 days in paying such benefits after receiving proof of death. Private life insurance companies average 15 days. Yet, the report said, the Veterans Administration uses four times as much manpower, per policy, to such claims as the average insurance company.

Criticism was also made of the bureaucratic set-up of the agency. There is an excess of staff officers, it stated, and too much red tape. The task force discovered that there are in use 88 manuals of instruction, 665 kinds of bulletins, and 400 different circulars. The personnel turnover is very high and replacement expensive. Employees who have left the service gave these reasons for leaving: "Lack of opportunity to progress." "Infringement on personal liberty." "Too many coxswains and not enough oarsmen." "Autocratic and arbitrary rule as to clothing to be worn." "Supervisors not allowed to dine with subordinates."



Q. Is it advisable to drain the boiler and pipes of our home hot water heating system and to put in fresh water before it is used again in the fall?

A. No, this practice is not advised. Draining and refilling a hot water system adds scale and oxygen, and it should not be done unnecessarily. When necessary to drain and refill, boiler compound should be added to the water to prevent rust and scale formation.

Our Faces Are Red

Louis N. Brunner has been appointed Assistant to the Supervisor of Production in the General Tool division; instead of in the General Service division, as was stated last week.

Convention Trips To Be Described At AIEE Meeting



C. J. Herman



R. D. Jones

C. J. Herman and R. D. Jones, both of G-E, will address a local chapter meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers Thursday evening, Nov. 10, in the G-E Squares Club rooms.

"Our Section, Coast-to-Coast" is the subject of the talks, which will be featured at this meeting for members and their guests. The program has been planned as a ladies' night.

Mr. Herman is a group leader in the Developmental division of the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, and Mr. Jones is a division engineer in the DC and Specialty division. They will discuss the trips they took to attend recent AIEE conventions.

Mr. Herman attended the Winter Conference meeting in Swampscott, Mass. He was chairman of the local AIEE chapter in 1948-49, and it is the general rule that the outgoing president attend the following convention. He will present his impressions of the convention and give highlights of his motor trip to the East.

The Pacific Coast Convention at San Francisco in August was attended by Mr. Jones, who presented a paper on "The Design of Insulation Systems for Small Rotating Machinery by the Determination of Corona Starting Voltages." He also attended a meeting of the Air Transport Committee, of which he is a member.

His talk concerning the trip to the west coast will be illustrated by colored movies. Mr. Jones will also give a brief account of the paper he presented at the convention.

G-E Fellowships

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being accepted under provisions of foundations established to honor two former General Electric presidents, Charles A. Coffin, founder of the Company, and Gerard Swope, retired president. Grants will be made from income on the $1,000,000 G-E Educational Fund. Since 1923, when the Coffin Foundation was established, more than 200 awards, totaling $168,508 from both foundations, have been made.

Applications for fellowships, which must be filed before Jan. 1, 1950, have been distributed to deans and professors of engineering, science, chemistry, metallurgy, and mechanical and aeronautical engineering, and to placement officers. Applications, Mr. Trench said, may also be obtained from A. D. Marshall, secretary, General Electric Educational Fund, Schenectady, N. Y.

The Charles A. Coffin Fellowships are awarded in the fields of electricity, physics and physical chemistry, while the Gerard Swope Fellowships, first granted in 1946, are awarded in engineering, industrial management, the physical sciences, and other scientific and industrial fields.

The fellowships, Trench explained, will be awarded to graduates of colleges, universities, and technical schools in the United States who need financial assistance, and who have shown that they could, with advantage, undertake or continue research work in educational institutions either in this country or abroad.

Awards to an annual maximum of $1,500 for each fellowship will be made, the amount depending on the needs of the student. A $500 grant may be made for specific apparatus or other expense in connection with the research of the fellow. In addition, in cases of need, loans up to $1,000 may be granted, Trench said. The fellowships, he emphasized, are not intended for those who now hold, or expect to hold, other fellowships carrying stipends larger than the tuition at the institutions where the research is to be carried on.

After applications have been received, they will be submitted for recommendations to a committee of representatives from the National Academy of Sciences, the American Chemical Society, the American Physical Society, the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, the American Society of Engineering Education, and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Gold Key Awards

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rickson, of the New Haven office, and J. J. Pascher, Hartford office, also have been given awards for obtaining this order.

H. E. Priwer, of the FHP Motor Sales divisions, Fort Wayne, and D. O. Brooks, of the South Bend office, received awards for their efforts in acquiring an order from the Nineteen Hundred Corporation.

First Awards Made Here

The two Gold Key Order awards to the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions were the first to be given at the Fort Wayne Works as a part of the contest in conjunction with the C. E. Wilson 50th Anniversary Program.

The order for motors obtained from the Royal Typewriter Company resulted from 12 years of hard work, perseverance, and creative selling on the part of a G-E team in the face of extremely difficult competitive obstacles. The initial order covers 1,000 type KH motors now being manufactured by Div. 17. It is believed that this sale has moved G-E from a secondary source of supply to a primary one, and it is expected that the customer will purchase several thousand additional motors from G-E this year.

The order from the Nineteen Hundred Corporation covered 25,000 ⅓ HP motors for automatic washing machines. This order established G-E as a definite source of supply for FHP motors after a lapse of 15 years. This order was secured by energetic salesmanship on the part of Mr. Brooks and excellent application service on the part of Mr. Priwer for the factory sales organization.

Ten awards were made by the Department on Oct. 15 in the Gold Key Order Contest, of which the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions received two. Additional selections will be made Nov. 15 and Dec. 15.

With the added incentive of maintaining a rate of 20 per cent of the Apparatus Department Sales Contest awards in the form of Gold Key orders, the Fractional Horsepower Motor Sales divisions are making an all-out effort to gain additional important orders.

Contest Offers 50 Awards

The Gold Key Order Contest will honor the 50 most important orders received in the Apparatus Department during the period from Sept. 2 to Dec. 15.

The Gold Key order awards are made on the basis of extra effort in the terms of imagination, ingenuity, and industry on the part of the individual securing the order. While each order selected must have a minimum value of $5,000, the awards are not made simply by the amount of money involved.

Under the provisions made for honoring individuals in the contest, nominations for Gold Keys are made by the district sales offices. While it is recognized that the Engineering and Manufacturing personnel have played important roles in these Gold Key orders, only Sales personnel are eligible for the awards.

The greatest value which is gained from these Gold Key Orders is the fact that it has been possible for 85 additional persons to be placed in continuing employment, provided that satisfactory quality and service are maintained to obtain repeat business. It is only by rendering the customer the quality and service that he expects that the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions may deserve or expect to receive this repeat business.

Elex Committee Plans Publicity For Thanksgiving Dance Nov. 23



Eva Fisher, chairman of the Elex Club's third annual Thanksgiving Eve dance, is shown above looking over one of the dance posters. Dance committee members are (seated, l. to r.) Marian Leiter, Eva Fisher, and Sue Thompson. Standing are (l. to r.) Donna Bauermeister, Maxine Daniels, and Janice Mueller. Justine Luyben, another member of the committee, was absent when the picture was taken.

The Elex Club's Thanksgiving Eve semiformal dance will be held Wednesday, Nov. 23, at the Prom Terrace ballroom.

Bill Miller and his orchestra will play for dancing from 9:15 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. Jean Kelly is the featured vocalist with the band.

Tickets are $1.20, tax included, and the public is invited. The tickets can be purchased from committee members and Elex contact girls.

Return Non-used Tools

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never used, he explained. The request is being made in order to get these tools back in the tool crib for further distribution.

300 Cavort At G-E Club's Halloween Dance







Approximately 300 persons attended the Halloween Square Dance Friday night, Oct. 28, in the G-E Club auditorium. Attendance prizes and awards for the funniest and most unusual costumes were given during the intermission. Joe Taylor and his Red Bird band played for the dance, which was sponsored by the G-E Club entertainment committee. The above pictures show some of the scenes at the dance and the winners of special awards.

Safety Council Cites G-E Fort Wayne Works For Excellent Record

Awards Are Presented At National Congress In Chicago Last Week

The G-E Fort Wayne Works received special recognition for its excellent accident prevention record at the National Safety Council's 37th annual Safety Congress and Exposition held last week in Chicago.

General Electric had one of the lowest accident rates among the heavy metals industries. This is the third consecutive year the Fort Wayne Works has reeeived this recognition.

Herschel L. Smith, Fort Wayne Works safety engineer, was presented a certificate of recognition from the National Safety Council for having rendered "unselfish and devoted service" as general chairman of the Council's Power Press Section for 1948-49.

E. F. Harmison, DeKalb Plant Manager, addressed the Power Press Section at the conference Monday, Oct. 24. His topic concerned the training of power press operators.

Drivers Receive Awards

As a part of the Fleet Safety Driver's Contest of the National Safety Council, special awards have been made to the following G-E drivers:

S. G. Henline, Noble Drum, Ted Raypole, Fred J. Heaston, L. E. Lahrman, L. L. Boitet, Adam Johnson, Ray Moser, Willard Grush, Clyde Kreigh, Henry Hahn, Charles Woodward, J. E. Joseph, Julius Bradtmiller, M. W. Beucler, Virgil Carter, A. J. Voirol, F. H. Widner, H. W. Steward, and Roscoe Hamilton.

The awards were signed by Ned H. Dearborn, president of the National Safety Council, and by their superintendents.

Mr. Beucler has 31 years without a chargeable accident, Mr. Henline has a record of 27 years, and Mr. Heaston, 24 years.

No Accidents Since July

The G-E fleet of drivers has maintained a no-accident record since the start of the recent contest in July.

Recognition of this record was made at the annual Fleet Safety Driver's Award dinner last night at the Chamber of Commerce.

Elex Calendar

Nov. 7—Elsa Maxwell Party

Nov. 9 — Executive Board Meetings for First and Second Shift Sections.

Nov. 15—Partizan Anniversary Banquet

Nov. 16—Second Shift Paper Party

Nov. 23—Thanksgiving Dance

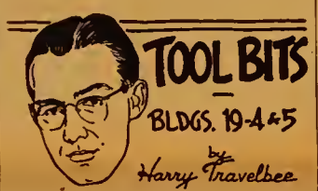
Dec. 3—Sonja Henie Trip

Dec. 15—Christmas Party

Bastian Celebrates 30th Anniversary



Hoy L. Bastian, Taylor St. Receiving section, celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric Tuesday, Oct. 18, when several of his co-workers joined in their congratulations on his long service. Left to right are: Fred Campbell, FHP Motor Div. 14 Supt.; M. G. Pugh, Assistant Supervisor of FHP Inspection and Test; Viola Jacobs, Erma Poinsette, Mr. Bastian, L. R. Heer, and Russell Frey, Foreman.



Al Nebur thinks that every boy should have a dog as a pet, especially when said dog turns out to win a prize in the citywide contest as his son's dog did. After giving the dog to his son, Al thought it a swell idea to enter him in the Dog Show at Lawton Park, so he and the boy took the dog to the park. They were confronted as to which class he belonged, but after much deliberation, they decided to enter him in the long tail class. And what do you think? The dog won third prize. Al thought he would put this bit of special news in the paper; however, when it was printed, someone else's name had been used instead of Neil Nebur. But that isn't the payoff, as Al learned later that there were only three dogs that entered in the long tail class. Try again, Al. . . . We have been told by those who should know that Harold (Doc) Hoffman is manufacturing miniature rakes. Better start hiding them, Doc. . . . John Roemer and his son were driving close to the Smith Airport Sunday and were eye witnesses to the airplane crash in which three men were injured. John and his boy came up to the wreck in time to help get the men out of the crashed plane. Nice work, John, we are proud of you and your son. . . . Anyone needing a baby sitter or two, better contact Mr. and Mrs. Chet Reynolds, as they are experienced after sitting last Sunday with two very high class beagle hounds. . . . Art Rasor was asked if he liked taffy apples and gave a negative answer, but politely took a half of one anyway, explained that he takes anything that's free. . . . We wonder why Ray Mutton took offense when asked if he knew anything about the Mutt Dog Show? This is one word that stopped Art Rasor in the test the other day—that dern work "barge."

Winans Retires



Q. R. Winans

Quincy R. Winans, Bldg. 6-1, retired Nov. 1 after 32 years' service with General Electric.

Mr. Winans began working in the Distribution division in 1917, and at the time of his retirement was a leading operator in that division.

Cigarette Lighters Are Given To 13 Suggestors As Bonuses

G-E monogramed cigarette lighters were presented this week to the following employees as bonus awards for submitting suggestions on which the regular awards were $10 or more:

Delmas Detter, Lewis Guenther, Dewey Wisner, Charles Lauer, Edward Huhn, Arthur Lantz, Charles Norwood, William Saylor, Anthony Koorsen, J. H. Hambrock, Richard Zirger, Gilbert Hoover, and Verlin Biggs.

The biggest block to many a man's success is his head.

23 Members Of Department's Advanced Production Program Attend Graduation Ceremony

The Schenectady Works was the scene this week of a four day meeting and graduation for 23 members of the Apparatus Department's Advanced Production Program.

During the first two days, the trainees toured portions of the Schenectady Works and heard talks on production and related subjects by Schenectady Works and General Office personnel. A. V. Feigenbaum, Supervisor of Training for Manufacturing Personnel, directed the conference during the final two days.

Brief ceremonies Thursday evening in the Edison Club highlighted the meeting when the members of the group were congratulated by T. F. Garahan, Production Manager of the Apparatus Department, and presented with a leather-bound diploma signifying satisfactory completion of the program.

Members of the Advanced Production Program and their sponsoring Works include:

R. J. Geiter, L. W. Rank, J. W. Fry, R. G. Loecher, R. Medros, C. Dodge, Jr., H. G. Norris, and R. F. Richard, all of Schenectady; W. F. Fachet, K. E. Agan and C. W. Gerni, Philadelphia; C. B. Anderson and J. P. Sheperdson, Pittsfield; E. F. Elwell and E. R. Nelson, Erie; E. C. Hazelwood and W. L. Scanlan, Lynn River, E. H. Lovequist and R. J. Perron, West Lynn; A. E. Monahan, Fitchburg and W. R. David, E. S. Sembroski and B. F. Brickley, Fort Wayne.

Men are recommended for the Advanced Production Program, by Divisional and Works Service Production Managers, directly from Works sponsored training courses or from other Company training programs such as Test, BTC and the Apprentice Course. Those who are selected are given advanced training in production and related subjects over a period of approximately 18 months.

Lubrication Engineers To Hear Talk Nov. 10 By Automotive Expert

The Fort Wayne Chapter of the American Society of Lubrication Engineers will hear a talk on automotive lubrication and fuels at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, at the Van Orman hotel.

The speaker will be R. G. McMahan, of Indianapolis, Mr. McMahan is the field expert on motors for the Socony Vacuum Oil Company.

Of interest to all car owners and industrial plant personnel, the talk will include different phases of automotive and industrial lubrication. The speaker will have the answer to many questions the car owner asks the lubrication engineers in regard to the new detergent type motor oils and oil changes.

A Purdue graduate with BSME and ME degrees, Mr. McMahan is a member of the Society of Automotive Engineers, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, and the American Society of Lubrication Engineers.

The speaker has had 25 years of experience in automotive and industrial engineering for two of the major oil companies, and nine years as mechanic and machinist for various automobile companies.

He was technical advisor during the making of a movie film about the 1949 Indianapolis Speedway Races. The movie, "Behind the Checkered Flag," will be shown at the meeting.

'Adventures Ahead'

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how the same scenes are treated in the book.

The booklets are being offered in connection with "Television Tutoring," a story of the use of television for training Naval Reserve airmen; with "A New Excursion in Science," about a new film in the General Electric library; and with "No Golden Chariot," a biography of Charles E. Wilson, President of the Company, and of his youth in New York.

The new and fascinating field of ultrasonics is treated in "The Bat Knew It First," which points out how impulse and echo waves are used in modern tests. Other scientific articles are "Thunderbolts in Harness," the first of two chapters of the story of man's conquest of lightning; "The Story of Light," about lighting through the ages, which is being concluded; and Vincent J. Schaefer's "Scientific Adventures," which deals with glacial earth deposits.

Erie's Troubadours, who entertain shut-ins at numerous homes and hospitals, are the subjects of "The Idea That Paid Off in Fun." Ann Hamlen of Schenectady, who won a trip to Switzerland for an essay, has written "I'm Going to Miss My Swiss," an account of her prize-winning trip.



WELCOME—The AC Division welcomes a new draftsman, Jim Templeton, also welcome to Jack Trott, who is working for Fred Suhr, Dev. Div. He replaced Ed Rathbun, who left the Company to go to California. . . . SCHOOL DAYS OVER—School days are over for Joe Rowan, he is now a draftsman in the Developmental Divison. . . . HALLOWEEN DANCE—Lydia Wilkening went to a Halloween dance the other night. It was loads of fun, everything but the removing of the mask. I wonder why! . . . FOOTBALL—Delores Giltz and her husband attended the Ohio State and Northwestern game last Saturday at Columbus, O. . . . HAPPY BIRTHDAY — Happy birthday to Wes Powers, of the DC Div., who celebrated his birthday Nov. 1. . . . DE-MOUSING—Advise on how to catch a mouse. Fred Cooper, Engineering File Room, put a peanut on a mouse trap. The next morning there was poor Mortimer (cold). . . . NEWS—Denton Manecke received a letter from Lew Davis from sunny California. He is getting along fine with his new job. Wishes to hear from the gang. His address is No. 49 Trailer Tel RR No. 2 Box 1021, San Jose, California. . . . BY BY—Milt Ceoglein left last week to take up the activities in his filling station. Lots of luck, Milt. . . . VACATIONS—Charlie Koomjohn was on vacation last week in St. Louis. He went there to visit his two daughters who are in school there. . . . RED HEAD BEAST—Carl Vizithum was late last Friday morning due to the bus driver passing him up. It seemed Carl was at a Halloween party Thursday evening and had forgotten to take off his red wig he had worn with his outfit. Carl would also like to know how women walk in high heels? . . . CONGRATULATIONS— Saturday, Oct. 29, Carl Mann had an addition to his family. Not one, but twins—girls. Congratulations, Carl. Also congratulations to John Chipco on the addition to their family. It was a girl born Oct. 30. . . . MISSING IDENTITY—Bill Pringle, well-known engineer in the DC Division, has a new pair of glasses and a new suit. The new glasses, however, don't seem to be enough for him to recognize the coat of this new suit. Several days ago, Bill rushed out at quitting time so as to quickly be in his family circle. We suspect Mrs. Pringle had given orders he was to hurry home from work. Bill grabbed a coat and headed for the south part of town. Some time later, Art Wilson having satisfied his conscience on a day's work decided to call it quits and head for Decatur and his family. There was one coat left which didn't match his pants and didn't have his car keys in the pocket. There was a nice new pair of bifocals in the pocket which looked like Pringle's. A call to Bill's wife confirmed the suspicions—Bill's coat didn't match his pants. Bill said that if Art would carry his car keys in his pants pocket, matching coats would not seem so important. Art said that if Bill would wear his new glasses he could distinguish his own coat. Anyway, all's well that ends well. Bill drove back to the parking lot and exchanged coats with Art and their respective dinners were not too much delayed. . . . SORRY—Thelma Barbeau was quite surprised to see her name in the birthday column last week since her birthday isn't until April. Sorry, but we were a little early with the birthday wishes, Thelma. . . . TROUBLES—Harvey VonGunten wants a couple of Kigmies dressed like Johnny Leffers. If you know what Kigmies are for, you will know why Harvey wants them. . . . Jack H. (Halefax) Jennings and Harvey (Sore arm) VonGunten sure have some hattles sometimes, but why do they just sit and hit each other on the arm. Why don't they get a couple of Kigmies too? . . . SHOPPING FOR ??—Well! Well! Wonder what Joan Walter and Gil Baker were shopping for. They were seen dashing around town, Saturday. . . . VACATION—Owen Vaught returned Monday morning to work after his third week's vacation which was spent in Cincinnati which he said was most enjoyable. . . . WET FOOT—Franklin Ross was washing his car Saturday (for the last time this fall and winter). Standing on the running board washing the top of his car with his bucket of water on the ground, he proceeded to step down to refill the sponge. Doing so he alighted with a splash, his right foot in the water. Result, wet foot, upset bucket of water, and a few minutes of silence. . . . BUTTS—Dick Dochterman went into the engineering file room to cut some papers the other day. As he was cutting the papers he laid his cigarette in Mr. Cooper's ash tray. After cutting the rest he reached back to pick up his cigarette, but no cigarette. Mr. Dochterman asked if it was his cigarette, and Mr. Cooper replied, "I don't know, what brand were you smoking." Mr. Dochterman said, "Camels," and Mr. Cooper had to give up the cigarette. Better luck next time, Mr. Cooper. . . . SPEEDY RECOVERY—Everyone in Bldg. 4-6 wishes Fred Borton a speedy recovery. . . . CONGRATULATIONS—Congratulations to Joe and Joan Hilcs for winning a prize for being the funniest couple at a dance. Nice going, Joe, we hear you didn't wear a false face.

Jefferies Receives Retirement Gifts



William C. Jefferies recently retired after 26 years' service. At the time of his retirement he was a toolmaker in the General Tool division, Bldg. 19-4. On his last day at General Electric his friends gave him a G-E toaster, a roaster, electric drill, and a miniature accordion. Mr. Jefferies is shown in the picture above, opening his gifts.

Hodell To Present Talk At Lutheran Men's Club

Lisle D. Hodell, Manager of Manufacturing for the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, will address members of the Men's Club at the Redcemer Lutheran Church, Rudisill Blvd. and Harrison St., at 8 o'clock tonight. His topic will be "A Life's Philosophy."

Green Retires



M. P. Green

Monroe P. Green, FHP Div. 13, retired Nov. 1 after a 34-year career at G-E.

Mr. Green first starting working for the Company in 1912 as an oil separator in the Meter division. He later became a drill press operator, working for W. N. Wehrs. In 1927 he became a machinist in Bldg. 26-4 and then in Bldg. 18-4. He then transferred to Bldg. 4-3 as a lathe operator and at the time of his retirement was a stub lathe operator.

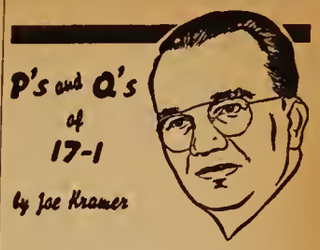


Bill Crouse should go in the garage business. He was seen pushing cars during lunch hour. . . . Genevieve Conley and her husband are on a hunting trip in Canada. . . . Joe Troendley took Ralph Braden a ride in his new Packard. Now Ralph has back trouble. Maybe Joe is selling Packards now. . . . Otto Braun can't make up his mind whether to buy his wife a Packard or a Plymouth. You had better get busy and talk him into a Packard, Joe. . . . We are all pleased to hear that Al Topp has enrolled at a driving school. . . . Ray Horstman went to a Hallowe'en party. He didn't dress for the occasion and won first prize. . . . Did you know that Benny Keller was the hero of the Kingsland train wreck? . . . We wish the Dwight Jacksons a lot of good luck in their new home. . . . Kenny Disler gave the fender of his car a nice permanent wave. . . . Berneice Kratzsch just came back from her vacation. . . . Ruth Gaff is off on leave of absence. . . . Congratulations to the Claude Hughes on their 7 lb. 3 oz. baby boy.



"Do good with what thou hast or it will do thee no good."—William Penn.

Did you ever come to work feeling like a million dollars, full of pep and almost young again, when suddenly someone comes along and says, "When are you going to take your third week?" I guess it just seems that they've seen you about the place for 20 years. . . . John Johnson is enjoying his third week of vacation this week. . . . John Williams was trying to locate some Vaseline the other day. He was offered a jar, but that wasn't enough. John turned up with a five pound can before the day was over. . . . The Fraternal Order of Police beat Farmer Harris to the "Beast of Busco." At a Halloween party a couple appeared dressed as Harris and the famous turtle. Needless to say they won the prize. . . . Joe Haas wants to know if a man can trust his wife. Bob Rehrer says not. He had a nice looking cheese sandwich the other day which didn't taste just right. When he opened the sandwich all he could find was pepper. . . . Ed Bienz is a goodhearted fellow. In fact too good. While bowling one night the first game was good, the second even better, and then came the third. With a 164 in the sixth frame Eddie decided he didn't want to beat the fellows so he blew the last four frames. . . . Mel Kiessling has come along with something new in a scale. It is very attractive and the coloring is perfect, but it only measures two inches. Not so practical is it, Mel? . . . Herb Lemmel is going deer hunting next week up in the northern peninsula of Michigan. Good luck to you, Herb. . . . Helene Evanoff is back with the day shift again.



Happy belated birthday greetings go to Frank Martin who celebrated his ??? birthday last Tuesday. Frank was ably assisted in celebrating by his friend and coworker George Mosshammer. . . . Andy Degler brought apples in and distributed to everyone in 19x72 group. Andy states the main reason for eating apples is the old adage "An apple a day keeps the doctor away." . . . It looked like Henry Papenbrock was back in Bldg. 17-1 the other day, but it was just Clarence Doctor running a hot job with a small amount of cutting oil. . . . Mike (Cowboy) Kramer wouldn't admit that the reason for his sore back could have been caused by a slip, at least that is what he said it was, from his pony's back. Mike was giving his young daughter, Leeanne, some lessons in how to ride a horse. . . . Cliff (Steeplejack) Coombes ably assisted by Curly Sprague placed a cardboard over a broken window in the upper regions of Bldg. 17-1. Curly does the ground work while Cliff takes care of the work in the altitudes. . . . George Mosshammer has gone out of the real estate business and is contemplating on going to the South Seas to become a beachcomber. He is going to take his own apple trees with him so he can have plenty of shade in which to relax. . . . Ed Arthur was the winner of a wrist watch. Ed can now keep track of the time very easily. . . . Ed Brosche must have taken Paul Geiger too far south last Thursday. Ed was giving one of his lectures on the beauties to be seen in the south last Thursday afternoon, and Paul Geiger was among the interested audience. Paul was so tired Friday morning that he couldn't make it to work. . . . It was an interesting stag party which was held at the Dent's lake cottage last week-end. Everyone had an enjoyahle time and returned home well rested. Bill Walt kept the conversation at the dinner table running in smooth order by returning occasionally to the pictures seen the night before. Wally McKay provided entertainment for the group by showing movies taken on a hunting and fishing expedition. The party consisted of playing cards and fishing. Bill Franke and Bill Walt had a time keeping Harold Mettler awake to see the sun come up Saturday morning. Charlie auer stayed up with the rest of the gang but he gave as his reason that he wanted to get an early start fishing. Sunshine Boy had his usual good luck by catching an ample supply of fish.

Estabrook Is Elected To Board Of Directors By Chamber Of Commerce

John E. Estabrook, Assistant to the Works Manager, has been elected a director of the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce to serve in the Manufacturing and Industrial Division.

Balloting for nine new directors was conducted by mail last week. Directors are elected for three-year terms and the board consists of 30 members.



SHIPPING—That gal with the flying fingers has done it again—little Eva Westrick displayed one of the most beautiful crocheted tablecloths these tired old eyes have seen in a long long time. . . . Herman (hoy do I feel good) Ebel is back after a nice vacation and also a very interesting trip to our Pittsfield plant. . . . TELEGRAPH—The telegraph switching center gals loaded with refreshments surprised their new bride Eleanor (Phillips) Blake with a party at her trailer home. Imagine the surprise when Eleanor's hubby came home and asked her why she didn't give the girls some of the banana cream pie he baked. Of course he explained the meringue wasn't fluffy because he added the sugar before beating the egg whites and the crust was a wee bit tough due to the fact that he had put too much water in and therefore had to add more flour, but despite all these minor faults all who ate it had to admit it was good. Gals, you'd better watch your step for from this small beginning men could eventually take over this job of housekeeping. . . . MAILING—We take this opportunity to wish the best of luck to Ed Trabel who recently was made a member of the G-E Majors Basketball Team. We are right proud of you Ed my boy. . . . Sport accidents seem to be plaguеing the Mailing section. Frank Hopper, Bruce Hapner, and Howard Ream were all among the injured in one way or another while playing football. Bruce, however, claims he was an innocent bystander. . . . We are very happy to hear that Frank Goetz's wife has been taken home from the hospital and is recovering rapidly from her recent operation. . . . Dick Howell is leaving Friday for a two weeks cruise to Puerto Rico for the Navy. A quart of rum would be a nice gift for the boys, Dick. . . . SHIPPING BLDG. 6-1—A sincere get well wish for Roscoe Grover and Roy Utter. Hope to see both you boys back with the gang real soon. . . . Does married life change a man's character? Well seems no one will make a positive statement on this matter, however, seems it's impossible to borrow anything from Howard Sauers anymore. . . . If you're having trouble with your Chevrolet, especially the spark plugs contact Bob Younghaus. Bob can tell you just how many spark plugs there should be, cause his father-in-law didn't know. . . . REGIONAL WHSE.—Alice Horman was a guest of Nancy Siebold last week end at Michigan State College. Nancy is one of our former employees now attending Michigan State. . . . Betty Zeig has one of the best collections of over-parking tickets on record. She has been averaging about three a week, which isn't at all bad, however, we hear Ann Swisher is running a close second. . . . Wish we knew what Irene Shroyer finds so interesting in Warsaw. . . . "My Friend Irma" has nothing on Gene Manecke. Gene pulled out the plug on the drinking fountain and then wondered why the water kept coming. . . . It may be just coincidence, but Fred Gerhard cleaned off the top of his desk recently and the next day the eight-ball turned up missing. How about that, Fred? . . . Emmet Mills' hidden talent has finally come to light. He says he does lots of cooking at home. Come to think of it he does look a little thinner lately.

Altekruse Chalks Up 30 Years



Fred B. Altekruse, Bldg. 20-1, completed 30 years' service with the Company recently. Shown, above, are: (l. to r.) W. O. Luebke, Everett Keenon, Bill Schible, Mr. Altekruse, William Welch, Arthur Beck, and Bill Doehrman.



I've seen everything now. Ray Leitz on the end of a scoop shovel is it. It's true; I saw it myself. But there is one drawback to it, it happened when the lights were out last week. Yep, that's for Ripley. . . . Jack Richards, insulator, has gone back to his old haunts on the grinding machine in Plant I. Red McGill has replaced him. . . . Ira Huber and John Knott motored to Indianapolis last Sunday where they visited with relatives. Of course, they went in the birch gray outfit. . . . Cliff Pond has bought a brand new blue metallic Ford. Cliff sure is stepping high, wide, and handsome since then. . . . Iola Hamrick, that tall slender gal from them thar hills, has been off for several weeks due to virus pneumonia. Say, lady, you had better get well and get back to work again as it's cold outside sister. . . . Did you know that Dora Mae Fairchild is taking up beauty culture on the side? Yup, she goes to Fort Wayne for the lessons too. I believe I will have her give me an end curl one of these days. . . . Al Windmiller always gets the breaks. He must belong to some of the higher aristocracy as the other day he was bragging about some gentleman coming out and giving him his check personally. Al claims the man had a white shirt and a coat on. . . . Watch out when you are up town and you see a green Hudson pull over to the curb, because if you don't Felix will be after you. . . . It's gone with the wind that Scottish dress Nancy (Ruth) Tinkham wore that took your eye. Yes she says it was a little tight. Sorry, Ruth, it was such a nice dress too. . . . They do say Homer Liby, of the protection squad, has gone and got himself one of them there Nash automobiles. Just what would he want one of them things for? I don't understand. . . . Richard Myers spent the week-end at Oliver Lake. . . . Alma Fruchte spent the week-end at Lafayette with her daughter-in-law and son Don, who was a former employee of the G-E and now attending Purdue. . . . Bonnie Foor has her difficulties with the parking meters. Roger, her son, deposited a nickel but it didn't register so Bonnie proceeds to use her skill with a hat pin, and it worked. All Bonnie wanted was her nickel's worth. . . . Emma Butler says "We have baby rabbits, baby cats, and baby dogs at our house," thinking she had something on her co-workers. . . . GeCode again this year has accepted an invitation to join Elex girls of the Fort Wayne Works to see Sonja Henie at Indianapolis. Reservations of $3 should be in at once. The date of the performance is Dec. 3. Cost of this trip will be $8.25 for club members. . . . Kate Burkhart is back with us after three weeks of illness. . . . Clarence Morgan was all smiles the other day being the recipient of a suggestion award. Nice going, Clarence. . . . According to the Daily Democrat we see where Rufus Roop and family with Forest Roop accompanying had been sight seeing the Ohio Caverns. How were the stalagmites, boys? . . . Could it be the new streamlined models that encourages Eddie Adler to trade the '31 model on a new Frazer. Eddie, keep you foot light on the accelerator—them new models sure can get away from you. . . . Russell E. Weldy, nearly a 25 year employee, died last Wednesday morning. He has been ill for a year. Everyone remembers him as a good employee, and we all are sorry to lose him from our midst. Deepest sympathy to his wife and family. . . . Our sympathy to Eddie Hesher on the death of his mother-in-law. . . . As long as the sun shines and breezes blow and flowers bloom and fade there will be weddings. Cecelia, have you that "something old, something new, something borrowed, and something blue" ready for your eventful occasion? We have been hearing rumors of it. Morris Gobel is sure a lucky bridegroom to be. . . . Germaine Straub had a baby boy for her husband. We all remember Germaine, our little tester. Congratulations, Mom and Pop. . . . Who has more zipper trouble than Alice McBride. . . . We hear Jim Staley is grandpa again. Hi, Gramp! . . . Dort Schnepf was rather embarrassed the other day. Ask Dort for the details. . . . Harry Staley is driving a different car we see. . . . The GeCode Club now has Christmas cards, wrappings, birthday cards, get well cards, all occasion cards, and everyday wrappings. See any GeCode Club member. . . . Christmas card displays can be seen at the Credit Cage in Plant 2 and in the Club Room in Plant 1. The people in Plant 1 can purchase cards, wrappings, and pens from Paul Briede.

Diplomacy has been defined as the art of letting the other fellow have your own way.



Paging Mr. Burbank. Ann Lapadot swears that the apples that Hugh Reynolds brings in are a cross between a peach and an apple because they have fuzz on them. Oh, Ann, if Mr. Burbank were living he wouldn't like you for stealing his stuff like that. . . . Do we have strong mice in our office! They are so strong that Ann Lapadot and Dorothy Askren have their trap anchored to a desk to keep the little rodents from dragging it away, and what did they use for an anchor—a rope. . . . Norma Krall did agree to pass her new nylon blouse around for inspection but she absolutely refused to model it, oh shucks. . . . This week we have Dorothy Medsker as the new addition to the office force. Welcome, Dorothy. . . . A little three-year-old girl climbs aboard a large transport plane, seats herself prettily and gazes nonchalantly out the window. Is she afraid? I should say not; isn't her daddy the pilot? And dad in this case is the son of Vern Castle and, of course, the little airminded girl is Vern's granddaughter whom he calls "The Butcher". I don't know why unless it is because she just slays you with those grown-up ways of hers. . . . The Birthday Club was entertained by Lucile Werling with a dinner at the Colonial Inn, for Florence Knight. Those present were Norma Krall, Eileen Hennen, Dorothy Askren, Audrey Hickernell, Laurel Weaver, Kate Scherrer, Belle Buchan, Joan Bailey, Ann Lapadot, Lucile Werling, Florence Knight and Jean Pappert.

Four Join Q-C Club



Charles H. Mathias
Bldg. 26-1



Perry C. Walters
Bldg. 4-1



Andrew F. Woodward
Taylor St.



Ernest E. Allmandinger
Bldg. 19-2

A New Penalty for Leadership

UE came in to resume negotiations three weeks ago.

We were told that things were "not standing still." With this we certainly agreed.

We were told that we should "step out and show some leadership.' Leadership is what we thought we *had* been showing.

We believed we *were* out well ahead of others—*had* taken a commanding lead in providing our employees with good jobs—and with an advanced security program in addition.

After two bargaining sessions, a week apart, the UE negotiators confessed that they had nothing new to advance along any line and urged the Company to make some offer that they could "kick around."

We then made our offer. We promptly reported it to you. And the union press and representatives have since been kicking it around as promised, although study of the offer by the union is continuing in our negotiation meetings. Meanwhile, here are some of its main points:

(a) New Group Life Insurance for all employees equal to about one and a half times straight time annual earnings . . . with the insurance averaging about $4,500.

(b) New $2,000 Accidental Death Benefit in addition to life insurance.

(c) New non-occupational Disability Benefits of about one-half average straight time earnings (up to $30 per week) for each of 26 weeks. If hospitalized, benefits start immediately.

(d) New paid-up Life Insurance program for all employees hereafter pensioned with 5 years or more of insurance coverage.

(e) Pensions for life for all employees with one year or more of service retiring at 65 for men, 60 for women. This is in addition to present Social Security, and the new higher Social Security expected soon.

(f) Pension payments guaranteed for at least 5 years to pensioner — or beneficiary — if he dies within that time.

(g) Pension payments by employees returned with interest on leaving Company.

(h) In anticipation of increased Social Security benefits, and until they are increased, payment of an additional $15 a month up to the point where the Company pension alone plus this $15 totals $100 a month, for those retiring in the future with 10 years of continuous service.

(i) Lowered MBA and Health Insurance costs or inceased benefits made possible.

(j) Modified vacation plan resulting in increased payments to employees leaving or laid off.

(k) Employees Stock Saving and Bonus Plan.

(l) Company pays all costs of new benefits, and would now pay some more of the cost of old benefits—this resulting in better benefit program and in less cost to employees than before.

(The complete text of the offer will be sent to anyone requesting it.)



We are convinced that our offer contains the best over-all employee security program that has yet been—or will in the near future be—made available to employees anywhere for like work under like conditions.

Let's all take a look around and see if we don't find this to be so.

For this offer contains new and important benefits. And it contains some old and important benefits for General Electric employees—voluntarily developed by the Company—which the UE is only now beginning to seek, or get, elsewhere.

In some 300 settlements UE has claimed to have made with employers since we have been negotiating this time, we have seen no mention of more than a handful of contracts which have any pension provisions at all. We have had plenty of indications from time to time that our liberal pension program has been used as a basis for demanding pensions of others.

The question is not whether the General Electric pension plan is perfect yet. We are improving it again, now, and will hope to go on improving it. However, it is not intended —nor is any private pension plan intended— to be the *complete* answer to the individual's security problem.

The question is—should UE forget all about its contract settlements elsewhere with *no* pension provisions, or only *limited* pension provisions, while complaining about some small or fancied shortcoming in the General Electric pension plan?

Let's keep in mind that there is already $200 million accumulated in our Pension Trust; that an additional $85 million of Company earnings must be put away for past service; and that, despite the provisions already made, the Company's cost of benefits from here on probably will be as great as or greater than what most others just now starting will be putting into their plans at the beginning.

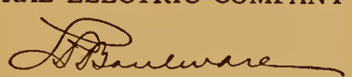
What we are really being told is that all these improvements—made ahead of others —don't count now.

If we take the lead in pioneering something in our employees' interest—and something the union is then still trying, mostly without success, to get done elsewhere—we think we should be given credit.

We don't think we should be cited for *lack* of leadership the minute other employers even start toward getting up in line with us.

The complaint seems to be that we have been doing too much previously! We had thought this was a good fault. But, by seeking to penalize us for thus stepping out and doing so much in the past, UE seems to want to discourage us from stepping out to take the lead in such things in the future.

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY



VICE PRESIDENT—EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Bob Bunyan

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller who became the proud parents of a bouncing boy last Thursday. You may remember that Mrs. Miller was a victim of polio just two years ago. By the way, Bob is looking better already. . . . Danville must be going along smoothly again. I noticed that Roe Ormiston is back to work. . . . Mrs. Harrold Franz brought in the bacon the other evening when she answered the telephone by saying, "Macaroni and cheese." This reply made her a dinner winner. . . . Eddie Dauscher and Don Huffman finally convinced Carl Stout their tool wagon would operate easier with round wheels than it would with the square ones now in use. They may even put rubber tires on it. . . . Satan McKee has threatened to shoot all of Ted Mullen's rabbits. Ted's farm is alive with game this year, it's reported. But, of course, everything has a catch to it. It's permission in this case. . . . It's almost impossible to get new gloves anymore since Mary turned her interest over to Paul. Anyway, it helps the band-aid business. . . . Santa Claus must have gotten around to Ad Ragan's house early this year. Have you noticed that shirt? . . . Why is it Fred Banks insists he wants to buy a farm? Maybe you've got something there, Fred. . . . Gerald Crum had great hopes of using bis new car one day a week. This week he planned a trip to South Bend, but found disappointment in store for him and John Laymon. . . . We understand Sam Macy received an IOU to balance his suggestion budget. . . . I think that pin-up girl Paul Noffze has is a bit young. Maybe Paul is just going to wait till she grows up. . . . You fellows should keep an eye on Joe Ort. He seems to be having collision trouble. Perhaps Freeman Rolfhing can suggest a good eye specialist. It seems he had the same trouble. . . . Place your orders now for deer meat. Bill Conrad is taking off for that north woods next week. He might fish a little too. . . . John Laymon received a new Elgin watch for his birthday from his son in Texas. I supposc we will have another voice about the correct time now. . . . River fishing hasn't been very good lately, so Fred Thieme is going back to eating refrigerator ham. . . . Fred Wellinsick has finished his new garage. What are you going to put in it now—those 19 hens? . . . It seems to me that six a.m. is just a little bit early for Mary Kieler to have an appointment. You know she didn't get in until ten. I didn't see anyone else come in at that hour. . . . Don Edgar gave me the straight story on the fishing trip with Red Marshall and Nick Penick. Nick wanted to use his new five-horse power Neptune motor while Don wanted to use his old Johnson. Neither one would go without being able to use his own motor, so Don stayed home. Nick and Red left the cottage at 6 o'clock and went about seven miles down the lake. After fishing until noon, without even a bite, they tried to start their motor, and lo and behold, the thing wouldn't start. Nick said they started rowing back against the wind and hit the landing about 6 o'clock that evening. Nick said Red and he were just about frozen. Edgar said that next time they will take an old Johnson and somebody with a mechanical ability as well as fishing ability. . . . Jim Stauffer turned his suggestion which concerned the new lights for his desk drawers over to the planning section to be acted on.

Tool and Sample Shop News

We wish to welcome Water-cooled-clutch-gas Charlie back in the tool room again after a few months working in another division. . . . We were sorry to hear that Kenny Cassleman is home ill, and we wish to see him back to work soon. . . . It seems like the price of meat must have gone up or something, as Harry Rollins had a nice big wiggly alligator sandwich in his lunch bucket. You should have seen his face to appreciate the joke. . . . Jean Fry got quite a surprise when she started back to work at noon the other day and gave out with quite a hearty laugh. In case anybody would like to hear about it, Jean will be more than glad to explain. . . . During the fire drill the other day we had to rescue the safety woman. . . . It seems like someone was kind enough to offer Louie Miller a pair of false teeth but come to find out they were made for someone else, so Louie will just have to buy his own when he needs them. . . . Anybody wishing to order any Christmas cards or wrappings, be sure to see the Elex contact girl.

Serves Company 30 Years



Irene Meyers, Supervisor of Women's Activities and Elex Club Adviser, is shown at her desk reading a congratulatory letter from C. H. Matson, Works Manager. Irene completed her 30th year with General Electric Monday, Oct. 31.



Congratulations to the Mulvanes! They celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary last week. That was a beautiful orchid, Mae, and orchids to both of you and Lawrence on your silver anniversary. . . . Andrea Kral, nurse at the DeKalb plant, has been spending this week in Dispensary, Bldg. 21. . . . Olive Walters spent last week-end visiting friends in Cincinnati. . . . A letter was received several days ago from Veda Orff who is recuperating in Bronson, Mich. We are glad that she is gaining strength and also much-needed weight. . . . Now that the Elex members have toured the Coca-Cola plant, it is easier to understand how this popular drink is prepared for distribution. It was a pleasure to see such an immaculate establishment. . . . **Helpful Hint.** Do you enjoy the golden beauty of marigolds but turn up your "dainty" nose to their so-called perfume? By simply adding a spoonful of sugar to a vase full of water there will be no unpleasant odor. This is true, because Mabel Wilson says so! . . . October will long be remembered as one of the most beautiful and colorful of any Autumn season. James Whitcomb Riley was able to describe the rare beauty of Indiana autumns in his poems. This famous Hoosier was born Oct. 7, 1849, and many celebrations were held honoring his memory. At his birthplace in Greenfield a huge tower, 77 feet high, was erected on the courthouse lawn and covered with flowers sent by school children all over the state. All around the courthouse lawn were characters such as "Little Orphan Annie", and others depicted in large frames. There was also a replica of a log cabin reminding one of "Out to Old Aunt Mary's". Riley was a lover of children and his birthday was a fitting time to lay the cornerstone of a new research wing at the Riley Hospital for Crippled Children in Indianapolis.

But the air'a so appetizin';
and the landscape through the haze
Of a crisp and sunny morning
of the airly autumn days
Is a pictur' that no painter
has the colorin' to mock—
When the frost is on the pumpkin
and the fodder's in the shock.

—James Whitcomb Rlley.



Another perfect week-end. Only saddened by the arrival of the first frost during the week which ended the gardening for the year. The mums are beautiful in their brilliant colors, the pumpkins are yellow and did you ever see so many red apples in all of your life? Guess we needed all of those things to meet the "Trick or Treaters" with a smile. We like the cute little ones but when they get to be almost six feet tall we feel they are overdoing it. . . . Safety was brought home very forcefully to us on Sunday. We were driving near the airport not too long after the airplane crash. We were satisfied to just follow the leader and detour around the scene. (My curiosity just does not enjoy gruesome sights). These young men were fortunate in being able to walk away from the scene—that doesn't happen often. It is surprising what affect just the word accident has on most people, at least it seemed that everyone was driving a bit slower and more carefully. . . . Vacation—Mr. and Mrs. Wylie are enjoying a vacation trip this week. Our birthday greetings to Mr. Wylie whose birthday falls on Oct. 31. . . . Last week Hazel O'Brien was back in Bldg. 18-B handing out candy, etc., with a smile. . . . The Arnold Hensick's attended the Illinois game Saturday. . . . F. L. Richards is back in Bldg. 16-3 after spending the past several weeks at West Lynn. . . . Things have been happening to Elizabeth Carnell, Bldg. 18-1, she drove her new (?) car to Cincinnati last week-end—after moving into a seven room house on Smith Street. . . . Emily Guth was absent due to illness several days last week. . . . Nila Hansen, Bldg. 18-1, was in Bloomington for the game Saturday. Of course, her husband was with her. . . . Irene Draper of Bldg. 18-3, we thought must be well started on her Christmas shopping. It was noted that she was buying red balls and other rubber toys, but imagine our surprise when she announced that she was buying them for her new Persian kitten. . . . Joseph Grosjean was in last week visiting friends at G-E. He told us that Mrs. Grosjean was enjoying a trip to Hot Springs, Ark. . . . Week-end Party—The Annual Cottage Closing of the Herb Kammeyer cottage at Crooked Lake was in full swing last week-end. Much to the disappointment of those present, no one fell into the lake in spite of all the many attempts. I have interviewed practically all of the following men who attended, E. W. Waldschmidt, R. C. Meyers, Bill Spahr, Al Berg, Ray Soughn, Phil Singleton and Dick Cullen, and they are all very mum on the activities of the week-end, (surely there were some interesting pictures taken) with the exception of saying "Did we have fun!" . . . Next Wednesday the G-E Foremen's Association will hold its annual ladies night meeting. Great plans are being made for the event and we are sure that it will be a gala event. . . . W. N. Wehrs was in last week to see G-E friends. . . . Halloween Party—The Payroll girls enjoyed a party at the home of Nila Hansen on Monday evening. I am not sure that they joined the "Trick or Treaters" but I think they did. Did you girls have any luck? . . . Last week the A. S. Johnsons and R. M. Hartigans enjoyed a vacation in Kentucky. The only things that almost marred the trip—the famous Kentucky team almost met their Waterloo! . . . Did you hear the radio Sunday evening urging everyone to go back into the Church? In case you did not it was a national hookup—and there were a number of speakers including President Truman and Bing Crosby—they all advanced very good reasons why everyone should return to the Church. There was food for thought in their statements. If you have not tried it lately, why not? That is my thought for the week.

Archbold Dies

Maurice H. Archbold, 46, of 1005 Illsley Dr., died at 1:45 p.m. Tuesday at the Lutheran Hospital. He had been ill three weeks.

Mr. Archbold worked as a winder in Bldg. 19-2 since 1925. He was a member of the Bethany Presbyterian Church, Summit City Lodge 170, and the Scottish Rite.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. today at the Klaehn Funeral Home. The Rev. William J. Ratz will officiate and burial will be in Lindenwood cemetery.

Horstmeyer Enters Retirement



Herman C. Horstmeyer, Bldg. 19-3, left the Company last week for retirement after 22 years' service with General Electric. Mr. Horstmeyer first came to G-E as a sheetmetal worker in Bldg. 20-1. He then worked at Winter St. and in Bldgs. 12-1, 4-1 and 17-2 before going to the Motor and Generator divislon as a sheetmetal worker. He is shown in the center of the above picture with his G-E friends, who wished him luck on his retirement.



With just fifty days till Christmas we can't keep the winter weather away much longer, but gee, wasn't it cold? . . . The S.P.C.T.L. will be out for Dick Seidel for sure. The S.P.C.T.L. is The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Lincolns. Dick was seen hauling baled straw in his new Lincoln and this is a definite breach of the club's rules. Not only that but it is a distinct defamation of character, and now his degraded Lincoln won't be able to hold its bead up. Besides who knows what next he will force his chariot to haul? Alas and alack, poor Lincoln. . . . We hear Cy Seymour missed half the fun at Doc's party because he didn't wear his falsies. Next time we'll let you know when we are going to have peanuts in the sbell. . . . We would like to extend our extra special welcome to Bob Spittler who has taken Doc Hanson's place. We hope you will enjoy your stay with us and that we will have many pleasant hours of association with you. . . . Norb Lose is originating a new group known as "Caffein Anonymous." It seems as though Norb has suddenly lost his taste for coffee and will not drink anymore of the aromatic brew. Could it be due to the rising cost of coffee or is there other reasons? . . . The Annual Hunter's Jubilee sponsored by the Southwest Conservation Club will be held on the club grounds located at 5703 Bluffton Road, Nov. 5-6. Several exhibitors will be present with the latest in sports equipment. On Saturday night an Elk barbecue will be held, free of charge. No admission will be charged to see the exhibits. Attendance prizes will be given every 15 minutes Sunday, so be there. Many members of this club are co-workers in Bldg. 17-4 and welcome you out to the grounds for a good time. . . . Don Gerardot's curiosity got the better of him. On the advice of one of his fellow workers he bent down over a small piece of metal to see it change colors. All of a sudden it popped up and hit Don. Nothing seemed to have changed color, except maybe his eye. . . . Buck Lydy is hard at work—selling firemen's tickets. Since when does a fellow need a ticket to go to a fire? . . . Frank Magers and Al Middaugh seem to enjoy patronizing the Sunoco filling station on Washington Blvd. else why would they go way up there on their way home? Or would it be Ned Neuman leaves his car there and forgets to mention it to the boys? . . . Ray Greek is on his third week of vacation. We are all wondering if Ray took a trip, or if he is spending his time loafing around the watchman's shanty. . . . The stag party held for Doc Hanson was quite an affair last Thursday night. Nearly two hundred of Doc's friends were on hand to say farewell. He was presented with some very nice gifts and he gave a short talk on his time here in Fort Wayne. Though everyone attempted to have a good time, yet there was an undertone of sadness. All of us who have been associated with Doc regret seeing him leave, although at the same time we realize his new appointment is a real opportunity for him. His ready smile which we have come to know so well will be greatly missed.

Completes 30 Years



Elmer E. Schoenlein, Bldg. 19-3, chalked up his 30th year of service with General Electric Wednesday, Oct. 16. On his anniversary, a number of his Motor-Generator friends gathered to congratulate him. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Charles McCormick, Fred Buchholz, Elmer Warner, and Mr. Schoenlein.

Idea To Change Die Gauges Earns $110



John Laymon, Sr., Bldg. 26-1, was awarded $110 for his suggestion to change die gauges. Several friends gathered to congratulate him on his award. In the picture are: (l. to r.) James Stauffer, Paul Noffze, George Horner, Mr. Laymon, Sam Macy, and Fred Banks.



The famed "Eight-Ball" went this past week to Tom Dent for the poor housekeeping in Bldg. 6-4. Tough luck, Tom. We have noticed that the previous holders of the Eight Ball are doing a "bang-up" job on their housekeeping and we doubt if Ed O'Neill or Fred Gerhard will ever be on the receiving end again. Keep up the good work, fellows . . . Chris Reiz is back from his third weeks' vacation which was spent in the vicinity of Baltimore. . . . We hope by the time you read this Byron Simmons is home from the hospital and well on the road to recovery after his recent operation. We all miss you, Simms, so please hurry back. Bldg. 8-1 isn't quite the same without you. . . . Our congratulations to Irene Meyers on her 30th anniversary with G-E. . . . Congratulations are also in order to Karl Soest who celebrated his 30th anniversary too with the Company Oct. 26. Doyal White and A. E. Leider were on hand with the grinding room gang to wish Karl the best for his future years at the G-E. The office gang says "Congratulations" too, Karl! . . . If anyone has any bus schedules lying around, please bring them to Florence Casey. It seems since she sold her auto, she just can't get to work on time. Maybe a good alarm clock would help, s'pose? . . . "Heiny" Guenther is back from his third weeks' vacation, too. These lucky people. . . . We leave you with this thought—"A man who lives only by himself is apt to be corrupted by the company he keeps."



Our most recent graduates are five draftsmen: Milton Goeglein on Oct. 21 and Harold Fremion, Carl Lommatzsch, Garland Roby and Joseph Rowan on Oct. 28. Lots of luck, fellows. . . . We are sorry that Fred Borton is ill and still in the hospital. Fred is feeling better and should be a different man after all those transfusions. In one day he had a pint of Gripe, a pint of Junk, mixed with a pint of Miller's High Life. Seriously, I think Fred's sudden illness and his grave need of blood—with none of his type in the Blood Bank should make all of us stop—think—realize how little it would be for each of us to give a pint of blood to the Red Cross and how much it will do toward saving a life, and the frantic worry we could save loved ones if they knew that the necessary life giving blood was there for their need. . . . It seems Werling needs a little instruction on smoking cigars. A few weeks ago he had his manly (?) chest exposed to the world when the cigar he had in his mouth got out of control and fell, burning a path through the brush on his chest—and on another occasion he put the lighted end of the stogie in his mouth. Some people just never learn. . . . It's beginning to look as if John Leffers will have to be a star athlete again next year so he can replace his missing letter sweater. . . . Schmidt and Frede learned what all must learn when on a wiener bake with Miller. If you don't keep the "schnitzel-wiennies" hid, Miller will eat all of them. . . . The fellows are beginning to wonder if Birkenbeul and Berkheiser ever take their sweaters off. . . . Avast there and clear the seas, all small craft lay up to the beach and all that sort of stuff, because Kirlin, Inc., is about to embark upon a few fast cruises around the lake. . . . Goeglein had a chance to play "Mom For a Day" when his wife was injured in a home accident. I guess the family thought mom does a pretty good job after M. L. wound up his domestic touch. . . . We were sorry to see Milt leave last week but we all wish you lots of luck in your new business. . . . Bob Zollinger just couldn't explain that large burned hole in the knee of his trousers. . . . Schmidt held a preview to his new house. It looks very nice inside—but oh, the shovel work to be done outside! . . . Paul Wuttke stopped in for a visit last week. He will be off for another five or six weeks but otherwise is feeling fine. . . . We were glad to see George Turner last Friday. He was home from college for a couple of days and took the occasion to drop in and say hello to his old buddies.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 16-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, Nov. 7, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Six ft. aluminum zig-zag rule.

FOUND—One key in Bldg. 26.

FOUND—One gold earring with rhinestone sets.

FOR SALE

HIGH CHAIR—$5. A-75442.

1946 ALMA TRAILER—24 ft., with electric stove, axminster rug, rubber foam studio couch, trailer in good condition. Will sacrifice for quick sale. A-66471.

FOUR ROOM HOUSE—Large garage, immediate possession, $3,500, In Waynedale. H-74514.

GIRL'S WINTER COAT—Size 14; Camel hair sport coat, size 38, like new, $9.75; two pairs trousers, brown, size 38, $2 each; suit, size 36, $15; leather jacket, 42-44, $7. H-90715.

"LITTLE WONDER" TRACTOR PLOW—2-12". A-75182.

1936 FORD—715 St. Marys Ave.

1939 STUDEBAKER COMMANDER—Good condition, radio and gasoline heater. H-50633 after 4:30.

KENMORE DELUXE ELECTRIC VACUUM CLEANER—Whizzer motor and bicycle; console type phonograph, all reasonable. 530 Spring St. or A-55464.

CONN CORNET—Silver plated, good condition. H-0500, afternoons and evenings.

PEKINESE—Year and half old, reasonable. A-56634.

BOY'S GREY-BLUE TWEED SUIT—Size 12. H-81245.

SNOW SUIT—One piece, dark brown, size 5-6, almost new. H-55901.

FOR RENT

NICE ROOM—For one or two men, side entrance, always warm, $6 week, 1839 Broadway. A-66314.

MODERN THREE-ROOM GARAGE HOME—Waynedale, Ind. H-48461.

WANTED

KEROSENE HOT WATER HEATER—With or without drum. E-1345.

PIANO—Small, upright, full size keyboard. H-0500 afternoons and evenings.

BOY SCOUT WEARING APPAREL—Used, Size 14-16. A-70494 after Sunday.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDERS—From Tri-Lakes on Highway 33. Works at Broadway from 8-5:15. Contact Robert Thomas extension 746 or Columbia City 3035M.

WANTED RIDERS—Or will trade rides from Blue Lake or Churubusco. Contact W. G. Skinner, Taylor St. from 8-4:30, on T.St. extension 460.

Thisa and Thata "SPECIALTY MOTOR"



By Helen Engle

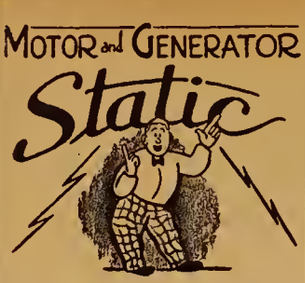
Clarence Nahrwold, why don't you have Pondo show you a few tricks about bowling? His fee is very nominal, only $5 a lesson. Alva thinks he will have about $15 worth! . . . We wonder if Wendell Heckley is about to reach down in his sock and spend about $20 for bowling lessons? Pondo told him he would take care of him any night and on any alley. This Pondo must be a whiz-bang of a teacher on bowling, that is! . . . Congratulations to Tom Dickenson who became a great-grandfather last week. You can tell he is proud by the way he walked down the aisle. . . . Esther Walborn sure was embarrassed when she fell down the other day. No bones broken though! . . . Don Greenler was a sight for sore eyes last Saturday—he got first prize for the most outstanding costume and we do mean outstanding! He borrowed some of his wife's clothes, wore a rubber face mask with the mouth moving constantly and topped it off with a mop for a wig! . . . We welcome Evelyn Foulks, Gerna Ashcraft, Lucinda Pettit, Dan Brice, and George Worley to Div. 1. Here's hoping you all stay a long time! . . . Birthday greetings to Clarence Reuschler, Esther Fagan, Alma Merwin, Bertha Click and William Wickliffe. . . . Louie "Cheezy" Barrow is back from his vacation. In case you want to know why we call him Cheezy the answer is very simple—he likes that type of cheese that is so strong that it almost walks by itself. In fact he likes it so well he even puts it on his light bulb so he can smell it all the time! . . . Clarice Woodruff and Marie Griffith are staging a contest to see who can lose the most weight by Christmas. For a inbetween snack Clarice ate a pound of corn twisties, and drank four cokes. From the sounds of that I'll put my money on Marie! . . . Louis Scherer from 1x65 on four had a piece of steel stick one of his fingers the other day. He wrapped his finger up and after about two hours he began to wonder if he really had hurt his finger. So he unwrapped the finger and discovered that he had wrapped up the wrong finger! . . . If anyone would like the recipe for a good applesauce cake ask Mildred Green who really makes a good one. . . . Helen White spent the week-end sleeping and just doing nothing. How we envy you, Helen! . . . Eleanor Whitehouse and Kathryn Hepker worked harder than ever last week-end. They seemed to have a lot of zip on Monday though! . . . Rege Eggeman had a nice birthday dinner for her son Dal Zuber last week. . . . Henrietta Deck, who claims she does so many exciting things, won't tell what they are. Gosh, come on, Henrietta, we might enjoy the same things. . . . Bernice Johnston, Marie Martz and Hope Hatfield are bemoaning the frost! They all have such beautiful flowers and now they are ruined. . . . We were sorry to miss a piece of that wonderful pineapple up-side-down cake made by Lorinda Beyerlein. However, she may make another, one of these days! Marie, remember your diet!

Guard Has 43 Year Record Of Being At Work On Time



Phil Weick, Taylor St. guard, has a record that is hard to beat. His clock card has tallied "on time" every day since he began working here 43 years ago. In fact, he is usually a half-hour early. One of the main factors for his excellent record is that Phil does not rely on any vehicular mode of transportation. He usually walks to work, even though at one time it was as far away as Bloomingdale. He worked first in the Meter division. Then when the Supercharger plant was erected at Taylor St., he became a guard. On his off-duty hours, he likes to hunt and fish.

Motor and Generator Static



Thought for the week: "If money is all you ever aspire to earn, you'll never really be rich."—Frank Fellinger.

ODDS AND ENDS: "You know how they tie a chain to big oil trucks so that the static can escape and ground onto the road, instead of building up and blowing up the truck? That's what be-bop is—static. People holler be-bop to keep the static from blowing off the tops of their heads." Robert Ruark. . . . WATCH YOUR STEP, LADIES: Damage to nylon stockings can occur when women walk close to an automobile exhaust. The discharge from the exhaust which contains moisture and acids may cause the threads of nylon hose to break and numerous runs result. . . . OUR GUESS: The mystery melody is, "Indian Rain Dance." . . . A POUND OF FLESH: University of Alabama's physical education laboratory says you would have to dance 20½ hours to lose a pound of weight. If you'd rather walk, you'd have to amble 66½ miles at a rate of four miles per hour to shed the pound.—Or, if neither of these methods appeal to you, strenuous work or exercise will get the pound off quicker. Just saw wood 10½ hours or play almost five hours of football and the job's done. And we'll guarantee, you'll be done too. . . . CONGRATULATIONS to Bud Fisher who again became a grandfather Oct. 31 when his daughter, Mrs. Jean Swigart, gave birth to a baby girl. Before her marriage Mrs. Swigart was employed in Bldg. 31-1. She resigned later to enter nurse's training at St. Joseph's Hospital in Mishawaka. . . . WE BET: Ed Foley has had a hankering to be a detective ever since that day when Jesse James held up a stage coach in which he (Ed) was a passenger. So when Alex Makreas offered to review a local break-in and accompanying gun play, our hero was delighted no end. Assuming the proper detective look as dictated by most dime novels, Ed followed as Alex pointed out the place of break-in, the culprit's hideout, where his shot entered the hideout and the window through which the robber escaped. Several customers noting the grim look of concentration on Ed's face, watched with awe, figuring Mr. Foley was a super-detective hired to solve the crime. "I got a kick out of that," remarked Mr. Foley. And we bet he did. . . . DISCOURAGING: Roscoe Markley, farmer, pork salesman, civic light of Roanoke and basketball coach, demonstrated that he could toss a wicked ball as well as coach a team. Recently Roscoe and some of his pals were in the gym when one of the men suggested that they hold a basket shooting contest for a pot to which each would contribute 10 cents. The contest started and Roscoe sank three out of five to win the prize. About that time Roscoe's son arrived and challenged his father to the test of skill on the same terms. The son sank four out of five and was ready to pick up the prize when Roscoe still hot made five straight baskets and collected. It's awfully discouraging to a young fellow trying to get ahead. SAFETY RAISER: When you practice safety you have the edge.

Inquiring Reporter:

DO YOU THINK THE UNITED NATIONS IS ACCOMPLISHING ITS PURPOSE?



DOROTHY SHIVELY

Taylor St.

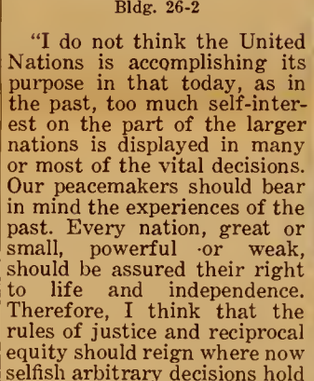
"I think the ideals and purposes of the UN are wonderful, but feel that they are not accomplishing their purpose because they lack an army or any sort of police power to enforce decisions."



LLOYD COVAULT

Bldg. 4-5

"I don't think that the United Nations has been entirely successful up to this time, but they have shown progress. If given time, I think they will accomplish their purpose."



HELEN DELOFF

Bldg. 26-2

"I do not think the United Nations is accomplishing its purpose in that today, as in the past, too much self-interest on the part of the larger nations is displayed in many or most of the vital decisions. Our peacemakers should bear in mind the experiences of the past. Every nation, great or small, powerful or weak, should be assured their right to life and independence. Therefore, I think that the rules of justice and reciprocal equity should reign where now selfish arbitrary decisions hold the spotlight of activities at the UN."





MAXINE SHARROW

Bldg. 18-3

"In my estimation the UN is trying hard to accomplish its purpose, but it will fail unless all nations are able to come to agreement on control of atomic weapons."

L. E. RINEHART

Bldg. 19-3

"No, if it was accomplishing its purpose, there wouldn't be any Russian war in China nor American war in Greece."





DIVISION EDITOR: Everyone wants to know how can we get him or her in the WORKS NEWS? Well, folks' that's very easy. We hand it out and we can take it, so just tell us what you have heard and providing it's fit for print, the printers will get it. But have you ever stopped to think what chances we editors are taking? For example; we had an article last week about Virgil Howell the referee at the wrestling match being thrown out of the ring. That when he came over the ropes we said it looked like "Oscar" the turtle. That is for size at least. Did you know that Virgil is an ex-boxer? And can you imagine what would happen to little us if Virgil would have taken offense to this? I yi. yi, we shiver all over just thinking about it. . . . MICE: We have heard many excuses for being late, but the one you gave us Virgil Dennis about having to set mouse traps is a new one. . . . BROWN EYES: Bill Rohe tells us he fairly melts when he looks into Vaughn Sheets' great big brown and innocent looking eyes. May we suggest, Bill, that you have Vaughn bow his head slightly forward. In this way you can also see the look on your face at the same time. That's providing his cocoanut has been shined for the day. . . . TODAY'S CHILDREN: Arriving home from work (We call it, you no doubt have another name for it) we found the good wife out. Boy, here was a chance to sit in an easy chair and read the paper in peace and quiet. When we were just comfortably situated we beard bang, bang, bang at the door. Getting up very reluctantly we slowly walked over to the door and opened it. Here we found two little girls about seven or eight years old. The one said, "Mister want to buy a potholder." We then started to give out the old stall. You know wife not in and we didn't know whether she needed one or not. Didn't even know what potholders were. (Course, we did all the time, potholders are handles on pots.) Thinking we just about put the old alibi over. The little girl said "Mister, they only cost a dime." Here we go again. We said haven't even got a dime reaching in our pocket we pulled out a nickel and a penny and said, "See here, little girl, this is all the money I have to my name." She then looked up very pitifully and said "Well good night then, Mister, I sure feel sorry for you with only six cents to your name, I'll pray for you when I go to bed tonight." These children will get along all right, don't you think? No doubt, they are retired by now. For we are selling potholders. Want to buy any? . . . FOUR FLATS: Ralph Olinger, you must have awful poor tires when all four go flat at one time? Hope you had a nice Halloween anyway, Ralph. . . . 25 AND 32: Congratulations to Frank Woodward, who completed 25 years service and to Guy Oberlin, who just completed 32 years. It's been a pleasure to work with you fellows. Hope to see you around many more years. . . . CHEW, NO TEETH: When Paul Buell of the Taylor Street Receiving Section is chewing you know that he is either having his choppers repaired again or either they're in hock. Paul just can't hold that old pipe between his lips with no teeth. . . . VISIT: Lloyd Cowell is still at the Irene Byron Sanitorium. Lloyd would appreciate a visit from you guys and gals. Stop in sometime when you are out that way. He'll appreciate it. . . . HORSE THIEF: City police have discovered evidence at Al Hambrock's home that he is harboring a horse within the city limits. Don't you know, Al, there is an ordinance against that.

Rounds Out 30 Years Of Service



Karl J. Soest, Bldg. 8-1, completed 30 years' service with the Company Thursday, Oct. 27. Several of his friends gathered to congratulate him on his long service with General Electric. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Alvin McCullough, Charles Florent, Fred Divelbiss, William Schenher, Lloyd Platt, Mr. Soest, Melvin Rose, Doyal White, James Laisure, Robert VanHorn, and Marion Sienkiewicz.



All the girls of Elex who took the tour of the Coca-Cola plant had a super time. I don't know how Mr. Anderson expected us to watch our diet with all the delicious food he had for us. . . . Hap Hazard has been hanging around over weekends. Ted Gall had the misfortune of falling and receiving a back injury. Floetta Zartman received a multiple fracture of the index finger when she caught it in a power mower. Tch, tch, Floetta, and a safety committeewoman at that. Rosella Farrell's husband was injured in a truck accident. Glad to hear that he is improving. . . . On our sick list is Elsie Klemm and Elizabeth Wert. . . . Emma Bennett Snyder has returned to work. We're glad to see you back. . . . Kids will be kids. Virgie Mayer, Mary Shumm, Ann Robinson and Mildred Huntinc were out going the round for "tricks or treat." But we can't understand why Delores Wonderly would be afraid of false faces. . . . Santa is going to have to bring Charlie Rice an alarm clock. He took a nap and missed the wiener bake. . . . Ann Kensill is getting her order in early for Christmas. She wants roller skates. She can't get from one place to another fast enough. . . . Cecil Leslie wore a rose-colored dress to work and informed a listening ear that she had a green one at home the same color. . . . Joe Motter seems to be watching the conveyor for umbrellas. It should be stators. . . . Mary Zirkle is the new Elex contact girl replacing Alice Loftus who has left our floor. . . . Bill Martin must be afraid of pinochle games. When Joe Jensen went over to Bill's house, Bill brought out a marble game. I thought playing marbles was a sure sign of spring. . . . Mabel King is happy over a new grandson. . . . Congratulations to Evelyn Kreuger and her husband on their 24th wedding anniversary. . . . Marcille Thomas and Joan Kemery think an apple a day keeps the doctor away, so they eat three. . . . We are waiting for Lucy Alexander's new home to be finished, so that we can have a housewarming. . . . Karl Brown, a former co-worker, was up to visit us last week. . . . It's "how dee doo dee" to all the newcomers on the early bird shift. . . . Not everyone is fortunate enough to have a little white dog meet them at the gate. But "Josie" was there to see Luella Mason home. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Gertrude Martin in the death of her husband. Also Rose Fuhrman in the death of her sister-in-law.

Some people call it hard times because they can't borrow the price of a new auto.

Corn S'talks

TAYLOR ST. SHIPPING

By Gloria Geesaman

Greetings everybody. My how the time does fly. Here it is November already. From now on we can expect to get up early every morning and freeze. Pleasant thought huh? . . . With Halloween just over you would think that all the goblins and ghosts would leave. But we have an all-year round gremlin. The oddest things happen. Papers stapled together, things upset, and the most unusual stuff put in purses. Doc Potter, you gremlin you. . . . This last week-end was one for the homecoming games in football. Edith Robertson and family spent the week-end in Bloomington for Indiana's homecoming game. Edith said that she only goes along for the ride so guess that Indiana losing makes no difference to her. But since I'm a Hoosier just have to say that It's too bad. . . . Gloria Beverforden went to Culver Military Academy for their homecoming and dance. Most probably she was the belle of the ball. . . . Al Kruse spent his third week of vacation just playing around having a wonderful time. Now he can look forward to next year's vacation. Only 51 weeks away. . . . Oh by the way. I forgot to tell you the results of our mystery last week (about Romeo's secret admirer). It's like this. I know who it is but since Romeo Fred Wheeler doesn't know, I can't tell. So the case is solved as far as we are concerned and we'll put it in the files for future use. . . . Week-ends are nice, but these Monday mornings for the most of us are terrible. But take Jo Franklin, being different from the rest of us, doesn't go to bed nights during the week. Don't know how she does it. . . . Nancy Woodhull spent some time in Cincinnati at a church convention. Said she had a real nice time, but just didn't get to do everything she would have liked to do. . . . Jerry Schlund is a racing fan. Saw him at the Speedway Sunday. Jack Angel was there also, and me too. There was not enough excitement hardly any wrecks at all. . . . Alice Uffleman had a Halloween party over the week-end. The apes won first prize. I mean the ones that were dressed like apes. . . . In my first column I told about Morris Petgen wearing alluring Old Spice. Since then, he doesn't say anything and we don't get to smell his wonderful shaving lotion. Come on, Petgen. We like it or we wouldn't say anything about it. . . . Wish people would do something so we would have some news.



"The endeavor to understand is the first and only basis of virtue."

"Slim" Miller is certainly in need of a helicopter. His alley is being paved and they have excavated so deep that Slim's garage is about two feet above the alley, and his car is marooned in the garage. . . . Louie Botteron really makes a "haul" around this time of the year. It seems Louie and his son go "trick or treating" every Halloween. His boy goes to the different homes and gets his "loot" and dashes madly back to his father who is standing with a shopping bag on the corner. . . . Dale Irwin was standing hands folded and so solemn, back in the packing section the gang thought he was praying for a good days shipment of motors. . . . Where did Les Richter get his bright yellow cap? . . . Lottie McFarland received a brand new package of rulers. Wonder why? . . . Johnny Wilson fell asleep in the barber chair and lost his curls. That doesn't seem to bother him so much as you can really detect the gray hair. . . . "Chief Rain in the Face" Bill Kurtis wouldn't have been drenched at the drinking fountain if he would have had his mouth open as usual. . . . Why was Fritz Vogt so willing to talk about bowling a week ago Friday morning? He came to work so cheerful and greeted everyone with, "Good morning and how was your score last night?" That is one way of letting everyone know about your own score. . . . Happy birthdays for November go to Helen Keim, Dessie Jackson, Betty Noe, James Robinson, Paul Beauchamp and Pearl Chenoweth. . . . Milo Heller needs leather patches for the knees of his trousers. He is wearing them out looking for gold he lost on the floor. Gosh, Milo, there is another gold rush in Alaska, wouldn't that be much easier? . . . Bill LaVine insists upon smoking his cigars so short that he is still burning the end of his nose. . . . The fellows back in the east end are wondering just when Bob Kissinger will "get that light bulb tightened up." . . . We hear Walt Niemeyer has eaten his last two meals at noon in peace. Could it be he and Bob have signed a truce? . . . All Bob Hartman needs is a good night of "shut eye."

Open Bowling at G-E Club Saturdays, 3 to 11 p.m.



Teams two and four of the Apparatus League are tied for first place in the league standings with 13 wins and 8 losses. Frank Karthol of Team No. 6 pulled a one-out-of-a-hundred series with a 127, 127, and 127 triplicate.

Ed Beinz led the 600 series list with a 618 on games of 203, 224 and 191. Ralph Williams got 198, 223, and 196 for a 617.

Two hundred games were kegled by R. Smith, 203; R. Resler, 208; P. Billue, 202; H. Garrett, 210; H. Sexton, 202; A. Anderson, 200; W. Stute, 202; R. Lawrence, 217, and V. Rump, 207.

Friday Night Girls' League

Bess Potts continued her assault on the pins, firing games of 202, 162 and 173 for another 500 series this season. Bess still leads the women with a 580 and 220 counts. Ethel Koontz came through with the league's other 500 count, a 504 on games of 201, 154 and 149.

Other high games for the evening were Marge Huber, 191; Lois Drewett, 182; Tommy Williams, 174; Betty Puff, 173; and the two Virginias, Bowman and Mollett, 173.

Apprentice League

The Compass team continues to lead the league, being out in front by three games. Joe Rowan had the only 200 score of the evening, a robust 200 even.

We understand Bob Birkenbeul was in the groove and that he went home with his blood pressure soaring. Reason No. 1, a 98 count; Reason No. 2, a 357 total. Too bad, Bob.

Masonic League

The league has developed into another tight race with Composite and Fellowcraft tied for first and just one game back come the Patrols and Dorics.

Two hundred scores were kegled by Dale, 223; Somerville, 221; B. Somers, 214; Howard Hickman, 205; Denton Manecke, 204; H. Smith, 203; Ruhl, 203; Frank Quinn, 202; Don Shultz, 201, and Chevelier, 200.

Interdivision League

Wonder what happened to those Schuler boys last Wednesday night? Those same boys who have been hollering, "Beat the Screwballs." After the evening's bowling they were as quiet as mice. It couldn't have been that Brouwers' Screwballs clipped them for two games, could it?

Erv France came up with the leagues only 600. "Ole Slow Ball" had games of 214, 205 and 194 for a 613 total.

Two hundred scores were rolled by Walt Seidel, 208; Noah Kuntz, 212; Adam Farrell, 208; Oscar Schelper, 212; Carl Stout, 211; Bill Nickerson, 211; Vic Rump, 225 and 200; Frank Matthews, 220; Frank Gitter, 210; Paul Walker, 200; Leo Allmandinger, 203; Arnie Horstmeyer, 207 and 202; Kenny Bainbridge, 219; M. Tobias, 232; Clarence Rump, 209, and Rudy Zelt, 200.

The Messenger Boys won their first game of the season this week. They clipped the Hot Rod Series and Specialty team to chalk up their first mark in the won column.

Monday Night Ladies' League

Vivian Fleckenstein rolled the high series of the evening with a 526 on games of 183, 179 and 164.

Other high games were kegled by Bertha McCague, 172; Marie Gehle, 168; Jackie Boxberger, 167, and Malinde Gehle, 163.

Decatur Bowling

MONDAY NIGHT LEAGUE: An oddity of bowling occured in the league whereby three bowlers rolled identical high scores, as follows: G. Schultz, G. Koos, and H. Shoaf all 201.

Flanges is leading the league with 12 wins and 6 losses.

G-E FRATERNAL LEAGUE: Two hundred scores appeared to be a monotonous routine as the keglers in this league rolled a total of fifteen 200 or better scores.

High Series: Zelt, 624, and H. Murphy, 619.

Two Hundred Scores: Zelt, 234 and 211; H. Murphy, 223 and 224; A. Miller, 233 and 201; Stump, 232; L. Hoffman, 226; Laurent, 220; O. Schultz, 209; Schneider, 208; Leonard, 204; G. Schultz, 202; Bultemeier, 214, and Alton, 202.

Teeple Truck Line is still out in front with 15 wins and 6 losses. Preble AC's and Moose No. 7 are tied for second place with a record of 11 and 10.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Schafer and Plasterer got the high series with 481 and 479, respectively.

Schafer got the high game of the evening with a 175. R. Wellman was only one point behind with a 174.

Bowling and Stuff

The boys in Bldg. 19-2 are having a match game this Saturday afternoon. The Mush Heads will roll against the Hard Heads. What they're shooting for is unknown, but tickets are on sale and may be procured from Bob Buck, Thurm Leichty, and Ty Cook. The price of admission is $3 per ticket.

There's no waiting for alleys at the club on Saturdays from 3 to 7 p.m. There are also plenty of pin boys available.

Have you been reading the latest issue of the bowlers' year book? We think Bill Doehrman and his helpers deserve a big round of applause for a job well done. I wonder if we realize just how much work is required to put out a book like that.

From the 1931 year book we see that Bill Doehrman and A. Knoll won the city doubles championship with a 1305 count. George Luedeman finished in third place in the singles with a 681 total. George Jackson was leading the Interdivision league with a 205 average for 205 games.

BOWL SATURDAYS AT THE CLUB ALLEYS!



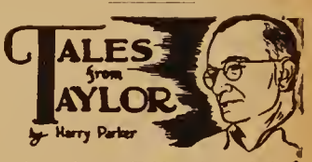
No one could really blame Irma Miller for not wanting to cut her birthday cake, a gift from Helen Spear and Margie Rall. It was really a beauty and suitably decorated with witches, black cats, pumpkins, etc., befitting the spirit of Halloween on which her birthday falls. Our best wishes to her for many more. . . . Belated greetings also to Vilas Bender and Ed Johnson who celebrated their birthdays recently. . . . Charlie Reed was puzzled by a new type calendar in which the months are in reverse order. From his reactions he really didn't think much of it. . . . Business man Paul Monroe had both hay and a calf for sale. Martin Brown (Brownie) bought the calf, found out it needed hay for feeding, so now he's buying the hay from Paul. . . . Lola Whitacre is grandma to a brand new baby girl. . . . Monday was a rugged day for Roy Bracht after returning from his week of vacation. It was a trick or treat, only the trick was played on him before he had a chance to treat. . . . It's to be hoped the little dears in Virginia Gebhart's neighborhood appreciated the treats she prepared for them on Halloween. After an unusually heavy raid depleted her supplies, she found it necessary to make a hurried trip to a nearby store to replenish them. Hurrying into the store she slipped and twisted her ankle, then on returning to the car she slipped, fell, and rolled under the car. The trip home was uneventful, the kids did get their treat, but Ginny is still limping a bit. . . . Edna Mowery is getting about painfully these last few days. A couple of playful vertebra won't keep their place causing her much distress. Tain't funny, she says. . . . To his other accomplishments Ed Gebhart has now added square dancing. . . . Has anyone had the experience of hearing Bob Bennett give out like a Polly Parrot? Sounds really natural!



The Firemen defeated the Messengers, 24-0, Thursday, Oct. 27, and the Tool Division, 35-0, Tuesday, Nov. 1, to win the Touch Football League championship for the third year. They have been undefeated for three seasons. The Apprentice School placed second for the 1949 season.

In other play-off games, the Apprentice School downed the Test Engineers, 42-6, and Transformer, 21-0, in games played Thursday evening. Test Engineers beat Transformer, 6-0, Tuesday.

League Manager Dennis O'Connell and Byron Simmons Assistant Manager, thank all players and officials for making the season a successful one, and also for the sportsmanship displayed by the players.



A week ago Friday, Dale Spieth and a group of fellows left for the wilds of Northern Canada to do some plain and fancy hunting. In fact they planned going to within three and a half miles of the North Pole, where they hoped to capture several polar bears. Then on the way back, their plans called for knocking over a few deer. Before going, Dale let his beard grow so that his pan could stand the rigors of the far northern weather. If he is not shot for a bear, it will surprise us very much. . . . Sam Allmandinger is constructing a home at Barbee Lake. He is far enough along to have the electrical installations made so he contacted Lindsey Eastes on who to get to do the job. Lindsey told him to get Don Eichorn, which he did and Don did a good job. After it was all finished, Sam told Don that being a little short on money he would have to take his bill out in fish. Sam is going to have to do a lot of fishing to settle that bill. On his way up there last Saturday morning, Sam was carting along a stove which he had in a trailer. After stopping along the way for refreshments, he examined his cargo only to discover that he had lost about half of the stove. . . . The boys along the rotor line were in high glee last week when Ralph Ecenbarger was on vacation. Before going he forgot to lock up his long drills, so the boys had plenty of these drills to work with and did a marvelous job. They are worried now since Ralph is back on the job that there will be another shortage of drills. . . . Ray Quandt now has another pipe dream. Sometime ago he was busily engaged in constructing a small garden tractor. He had it all finished with the exception of the motor, but he was at a loss as to how powerful an engine to install in it. So he gave it all up. He is now working diligently upon a new idea in the make-up of a rug loom. This dream promises fulfilment, as it can be operated manually. We believe he has engaged the services of Frank Kimble on this latest venture. His lens-grinding efforts proved a dismal failure, so we are all hoping that he comes up with a winner this time.

G-E Basketball Team Opens Season Against Indiana Rod-Wire Nov. 10



The G-E Club team, in the YMCA Industrial Basketball League, will play Indiana Rod and Wire for their first game of the 1949-50 season at 6:45 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, at the Central High School gym. The league consists of 17 teams and games are played either Tuesday or Thursday nights. G-E team members are: (front row, l. to r.) Bob Baals, Leon Lahrman, Dick Gettys, Don Hower, and Dick Bucher; (back row, l. to r.) Bill Schible, manager and coach; Ed Trabel, John Lindholm, Lew Goehring, Bob Zimmerlee, and Frank Woenker, assistant manager. Jim Walley was absent when the picture was taken.

Elex Partizan Chapter To Hold Anniversary Banquet Nov. 15

The Partizan Chapter of Elex will celebrate its second anniversary Tuesday, Nov 15, with a banquet at the YWCA. The dinner will be served at 6 p.m.

Tickets for the affair are $1.45 and reservations must be in by Friday, Nov. 11.

Hilda Martin and Marie Fox are co-chairmen of the celebration. They will be assisted by Lillian Wolfe, Martha Zebendner, Louise Heine, and the officers: Margaret Tomson, president; Selma Rodemayer, vice-president; Myrtle Bennett, secretary, and Helen Thiele, treasurer.

Elex Second Shift Plans Paper Party

The second shift members of Elex will attend a paper party at the YWCA Wednesday, Nov. 16. Izora Roop will present the program. Luncheon will be served at 12 noon.

One of the outstanding features of the afternoon will be the Apple Sisters, Seedy and Cory, direct from the Applesauce night club.

Reservations can be made with contact girls and must be in by Friday, Nov. 11. Tickets are $1.



We'd like to congratulate Joe Steward on his coming out party last week. . . . Mart Macke has been chief cook and bottlewasher at his home for a while. Besides whipping up big dinners with all the trimmins', he even does the family washing and ironing. He's been quite a salesman on the side. Rumors are, the boys in the scrap shed are in the market for a monkey and a grind organ. That might help you sell some, Mart. . . . Evidently Tez Trump's pigs are all pretty healthy since the fellows are going to have barbecued ribs at the stag party Friday night, instead of the customary donation of a whole pig. . . . Ernie, is it true you're going to make an armored car out of one of the fire carts? . . . Why is Chuck (Schone) Campbell at the scene of any large accident? We understand he attended one recently at Taylor Street bridge. Was it a fizzle, Chuck? . . . Bill Wetzel never had any trouble with his back until he bought his new car. Does it really ride that hard? It couldn't have gotten that way from work. Or could it? . . . The boys reported to me that it's a fact that Paul Dull has won every argument he's ever started. Does that include at home too, Paul? . . . Now we know why they call Bob Hatfield "Custy." . . . Say, Carl "Cupid" Banks, where did you get that new name? . . . Henry Kiess won't come near the tonk game. How come, Henry? . . . Carl Furge paid us a visit one day last week. Glad to see you around, Carl. . . . Frank Kilcoin entered his dog in a contest last Sunday and waited from noon 'till 4:30 for it to be judged. Frank says it was worth it though 'cuz he won two ribbons. . . . All you have to do to be as tough as Ralph Latham is to push your nose all over your face.



This week it is with the greatest of pleasure to cover Division 15, Fractional H.P. specialty motors located in Bldgs. 4-5, 4-2, and 4-1. Any and all applications of D.C. motors are built in this division. It is a small wonder that the harmony of the division is so evident since it is in the capable hands of Foreman Al Kissinger who has been with the Company for 36 years and has been a foreman for 25 years of that time. Al is quite a fisherman but never brags about the big ones that got away—they don't do that to Al. He has a cottage on Adams lake where he spends his extra time. He is the owner of one of those infectious smiles that makes many friends. . . . We will give Bldg. 4-5 the once over first. Our informant is Madonna Endres who in a big way has made this missive possible. Besides being an ardent shutter fan, Madonna likes to go boating and fishing. . . . Jim Battrick could be called a World traveler since he has been overseas. One of bis stops was in England wbere the good old dollar sign means much more than the pound. . . . Gilbert Auth goes in for the racers, auto and motorcycle. . . . A fan of all sports is Don Carrier. . . . The bome builder is Neil Anderson who would welcome information on how to have a wiener bake on his own property without the strong arm of the law butting in. He also likes photography. . . . Bob Shoemaker has an interesting hobby of collecting guns. . . . Pete Macke, the leading operator, besides his big game hunting mania also goes in for fishing. They tell us that he is adept at repairing a bicycle too. . . . Bob Williams, wbo was born in Chicago and is an ardent Cub fan, says that he likes New Jersey too because it brings back memories of his army days. . . . A book worm and walking dictionary is Maurice Pohling, who really enjoys catching his fellow employees on cute brain teasers. He is handy with a hammer and saw too. . . . Fay Christie and Doloris Gladback are both bowling fans. . . . Art Kurtz likes to putter around with radio along with building furniture. He is also a member of the fire department. . . . Another carpenter is Ralph Rosenberg. He used to be a very good house-to-house man for a nationally known products company. His feet don't show if he ever had a door slammed on them. . . . Fred Phillips played first base on the softball team and is now out for the basketball club. He is a real Piston fan, but he likes races too. . . . Fishing and hunting take up about all of the spare time of Bud Beaman. . . . We wish Mary Berger a happy birthday. . . . Any spare time that he can find is with a fish pole in his hand, so sez Boyce Lambert. . . . Another part of Al Kissinger's brood is in Bldg. 4-2. . . . Paul Boyer is one of those fishermen who thinks that the early bird usually just gets the worm instead of tbe fish. Paul was manager of the owl softball team and has his hands full now with the basketball team. . . . Colie Stovall thinks that it is great sport chasing after the kids. He went down to his Kentucky home during his vacation. . . . Lake Gage is the pleasure spot for Ed Johnson, but he likes to fix things up around the house. . . . Alice Klingel makes a hobby out of her two and a half year old daughter. She sez that she is not much on sports but likes to sew. . . . Paul Habecker built himself a garage this last summer. He likes to tinker around with motors which probably accounts for his love of auto racing. . . . Harold Kramer likes to travel, (he would even take a slow boat to China). . . . Clarence Kronmiller tells us that his work shop is anywhere the job happens to be. He likes to fish. . . . Bernadine McCune is interested at the present time in raising chickens. . . . Dale Edington is interested in any sport in season. He tells us that he works around the house whenever his better half digs up things to do. . . . The last of the Kissinger gang is down in Bldg. 4-1. . . . Jack Boyce who built a new home in '48 can sit back and watch the world go by. . . . Dinty Moore's hobby is eating pumpkin pie. The real for sure home canned "farm" style. . . . If Elmer Diemer had a hobby, it would be driving a truck. . . . Joe Bacon and Paul Neal are a couple of bid euchre sharks. Joe's hobby is "shooting the moon" and Paul's is "moaning" over the hand just played. . . . For Kenny Evans it's an old saying, "Where is your hair at?" . . . Wilbur Scott has a hobby of five nice little girls at home or maybe we should make that six to include his better half too. . . . There you have the complete pedigree of the Owls of Division 15. A good gang, a good division and a great guy for a foreman. . . . Rambling Notes: The Industrial Owl Basketball is shaping up to be a winner under the capable guidance of Warren Wickliffe and Paul Boyer. The season begins Nov. 15 at the G-E Club. . . . We hear that Virginia Franzdorf, Bldg. 17-2, is quite an artist. She does clay modeling. . . . Bldg. 4-4 Repair and Return is next on the list. Let us hear from you if you have any comments.

Stringing Along



In order to prove that men aren't the only ones who know how to fish, take a look at the above photo of Mary Berger taken while she was vacationing at Lake of the Woods, Kenora, Ont., Canada. The fish are smallmouth bass and walleyed pike.

If a care is too small to be turned into a prayer, it is too small to be made into a burden.

To get to the top, the place to start is at the bottom. And also on the level.

Pick-Ups

Bldg. 26-3

By Elvira Romary

Dear Co-Workers: As your new third floor reporter I hope to make our column one of the best in the WORKS NEWS. With your cooperation in reporting all news to me I think I can. Any and all suggestions will be welcome at any time. And now for some choice bits of gossip. . . . Has everyone noticed how intellectual Ray Schiebel looks in his "new look" glasses? He may also offer a good suggestion as to how he keeps the mice out of his desk. . . . Our sympathies to Dorothy Campton on the death of her father. . . . We were glad to hear that since Walter Mertz isn't bowling any more, Maxine will be glad to make all publicity for that family. . . . Welcome to Johnnie Erb who came to our floor from Bldg. 6-4. Hope you like us. . . . Annabelle Blair is going on a two weeks' vacation to Florida. Lucky girl. . . . Congratulations to Cliff Thompson who won a nice suggestion award this week. . . . Since Gary Pequignot cannot manage to have his picture taken, maybe he will settle for his name in this column. . . . QUESTIONS WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE ANSWERS FOR: Is Joe Prairie dead or are his hands always that cold? Why does Margie Robinson blush everytime someone sings the Wedding March? Why can't Ellen Gerbers buy green shoes in Fort Wayne? Why go all the way to Chicago, especially if they don't fit? How many miles does Rosie Smead get on one stick of chewing gum? Any answers will be paid by one big black cigar. . . . Lonnie Rockstroh and Garnet Curie attended a book review last week. Later in the evening they were mistaken for school teachers. Have an apple, girls. . . . Wanda Grimm is an artist. Surprised? Of course, the only things she draws are mice. . . . Danny Reuille has a magnetic personality. He draws the lids right off pressure cookers. Look out, girls. . . . Since Dick Kimball bought that new ranch-style home we were wondering if he would wear spurs and a ten-gallon hat. . . . Little Leonard Pequignot is planning a trip to Canada. Big deer and little man. . . . A cheery word to shut-in Doris Hill who was taken to the Lutheran Hospital for an emergency appendectomy. Hurry up and get well, we all miss you. . . . See you all next week, bye now.

WHAT'S NEW IN PLANTS & LABS

WEST LYNN—A complete new line of 3½-inch, long-scale panel instruments of internal-pivot-type construction has been announced by the Meter and Instrument divisions. Designed for general industrial applications, as well as for manufacturers of electronic devices, testing equipments, and similar apparatus, the instruments have permanent-magnet, moving-coil mechanisms. With the exception of high-sensitivity microammeters, they are available in all ratings now listed for conventional 3½-inch instruments with 90-degree scales.

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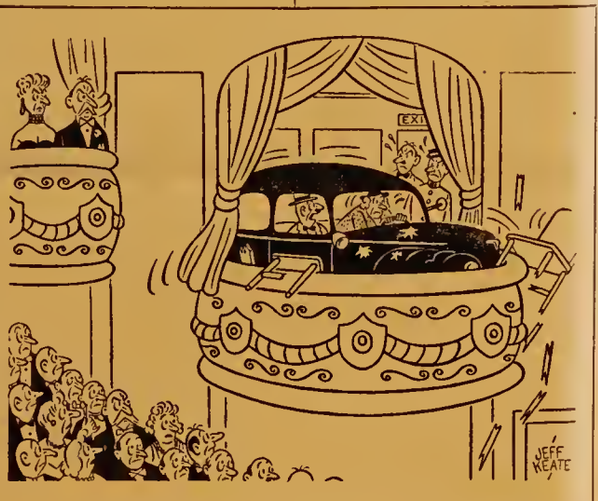
SCHENECTADY — A new 20-page catalog containing descriptions, specifications, and prices of more than 150 arc-welding accessories has been announced as available from the General Electric Company, Schenectady, N.Y. Designated as publication GEC-253A, the new bulletin includes information on electrode holders, helmets and goggles, tungsten electrodes, all types of protective aids and clothing, electrode carriers, cable connectors, ground clamps, brushes, cleaning tools, fillet weld gage, and many other accessories for the arc-welding operator.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Alma Beck, Earl Vachon, Maurice Archbold, Richard Braun, Frederick Borton, Oliver Sawdon, Wayne Worman, Earl Strong, Charles Hartman, Kenneth Frick, Byron Simmons, Louis Klotz, Adam Nicholson, Paul Wuttke, Velma Minnick, Evelyn King, Elizabeth Wert, and Ruth Whonsettler.

Left the Hospital

Myrtle Wagner, Oliver Sawdon, Ruth Fields, and Allen Emrick.



"You explain it to the theater manager! I'm tired of explaining the things that happen when you try to park!"

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G-E Urges Use Of N.L.R.B. Procedures To Resolve Conflicting Union Claims

In response to a telegram from James Carey, the General Electric Company has advised the newly-formed CIO International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America of its opinion that under present circumstances the Company is "required under the law" to continue bargaining with the United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers, as presently certified to it as the bargaining representative of certain of its employees, until otherwise directed by the National Labor Relations Board.

The Company urged that any conflicting claims arising between the IUE-CIO and the UE be settled by the peaceful and orderly procedures provided by the courts and by the N.L.R.B. N.L.R.B. secret ballot elections and certifications are available under the law to settle disputes as to the employees' choice.

The Company pointed out that it is General Electric policy to recognize and bargain collectively with any labor organization duly designated as the representative of its

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R. I. PARKER TO ADDRESS SQUARES CLUB

R. I. Parker, Commercial Vice President in charge of the Central District, will be the speaker at the annual management-sponsored dinner meeting of the G-E Squares at their club rooms at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16.

Invitations are being mailed to members of the club and test engineers to hear the address. To accommodate the test engineers, arrangements have been made to furnish their meals in Bldg. 16-2.

CONTEST IS CONDUCTED FOR SALES PERSONNEL

Specialty Transformer, Ballast Divs. Announce Educational Sales Campaign

The Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions are sponsoring a sales campaign known as STAB, it was announced today. The title is derived from the initials of the divisions' name.

The STAB campaign, which is being conducted during the entire month of November, is open to all distributor salesmen active in the sale of Specialty Transformer products. Free prizes, cash awards, and bonuses are the incentives being offered to develop greater

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General Electric Resumes Negotiations With Union

General Electric and negotiators met with an afternoon session Wednesday, Nov. 9, and continued discussions of the various features of the Company and union proposals.

The meeting was to be resumed at 2 p.m. Thursday, according to information received as the WORKS NEWS went to press.

SQUARES WILL HOLD OPEN HOUSE TONIGHT

"The Gold Nugget Casino Grand Opening" is the theme of the open house to be held by the G-E Squares Club tonight at 8 o'clock in the club rooms.

War Memorial Flag Pole Dedicated 25 Years Ago

The Fort Wayne Works dedicated its Memorial Flag Pole just 25 years ago today.

Despite the drizzle of rain, a large crowd assembled at the foot of the flag pole the afternoon of Tuesday, Nov. 11, 1924, to honor the men who left the G-E plant for service in the first Great World War. An Armistice Day parade

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Local Banks Close For Armistice Day

Fort Wayne Banks will remain closed today in observance of Armistice Day, but will be open tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.



Committee members at the dedication of the Memorial Flag Pole, which was held 25 years ago today, meet again at the site and are shown, above, watching K. W. Michael, president of the G-E World War Veterans' Association, place a wreath at the monument in commemoration of Armistice Day. From left to right are: H. E. Hire, Superintendent of the Wire and Insulation division; I. H. Freeman, Supervisor of Personnel; Martha Scherzinger, foreman in Bldg. 4-3; Lois Miller, Bldg. 8-2; Irene Ofenloch, Bldg. 21; Mr. Michael, George Graue, Winter St.; F. J. Schwarzkopf, retired, and E. A. Barnes, retired.

G-E Company Submits Payment As County's Largest Taxpayer



H. B. Leach, Assistant Works Accountant, is shown, above, presenting the Company's check to Sam Cook, Allen County treasurer, and Willis D. Hite, deputy treasurer.

The General Electric Company is Allen County's largest taxpayer by a wide margin, the County Treasurer's office has revealed.

The Company's second half-year installment on its local industrial plants and equipment in Allen County was presented last week when the Company remitted a check for $357,066.50 at the office of County Treasurer Sam Cook.

To what extent General Electric's taxes contribute to the operation of essential governmental functions in the county, is shown by the fact that its 1949 tax bill defrays more than three-fourths of the salaries of all Fort Wayne police officers, city firemen and employees of the Police and Fire Department's Signal Division.

G-E Club To Sponsor Square Dance Nov. 18

The G-E Club's entertainment committee will present its third in a series of square dances Friday night, Nov. 18, in the G-E Club auditorium. The dance will be held from 9 to 12 p.m. and admission is free of charge to all employees, their families and friends. Joe Taylor's Indiana Red Bird band will provide the music for both round and square dancing.

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We Bow Our Heads In Prayer To Honor Today Our War Dead

As we bow our heads in tribute to the dead of two World Wars, it seems only a few months ago that we were in the throes of a mighty conflict to halt the arm of an aggressive nation. We entered that conflict so that the world might be free to follow peaceful pursuits. On this Armistice Day we are doubly saddened—first in recollection of those who have made the supreme sacrifice in two wars, and secondly because a world at peace is so uncertain.

The very history of Armistice Day has been marked by an ironical twist from the time of the first false armistice of World War I to the observance of Armistice Day of this year. While millions welcomed the armistice that brought an end to the first war, they found all too soon that an armistice was a period before the resumption of hostilities and not the termination of actual combat.

Sir Philip Sidney, the English statesman, once said: "War is the most reckless and prodigal waster of time, property and life the world has even known. It is the destroyer of commerce, the hot-bed of vice, the violator of the Sabbath, the promoter of cruelty, the wholesale butcherer of men and the ruin of morality. War ought never to be accepted, until forced upon us by the hand of necessity."

On this Armistice Day there is little we can do but to honor our war dead by praying to the Almighty that such necessity will never arise again.



N.L.R.B. Procedures

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employees, but stated that it has "no competent evidence that the IUE-CIO has been so designated by a majority of employees in any bargaining unit."

The General Electric position was contained in a letter made public from L. R. Boulware, Vice President in charge of Employee Relations, in answer to tbe telegram from Mr. Carey, chairman of the administrative committee of the newly-formed IUE-CIO. The Carey telegram to General Electric, which according to press reports was a standard version sent to over 1,200 employers Thursday night, Nov. 3, contained a demand that the Company withdraw recognition from UE, recently expelled from the CIO by convention action, and recognize in its stead the IUE-CIO.

The Company maintained that it would remain strictly neutral in the figbt between the two factions, and that the Company believed that the choice between the two unions must be left entirely up to the employees. The Company also insisted that, until otherwise directed by competent authority, it would continue to carry out its legal and contractual obligations to UE, and pointed out that at the time of the last monthly check-off, over 80 per cent of Company employees in the contested bargaining units were continuing to authorize a cbeck-off of union dues to the UE. Employees are free to discontinue check-off authorizations on 30 days' notice.

The Company said that it was difficult to understand the basis for Mr. Carey's claim that the IUE-CIO is entitled to the contract rights held by UE. The Company has an existing master contract with botb the national UE and UE locals. Even if a UE local switched to the new IUE-CIO by unanimous action, there seems to be considersiderable question as to whether it could take with it the old contract with tbe UE.

Whether or not it is possible for UE locals to make a complete transfer is a subject which is surrounded with much legal uncertainty. In almost every location where a local claims to have seceded there is a rival group claiming that they are the Local UE and therefore still entitled to full contract rights.

The claims of opposing local factions to contract rights under the UE contract have created serious problems requiring careful study at a number of locations with respect to bargaining rights and check-off problems. The Company held that the only way the situation could be clarified in any clean-cut fashion would be by the holding of N.L.R.B. representation elections to determine the employees' choice.

Following is the text of Mr. Boulware's letter to Mr. Carey:

Mr. James B. Carey
Chairman, Administrative Committee
International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers (CIO)
718 Jackson Place, N.W.
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Carey:

I have your telegram of November 4 to Mr. Wilson which states that the International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers (CIO) demands to be recognized as the exclusive bargaining representative of General Electric Company employees now covered by collective bargaining agreements with the former CIO affiliate, United Electrical, Radio and Macbine Workers of America and that it is incumbent upon the Company not to recognize tbe U. E. in any respect.

As you undoubtedly know, it is the policy of General Electric to recognize and bargain collectively with any labor organization which has been duly designated as the representative of our employees.

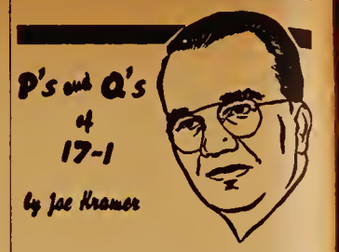
We have no competent evidence that the International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers (CIO) has been so designated by a majority of our employees in any bargaining unit. It is our opinion that under present circumstances until we are otherwise ordered by the National Labor Relations Board we are required under the law to continue to recognize and bargain with those unions which have been certified to us by the Board as the collective bargaining representatives of our employees in the respective bargaining units.

Your attention is called to the fact that existing law provides well-established orderly procedures for resolving conflicting claims such as those you have raised. We hope that you will realize that it is in the best interest of our employees that these issues be settled by the peaceful and orderly use of these procedures.

Very truly yours,
L. R. BOULWARE



OUCH: The dentists were in bad with two engineers of the DC Division. Ned Hackney has been confined to his home because of infection after having a tooth pulled. Ray Jones complains of numbness around his mouth, since having a wisdom and molar pulled. He said shaving is very difficult since he has no feeling. We hope by the time this is in print they will both have fully recovered. . . . ILL: Helen Conrad, DC Division, spent a week at home in the company of the popular flu bug. She returned to work Monday. Hugh Stevenson is also back from a week of illness. Glad to see you back, Hugh! . . . BLOWING OR BOWLING? Tell us, girls, was it a bubble gum blowing contest or a bowling contest? It seems as though the Payroll bowling team (with the addition of Romona Ireland) entertained themselves Friday evening. Everyone ended up blowing bubbles instead of bowling. . . . HUNTER? This Al Volz must be a hunter. Everytime we hear anything about him he seems to have bagged quite a few fowls. We wonder if he is just trying to make himself believe it. Don't be angry, Al, we are only kidding you. . . . VITAMINS OR? Certain people are wondering just what were in those vitamin pills last week, Robbie? It seems that you (R. F. Robinson) were feeling low a while back so you tried some vitamin pills. They sure make a difference in a man don't they? . . . WE NEED BLINDERS: Please take notice of the bright socks D. Dochterman wears. They are hand made. Do you suppose he makes them for a hobby. . . . NEW IDEA: Jack Seigel has extra duties now. He sets the mouse trap before going home each night with bread and butter instead of cheese. Result: two mice. We wonder if it was Mortimer's (last week) brother and sister. . . . GUESS WHO? One day last week Wade Reed of the Development division found a note on his desk saying "See Me." The note was unsigned. After a lot of inquiring he found it was from Dick Seely. "What's the matter, Dick, you forget how to write your name?" . . . WELCOME: Our heartiest welcome to Fred Meyer, a test engineer, in the AC division, and to William Buchholtz, Rotating Engineer of the same division. . . . NEED GLASSES? Paul Ohnesorge spent a half hour looking for a folder Tuesday morning. Betty Stahl found it for him on Bob Kirby's desk which is directly behind Paul. Paul was so exhausted he had to rest for a (short) time before he could go on working. . . . SHORT SNORT: Orland (Moose) Foltz decided to have a short working week last week, he put his time card in the box on Monday evening. What's wrong, Moose, tired of working? . . . SQUARE DANCING: The square dancing bug has hit Bob Starkel. He started to buy one record the other day and before he left the store he had bought the whole album. He either had a darn good salesman, or he decided that it would take more than one record for him to learn.



Don't forget the office party tonight at Lillie Pion's country home. There is going to be food, beverages, and entertainment. . . . Clarence Doctor had the lucky number at the Southwest Conservation Club outing held last Saturday. Doc won a gasoline lantern which is going to come in mighty handy in case of power failure this winter. . . . Johnny Junk has found a new way to increase the life of a shop apron. John's new method includes an anti-rust treatment after cleaning. We don't know whether John accidentally doused his apron in the anti-rust oil or he did it to bring the shine back in the worn spots. . . . Frank Martin must have been reading too many tales of the Arabian Nights. Frank tried to convert a piece of plaster boarding into a magic carpet, but without success. Frank had tied the plaster boarding to the top of his car but had not fastened it securely. On the way to the lake, the wind blew the board from the top of the car, and from eye witness reports, it looked like the magic carpet. Of course, it might have been a flying saucer. . . . William (Buck) Grimm rides again. It has been rumored that Bill should learn language of the ram sheep. Bill was endeavoring to take his rams down to the neighbors but the sheep had other ideas. The only thing we know is that Bill has a very sore hip to show for his Saturday's work. . . . With the report in a recent column of George Mosshammer celebrating his 39th birthday, George immediately started living up to his youth. Of course, he decided to start out slowly so he started with cigarettes. George has now gotten to the point where he can blow smoke rings. Ask him for a demonstration. . . . Francis Bennett has gone into the egg broiler repair business. Of course, the next time he has a broiler to repair he is going to get an ample supply of fuses ahead of time. It seems that there is a possibility of getting certain wires mixed up and blowing out the fuses. Frank Quinn was very efficient in cleaning the gutters at the bowling alley at the G-E Club last Wednesday night. Frank blames it all on the blister he wore on his thumb making the signs for the stag party at Dent's cottage. . . . With the approaching winter weather, Ed Brosche has forsaken Florida and is traveling North on his week-end jaunts. We wonder if the Notre Dame game could have had anything to do with his visit to East Lansing. . . . Nora Williams had a new addition. The name has not been decided as yet, but "Nomore" is decidedly the favorite. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Williams.

Decimal Minute Men Announce Plans For Thanksgiving Party

The Decimal Minute Men will hold a Thanksgiving Party tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock in Sears Pavilion. Round and square dancing, games, and refreshments are being planned by the organization's steering committee.

Sales Campaign

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knowledge, interest, and enthusiasm for the sponsoring divisions' products within the G-E Supply Corporation and Graybar Electric Company sales organizations and independent wholesalers; and hence, to increase the sales of these products for our mutual benefit.

Approximately 3,000 salesmen are eligible for the contest, and more than 300 entries have already been reccived here.

The local Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions are conducting the campaign in conjunction with the Apparatus Agency division and the Advertising and Sales Promotion divisions in Schenectady.

First Postwar Sales Stunt

The contest is unique in that it is believed to be the first postwar merchandising stunt of its kind attempted in the Apparatus Department.

The campaign is bein staged differently for the Graybar Electric Company than for the G-E Supply Corporation and independent wholesalers.

The program for salesmen within Graybar Co. has been set up as a mock college, "STAB College of Product Knowledge."

STAB College

STAB College consists of two parts:

Part one offers enrollees a chance to earn a handsome seal-finish desk aid, simply by making a sincere and original effort at answering tbree specialty transformer and ballast product questionnaires, and submitting them by Nov. 30. The desk aid is a case containing a pocket for correspondence, memo pad, and phone index.

Part two offers cash prizes totaling $500 to those Graybar personnel who submit the five most interesting or unusual application stories on G-E dry-type transformers.

The STAB Contest for members of the G-E Supply Corporation's sales organization and salesmen of independent wholesalers is broken into three sections. The first two parts are similar to those presented to Graybar sales personnel. In addition, part three offers cash bonuses, regardless of participation in the other portions of the contest, for each G-E M and D dry-type transformer sold during the contest month, at the rate of $10 per 100 kva.

Diploma Is Offered

The following diploma, with the entrant's name inscribed on it, is mailed to all salesmen who successfully complete the three product questionnaires:

"Know all men by these presents that (NAME) having been duly examined and found to have fulfilled all requirements is hereby awarded the degree Doctor of Specialty Transformers and Ballasts (STAB). As a recipient of this degree, he is entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto, including that of making known to his customers and prospects the greater benefits resulting from the specification of General Electric Specialty Transformer and Ballasts."

The awards will be announced sometime next month.

Judges Are Announced

Judges are: W. V. O'Brien, General Sales Manager; H. K. Pritchard, Manager of the Specialty Transformer Sales division, and P. M. Staehle, Manager of Sales for the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions.

The entire program is based on the obtaining of more orders and stimulation of greater sales activity for the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions.

98 Employees Presented Awards For Suggestions

Ninety-eight suggestors received a total of $1,125 in awards during the past three weeks, it was announced today.

Robert Bunyan, Specialty Transformer Div. 91, was the leading suggestor with a $115 award. His idea was to make a blanking die for certain parts.

Homer A. Markey, General Service division, was awarded $65 for his suggestion of a method for saving colling water for turbines. A $45 award went to Doyle D. Miller, Specialty Transformer Div. 91, for his idea to use scroll steel instead of sheared material for shunts.

For her suggestion pertaining to a change in the bulletins in Bldg. 4-6, Virginia Mariotte received $30. Twenty-five dollar awards went to Joseph A. Haas, FHP Motor Div. 16, and Samuel E. Bireley, Bldg. 26-5.

Employees receiving awards ranging in different amounts from $5 to $20 were:

FHP Motor Div. 13: Charles Clawson and Donald J. Long.

FHP Motor Div. 14: Robert L. Pickett and Dallas L. Corson (two awards).

FHP Motor Div. 15: John Kirchenbauer, Oliver H. Bowman, Carl R. Riedel, Lewis Hutchinson, Joseph B. Howard, Leola R. Carrier, and Richard Anderson.

FHP Motor Div. 16: Eunice Zehr, Lee Shanabarger, Stephen A. Sallot, Jr., Jay Rippe, Herbert C. Langer, Gerald Koehl, Joseph A. Haas, Walter H. Buesking, and Jeanette Blough.

FHP Motor Div. 17: John E. Donaghy, Carl Sweeney, Robert J. Robertson, Ernest Krause, Howard Householder, Lois J. Grim, Ben M. Fleek, and Ralph J. Begue.

FHP Motor Div. 19: Raymond B. Schuckel, (two awards), Lloyd L. Runyon, Lloyd Miller, Merlin E. Wagner, George A. Silk, Peter Schible, John R. Miles, Walter D. Durst, and Walter Bauermeister.

FHP Motor Div. 33: James F. Smith, George H. Miller, and Roger Crabill (two awards).

FHP Motor Div. 10: Robert L. Walters, Oscar O. Mize, L. W. Johnke, and Jack E. Angel.

Decatur Plant: Frederick Schamerloh, Clarence Morgan, R. L. Mills, Harold Rhynard, Waymon Patrick, Raymond Franz, and Clarence Drake.

Tiffin Plant: Gilbert Hoover and Richard Zirger.

DeKalb Plant: Russ Wiley, J. D. Ramsey, Alfred Rankin, Clifford V. Smith, and Robert M. Hart.

Specialty Transformer Div. 91: J. H. Plescher, George Jones, Russell Golliver, Donald C. Ford (two awards), Phyllis V. Fisher, and Charles Druce.

Motor and Generator: Amos Schladenhauffen (three awards), Delphus Morrical, John W. Jones, Guy Miller, Arthur R. Keller, Norman F. Jueschke, Ralph E. Hill, Richard F. Grote, George I. Fields, Myron W. Cox, Virgil Carmean, and Wayne W. Blake.

Wire and Insulation: Dewey C. Wisner, Ralph N. Hoover, Lewis Guenther, Delmas W. Detter, and Robert Deerwester.

Tool Division: John A. Inches (two awards).

General Service: John Schreiber, Charles D. Hardy, George F. Ely, A. J. Delagrange, Erma L. Cumming, Simon Knapp, and Betty Jane Wagner.

Distribution: Genevieve E. Meyer.

Miscellaneous: M. Miriam Valentine, Lloyd Miller, and Mary I. Heymann.

Recipients of cigarette lighters this week included: Oliver Bowman, Betty Jane Wagner, Genevieve Mayer, Merle Morkoetter, Robert Bunyan, George Jones, Gerald Crum, Charles Druce, Gilbert Hoover, Phyllis Fisher, John Driver, Fred Vietmeyer, Everett Sloffer, Melvin Kiessling, Thomas Cannon, John Lee, Amos Schladenhauffen, George Rothgeb, H. T. Kruge, Arthur Hyser, Elmer Scott, Loren Wood, Hugh Wells, Edward Cristallo, John Feyerhard, Virgil Hinkston, Robert Glenn, Ronald Rutan, Fred Vogt, and Arthur Bear.



Bob Bunyan, Bldg. 26-1, received $115 for his suggestion to make certain spacers for transformers on a blanking die instead of shearing the stock. He is shown in the picture receiving the award from his foreman, James Stauffer. Left to right are: Mr. Stauffer, Sam Macy, Mr. Bunyan, Paul Noffze, Gerald Crum, and Fred Banks.

Company To Pay Last Of 1946 Bank Loans

General Electric announced this week that it will prepay on Dec. 1 the final $25 million of its $50 million five-year bank loans negotiated in December, 1946. These loans were part of a $200 million financing program arranged in 1946, of which the Company still owes $142.5 million.

This money was borrowed in order to make possible the reconversion of plant facilities to peacetime production, and to enable the Company to expand its activities and create peacetime jobs for thousands of employees who had been added during the war years.

War Memorial

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ended in front of the plant that day, as the crowd gathered for the dedication.

The G-E band provided music for the event.

Following an invocation by Rev. A. J. Folsom, of the Plymouth Congregational Church, Charles M. Niezer, president of the First National Bank, spoke on the subject, "Fort Wayne in the World War." He mentioned that out of 5,000 who enlisted from Allen County, 149 men and two nurses gave their lives to the cause.

Walter S. Goll, then Manager of the Fort Wayne Works, told about the activities of the Works during the period of the war. At the close of his address, he unveiled the base of the memorial.

Acceptance of the monument was then made in an address by Brigadier General L. R. Gignilliat, then Commandant of Culver Military Academy.

Following this address, he read the roll of the G-E men of Fort Wayne "who gave their lives in the cause of freedom," as the flag was slowly raised to the top of the new pole and the band struck up the Star Spangled Banner.

A campaign for funds amounting to $3,500 for the construction and erection of the memorial had been made by the G-E Foremen's Association during a week in April of that year. The Company subscribed $500 toward the expense and the remainder was contributed by employees.

The general committee for the Foremen's Association in charge of the war memorial included E. C. Olds, H. W. Stahlhut, H. E. Hire, I. H. Freeman, and F. J. Schwarzkopf, then president of the organization.

Included in the military group at the dedication were Lieut. Harry Muller, then Commander of American Legion Post 47; Lieut. George Bally, of the French Army; Brigadier-General L. R. Gignilliat, Commandant of Culver; Capt. R. R. Bartel, Sgt. George Graue, and Cadet Lieut. Ralph Polk, of Culver Military Academy.

John L. Verweir, A. L. Foellinger, John Pulver, L. D. Meader, H. J. Andress, F. S. Walburn, E. A. Barnes, Beulah Kinna, Irene Fox (Ofenloch), Lois Miller, Martha Scherzinger, and W. S. Goll were members of the reception committee for the ceremony.

Pensioner Parade

George Davis is moving to Charleston, S. C., to share an apartment with his son, Lt. T. W. Davis. Lt. Davis is assigned to the destroyer Hamilton. George plans to get in some deep sea fishing, while down in the deep South. He claims that $3.50, which includes the boat, bait, food and "everything," is a reasonable way to spend a day. He missed the flowers and cotton in bloom this year, but he will be on hand to see them next spring. . . . Leo J. Miller was visiting G-E friends recently. He and Mrs. Miller have just returned from Louisville, where they visited their daughter and her family. They will return to Louisville to spend the holiday season. . . . George N. Prince is leaving for his winter home in Eustis, Fla., for six months. He says the main reason he is heading south is because Charlie Strodel caught all the big ones in Indiana. So George is leaving for where the fishing is good. He also says that he is sorry to leave here, where it's nice and cool and everyone will be wearing their longies. . . . Charlie Engle, who just retired this month, is spending his spare time repairing and painting rural newspaper boxes. One of the local newspapers has supplied Charlie with a portable welder, and he has set up a shop in his home. When he retired, his section gave him a small outboard motor. So he plans to try it out at the lake next summer. By the way, he also has a small farm, where he raises black raspberries, strawberries, and popcorn. . . . Quincy Winans has just returned from the land of the Mardi Gras, New Orleans. . . . We had two visitors this week. E. A. Barnes and F. J. Schwarzkopf posed for a picture alongside the War Memorial Flag Pole as members of the committee at the dedication 25 years ago. Mr. Schwarzkopf spends much of his retired time working in his garden. He specializes in growing climbing roses. . . . Ora and Edna Hoffman are just taking it easy out on the Bluffton road. They have a 90 acre farm there which they rent. . . . Fred Nute is improving, but is still confined to his home in Bluffton. Hurry up and get well, Fred. . . . Harry Haberkorn visited his friends in FHP Div. 1 last week. He has moved back to town for the winter. Harry is going to give the fish at Pretty Lake a rest for a few months, or, so he says. . . . Another visitor in FHP Div. 1 was Clara Krudop Schneider. Her friends in Bldg. 4-3 say that staying home must agree with her, she looks so good.

PARTIZAN CHAPTER TO CELEBRATE SECOND ANNIVERSARY AT DINNER

The Partizan Chapter of Elex will hold its second anniversary dinner Tuesday, Nov. 15, at the Y.W.C.A. The banquet will begin at 6 p.m.

All reservations for the celebration must be in today. Tickets for the dinner are $1.45.



BUNNIES, BEWARE: It is rumored that our hunters and would-be hunters have had their guns oiled and as of yesterday they are out to get you. . . . SEVENTH INNING STRETCH: Just seven weeks to go for "No time in '49." Let's finish the game with a perfect safety record. Remember your machine can't think. It's up to you. . . . WET TEARS: Hugh Tigges put his lunch pail on an outside window sill (to keep something cool). When he reached for it at lunchtime, the elusive pail went buckety, buckety. Five seconds and three stories later, it was all in smithereens, a mass of broken glass and what looked like garbage. Hugh had tears in his eyes over no lunch. . . . FOR SALE: John Gutermuth and Ray Johnson will sell you a slightly used "Busco Beast" until next Halloween. They had a hand in building the tin one that appeared in the newspaper last week. . . . APPLE DAYS: Dick Madden seems to have a nice red apple appear on his desk. Always thought apples were for teachers. . . . D. C. Danny Cupid is still shooting darts. Martha Rice is displaying a ring on the third finger, left hand. . . . THE MUG: Hallie Hosler received a new drinking cup from Irene Blank. It turned out to be Jerry's shaving mug. . . . ODDS AND ENDS: Last Friday was almost like Friday the 13th. Mary Jane Redding forgot to get up. Result, very late. Violet Brower wore two earrings of different sets. Mary Wright had to be told that she was welding and not placing. . . . Walter Kryder was rushing around finishing last minute details so that he would enjoy his third week of vacation this week. . . . Gertie Dammeyer takes her third week next week. If it gets much colder she can go ice fishing. . . . On our sick list is Ann Robinson and Catherine Salmon. . . . Margaret Swain is back in the groove after being ill. . . . John Magley attended the Indiana homecoming game. He has a son attending Indiana. . . . CONGRATULATIONS: Richard John is issuing his calling cards from the Richard Thonert residence. His mama is a former co-worker. Ralph and Shirley Ohneck Ross of Canton, Ohio, also have a new tax deduction. She also was a former co-worker. . . . It's a happy birthday to Mary Baker and Iley Souder. However, we wish Iley could skip this one, because it means we will not be seeing her smile very long. . . . It's "how dee doo dee" to all the newcomers on the early bird shift. . . . Joe Motter was seen standing by Bldg. 18 holding three pocketbooks, and it wasn't even Wednesday. . . . Want an egg shampoo? Anne Gibson is an expert and very obliging. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Peggy Bahde in the death of her nephew.

Pick-Ups

Bldg. 26-3

By Elvira Romary

Hi Gang: Here is a bit of good advice I picked up from a very good friend:

A wise old owl lived in an oak.
The more he saw, the less he spoke;
The less he spoke, the more he heard.
Why can't we be like that
Wise Old Bird.

Battle of the Century: Helen Eger and Otto Reitdorf open the windows or close the windows. Tickets may be obtained for a nominal fee. . . . Christ Starke has a life-long ambition to own a candy store. Believe me, he would be his own best customer. . . . Phyllis Perry is now giving driving lessons by appointment only. . . . Al Reiman claims the burns on his forehead came from an oil explosion. We wonder if he got burned up over something. . . . Lonnie Rockstroh needs a sling to help her carry that beautiful new diamond she is wearing on her third finger, left hand. Best wishes, Lonnie and Bud. . . . Don Poland was in to see us Monday. Danville must agree with him, he looks fine. . . . Mabel Odel tells this one on herself. It seems as though she moved her footstool at home and forgot about it. That floor is hard isn't it, Mabel? . . . Ed Bangert should use name tapes on his coat, so that Les Redding won't put it on by mistake. Maybe Ed's coat is better than Les's. . . . Lorraine Von Beheren's father won an electric mixer and promptly gave it to Lorraine. For your hope chest? . . . Vera Hoover is a football expert. She won a pool right out from under everybody's nose—or should we say "feet"? . . . Farrold Scheumann has a brand new Nash. Business is picking up. . . . Everybody is invited to Grace Campbell's house for Thanksgiving dinner. She won a big turkey. . . . Lola Brunner baked a ready-mixed cake Saturday. Now what we want to know is, are they working you so hard that you can't bake a regular cake? . . . Has Les Redding gone primitive? He has been inquiring about palm trees and any information would be greatly appreciated. . . . What has happened to the second trick? We would like to hear from them also. How about it? . . . Dick Rump without his pipe is like eggs without ham. . . . A closing word about Christmas cards and wrapping paper, see your Elex contact girl.

Nowadays the rising generation retires when the retiring generation rises.

Suggestion Contest To Close Tuesday

The Suggestion System Contest closes Tuesday, Nov. 15.

The contest, which opened on Sept. 1, offers a total of $500 in merchandise certificates as bonuses for the best suggestion contributed during tbat period by employees of the Fort Wayne Works.

A total of 10 certificates, each redeemable at the Employees' store for $50 worth of merchandise at employee prices, have been allocated to the Fort Wayne divisions, according to the following schedule:

Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, two certificates; Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, one certificate; Motor and Generator divisions, one certificate; Works Service divisions, one certificate. Employees in all divisions compete for the remaining five certificates.

G-E monogramed cigarette lighters have also been presented to employees who submit one or more suggestions during the contest on which the regular award is $10 or more.

Miller's Orchestra To Play At Elex's Thanksgiving Dance

Bill Miller and his orchestra will play for the Elex Club's Thanksgiving dance Wednesday, Nov. 23, at the Prom Terrace ballroom. Dancing will be from 9:15 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Tickets are $1.20 and the dance is open to the public. Tickets may be purchased from committee members and Elex contact girls. Any member who sells 10 tickets will receive one free.

Elex Second Shift Members To Witness Paper Demonstration

Izora Roop will present a demonstration on the use of paper products for the Elex Club's second shift members at the YWCA Wednesday, Nov. 16. Lunch will be served at 12 noon.

The Apple Sisters, Seedy and Cory, direct from the Applesauce Night Culb, will be featured during the program.

Today is the deadline for reservations to be made with contact girls. Tickets are $1.



TOP FLOOR TOPICS

BLDG. 26-5

by WALT POHLER

The wolves are howling again. No news. Why can't we have some news for Bldg. 26-5. Actually it takes several weeks to accumulate enough news for a column. Then numerous people have stopped us to give us some news, but no paper was handy and as a result by the time we could have made a note of the item we had been asked so many other questions that we forgot the item. Please folks, write your items on a slip of paper. Just mention the facts and we will try to write a satisfactory story. . . . Alma Berger had a birthday recently. The event was properly celebrated with ice cream and cake. No mention was made of age. . . . Last Wednesday was the twenty-fifth anniversary of the first day that Bertha Gruber worked for General Electric. Her co-workers celebrated the event with a little program. Evelyn Nowles sang a solo with words appropriate to the occasion. Ruth Klopfenstein read a poem and Bert was presented several gifts. One gift was 26 one dollar bills. Several tears were shed by the honored guest. We all extend our congratulations, Bert. . . . The second shift people in the east end of Bldg. 26-5 are wondering whether Junior is in love or is mad. . . . A certain girl couldn't understand why her machine wouldn't stop. All the stops were checked and then she discovered the strip was finished. Could it be love, Ely? . . . People who are interested in learning how to dress chickens are advised to contact Lenora Gillard. . . . We understand that Evelyn Miller will be more careful of the material in future dress purchases. Evelyn was caught in the rain on the way to work recently and it is reported the dress she was wearing shrank eight inches. . . . Kenneth Fisher became so wrapped up in a discussion of his boybood days that he forgot his pot of coffee. The cord got wet and blew the plugs. . . . Maude Weikel was seen wearing Arietta Denny's coat several days ago. We understand the coat was a bit tight.

Elsa Maxwell Addresses Meeting Of Elex Club





Elsa Maxwell, internationally known hostess, author, and friend of the world's celebrities, addressed the Elex Club at a dinner meeting for first shift members Monday evening in the G-E Club auditorium. Miss Maxwell is shown, above, talking with Irene Meyers, advisor of the club, and Mary Leiter, Elex president. The picture at the right shows a part of the crowd that attended the meeting.

Five Complete Apprentice Draftsmen's Course



M. L. Goeglein

Milton L. Goeglein graduated from the Apprentice School Oct. 21 as a draftsman. He began working for General Electric following his graduation from New Haven high school in 1942. He worked in Bldg. 4-6 a year before entering the Navy. Mr. Goeglein served 21 months in the States and had 15 months overseas duty. He enrolled in the drafting course of the Apprentice School in March, 1946, after his discharge in February. Mr. Goeglein is married and has one child. He resides on R. R. 9, Fort Wayne.



C. D. Lommatzsch

Carl D. Lommatzsch graduated as a draftsman from the Apprentice School recently. He was a 1941 graduate of Central high school and worked in Bldg. 19-4 before entering the armed services in January, 1942. He saw three years' duty with the armed forces, with nine months in Europe and the Pacific. Following his discharge in February, he enrolled in the Apprentice School the next month.

Mr. Lommatzsch is married and resides at 3202½ S. Lafayette St.



H. C. Fremion

Harold C. Fremion, completed the Apprentice Draftsmen's course Oct. 28. He graduated from South Side high school in 1940 and attended Purdue University before coming to General Electric the following October. He worked in the FHP Motor Drafting division before enlisting in the Army July, 1942. Mr. Fremion served in the Army Quartermaster Railhead company one and a half years in the States and two years in Europe. He received his discharge in December, 1945, and returned to G-E as an apprentice draftsman in March, 1946. He lives at 3814 S. Lafayette St.



G. G. Roby

Garland G. Roby is a graduate of the drafting course of the Apprentice School. A 1942 graduate of Central high school, he began his G-E career as an inspector in the FHP Motor division in July of that year. He entered the Army with the Quartermaster Air Service group, serving three years with over a year in Hawaii. Mr. Roby entered the Apprentice School in March, 1946, after being discharged the previous month. He is married and has two children.

The Robys live at 1316 McClellan St.



J. F. Rowan

Joseph F. Rowan graduated from the Apprentice School as a draftsman Friday, Oct. 28. A Central high school graduate in 1942, he became an employee of General Electric in June and worked in Bldg. 4-1 until he left for the service the following December. He served with the Army in the Gun Battalion three years, 30 months of which was in the South Pacific. Mr. Rowan was discharged in January, 1946, and entered the Apprentice School the next March. Mr. Rowan resides at 3018 Oliver St.



I have read, "Victory usually goes to those whose nerves hold out the longest. That may be so when it comes to winning peace as well as wars. So, let us keep our nerve and be *strong, calm* and *steady.*" This statement from an author that I can not name, is particularly apropos on Armistice Day. Our world is still unsettled and it behooves all of us to not only be strong, calm and steady but to have a determination to make the meaning of Armistice Day a realization! . . . Our congratulations to Paul Kissinger, Bldg. 18-3. He is now the proud grandpapa of a seven pound boy. But, did you see Paul on Monday? He was slightly pink in spots, 'twas mercurochrome, he said. Also, he said that he was up on a ladder at his cottage at Lake Everett when it gave way and he came out with several scratches. Is that like the excuse, "I ran into a door?" After all, a grandson IS something to celebrate! . . . Our congratulations to Herbert Kammeyer on his 40th anniversary. Last Friday, in the staff meeting Mr. Kammeyer was presented with a service certificate. It had all been very quiet and was a surprise to his fellow workers, we all unite in saying "Good Luck" to you for at least ten more! . . . Everyone is talking about the G-E Club Revue. Did you see it? From all reports everyone liked the trained dogs. They must have stolen the show. Nice to have such entertainment, isn't it? . . . At the G-E style show last week Phyllis Tanner was the lucky one to win a lovely new hat. I understand she spent the week-end—selecting and trying it on. . . . DEER HUNTING: Ralph Van-Osdale has been absent from his duties in Bldg. 18-B deer hunting in Ontario, Canada. At this writing we are not able to report the success of the adventure—only a hear-say report that it was slightly cold up there! . . . The dignified gentleman that you have noticed in Bldg. 18-3 is Joe Wauro wearing his new glasses. . . . Helen Dafforn danced at the Prom Terrace Saturday. Understand that the popular song, "Baby It Is Cold Outside" was reversed to cold inside. . . . Robert Meyers is absent from his duties in Bldg. 18-1 this week due to the death of his father-in-law. May we extend our sympathy. . . . Emily Guth, Bldg. 18-3, spent the week-end in Michigan with her nephew, Walter Klinger and family. . . . Notice, please, I am still waiting for a picture of the Kammeyer lake party—it has been promised so you may have a treat in store. . . . Daniel Webster wrote: Let us develop the resources of our land, call forth its power, build up its institutions, promote all its great interests and see whether we, also, in our day and generation may not perform something worthy to be remembered." I am sure he would not approve of our present day strife at home and abroad. . . . Mary Slater of Bldg. 18-4 and Hilda Mueller, Information Desk, have learned their lesson on jay walking. A week ago they tried to cross in the center of the street and received instructions on how to properly conduct themselves in downtown traffic. . . . We wish a happy birthday to Fred Andrew and Ray White of the Data Bureau. . . . The genial test engineer, L. J. Speicher, leaves Bldg. 18-4 this week to go to Bldg. 4. We will miss his cheerful demeanor. . . . Ray White, Bldg. 18-4, spent last week with his mother in Henderson, Ky. He brought back some wild persimmons to show us how they grow (personally, I would have enjoyed a persimmon pudding very much—if you have never eaten one I am sure you can not know what you are missing). . . . Al Tharp, Bldg. 18-4, was vacationing in the Great Smoky Mountain range. He brought back an album of pictures to show us and they were very interesting.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Bob Bunyan

John Laymon celebrated another birthday this past week. We always welcome birthdays in this group, because a treat has been the tradition for several years. John's was ice cream. Thanks from all of us and many happy returns. . . . Louie Wegman enjoyed his third week vacation last week. Louie mixed his pleasure with work, so he spent his time tilling his land and picking his corn on his large stateline farm. . . . Gerald Crum has finally found happiness since he adopted that new baby. Of course, most of you know by now that it is plain rubber, but interesting. . . . Lawrence Hosack paid his honor a visit last week. He came into possession of a pink ticket over on Jones St. If Hosey had a smaller Buick, perhaps he could park in the parking lot. . . . After several days of attentive work, Roe Ormiston and George Horner have accumulated a number of bugs that they removed from the new lead pad die. . . . It seems that we have two Daniel Boones in our group—Don George and Al Hamilton who are experts of the skyways. They are taking orders for ducks. Don said their list is so long now that they have rented a truck to bring back their game. I don't know, but I hope they get more than wet feet. . . . I didn't know Ed Byers was just a kid at heart. He must be because he ran around all Friday afternoon with a rubber doll. It is so dear to his heart he is keeping it even though it has a hole in its head. . . . Harold Franz appears so refreshed at quitting time now since he received his latest promotion. He gets to stand up now, that may be the reason. . . . Some seem to think if Bob Quinn hadn't voted for himself in the MBA election that Doyle Miller would have been re-elected since there was only a margin of one vote. . . . It's been suggested that they furnish Baldy Hart with a secretary. It seems that Baldy has been having his troubles too. His orders just seem to disappear. . . . Bill Conrad will certainly be pulling his hair when he returns to work this week. Al Campton has been trying to carry on his work for Bill, and it's just not quite right, I guess. . . . Jim Stauffer just isn't taking any chances. Did you notice he is wearing glasses too? . . . Marvin Leykauf provided a candidate on the MBA ballot by nominating himself. It seems that Ruben DeWart did a little more campaigning, though. . . . I hear from the grapevine that Sam Rhoads is trying to get Noffze's and Bunyan's auxiliary job. He claims he can do both of their jobs. . . . Jim Hurst received a promotion too. He does his own set-up work on the welding machines. . . . Bob Miller is on deck every morning to see how his new baby is. From Grandpa, George, the baby is fine, but George looks mighty sleepy.

Tool and Sample Shop News

We want to wish Bob Smith the best of luck as he is in Canada deer hunting. . . . Congratulations to Millie Strickler and her husband in winning the Halloween costume party at the G-E Club recently. They won a G-E electric alarm clock. Boy, what bath towels won't do for some people. . . . We're sorry to hear that Bob Glenn has been off work two weeks with the flu. Hurry back to work, Bob, as the gang misses you. . . . Some people must have been born lucky. Elmer Hazelett won a turkey for only 25 cents on a punch board. Carl Ramsey also was in a winning mood by winning all those check and ball game pools.

Women's clothes express their sentiments, says a writer. But why do the gals have to be so vague.

Corn S'talks

TAYLOR. ST. SHIPPING

By Gloria Geesaman

Hi you all. Changes, changes: Bonnie Swain has a better job. She is taking over Ruth Sutorius' job and up to her neck in learning. We also have a new gal Marge Gordon. Poor Marge, to think she has to put up with all of us. Faye Alexander came to the telegraph section, and she likes it too. Bet none of you can guess why—I can. . . . Anyone living in the Bloomingdale region, if you would like a ride to and from Taylor St. call Bob Walters on 385. He'll give you the low-down on how to obtain the ride. It would be nice not to wait on the bus these cold mornings. Right? . . . You never can tell what's gonna happen next. The other day Mary Caruso got a call that her house caved in. Luckily no one was hurt and not much damage done. She was a scared person until she found out "wot really hoppened." . . . Naomi Snyder was off last week with a nasty old cold. I see that she's back fit as a fiddle. . . . Brooks Brickley went to Schenectady on business. It's nice to have a change of scenery once in a while. . . . Poor Mr. Kruekeberg never gets his name spelled right. Sometimes we all wonder how he can tell if all those peculiar names belong to him. . . . Bonnie Koop has some gambling blood in her. The only thing is she wins. She won a radio on Jean Carrol's punch board. Of course, Jean gets a radio too. . . . We are sorry to hear that Mary Nelson's father isn't well. We are all hoping for his speedy recovery. . . . Why don't you all ask Paula Howard if she has a guilty conscience. She should have. Shouldn't you, Paula? . . . Sally Ford is in such a hurry to get to work that she puts her clothes on backwards. I never knew anyone that anxious to get to work. . . . That's all.

Capacity Crowds Enjoy G-E Club's Fall Revue



More than 7,500 employees and members of their families attended five performances of the G-E Club's annual Fall Revue Saturday and Sunday in the auditorium. Scenes at one of the shows are shown in the layout above.

H. B. Carter, president of the G-E Club, issued the following statement today in regard to the revue:

"It is unfortunate that all General Electric Club members could not be accommodated at the Fall Revue held last week-end at the G-E Club. For a number of years, five complete shows have been adequate to accommodate all interested members and contracts were again made on that basis. With reduced employment, we felt that this contract would be entirely adequate.

"A few members undoubtedly obtained tickets to which they were not entitled, which would eliminate the supply of tickets for late requests. The G-E Club management requests cooperation of the members for future activities by asking that they procure tickets for themselves and members of their family only and by using all tickets given out, or returning tickets which cannot be used prior to the date of performance."



What with Santa on Wolf and Dessauer's store and the holiday wreaths all along Calhoun Street, can Christmas be far behind? Don't forget to do your shopping early. "Early," says Clarence Nussel, "is usually Dec. 24." How about it? . . . There were many familiar faces at the conservation club celebration last week-end and everyone was having a swell time inspecting sporting goods and eating "elk burgers." This fine conservation effort deserves your full cooperation and the boys who are a part of this organization thank you for your support. By the way, did you see and hear how well Mike Lowe got along with that mike! A real workout. . . . Someone ought to show Mike how to approach the pumps in a filling station. He gets his car so close he falls over the car trying to walk between. . . . Food seems to be the troublesome item in our gang this week. Someone brought a loaf of rye bread, some Bermuda onions, and a pound of limburger cheese to work. Everyone was eating sandwiches and enjoying themselves tremendously until some unknown character started smearing limburger on light bulbs and in desk drawers. Victims of this stinking trick include Frank Magers, Ida Witte, Bill Schultz, Carl Matthias and Les Dafforn. . . . Morrie Crowe spent considerable time and sniffing in a vain attempt to locate the offending cheese; however, even his search of the wastebasket was to no avail. . . . There also was food problems in the Frank Surface household. It seems that on their weekly trip to the grocery Mrs. Surface found some nice jars of cooked chicken for only nine cents a jar. Recognizing a real bargain when she saw one, Mrs. S. bought two jars, thinking perhaps the quality was not up to par she took only two until she had the boss (meaning Frank) taste it. But her fears were stayed. The chicken was delicious. Wanting to share her good fortune with others she took orders from her friends, delivery promised next grocery day. After gathering nearly all the little jars in the store the boss (Mr. Frank again) had to pay the bill. Boy, was it high. Frank paid it, however and started home. After some discussion between Mr. and Mrs. on why the grocery bill was so high they discovered that the little inexpensive jars of chicken were priced at 89 cents instead of nine. Frank had to exchange the chicken, hence the moral of the story: If you want to be boss of the household, fellows, don't find your wife making mistakes on grocery prices. . . : Speaking of trouble in the family—A group of people from Bldg. 17-4 went to the wrestling matches Wednesday night. Among those present were Ray DeBolt, his wife (the boss) and daughter, Al Middaugh, Ned Neuman and his future wife (already boss) Ruth Meeks. Sometime during the evening something was said regarding a stag party. It seems Ray had told his wife it was stag, and it wasn't and he didn't get home until 4:40 in the morning. Ray said sleeping in the garage wasn't so bad. Neuman was also in the dog house, but not for the same reason. . . . In connection with the limburger cheese —we hear Bill Schultz snitches these sandwiches from the Punch Press section so he won't have to buy his lunch. . . . Many of you folks will remember John Willauer who left about two years ago to go to California. Carroll Elder received a very nice letter from him recently, and John says it's a wonderful place. Carroll still has the letter and anyone who would like to read it, see Carroll. Incidentally we should get together and answer it, especially test personnel. . . . We had quite a visit with several of our pensioners in the last few days. John Hillsmier, Harry Prange, Ed Offenloch and "Hobby" Haberkorn stopped in to say so long to "Doc" and hi to the gang. Come back again soon and to the rest of you pensioners, how about coming up to see us soon. . . . Dick Wagner spent last week-end getting in some hunting. It takes a few days to get back in practice, doesn't it, Dick? . . . Best wishes and get well quick to John Howard who is in the hospital. How do you like being on your "tummy" by now?

Strasser Celebrates 30th Anniversary



Adolph Strasser, Bldg. 4-6, celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric Monday, Oct. 31. He is shown at the left, above, being congratulated by R. D. Jones, FHP Motor DC and Specialty Motor Division Engineer. J. J. Clarkson, FHP Manager of Engineering, is looking on.



We are glad to report that Fred Borton is on the road to recovery and has left the hospital. We hope Fred will be back with us soon. . . . We were sorry to have Harry Meads leave us last Friday. But our loss is Bldg. 19-5's gain. . . . It's a great day for John Leffers. Today he dons the title of Graduate Draftsman Apprentice. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Braun are the proud parents of a baby girl born November 4th. . . . One of the instructors stopped in to have a talk with Mr. Gebert and Mr. Wolf. Suddenly several of his students became very conscious of their low test grades. So they decided to make someone really suffer—so they informed McNulty he was wanted in the inner office. Gene Werling was planted at the outer door to inform Mark it was all a joke—but Gene was called to the telephone and Mark went barging into the meeting. When he emerged —he wasn't the only one who had a red face. . . . The fellows in Bldg. 31-2 inform me that Fremion is officially a Navy man now. They are tattooing him next week. . . . The boys who throw a lotta weight around Bldg. 12-2 slugged it out at the platform scale last week. Staley never had a chance with only 218 avoirdupois. He was eliminated by Hoppel who rang up 224 lbs. The contest really came to a screeching halt, however, when Auer entered the affair. His exact weight is a secret but it's somewhere between 237 and 239.

Derbyshire Is Granted Patent



C. E. Derbyshire

A patent has been granted to Charles E. Derbyshire on his invention of a high reactance transformer.

Mr. Derbyshire is a design engineer in the Specialty Transformer Engineering division, where he has been employed since May, 1946. He first joined the Company in 1941, after graduating from Ohio State University.

This is the first patent which has been granted to Mr. Derbyshire. It relates to a novel means of obtaining high reactance by use of magnetic shunt punchings between primary and secondary coils.

M. J. Payton Dies

Maurice J. Payton, 54, former Fort Wayne resident, died Wednesday, Nov. 2, at his home in Brookline, Haverstown, Pa.

He worked as a meter engineer in Bldg. 19-5 from 1919 until 1935. He was then transferred to the Philadelphia office. Mr. Payton was a member of Sol D. Bayless Lodge, No. 359, F. and A.M.

Services were held Monday at 2 p.m. at the Scheuman Funeral Home. The Sol D. Bayless Lodge officiated at the funeral and graveside services. Burial was in Lindenwood Cemetery.



Paul Traub is either going to move his desk or ask for a coat rack. Paul's desk is just inside the office door and a most convenient place for people to drop their coats and hats as they come in. . . . Dorothy Askren's Buick refused to be parked where it wasn't supposed to be parked, so what did it do! It ran over a retaining wall and sank itself so firmly into the earth that it took Clyde Cowan, a chain, and several fellows to pull it back into place again. . . . Walter Kryder is on vacation this week, and I am not trying to be corny when I say that he is gathering his corn. He really grows it. . . . There is always a reason for everything and Pres Slack says the reason that he has such big feet is the fact that he does a lot of skiing. Now that there is snow on the mountains Pres is having a hard time concentrating on his work. He is anxious to get those feet of his on a pair of skis. . . . Paul Clendenen has a homing pipe. He sticks it in the office mail box and the thing comes right back to him. Wonder why?



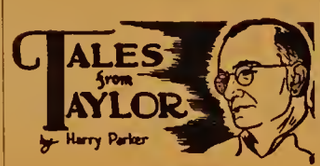
BIRTHDAY GREETINGS: To Mary Goss and Earl Glass. Mary's birthday was last Monday and Earl's Tuesday. Nearly twins, eh? (As Groucho Marx would say). . . . GRATITUDE: Bill Rohe, the Good Samaritan (if you don't care what you say), gave Wimpus Lemper a mess of nicely frozen fresh fish in one of his finest refrigerator (G-E) trays. Bill has been trying for weeks to get his tray back but nothing happens. Now Wim-puss finally tells him he's ashamed to give it back. He's been feeding the cat and the sows out of it. Right now we could say something awful mean. You know, like is it a two or four-legged sow or something like that, but time and space will not permit. . . . HE'S THE BOSS, HUH: Frank Yarman, Jr., that is, made a date with Earl Glass to see the wrestling match. Frank, Jr., was heard to say, I'll be there with bells on, and I'll bring this and that and something else. But, folks, as usual that was just a lot of hot air. For Frank never showed up. His excuse is that his wife was going to have company and he had to help entertain (who wants to be entertained with just a lot of wind). Yet he's the same guy who has been telling us "I'm not henpecked." "I'm the boss at our house" and bla, bla, bla. Oh! Boy, how we can blow and pop off when the real boss is not around. Keep it up, Missus, you are doing fine and we're all for you. . . . ALWAYS LOOK UP: Why is it, Harry Jones, that every time we see you talking to the boss (Lemper) you have your head bent way down? Is it because he's so short? Boss or no boss. If that's the reason make him look up to you. Never look down. You might find something some day, that you can't use. . . . HORSE THIEF: Thanks, fellows, for the evidence that we have been harboring a horse. Al Swift must read the WORKS NEWS, too. For now he is saying that some people get everything and others nothing. Al says he wants some evidence too, that I've been harboring a horse. So, folks, if you have any, please see that Al gets it. If he's not home at the time just leave it on the front porch. . . . OH BROTHER: What some people won't do for a nickel or a dime. What's your percentage year-to-date Tom Hutsell on getting away from the candy lady (nice name) without payment. We'll bet it's very low. She's got her eye on you. That's as far as cash is concerned. . . . We in the Wire Division during the past week were quite worried about Al (Hawkshaw) Hambrock's actions. He was seen on many occasions looking for the fellow's feet and sniffing the trunks of their cars to find the guilty ones who played a Hallowcen prank on him. As yet he hasn't found the guilty one. One more week of these actions, Mr. Hambrock, and we will begin to wonder about you.

Kappa Delta Phi Chapter Honors Voyce Brumbaugh

Gamma Lambda Chapter of Kappa Delta Phi, national sorority, honored their national regional director, Voyce Brumbaugh, Bldg. 4-4, at a dinner party Wednesday in the Berghoff Gardens.



SHIPPING: If you notice a bit of a glint in the eyes of Phyllis Crace, it's because she is a brand new aunt. The wee bundle of joy (a little girl) arrived last Friday. . . . These late fall mornings with their practically total darkness, present quite a problem to the worker plodding around in semi-darkness to get dressed for work. This semi-darkness can no doubt be blamed for Xercia Sinish's appearance at the plant the other morning, wearing one black shoe and one blue shoe. . . . Happy birthday to Betty Millhouse today, and the same good wishes to both Bob Gebert and Ferne Runyan who have their day this Sunday the 13th. . . . There seems to be quite a remarkable change in Del Bucher of late, however, the satisfaction of knowing one is all prepared for the weatherman's wintry blasts can account for that, no doubt. . . . TELEGRAPH: The telegraph girls were sorry to say farewell to Faye Alexander, who left telegraph to join the telegraph section at Taylor St. last Friday. Lots of luck from us all, Faye. . . . We welcome Gladys Hadley. Gladys comes to telegraph from Bldg. 31. Bldg. 31's loss is our gain, and we hope Gladys enjoys being with us all. . . . Kitty Cooper and Dolores Widner attended the Elsa Maxwell program Monday night and report that it was grand. . . . Helene Schlund has a new look in the form of a new permanent. We call her "Curly" for short. . . . If you're yearning to learn the new craze—square dancing, see Carol Levy, she gives first class lessons. . . . Our new bride Eleanor Phillips Blake has suffered a terrible blow, her husband is now working nights. . . . MAILING: Boy are some people lucky. There's lots of good eating in store for Kenny Beck, Ed Blotkamp, and Beverly Springer. Kenny recently won a 12-pound turkey while Ed and Beverly won a chicken apiece. . . . Poor Don Ahlersmeyer. It seems the Palace theater holds terrible embarrassment for him every time he goes there. For any further details, we suggest you contact Don. . . . Frank Hopper and Dave Thiebolt took their fathers for an airplane ride over the week-end. They flew over the lakes in Northern Indiana. We have had no reports from the fathers yet, but the boys say they had a nice trip. Frank, who is a private pilot, is now working for his commercial and Dave is working for his private pilot's license. . . . DISTRIBUTION, BLDG. 6-3: Mart Witte has the most remarkable head of hair we have ever heard of. Mart says that when he isn't feeling quite up to par he has trouble keeping his hair in place. However, when he is just tip top he never has a bit of trouble keeping his locks in perfect order. . . . If you are thinking of remodeling with plaster board, don't nail a board until you consult Clifford Saylor. Cliff can give you all the dope and incidentally he says never again for him, next time he's going to use corrugated paper pads. . . . REGIONAL WHSE:. We extend our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Jess Moser's sister who is ill in the hospital. . . . Question of the week: Is Tom Fox keeping banker's hours, or is he just envious of Ora Ramey? . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Ilene Shroyer whose father died. . . . Boy, this square dancing is really sweeping the country. It has even swept into Regional section and three of its most ardent admirers are Alice Horman, Dick Goetz and Gladys Sorenson. . . . If you haven't heard the new record of "Mule Train" just go in the vicinity of Carmen Sordelet's. All her neighbors are now familiar with it. . . . The gang in Bldg. 6-4 are wondering when Wren Herbst is going to invite them over for a chicken supper. One of your co-workers knows about the conversation with Mr. Springer, so how about it, Wren? . . . Earl Vachon and Martin Vogel are on the sick list and we are all hoping to see both of you boys up and around again real soon. For card purposes, Martin Vogel's address is Billings V. A. Hospital, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis. . . . Welcome back to Jim Craw. Glad to see you, my boy. . . . Speaking of seeing, Clair Lieurance is wearing his glasses again. Could it be that we are missing something, Clair? . . . Jess Moser vows he'll never let his grass grow so tall again. By golly, he had to get out ye old lawn mower and clip his jungle before he could rake the leaves. . . . Gertrude Hamel has her Christmas shopping all finished. Well how about that, lucky girl. . . . Our new group leader is Floyd Brown. Hope you like your new gang, Brownie.



Ray Heck, our young man of many adventures, has had another one. This time it was with one of the fair sex. It seems that he became enamoured by a certain young lady. Seeking to entertain her, he thought that it would be appropriate to take her out for something to eat after the show. They headed for the Coney Island for some super hot dogs. Seemingly all was going well when suddenly they broke off diplomatic relations. The reason given by the young lady was that she was so filled up on hot dogs that she could not look another one in the face. . . . Our super Casanova of group 13x10 Everett "Maggie" McKee has offered his heart to any girl to the tune of $10,000, but 'tis not the time of year that your fancy has turned to Maggie. Living alone at Avilla is a cold lonesome existence so he has come forth and offered his heart for a cosy fireplace for two. . . . Our honorable mention for this week goes to Kenny Applegate who was very busy last week raffling off a turkey. The joke of it all was the fact that he himself won his own turkey. Now everybody is looking at him with side long glances. Joe Turley opines that if someone else had picked the winning number, no doubt, Kenny would have tried to slip them a few crows instead of the turk. . . . Last week we ran a story about Newton Poland's very intelligent dog, and by the way that dog is really smart. Seeing a pail of garbage setting outside the kitchen door and deciding that it must be disposed of, the dog dug a big hole at the end of the lot so all Newt had to do was dump said garbage overboard. He told us that the hole was big enough to bury a man in. This dog, being only four months old and being very adept at digging, Newt is wondering what the dog would do upon reaching full maturity. Also he is wondering if he could train this pooch to do his spring plowing for him.



It is just like old bome week to report on tbe Repair and Return section in Bldg. 4-4. This is the section set apart to repair and sometimes completely rebuild motors that have been out in service for the American public. Let us look them all over just as they are. . . . First if you would hunt for a hunter and fisherman that can top any story that you can tell with a true experience of his own then you would naturally talk to Perry Jeffries. Perry is one of those true conservationists that surely must have some Indian blood, so keen is his woods and stream lore. I know that is spreading it on rather thick but you're lucky to go along with Perry. They say of him "three times fishing with no fish took the fish out of fishing for Jeffries." . . . Sometime ago we inquired about a "Black Beauty" owned by John Stanek. Publicity must have dulled his comments. . . . Jeanette Conrad who recently didn't have a house warming is now expecting a phone call. . . . We understand that Charles Griffin will soon be able to give expert advice on his new hobby canasta. Simple—he bought a rule book on the game. . . . Arnold Bentz tells us that his favorite sport is drowning bait since he never catches any fish. . . . Weatherman Walt Sollberger advised everybody that winter had arrived when he put his cap back on. We are beginning to think that his best friend is that short stemmed pipe. . . . Carl Sleppy has given the rabbits in Wells County fair notice to hole up before the season opens up. His shootin' iron is cleaned and shined ready to go. . . . The grapevine gives out with the news that Lloyd Miller has acquired a new sideline as water boy for Howard

Proud Mama



The proud mother in the picture is Blondie, registered cocker spaniel owned by Elmore Hurt, Bldg. 4-4, Repair and Return section. There are one red, two golden, and six light-buff puppies in the family.

Keppler. How about it, Lloyd? . . . You should be sure to inquire of Byron Newman about his unique way of carrying his shoes. . . . Ed Bowser has finally discovered the way to master the art of bowling and it has nothing to do with form or ability. It is the shirt that does it. The man has the nerve to borrow his son's very loud sport shirt and then just because he bowls a 200 game two weeks in a row for the first time in his life, he refuses to give it back. . . . We are all hoping that Herb Jehl's young son has a quick and complete recovery from his recent operation. . . . "Great Gildersleeve Elmore Hurt" is all one name but we can't understand how he rated it all. . . . We hear that Ira Runyan has changed his name to "Little Mutt". How come, Ira? . . . If you were to yell "Curley" you might be calling Harry Chism. It couldn't be that he has no hair! . . . Howard Keppler still can't figure out how he could get set in euchre when he has both bowers, and leads the king. . . . Margaret Parisot gives us a very good closing thought for the Repair and Return section. "He that loveth not, Knoweth not God, For God is Love." . . . RANDOM NOTES FROM EVERYWHERE. . . . If anyone wants to know how to bring a bushel of apples in to work ask Paul Broxon, Bldg. 26-4. Never did we ever see such a piece of pie. . . . A mule surely gave Norm Shane's, Bldg. 26-4, goat the once over last Friday night. In fact Norm was in such a state he forgot to pick up his wife at the G-E Club, he even walked by his car. We hear Mrs. S. came home about 1 p.m. and very unhappy. . . . You should ask Pearl Noble, Bldg. 26-5, who is one very shy gal about the present that she expects to get from Santa that will be purchased at Murphys. . . . Madonna Enders, Bldg. 4-5, had such an important engagement that she plumb forgot this reporter. . . . Harold Dimke, a Bldg. 17-4 swing shifter, passed out cigars for his third boy. Two non-smokers that tried to show that they could take it were Paul Schlie and Bill Johnloz. They both looked a little green around the gills but were both able to stay on their feet at the end of the cigar. . . . Morrie Snyder, Bldg. 17-4, was seen out running his new dog. It was a good race, but our money is still on the dog's nose. . . . Now is the time for the West-siders to get into the thick of this thing. Get after someone on your floor and let me hear from you.



The Fall Revue held last weekend at the G-E Club was well attended. The acts were highly entertaining and amusing, enjoyed equally by children and adults. Too bad Arnie Johnson missed it—he's planning to attend this week-end. In case he does he will find himself very much alone and in the dark. Perhaps next time he'll check the date a little closer. . . . Jess Stoller spent his vacation last week 'down on the farm" where he was busy picking corn, weighing in the pigs, as well as the numerous other jobs to be done. He's glad to get back to work so he can sit down and rest a bit. . . . Harry Anderson looks definitely fetching in his new plaid bonnet. Getting ready for the hunting season, no doubt. . . . Floyd Saylor was treating with apples one day late last week in honor of his birthday. Probably part of the Halloween loot collected by his offspring. . . . William Doell, formerly of Tool Maintenance but now located in Bldg. 17-2, celebrated his birthday, too. In this case, he was the recipient of a collection of gifts sponsored by the boys he worked with in Bldg. 4-2. . . . Betty Williams was our contribution to the Elex Style show and right proud of her we are. . . . Jo Alles brought in a jar of her home canned pickles for sampling recently. Gene Robbins was her best satisfied customer and in no time at all the jar was empty. The next day in Jo's absence, Gene found another jar of the same kind at her place. Knowing of her generous nature, he was doing the honors of passing them around and the jar was nearly empty when she returned. Imagine his disgust to find out then that she, realizing how much he had enjoyed them the day before, brought this jar for him alone. . . . Birthday greetings to Mary Mowery and Fred Clark.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, November 14, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—A check book at tbe Taylor St. Plant.

LOST—Child's green purse containing prayer book. Lost at Fall Revue at the G-E Club Saturday night.

FOUND—SpeeCraft triangle.

FOR SALE

SEARS, ROEBUCK THERMOSTAT—With furnace control, complete, $12.50. H-58515.

KALAMAZOO 20 INCH FURNACE—And pipes, $75. 901 Lincoln Ave. after 4 p.m.

SHOTGUN—12 gauge, 30 in. barrel, single shot, like new. 1412 Colerick St.

1931 CHRYSLER—Four-door, excellent shape, driven only 56,000 miles, a good car for getting to and from work, $90. H-75055.

1937 CHEVROLET—Coach, new tires, cheap; also 36 inch left hand drainboard sink, like new. 1425 E. Creighton Ave. after 4:30 p.m.

CHINA BASE TABLE LAMP—Twin table lamps; dresses and suit size 18; dresses size 12. H-01213.

WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER — Excellent condition. Lovely Christmas gift. H-20322.

MAPLE YOUTH BED—And mattress, good condition, $20. A-3515.

THERMOSTAT FOR COAL FURNACE—Complete with clock control, half price. H-79125 evenings.

NATURAL MUSKRAT FUR COAT—Three-quarter length, matching hat, size 9-14. H-02314.

THREE "P" COATS—Sizes 14, 16, 20, good condition. 2509 N. Anthony Blvd.

TWO PRACTICALLY NEW TIRES—6.00x16, General four-ply, very reasonable, will install. H-16612.

PAIR OF LOVE BIRDS—Cage and stand complete, $10. 2814 S. Hanna.

HEATROLA—In good condition. H-3457 or 1803 Hale Ave.

HAIR CLIPPERS—Non-electric; wireless record player, single record. A-75442.

G-E CONSOLE RADIO—Ten-tube, very reasonable. A-85972.

LADIES' BLACK SEAL COAT—Size 14, good condition, $20. Call A-19442.

SILVERTONE RAOIO—Console, in excellent condition. A-66741.

FOR RENT

THREE-ROOM FURNISHED APARTMENT—Close to the bus line, for middle-aged couple, $60. H-35043.

TEN ROOM HOUSE—Two complete baths, on Broadway. H-64554.

WANTED

TO BUY LOT—In south end of town, very reasonable. A-93212.

MARRIED COUPLE OR TWO WOMEN TO SHARE HOME—All modern at Pretty Lake, Ind. A-67104.

CRAVELY GAROEN TRACTOR OR DEEP FREEZE—In exchange for 17 colonies of bees, extracting equipment and supers. A-88512.

NEW OR USED PING PONG TABLE—A-3724.

GOOD USEO AMERICAN FLYER—3/16" gauge track, cars, and equipment. E-38093.

SMALL TRICYCLE OR ROCKING HORSE—E-32711.

THANK YOU NOTE

WE WISH TO THANK — All of our friends whom we can't thank personally for the generous gift which was presented to us recently. Martin P. Vogel and Family.

MISCELLANEOUS

LET ME MAKE YOUR HOLIDAY DRESS OR FORMAL — Reasonable and quick service. E-55185.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDERS—Dale Crigsby from Columbia City, Works at Broadway from 8 to 5:15. 260J Columbia City, or Extension 342.

WANTS TWO RIDERS—C. M. Leitch, from Kendallville or places between to and from G-E, Works from 8-5:15. Extension 2390 or Kendallville 259M.



Iola Hamerick will be back to work soon after a siege of illness. . . . One day this week Annabelle Gehrig returned to work. She hasn't changed a bit. Hope you find your work pleasant with us again, Annabelle. . . . Fanny Amstutz, what have you been doing lately? Has your husband got all his cord wood stacked up for winter? . . . Our glamour girl, Leona Fruechte is still on the job. . . . Agnes Andrews, we didn't know you had a brother working here. Why don't you tell us these things, Agnes? What's more we hear he's eligible. . . . We want to give credit to Floyd Morrison for having purchased six gold pencils to date from the GeCode Club. Sales like that really are appreciated by the GeCode girls. . . . What's this, Nora Smitley, another birthday? Sniff, that perfume atomizer will be a handy gadget for squirting on that good smellin' stuff. Those gift hankies you received are really nice. Oh, for a nice cold and you are really prepared. . . . More four-wheeled buggies have been purchased of late. Ray Schott, of Monroe, purchased a fine "Chevie" over the week-end. Oran Schultz got the fever, too. That's a nifty Chrysler "Windsor" you've been controlling down Second St. It is our favorite color. Do you think Milt Brown will soon part with his 36 model, Oran? . . . Thelma Goelz, happy birthday. We happened to spot the beautiful flower container someone presented you. Also the many thoughtful greeting cards. Many more such occasions, Thelma. . . . We'll admit Monday is a bad day to start working, but it must be pretty bad when you fail to show up for work. What excuse did you have, Florence? . . . Will someone put a bell on Eddie Hesher for Sprunger? It seems he always has trouble locating him. . . . Tuesday, Oct. 25, Clyde Gould celebrated his 13th wedding anniversary. . . . Margaret Waltke was a busy shopper in Fort Wayne last Saturday. . . . Dorothy Heimann is sporting a '46 Ford these days. . . . Leona Tinner sure has her difficulties with her refreshment of cocoa. . . . Lucile Braun, employed as a winder since January, 1941, in Section 7-51, quit to assume housewife duties in her newly-built and furnished home on Highway 1. She married Ed Gelzleichter Saturday, Nov. 5. . . . Battle of the century, Dale (Dempsey) Cowan versus—well, I don't know just who the other fellow was, but from what we hear, it wasn't bad. The best part of the incident is that the conflict was over, of all things, apples. A very juicy item. . . . Norma Poorman has dog trouble. She was observed one day last week working with her shoes off. Was it terriffic! I mean the odor. Most of the gals wore clothespins over their noses while this was going on. I don't blame them. Those dogs must have sure been growling. . . . Glenn Hurless really got hot last week, even if the weather was a least bit chilly. Yep, the ole 39 "cotched" a spark and was really going to town. Glenn arrived in time to smell the smoke. . . . Virginia Drake is now back with us again after a very long absence due to sickness. We hope she will be able to make it this time. Welcome, Virginia. . . . Warren Harden, the lad with the great big Buick, was in a little trouble last week. He went to town to see the parade and had to walk back. He parked in the wrong place to make a fast getaway and had to leave the car. . . . Take a look, guys and gals, at the wonderful display of Xmas cards the GeCode Club has on display and buy some. They are not expensive, either. . . . Edwinna Stucky had a birthday the other day, Monday, Oct. 31, to be exact. Edwinna distributed treats to the gang. Congrats, little girl. We hope you have many more of them.



Art Haberstock, our No. 2 crib man, was a bit slow getting to the crib on time last week. This was due to a slight detour out of the No. 1 crib via the window, and was he surprised to find the lock was off the main door, too. . . . Gurney Lindley likes the old Polish custom when it comes to weddings. He said he learned a lot of things that he thought Americans should have included in their wedding ceremonies. . . . Phillip (Tiny) Shoppman, of the plating room, has been trying to get Jess Batchelder to install a Hollywood muffler on that flashing blue Dodge with the red wheels since hearing that Jess was such an expert at the muffler business. . . . When I said Clarence Stolte was the only eligible bachelor the other week I forgot about Paul Mischo, but if Paul is anything like his dad was, he won't be in the bachelor class long. Paul has been off several days due to a bad leg which is the result of his playing touch football. . . . Noland Myers was trying to give the St. Joe V. F. D. a bit of work last week when one of his rags caught fire at his grinder, but one of the local firemen beat "Mac" McMaken to the job. . . . Noland and Ward Staley celebrated wedding anniversaries last week. When Noland thought of it he became so excited he wrote his clock number on a T. B. I. card for a shop order number. . . . I haven't been able to figure why Jake (Red) Allstetter keeps a bottle of perfume in his tool box and dashes a few drops now and then on our unsuspecting sweepers.



Who is the girlie with the curly hair? Why, Berneta Welbaum, of course. She is living proof of the results of a Toni. . . . Turkey Run State Park was host to the Indiana Industrial Nurses meeting last week-end. Olive Walters attended the various sessions. . . . Another wedding anniversary! Mr. and Mrs. Duane Stroud celebrated their eleventh wedding anniversary Nov. 5. Congratulations from the gang. . . . According to the calendar, it will be several weeks before winter officially arrives. But as far as Mabel Wilson is concerned, winter can be marked "present" now. The cottage at Turkey Lake is closed and the boat brought in from the lake. . . . From all reports the Fall Revue at the G-E Club was a great success. Large crowds attended all of the shows. . . . On this Armistice Day, please don't forget in the confusion and hustle of your daily work, to give some thought to the true meaning of the day. Let us never forget to keep a prayer in our hearts for our war heroes, living or dead.



We are wondering why a certain individual named Ray Snyder carries sawdust home in his lunch bucket? Does he have some rabbits or is he short of kindling? . . . Louie (Grandpa) Sauers is on his third week's vacation this week. He says that he is going hunting, but the season on wild game won't open until Thursday. Wonder what kind of hunting he is going to do? He is going to spend some of his time visiting his grandson in Peru. . . . We suggest that Alva Foulks limit himself to one can of vegetable soup a day and that way he won't tire of it so soon. . . . We don't know who to feel the most sorry for, Marian Miller or Joyce Schroeder! It seems that Marian had worn a big hole in her apron and Joyce, kindhearted that she is, cut a piece of her apron off and gave it to Marian so she could patch hers. Now if someone has an extra piece of thread and a needle Joyce could put a hem in her apron so she wouldn't look so frayed out! . . . Bea Davis is back in group 1x55. Glad to see you, Bea. We also want to welcome Wilma Linker, Mary Wyss, Mayme Carney, and Nova (Juanita as we know her) Shoppell to 1x29, Edward Harrison and Dale Stalter to black armature and Opal Brayton on inspection. Here's hoping you all stay a long time! . . . Mildred Coleman left out a loud yell the other day when she opened her drawer and saw that she had company. Brave Bill Wickliffe got rid of her little grey furred friend and everything returned to normal. . . . Several of the girls have their morning coffee everyday and then on Fridays they add a roll to their diet. They take turns in bringing the rolls, and this last Friday was Thelma Purdue's day to bring the rolls. Ruth Tutwiller filled Helen Struver's cup with coffee, and Helen helped herself to the last roll in the sack. In the meantime Thelma told Maude Erhardt that her roll was in the sack. Imagine Maude's surprise when she found the sack empty! Why, Thelma, my nephew in the second grade can count better than that! Maude got a roll from the candy lady though! . . . Merle Keesler is driving a different car, we can't say a new one. He calls this one the "Green Hornet". He was having his car serviced, and they gave him this one to drive. He always stayed a few minutes late in order that everyone could get out of the parking lot ahead of him. He said that it had no brakes either! He is driving his own now. . . . Birthday greetings to Helen Struver, Vera Fetro, and Richard Buecher. We wish Ella Staver and Clara (Krudop) Schneider who are both on pension a very happy birthday too. . . . Lucinda Pettit's young son, Glen, fell from a tree and broke his arm and had to undergo a very serious operation to set it. He is recovering but is still a hospital patient. . . . I'd bet my bottom dollar that if we staged a laughing contest for the best all around laugh, Eveline Best would take the prize. Mildred Green would laugh the longest, however. . . . By the way, we certainly are a dumb bunch sometimes. Everyone wanted to know why Nov. 8 was a red letter day on the calendar. After quizzing about 10 or 12 girls, Goldie Duff came through. She said it was election day even though we weren't electing anyone this year! . . . Neva Scott is on the sick list this week. Hope you get back soon. . . . Congratulations and good luck in your new home, Marie and Frank DeVaux.

Inquiring Reporter:

AMONG THE SMALL G-E APPLIANCES, WHAT ONE DO YOU THINK IS MOST NECESSARY FOR THE HOUSEWIFE?



GEORGE S. WEIKART

Bldg. 27

"I think our G-E iron is the most necessary because it really saves a lot of ironing work from the old method of using flatirons."



MARTHA HUTSON

Bldg. 26-4

"The electric iron. I think the iron is the most necessary of the small appliances. It cuts ironing time in half, saves countless steps and weight lifting."



LUELLA M. WELBAUM

Bldg. 6-2

"Every housewife must have an iron. I think the steam iron would be my choice of the small G-E appliances. This iron has two uses, either for dampened clothes or dry clothes. It also covers a larger area in one stroke of ironing."



LOHNAS McINTOSH

Decatur

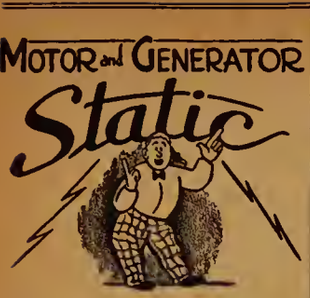
"Light bulbs. I think there should be one or more in each room, hall, basement and outside of the house, both front, back and side."

GARNET ZOLLINGER

Taylor St.

"I think the small, electric hand iron is the most necessary. With its fast heating unit and speed selector, it enables the housewife to choose the heat according to the material she wishes to iron. Besides, it saves time and makes ironing a pleasure."





Thought for the Week: "Many marriage failures are the result of many failures married." Beth Mumma.

DEAR OLD FELLOW: Don K. Shultz, methods section of Bldg. 31-1, is enjoying his third week of vacation this week. The poor old man really needed it. Don, this is the same thing you wrote about yours truly the week of Aug. 19 (I looked it up.) . . . K. L. McDaniel of Bldg. 19-1 is on his third week, and last but not least, that dear old character of Bldg. 27, Therm Liechty, is spending his third week touring in a trailer coach. Happy days, Therm. . . . ODDS AND ENDS: Dentists: Strange men who ask women to open their mouths. Telephone Bill: Toll Tale: Clasped Envelope: One with a check in it. Rubber Check; Certificate for a long stretch. SAVE YOUR FINGERS: Slivers of broken glass can be picked up safely and quickly from the floor by using a moistened wad of absorbent cotton. . . . How many of you noticed that new 100 inch Betts boring mill in Bldg. 27. It's a beauty. . . . Marcia Neukom, Bldg. 31-1, looks very nice with her new hairdo. It is a sort of rolled up off the back of the neck effect. . . . RESEARCHERS ARE PROFESSIONAL AMATEURS: One of the leading scientists recently scoffed at the supersonic, atomic, spectroscopic "marvels" of present-day research. "We know almost nothing about everything," he commented, "and if you wrote the most imaginary things in the world, you wouldn't even be approaching what nature does." "They talk about the miracles of spectroscope which will detect almost infinitesimal quantities of substances. But give me a good hound dog. His spectroscope is better. Every housefly is equipped with an automatic pilot better than anything man has devised."—Hudson News letter. . . . SAFETY RAISER: Always use the safety equipment, guards, pliers, hooks, safety trips, etc. when operating your punch press or hydraulic press. Awful embarrassing to look up from a hospital bed and say, "Look, Mom, no hands."

Ramblings in Bldg. 31-2

Harold Fremion has graduated from Apprentice School and is now working in the M-G drafting room. . . . Robert Hughes has transferred to Tool Drafting in Bldg. 19. . . . Virginia Mollet and her girl friends recently spent a costly week-end in Chicago. The girls parked their car in a parking lot and went across the street to meet a friend at the Palmer House. The girls had brought extra clothes to wear in the evening and left the clothes locked in the car. Virginia had worn her good clothes on the trip and only brought a box of Kleenex. When the girls returned to their car, they found that the ventilator had been pried open, and all their good clothes had been stolen—but guess what the thief left—Ginny's box of Kleenex. . . . Bob Gillum is sporting a new red convertible Ford. Oh, boy! . . . Our song writer, Eric Gawehn, will again have his songs on records. In a few days you will be able to buy Eric's two songs, "Merry Christmas" and "Santa's Coming," played by Ken Griffin on the Hammond organ. Watch this column for the serial numbers of the records of Eric's latest songs. . . . If you though Margaret Norman wasn't speaking to you this last week, there was a reason. Margaret had a wisdom tooth pulled and isn't supposed to open her mouth. We extend our sympathy to her for having to go on a soup diet. . . . Donations will be accepted to buy Bea Collar a bigger chair. It seems that at times Bea misses the chair and lands on the floor. . . . Please note: only 37 more shopping days until Christmas. See Elex for ball point pens, sachet, and cook books as well as cards and wraps.

An auto crash restored a man's memory. Often, that's all that's left after a traffic accident.

A dime is a dollar with all the various taxes deducted.

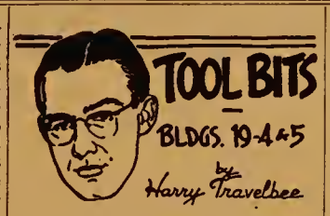
Firemen Capture Championship Of G-E Touch Football League



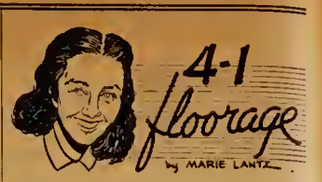
The Firemen won the Touch Football league championship this season for the third year. Team members are: (front row, l. to r.) Perry Esterline, Merle Morkoetter, Bob Baals, and Henry Vance; (middle row) Harold Blauvelt, Charles Bixby, Gene Etter, and Wilbur Hinton; (back row) Harold Summers, Al Meyers, Jack Angel, and Paul Stemmler.



The Apprentices were runners-up for the 1949 Touch Football league crown. The Apprentice School team consisted of: (front row, l. to r.) Don Konow, Ron Allen, Merle Aughinbaugh, Bill Smith, and Joe Barr; (back row) Paul Wuttke, Paul Mischo, Myron Auer, Dick Wagner, and Dick Gotschall.



The boys in Bldg. 19-5 welcome Harry Meades as he started to work in the lathe section last Monday. Glad to have you with us, Harry. . . . We are told that the Fall Revue was a big success. Art Rasor liked it, especially the horse act. . . . Ray Mutton has a way of doing things at just the right time. He relieved Art Rasor by making a perfect three point landing on the floor without injuring himself. We're glad, Ray. . . . Gus Wiedleman was thinking about getting a hair cut on the way home from work last Friday, but on second thought he decided to go straight home. His wife met him at the door with her coat and hat on ready to leave for the hospital. They made a fast trip to the hospital and very shortly after, a fine baby boy was born to the Wiedleman's. All three are doing fine. . . . Jerry and Mrs. Widner attended the Purdue-Michigan game at Ann Arbor Saturday. Jerry said Michigan won—darn it. . . . We have heard of people being allergic to smoke from someone else's pipe or cigars, and from stories that have been coming to us, Gene Dennie is one. When Milo Rauner gets his cigar going and Ed Gruber gets his pipe stoked up on the other side of Gene, things really start to whirl (Gene's head, we mean). . . . Art Braun, apprentice who used to be with us here in Bldg. 19-5, is the father of a baby girl born last Friday. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Braun. . . . We have been wondering why Herb Thiele hasn't been attending the conservation club meetings but from what he said to one of the boys, he is going to have to watch his weight a little closer. He said he eats too much at those dinners and he doesn't want to get fat. . . . Our attention is again drawn to a heroic soul in Bldg. 19-5. We all read of the terrible accident which happened just outside of Huntington in which three people were killed. Art stayed on the scene for almost two hours helping the injured and directing traffic during that time. We are proud of you, Art. . . . The hunting season opens this week so get ready for some tall tales. Herb Thiele said he would probably have to shoot a couple rabbits for John Roemer next Saturday. . . . The welcome mat is out for Vic Barcus who has returned to the check room from Bldg. 6-1½ and also for Chas. Spencer who has returned to Bldg. 6-1½ from the Transformer div.



Ah, Armistice

All quiet now—to dwell within
The fury of the battle's din
Where many fell and gave life
To end the hell of war and strife.

But did it end? Ah, no, instead.
We had another war and more bloodshed.
For what? If Communism's hold
Brings back the tyrannies of old?

All quiet now—ye honored dead
Will have to pray for us instead.
That we may never, never cease
To pray to God—for His real peace.

We must have lost our lease; we're located now toward the south end of Bldg. 4-1. We find it a very satisfactory move. It's warmer here. . . . Last week Adam Flager vacationed and returned to us with news of a big surprise. It was an eight-pound bundle from Heaven, christened John Victor. He was born Saturday, Oct. 29 at the Lutheran hospital. Co-workers here presented the Flagers with a lovely blanket for their new arrival. . . . Note to Fred Higgins: Though goblins and such don't scare us much, we must admit we'll throw a fit—not only once or even twice—but EVERY TIME you show those mice. . . . To anyone who's hungry a hike to Huntertown may prove helpful. For Halloween celebrants the Watersons prepared 20 bags filled with popped corn, cookies and bubble gum; yet only seven kiddies showed up. Since then Lois has given no indication of gaining weight—so the Watersons apparently are still holding the bags. . . . Howard Hoffman is candidate for the meanest man during the Halloween season. He tied his dog to the front porch to scare away trick or treaters. . . . Betcha Carl Riedel's favorite song last week-end was "Baby, It's Cold Outside." Carl was one of a group of Scout Leaders who camped out at Big Island. . . . It's our apology to Avery Spayde. Though it appeared that your scribe used the wrong number, she didn't try to confuse roses with feathers. . . . Week-end before last George Hahn attended the Indiana-Wisconsin football game at Bloomington. But I.U. wasn't bloomin' much that day, were they, George? . . . Ted Schelper's nerves are improving. His nerves, as well as the car's windshield, were somewhat shattered when the car, in which he was riding, hit a stone. The stone bounced up, through the windshield, and left Tod slightly out-of-wind. This mishap occurred during a trip Ted and his brother were making to Illinois.



Team No. 8 of the Friday Night Girls' League enjoys a two game edge over Team No. 1 in its race for first place. Liz Shearer led the pin assault with a 533 total on games of 197, 137 and 199.

Bess Potts, leading the league with a 162 average, came up with another 500 series, a 526 on games of 177, 171 and 178.

Ethel Koontz got her second straight 500 series, a 501 on games of 132, 127 and a new G-E high single, 232.

Other high games were rolled by: Lois Drewett, 190; Bert Liggett, 180; June Gettys, 179; Marge Malizzo, 179; Ella Hardier, 174; Dolores Lauge, 174, and Marger Huber, 171.

Monday Night Ladies' League

Louise Fanning kegled a high series of 507 on games of 160, 195 and 152. Esther Muzzillo was not far behind with her 482 series, rolling games of 185, 140 and 157.

Other high games were piled up by: Opal Cook, 188; Edna Koester, 181; Justine Luyben, 179, and Frances Miller, 172.

Transformer Division League

The "M" and Watts teams are tied for first place with 10 wins and five losses. Bells are just one game behind for the second place position.

Apprentice League

The Compasses are out in front by four big games over the Scales and Dividers.

Dick Wuttke had the evening's only 200 counts, a 201 and an even 200.

Masonic League

Now we have four teams tied for first. Composite, Fellowcraft, Patrols and Doric, all have a 14-10 record.

Ed Crabill shot a 624 series on games of 210, 225 and 189 to head the evening's kegling. Two hundred scores were rolled by the following: Bailey, 203; Frank Quinn, 212; Ed Crayton, 210; J. Smith, 213; R. Crabill, 226, and Lauterberg, 204 and 209.

Gidley had a rather monotonous evening, rolling games of 138, 138, and 138 for a once in a lifetime triplicate.

Interdivision League

The Broadtails, Hire's Motor Parts, and Brouwers Tire and Battery teams are tied for first place with 16 wins and 8 defeats each.

Les Shroyer of Brouwers' Screwballs had games of 201, 234 and 216 for a big 651 total. Herb Habig, of Pierres, had the other 600 count of the evening, a 624 on games of 196, 217 and 211.

Two hundred counts were kegled by Whitey Ponsot, 213; George Luedeman, 215 and 212 (168); Rudy Zelt, 231; Russell Rose, 203; Ty Cook, 244; Frank Gitter, 212 and 203; Leo Elward, 202; Walter Seidel, 235 and 203 (151); Noah Kuntz, 245 and 211 (140); Hal Fanning, 211; Arnie Horstmeyer, 209; Erv France, 234, and Oscar Schelper, 221.

The games in parenthesis are the low scores, to give the reason why some of the boys didn't get that 600 series.

All Star League

The League will bowl at the G-E Club Saturday evening at 7 p.m. Top matches of the evening should be the Everett Scott vs. Bob Ramsey and the Roger Vaughn vs. Cel Huffman match.

Ed Kraft continues to lead the league with a 22-13 record. Roger Vaughn is second with a 20-15 standing. Herm Muesling's 1,121 leads the high five-game series total.

Come down to the Club alleys Saturday evening and enjoy the exhibition and then bowl a game yourself.

Below is the score bowled by the Lincoln Life Insurance team at Toledo, O., March 19, 1922, which won the ABC tournament.

	Tot.	St.	Sp.	E
Ed Kraft	638	20	4	1
Frank Farnan	612	16	4	0
Fred Zurcher	633	19	4	0
A. Greim	535	8	0	4
Bill Doehrman	580	14	5	0

Bowling and Stuff

The match game between the Mush Heads and Hard Heads, both teams from Bldg. 19-2, was hardly worth a bottle cap let alone the price of $3 that they charged. Frank Matthews was away from the G-E alleys and couldn't get a thing. Not only that, he had no one to carry him. The Mush Heads won by 170 pins, 2307 to 2138. Bob Buck was high man with 550. Moe Zollinger was next with a 512 for the only scorers over 500. Frank had a rousing 469. We also understand that the game of shuffleboard can also be a bit rough.

We notice plenty of G-E bowlers in the 600 and 520 Club lists each morning in the Journal-Gazette. Let's keep up the good work.

Ethel Koontz took over the women's high single game lead on a 232 count. Bess Potts continues to hold the high three-game total of 580.

Don Waldrop still holds the men's high single game, a 266. He also copped the high-three-game series this week with a 674 on games of 242, 268 and 164. Les Shroyer and Frank Matthews were formerly tied for this honor spot with a 651 each.

Decatur Fraternal League

E. Faulkner, of the Teeple Truck Line team, rolled the season's high series, a 694, as Teeple's won two from Elks.

Preble AC's took all three from the Elks. O. Schultz came through with a 603, but did not receive enough help from his mates as Moose No. 7 lost two to the G-E Club.

High Series—Faulkner, 694; O. Schultz, 603.

Two Hundred Scores—Faulkner, 259-219-216; McIntosh, 203-200; Lord, 221; O. Schultz, 212; Schneider, 200; Appelman, 211; Leonard, 204; Miller, 202; Werling, 213; Bultemeier, 216; Baumgartner, 206; Steury, 210, and Macklin, 206.

Legion Post To Sponsor Gun Match

Forrest Reed, secretary of the G-E Rod and Gun Club, has announced that American Legion Post No. 296 will sponsor a shooting match Saturday, Nov. 19. The match will be held at the FOP range.

Anyone interested in entering the competition is requested to contact Mr. Reed, Bldg. 19-3, or John Collins, Bldg. 26-3.

Bland Wins Miller Trophy At Recent Pistol Match



Lester Bland

Lester Bland, Bldg. 22, expert pistol marksman, won the Miller Trophy in a match Sunday, Oct. 23, under the sponsorship of the Anthony Wayne Pistol Club. His score was 259 out of a possible 300, using a 45-caliber, Government automatic pistol. Requirements for the match were 10 shots of slow fire at 50 yards; 10 of time-fire (20 seconds apart) at 25 yards, and the same amount of rapid fire, also at 25 yards.

The following Sunday, be placed second in the FBI shoot at the FOP range. Les averaged 96 for the match. The first place winner was Ray Atkinson, Bldg. 31-2. The match consisted of 50 rounds of 38 caliber shooting at quick-draw and left and right band shooting from distances ranging from 15 yards to 50 yards.

Les has been classified as an expert for the last five years and it is his ambition to acquire the master rating, which his friend Ray Atkinson has done. According to Les, Ray is a very hard fellow to beat with a hand gun.

Les has a long string of medals and championships bebind him, including several first and second places in State Championship matches. In 1946 he won the national pistol championship at Friendship, Ind. The following year he placed second. He has 31 medals and five trophies, including the Miller Trophy. Sixteen of the medals were awarded for pistol shooting. These include 10 championship medals, three second place, one third and two club trophy medals.

He has captained his G-E Rod and Gun team to a second place and two county cbampionsbips and one second place in state competition.

Les is shown in the above picture holding the trophy given his team for the Summer section of the Anthony Wayne League. Tbe Miller trophy is on the desk next to him.

FIREMEN PLAN FEATHER PARTY

The G-E Firemen will hold their annual Featber Party Thursday, Nov. 17, at 8 p.m. in the G-E Club auditorium. Tickets may be obtained from volunteer firemen.



Oscar Beaty says all the drivers who failed to attend the fleet safety award dinner at the Chamber of Commerce Thursday evening certainly missed a good feed and a very enjoyable evening. One of the remarks heard later in the evening was, "Gee, if I didn't know Jay Greer, I'd think he was a truck driver, too." Don't miss it next year, fellows. . . . Helen Hlawek is back on the job in the telephone room after a serious operation. Glad to have you back, Helen. . . . June Widman has offered to demonstrate her new Ford to anyone wanting to take a ride. "Be sure your life insurance is paid up," sez Bill Altekruse. . . . Earl Anderson, the mighty hunter, has returned from his annual sojourn into the northern wilds. He brought back two deer, the larger of which we think Mrs. Anderson shot. . . . The stag party the gang in Bldg. 20 had last Friday turned out to be a real success. Some of the boys looked very becoming with barbecued spare ribs draped from one ear to the other. The eats were plentiful and very good from all reports. Our old friend "Butch" Vegalues sorta got his doors mixed up. Too bad, but I couldn't get the whole story. The fellows left the party with a look of satisfaction which proves that a good time was had by all. . . . We now have a celebrity in our midst. Gloria Wiebke modeled for the Elex Club Style Show last week. Wasn't it rather warm for furs inside, Gloria? . . . Just a reminder—the office party is drawing near. Better buy your tickets early.

If some folks were as sour as they look the world would be in even a worse pickle.

OPEN BOWLING
3 to 11 P.M.
SATURDAYS
At the
G-E CLUB

Small Motor Team Leads Volleyball League Rivals

The Apprentice Machinist volleyball team defeated Main Office two games out of three in league play last Friday at the G-E Club gym. The scores of the match were 15-1, 10-15, and 15-12.

Winter St. handed the Squares Club a three-game defeat on games of 15-3, 15-8, and 15-10. The Small Motor team had two victories over the Apprentice Draftsmen. The final scores were 15-5, 15-13, and 13-15.

In the last game of the evening's play, General Tool fell before Taylor St. on games of 15-6, 15-10, and 10-15.

The next league play will be held tonight at the G-E Club gym from 6 to 10 p.m.

League Standings

	W	L
Small Motor	8	1
Apprentice Machinists	7	2
Taylor St.	6	3
Winter St.	4	5
Apprentice Draftsmen	4	5
Main Office	4	5
General Tool	2	7
Squares	2	7

Basketball Team To Play K of C, Indiana Rod-Wire

The G-E Club's Industrial Basketball team will play tbe strong Huntington K of C five Monday, Nov. 14, at 8 p.m. in the club gym. This game will be the team's last warm-up before league play starts Thursday night.

The G-E Club team will play in the YMCA Industrial Basketball League again this year. The League will be composed of tbe following teams: Tokheim, Salisbury Axle, Zollner Reserve, Master Builders, Eckrich and Sons, Capebart-Farnsworth, Magnavox, Joslyn Manufacturing, Rea Wire, Gas Co., Wayne Pump, ACWA, Inca, I and M Electric, Indiana Rod and Wire, International Harvester, and G-E.

The club will play Indiana Rod and Wire in their first league game Thursday, Nov. 17, at 6:45 p.m. This game was scheduled for last Thursday, but the Central high school gym was not available for that date. All league games will be played at Central high school gym Tuesday and Thursday nigbts. Tbere is no admission charge for these games.

Y-Owl Industrial Basketball League To Start Nov. 15

The YMCA Industrial Owl Basketball League will start Tuesday, Nov. 15. The four teams playing on the opening day are General Electric, Indiana Rod and Wire, Zollner, and Eckrich Packers. The first game will begin at 9:30 a.m.

The G-E Owls, managed by Paul Boyer, will floor a formidable quintet. The Owls have height and ability.

The opening schedule will be as follows: G-E vs. Indiana R. and W. at 9:30 a.m., and Eckrich and Zollner at 10:30 a.m.

The Choice Must Be Yours

You are naturally aware that two or more national union groups are now struggling to represent employees for whom UE has been bargaining.

Opposing sets of union leaders are fighting for control within the various locals. There are contests in many places over the possession or control of present union funds.

Already, we are getting demands and counter-demands as to which faction we shall deal with from here on. At some places, the question is already being raised as to who should be paid the dues we check off.

The newspapers are reporting that these matters are being variously approached within the locals—by court action, by wholesale resignations, by elections of various kinds, or by doing nothing toward change.

For our part, we have been and will be absolutely neutral in the battle of union officials seeking to control the UE and to hold members in— or get them out of—various locals or national organizations.

We want to—and must—follow carefully the course indicated by law in the question of what representative we will deal with as we must with reference to all other conflicting claims made upon us.

We hope all parties to any conflicts will take advantage of the orderly and peaceable procedures available through N.L.R.B. and the courts for resolving representation claims and other such issues.

The choice of retaining an old union affiliation, or selecting a new one, or having none at all is now, as always, for our employees to make.

There is, however, one area where we can all meanwhile act together. We want to continue to do—and we assume you will want to help us to do—everything possible to keep up the flow of General Electric products and pay checks in the face of the steel, aluminum, copper and other shortages caused by strike action.

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

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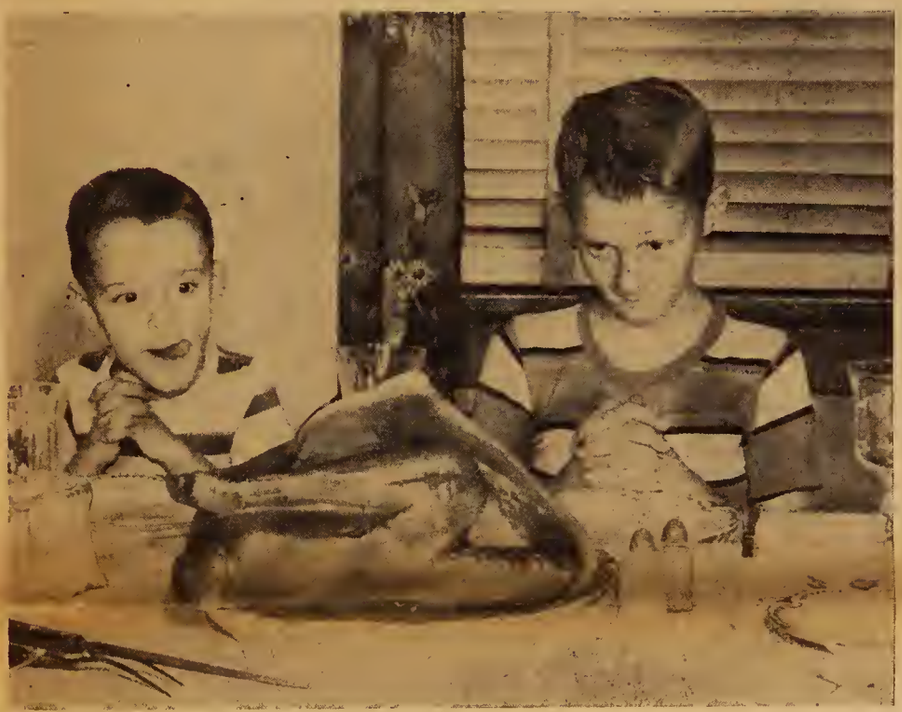
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Thanksgiving Preview



Steve, 4, and Dick, 11, can hardly wait to dive into the Thanksgiving turkey in front of them. They are the sons of Perry Esterline, Bldg. 2-2.

Dinner Meeting To Be Held For Foremen, Supervisors

'HUMAN RELATIONS' TO BE TOPIC OF ADDRESS AT SESSION DECEMBER 7

The Fort Wayne Management will be host to members of the Foremen's Association and the Supervisors' Club for their semi-annual dinner Wednesday, Dec. 7, in the G-E Club auditorium.

Fred Smith, Vice President and Director of Industrial Relations for the William Powell Company, will speak on "Human Relations. . . . The Art of Togetherness."

Mr. Smith served during the war as a member of the War Labor Board, and is the author of several national magazine articles.

Invitations will be mailed to all members of the two organizations.

Reservations Available For Elex Club's Trip

There are still a few reservations open for the Elex Club's trip, Saturday, Dec. 3, to Indianapolis for the Sonja Heine Ice Revue, Mary Leiter, president, revealed today. A fee of $3 must be paid at the time the reservation is made. The cost is $8.25 for members, $9.25 for others.

Parker Stresses Importance Of Public Confidence In Address To Squares Club

"Public confidence in General Electric is more essential than ever before to the continuance of our growth and the security of our jobs," R. I. Parker, Commercial Vice President in charge of the Central District, said in an address before 250 members of the G-E Squares Club and test engineers Wednesday night.

Mr. Parker stated that public confidence results from the same considerations on which is based employee loyalty to the Company. Good service and constructive criticism of Company products and policies on the part of everyone can be of tremendous assistance in winning and maintaining public approval, he added.

"Friendly relations between our

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To All Employees:

In America our calendar is filled with many dates which have a special meaning to all of us. Some of those dates are patriotic holidays, such as the 4th of July and Armistice Day. Others are of a strictly religious nature, like Christmas and Easter, and still others we look upon as just family days.

The observance of Thanksgiving Day is truly American. It is a patriotic occasion as it reminds us of the early beginnings of our America; it is close to the church, as on that day we humbly thank our Maker for our blessings, each in the manner of his own faith; that it is a family day is proven by the traditions that surround it.

Next Thursday each of us will observe Thanksgiving Day in the manner that he is able and to which he is accustomed. Though I know that we all have much to be thankful for in just being Americans, I hope that everyone will have other blessings which they have personally enjoyed during the past year for which to be grateful. Where there has been hardship and misfortune, may the spirit of the occasion enter those homes and help to give courage to face the tomorrows, that there may be more blessings to be enjoyed in the years to come.

Among the many blessings for which I am sincerely thankful is the friendship of so many of you and the fact that as an industrial family, in spite of all the problems we have had to face during the past year, we have been able to work together so purposefully in such an atmosphere of friendliness.

C. R. Matson

Works Manager

Elex Plans Annual Thanksgiving Dance

The Elex Club's annual Thanksgiving Dance will be held Wednesday night, Nov. 23, at the Prom Terrace ballroom.

Bill Miller's orchestra will play for dancing from 9:15 to 12:30 o'clock. Jean Kelley will be the featured vocalist. The semi-formal dance is open to the public and tickets may be obtained for $1.20 from any member or at the door.

Eva Fisher, chairman, is being assisted with arrangements by Sue Thompson and Marian Leiter, vice-chairmen. The committee in charge includes Maxine Daniel, Janice Mueller, Donna Bauermeister, Justine Luyben, and Mary Leiter.

22 SUGGESTORS ARE GIVEN LIGHTERS AS BONUS AWARDS

The following 22 employees were presented G-E monogramed cigarette lighters this week as bonus awards for submitting suggestions on which the regular awards were $10 or more:

H. F. Koch, Max Fielitz, H. F. Lepper, Norman Abbott, Robert Borer, John Lea, Alfred Arlic, Lee Mohr, Frank Chayka, Dorothy Crist, Richard Hobson, Fred Lahrman, George Noffze, Carl Hankel, Lois Connett, Russell Noll, Horace Franklin, Frances Fitch, James Sarasin, Gilbert Walker, Henry Wiegman, and Jay Michael.

Cigarette lighters have been awarded each week since Sept. 1 as a part of the Suggestion System Contest, which closed Tuesday.

G-E CLUB TO PRESENT SQUARE DANCE TONIGHT

A square dance for all employees, their families and friends will be held tonight in the G-E Club auditorium.

Sponsored by the G-E Club's entertainment committee, the dance will start at 9 p.m. and is free of charge. Music will be presented by Joe Taylor's Red Bird Band.

Store Has Ample Supply Of Christmas Decorations

An ample supply of Christmas lights and decorations have been made available for the first time since before the war, R. L. Fischbach of the Employees' Store, announced today.

Employees are urged to make their purchases early to avoid the rush.

Thanksgiving Day

Thanksgiving Day will be observed on Thursday, Nov. 24. The Broadway and Taylor St. plants, in general, will close on that day.

C. H MATSON

Works Manager

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THANKSGIVING DAY

This Thanksgiving let us remind ourselves of what this joyous holiday really means—beyond the feasting and the festivities.

Thanksgiving celebrates the first year of freedom and opportunity enjoyed by the Pilgrims, those first brave settlers in our new America.

Those original settlers faced many hardships the first year. But through freedom and opportunity that the then young America already offered, they managed to make the first simple beginnings of our wonderful United States of America.

So, remembering the origin of this Great Day, let us offer thanks for this wonderful land where opportunity lights the way to a better life for more people.

Here Is Something We Can Really Be Thankful For

All of a sudden it hit me just now, how lucky I am. Nine-tenths of the world is afraid—but I haven't got anything to be afraid of. A lot of the world is hungry—I don't really know what hunger is.

Where my grandfather lived, he could never hope to "rise above his station." Nobody decides what my "place" is, and best of all, nobody wants to. . . . I can rise and grow as far as I'm willing to pay the price, in hard work and self-denial.

What I have is mine—I can spend it or save it, and if I save it I can keep it, for myself or my children; no man dares take from me what I have earned.

I can be lazy and just get by, or I can work and be paid more and more as I produce more. Or, I can go into business and be my own boss.

My children will start where I leave off; they can keep on, and go farther and farther, better and better.

I can think and say what I want. I need never shrink in fear of anyone. No one commands me, no one will command my children.

I don't much care what you call all this—free enterprise or the American way, or democracy; names don't matter: It's America. I like it. Don't let anybody dare try to take it away nor change it. I like it this way.

I fought for it once. My boy fought for it this time. Both of us will fight again if anyone, from outside or in, tries to cheat us of this we love. It isn't perfect but it's the best there is.

I like it. I'm grateful. Stop monkeying with it.

—Warner & Swasey Company

Let's All Help To Maintain Our October Safety Record

Throughout the month of October the Fort Wayne Works operated without a single lost-time accident, as was announced in a story which appeared on the front page several weeks ago. With an over-all plant total of 10,171 employees, this represents 1,579,748 man-hours without a single lost-time accident.

The success of our no-accident campaign is due largely to the fine efforts of all the employees here and to the coordinated efforts behind our community safety programs and more acceleration in safety discussions at managers' meetings, foremen's conferences and supervisory groups.

"While we work constantly as a plant-wide team to eliminate causes for minor injuries and these accidents which develop lost-time injuries," Herschel L. Smith, Works Safety Engineer, reported, "we pay considerable attention to the little accidents not causing injuries. Our program calls for precautionary training both in and out of the plant to safeguard against mechanical, physical and health hazards."

The Fort Wayne Works and all its employees have earned the praise of the entire General Electric Company for this fine record which we have achieved. Let us all continue to do our part in maintaining this no lost-time accident record in the months to come.





This week we will try to give you a first hand picture of the co-workers in the Plating section (commonly called the Duck Pond) and Division 19, Contributing Parts Section in Bldg. 17-1. In Bldg. 17-1 Fred Crickmore is in charge. He has been there 17 years, 15 of which he has been an Owl on the second shift. His service with the Company started 32 years ago, but you wouldn't know it to look at him for Fred has kept himself young by spending his free hours up at his cottage at Adams lake. During the last summer he has been busy adding to his cottage to make more room for more company. . . . You have heard about the best of the Owl golfers all summer, one of the boys on the other end of the list was Garland Myers. The fall of the year provides his favorite sport, however. That is football. . . . John Shanahan, another Owl Golfer, is a fisherman who likes to go to Michigan and Houghton Lake for those big bluegills. . . . Norm Gardner is a collector of pipes and likes to work around in his shop at home. He tells us that so far hunting for him hasn't been so good. . . . Roy Pflueger gets a bang out of tinkering around with autos and also has a woodworking shop. . . . A Tri-Lakes resident is Walter Esterline who tells us that fishing was good this summer whenever he could lay down his hammer and saw that he used to remodel his home. . . . Cards, cards and more cards is the hobby of Walter Bauermeitser, even canasta. In his spare time he makes lawn furniture. . . . Elmer Moring is a Canadian fisherman. He once caught a 20 pound lake trout that took him 15 minutes to land. He just had a short line of 1500 feet out when he snagged him. . . . Howard Beery likes to hunt but has had no luck yet. He has a cottage that he built himself at Lake Of The Woods. . . . Remodeling his home took up the spare time of Joe Bernardin but his favorite sport is hunting. . . . Harry Connor, an ex-sailor, is a red hot St. Louis Cardinal baseball fan. He thinks that Eddie Dyer is still O.K. He has done quite a bit of deep sea fishing. How did they ever make a landlubber out of him? . . . Keepin' his car in shape to run for the kids takes up about all of the spare time for John Miles. He likes to tinker around home too. . . . Ray Huhn likes all sports, but fishing where they are biting is what he likes best. . . . Louis Hesse is eight times a grandpa. He is at present living alone. . . . Jay Gaff moaned the fact that he couldn't see his two sons play for the Busco Eagles on Friday nights. Jay agrees with Gayle Harris that there is a Beast in Fulks lake. . . . Paul McCreary likes to fish but he can't sit around all day and wait for them to bite like his better half does. He says he loses interest when they quit hitting his bait. Maybe he doesn't like to drown bait. . . . Working on his "junker" so it will run keeps Bob Facks on the jump but he did manage to get a couple of bunnies since the season opened. . . . We had quite a time getting any information out of Lloyd Foulks but he did say that he was a grandpa and is plenty proud of it. . . . Charlie Hazen from Busco is quite a flyer. Cubs are his favorites. Football is his tops in sports but his hunting prowess is plenty sharp. So far he has seven rabbits and three birds but we have it on good authority that one bird had him so flustered that he shot at the clouds before he could collect his wits. . . . Just give Virgil Best a good helping of Hoosier Hysteria (basketball) and he is satisfied. . . . Ray Stanger, the last of the Bldg. 17-1 gang, was an ex-caddie from Foster Park golf course along with this scribe in the days when a quarter in the pocket of a teen-ager was a small fortune. Ray also was a member of the Jolly Boys in the Owl Golf league. . . . Now we turn to the "Duck Pond" otherwise known as the Plating section over in Bldg. 2-1. . . . The biggest member of this gang of water waders is of course Hugo Wengert who can carry that 300 pounds of his around almost as graceful as gazelle. He is a flying fan. I'll bet he has a two seater all for himself. . . . Charles "Bob" Wheeler was our able informant for this group. He has hobbies of hunting and working in his garden. He built a new home last year. . . . Kenny Driver also likes to hunt and fish, but his Roto-Tiller takes up the extra time that he can find. He also raises bunnies. . . . Adam "Bill" Spieth is a stock car racing fan. He drove in one race last summer but didn't finish. Next year he says he will try again. He also likes to hunt and fish. . . . Radio is the hobby of Wendell Hogle who joined the gang recently from Winter Street. . . . George Belscher, who can shoot golf in the 80s, is almost as good at shuffleboard. He is a general "handy man" at doing anything. . . . Larry Fuller, who is sometimes called "Ike," makes fishing and hunting a hobby. He also likes to do the fixing around his home. He has a cocker spaniel dog. . . . Guy Brundige built himself a new home last summer on the outside, now he spends all of his spare time on the inside. He got into practice by building a chicken house. . . . Over in Bldg. 2-E there are three fellows who we have the low-down on: Merlin "Jap" Gromeaux spends most of his spare time with a hammer and saw in his hands. They say he is quite a carpenter. He catches his big ones in Pleasant Lake in Michigan. . . . Bob Davison is quite a sportsman. He collects all kinds of guns. His hobby is set aside now while he is building himself an eight room home in Yoder. Bob tells us that it is really going to be snazzy. . . . Harold Orr has two boys and two girls, works with a dump truck and is now looking for a tractor. . . . RANDOM NOTES AROUND THE HORN: We hear that Bob Braun, Bldg. 26-4, had pheasant-burgers. He caught the bird on the ground and really let him have it but good. . . . Fred "Beau Brummell" Phillips, Bldg. 4-5, was really in the dog house the other day. Have him tell you about it. . . . If you are still with me I would like to invite you to the G-E Club next Tuesday morning at 9:30 to see the Owls play basketball. . . . Whenever you have any ideas for G-E Club activities pass them along to me and I will see that they get into the proper hands. It is up to you to make the most use of the facilities offered by YOUR G-E CLUB.

PENSIONER PARADE

Si Palmer, who retired with 50 years' service with the Company, has returned home from the hospital. He will be confined to his bed for a few weeks and at the present time is unable to have visitors. Here's a sincere wish that you will soon be feeling better, Mr. Palmer, and hope that you will be up and around shortly. . . . Another speedy-recovery wish goes to Max Pomper, who recently came home following an operation at the Lutheran Hospital. . . . Marcus Harrigan is a patient in the St. Joe Hospital. His condition is reported to be good and he would be very glad to see any of his G-E friends. A speedy recovery to you also, Mr. Harrigan. . . . Paul Noble is keeping busy in his woodworking shop, making a table for his daughter as a Christmas present. He also has made very nice letter-openers for his friends. . . . Mary Oceleston, recently retired from Bldg. 18-2, has returned from Chicago. . . . The cafeteria employees received a letter from Charles Wagner in Inverness, Fla. He constructed a trailer this summer to make the trip. He says that he had been fishing and getting some of those big bass you read about. . . . Bill Fritz has joined the Johnson, Moffett and Wehrs golf group. They report that Bill plays good golf. . . . Last week the Homer Hartmans and the William Wehrs visited Potawatamee and Saturday the traveling Wehrs were in Toledo. . . . William Fowler visited friends in Bldgs. 18-4 and 18-5 one day last week. We are sorry that he has not been feeling quite up to par, and hope that he will soon be feeling better.



MOUSE TROUBLE — Marilyn Franke flew (and we're not exaggerating) out of her chair the other afternoon as a little mouse came running towards her. The girls decided it was such a little thing and fed it potato chips which were much larger than the mouse. Finally Joe Allen came to the rescue and caught the mouse and carried it out. This made Marilyn very happy and she started back to her chair when lo and behold another mouse crawled out of the hole. By this time Marilyn believed she was seeing things. But after Joe carried the second mouse out and the hole was covered, Marilyn and everyone else had a peaceful afternoon. . . . CONGRATULATIONS: Nov. 15, Sam Moore was married to Clariece Conoly of Florida. We want to wish you all the happiness in the world, as we know you will be. Before Sam left for Florida last Friday, the FHP Motor division presented him with a very lovely and useful gift for their home. . . . Wedding bells will ring for Joe Rowan and Jo Ann Eicher Saturday, Nov. 19, at St. Vincent Villa Chapel at 9 a.m. . . . TRAFFIC JAM—That traffic jam on the steps leading to the first floor of Bldg. 4, was caused by none other than little mighty Margie Murphy. Margie was going down the steps so fast as she left work one evening last week that her shoe flew off. The mad scramble that followed to recover it, amidst laughter, didn't affect the disposition of those behind one bit. In fact, it just helped to start our evening in a hilarious mood. HARD WORK—C. T. Johnson was seen duating Glenn Seabold's desk and when asked why, he said, "Glenn had been dusting his desk so he thought he had better return the favor" (turn about fair play). . . . NOTICE—Herb Osborne is wearing shoes again. After a few weeks of wearing houseslippers, due to a sore toe, he has decided to buy a new pair of shoes. . . . TOUGH LUCK — When the candy wagon arrived last week Paul Berghorn decided he could eat half an orange. So Glenn Seabold, trying to be nice said he would go and buy one and divide with Paul. In the meantime, Ernie Spaulding gave half of his orange to Paul—so when Glenn returned with the orange Paul was already eating an orange. Some days you can't make a nickel. . . . BYE BYE—The Production Division gave a luncheon in the Works Restaurant for Abbie Hartman, Tuesday noon. Abbie is transferring to Taylor St. today. The group also presented her with a farewell gift. . . . HELP—Will someone please send a letter to Santa Claus and see if he could get someone to help Denton Manecke finish painting his house? The poor fellow can't seem to get it done alone. He says and I quote, "The house seems to get bigger every time I go to paint it." . . . QUIET PLEASE—Everyone is wondering how Judy Clark kept quiet for two minutes last Friday morning, Nov. 11. How did you do it, Judy? . . . BEWARE—When Maurice Bennett was vacationing in Arizona he went to pick up a pretty stone and something jumped up and hit him in the knee. He thought it was a snake, but to his surprise he diacovered there was a jumping cactus on his pant leg. He had to go back to the car and have his wife pull the needles out of his knee. He wishes to warn anyone going there to beware of jumping cacti. They are quite painful aren't they, Benny? . . . FLASH — Anyone wanting any knitting yarn wound should go down to the Engineering File Room and see Donnabelle Degler. She will sure fix it for you. . . . FOOTBALL—Weir Anderson attended the Purdue-Marquette football game last Saturday at Purdue. . . . CONGRATULATIONS — Glen Willits and J. A. McKim received word laat week of passing their exams for Professional Engineer'a licenses. . . . PRO—Hugh Folsom bought some black golf balls so he can play golf when the snow is on the ground. He also has taken up bowling. His bowling score is almoat as high as his golf score. . . . NEW CAR—Don Reek is sporting a brand new Plymouth. Some guys have all the luck. . . . CONFUSED—R. G. Dobbin was thoroughly confused when he heard he had a reservation at the Ten Daily Hotel in Atlantic City. Did you think that was a place under the boardwalk, Bob? . . . MISTAKEN TIME—We understand that Mr. and Mrs. Harry Balz had intentions of attending the G-E Club Fall Revue Sunday night, Nov. 6, at 7 p.m. They were expectantly waiting at the entrance at that time but no performance was scheduled. . . . HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Helen Conrad who celebratea her birthday Nov. 20. . . . COINCIDENCE—Ted Ross has not been able to bowl with the Aircraft team on two occasions. Both of these times and only these times, the team won all three games. His team-mates are now consoling him with the argument that it was only a coincidence. . . . WELCOME—to Jane Hellan who started in the A.C. Section as an engineer assistant. She came here from Works Lab. . . . HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO — Donna Bauermeister, Nov. 14; Joe Donahoo, Nov. 12; Joe Gardt, Nov. 14; Nate Horton, Nov. 10; Jim Hilfiker, Nov. 3; Ralph Kaeck, Nov. 2; and Harold Sherbondy, Nov. 5. A few of these are a little late. . . . BUZZER HAPPY—The file room girls would like to know why Jack Jennings doesn't grow up. Maybe he would like aome one to buy him a buzzer. Seeing it in front of him must bother him. Congratulations to Joan Walter for suggesting the idea for the buzzer. . . . BANG BANG: It was observed Friday afternoon that Phyllis Hines had a large hammer lying beside where she was typing. We wonder if she was using the hammer to get the proper impression. . . . OLD BUDDY: We sure were glad to see Larry Hemphill back to visit ua last week. You are always welcome, Larry. . . . OVER OPTIMISM: The Small Motor volleyball team ia holding a one game lead over the rest of the teams in the league. Feel pretty good, huh, fellows? . . . HIT THE JACKPOT: Virginia Mariotte and Nadeen Junk are two lucky gals who received $3.15 apiece (wonder what they did with all that spendulicks) on a suggestion for a screen on the drain of the mimeograph washing machine. Who knows, maybe you both will hit the jackpot the next time. Keep 'em coming. . . . We weren't supposed to know this but Gloria Hormann got a Tootsie Roll out of the spendulicks.

Foremen's Association Hears Address By Vernon Sheldon At Annual Dinner



Members of the G-E Foremen's Association and their guests heard a talk by Vernon C. Sheldon Wednesday, Nov. 9, at the organization's annual ladies' night and dinner meeting in the G-E Club auditorium. Approximately 180 persons attended the meeting. A. R. Kissinger, foreman in Bldg. 4-5; Everett Lindeman, president of the association and foreman at Taylor St., and L. A. Bond, foreman in Bldg. 26-5, are shown, above, talking with Mr. Sheldon, following his address on the topic "A New Formula."



Jordan Gunkel has a new television set, and everyone is welcome to come over and see it. . . . We hear Bob Enz had a big time at a wedding reception last Sunday. He said he entertained all the women while the rest of the men played cards. . . . Bessie Chapman wishes to take thia opportunity to thank each and every one for the beautiful gifts and cards sent to her on her birthday which will never be forgotten by her. Thanks again. . . . The photographer muat have thought Dutch Norwalt was going to break the lens because he went away and never came back. . . . The boys were surprised that Dutch bought a new Plymouth instead of a Dodge. . . . Wonder why Ralph Braden has so much trouble with the washing machines he sells? . . . Genevieve Conrad and her husband came back from their hunting trip and brought back a deer. . . . What causes Bill Fowler to disappear along about 3:30 in the afternoon? . . . Otto Braun claims all you hear anymore is, "quack, quack here and quack, quack there and bang, bang everywhere." . . . Fletcher Cumbey, the big sheep rancher, had an emergency phone call the other day. He had to drive home and chase the rustler off his ranch. . . . Otto Braun went duck hunting on opening day. . . . We hear Benny Kelling is going to plant cocoanut trees on his farm, ao he can eat all the cocoanut piea he wants. He's decided to do away with the middleman's profit. . . . Anyone wishing to know any duck calls contact Leo Klejnot. . . . Oris Cagnut has a new Ford. . . . The boys think Buzz Hiser should have a dog to find the birds after he shoots them. . . . Eddie Alter had a lot of excitement last week between the Kroger store robbery and then his car accident. . . . We wish Otto Braun a lot of good luck in his new home. The alarm clock was changed and he was up the first night at 11 p.m. ready to eat breakfast and then come to work. . . . Vivian Johnson was reaching for a small piece of candy and fell off her chair. Howard Draper came to her rescue. . . . Edson Dickey moved to the office from Bldg. 26-5. . . . The girls in the office worked overtime Saturday and had a potluck. They seemed to have had quite a time with the whipping cream dispenser. . . . Sorry to hear about Novella Pape's illness. We all wish her a speedy recovery.

Parker Stresses

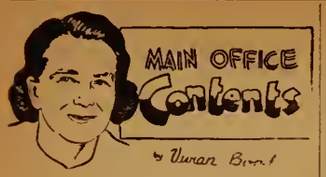
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various employee groups, based on an atmosphere of mutual understanding to which our social activities contribute so much, has a very definite effect on the customer's acceptance of our efforts to serve," he explained.

Mr. Parker stressed the fact that in view of the very highly competitive situation in all markets, everyone must become more conscious than ever of their individual responsibility.



Andy Anderson's tournament team went to Hartford City last week-end to roll in a tournament. I won't say what Andy rolled, but if he would have passed a river on the way home he would have thrown his bowling ball in it, bag and all. . . . Kenny Bainbridge is now back on hia old job. Kenny says he is going to atay on that job now until he has 25 years' service then maybe when he takes another job they will let him keep it. . . . Things are quiet around here since Oral Emrick has gone off the second trick. . . . Bob Johnson had quite an experience last Thursday evening. Bob had been working second trick ao he could go hunting early Friday morning. Bob got off at 11:48 and was walking to hia car in the parking lot. All of a sudden something hit him from behind and he let out and grabbed something to hang on. He turned around and there was a taxi cab right up against him. The driver opened the door and said "I didn't see yon back there." Bob said that he didn't see him either, that we drive forward not backward. That took care of Bob's hunting for Friday, in fact he was laid up the whole week-end. . . . Roy Pickett can't figure out whether Howard Householder sprays the stators or aprays his apron and then wipes the statora on it. . . . Charlie Penn traded off his old Pontiac for a new Buick. Charlie says there isn't any other car but a Buick for him from now on. . . . Ed Fiedler is on his vacation this week and his little helper Doyle Sheets is lost without him. . . . Ruth Cavender is about ready to bowl in the Classic league now that she had a good count laat Friday. . . . Irene Shaffer went to the Michigan football game last Saturday. . . . Gus Harrison is back on packing again. Last week he worked over in fan motors as set up man. . . . Sarah Moore went to Toledo over the week-end. Clarabell Castle asked her what she went there for and Sarah said to find a man. Clarabell was so dumbfounded that she forgot to ask Sarah if she found one. . . . Gladys Mosshammer Ponizan has been pretty busy here lately riding around in her new car. . . . Maurice Roe must be going into the florist business. Every morning he brings flowers for different people in the division. . . . Have you noticed those pretty green pants Bob Robertson has been wearing lately? How could you miss them! You can see them fully five minutes before he comes in view. . . . Art Hubler had better start believing in Santa Claus. We hear he didn't want to get in the Christmas exchange this year. For his own good he better reconsider because his co-workers are thinking up a nice present for him. Here's a tip, Art, it has something to do with horses. . . . Clark Holmes is getting farther away from cigarettes. Have you noticed that new cigarette holder he has been puffing on? . . . Ed Brockall is also another one of those in the new car class. . . . Was Doyle Sheet's face red last Monday! He got his directions mixed up when he came out of the conference room. It probably would have been a lot redder if Andy hadn't been there to keep him out.

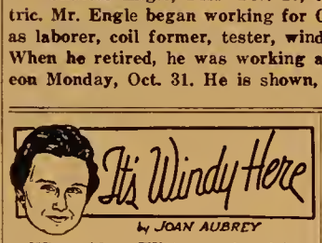


We trust that your Thanksgiving will be festive and not overshadowed by the unsettled local and national upheavels, to say nothing of the rapid approach of Christmas. . . . CONGRATULATIONS: Last Tuesday Edna Welch's co-workers united in helping her celebrate her 30th anniversary with the Company. They had a cooperative dinner (the menu sounded good) in the office of Bldg. 18-4, presented her with a gift, and many pictures were taken. . . . NAME CONTEST: Happy birthday to Pat Olinger of Bldg. 18-5. Among her birthday gifts was an adorable black and white cocker puppie. The pet has not been named. We will officially launcb a "Name the Puppie" contest. The prizes will be nil but we are sure you will want to enter. Box tops are not required but a can of dog food would be acceptable. Just address your entry to Bldg. 18-5. . . . HAPPY BIRTHDAY—Thelma Stone and Chester Kowalski will both have double celebrations on Thanksgiving Day. That is better than on Christmas Day. . . . VACATIONS. Robert Meyers, Bldg. 18-1, is enjoying a vacation this week, bunting. Next week Ralph Clark will take off for parts unknown for his tbird week's vacation. Also, The Bonds—so next week, Pat Olinger, Bldg. 18-5 will write this column. Please send your news to ber or call 465 on Friday, there is an early deadline due to Thanksgiving vacation. . . . DEER HUNTING—Glenn Forst, Gladys works in Bldg. 18-1 Payroll, is enjoying a bunting trip in northern Michigan. . . . William Fowler formerly of the Data Bureau visited his friends and former coworkers last week. We are sorry that he has been "under the weather" and hope that be will recuperate rapidly. . . . Question! Who drives the convertible that picks up Delores Patterson so regularly? . . . Speaking of hunting, Ray White, Bldg. 18-4, took off in the direction of Webster Lake. Sure enough last Friday morning he had the head from a ring neck to prove to everyone that he could still bring in the birds. . . . A. E. Leider has been quite unhappy with his rigbt shoulder, but we are happy that there is now some improvement. . . . Estel Monroe was home ill the first of the week. . . . Last Saturday the Russell Burns (Opal of Bldg. 18-1) and The Daffonns (Helen of Bldg. 18-1) were among the crowd from Fort Wayne which helped dedicate the new Moose Lodge at Huntington. . . . Karl Reid and Ruth Givens of Bldg. 18-5 have their special epithets over the phone. We now hear them addressed as Mr. Smitb and Mrs. Jones, wbat won't tbey think of next. . . . DOROTHY LONG, our Bldg. 18 polio victim, is improving. The last reports tell us that she is now walking a few steps and that is something we have all been waiting for. . . . Helen Gelert invited the girls in Bldg. 18-2 out to see her new bome on Thursday evening. Mary Occleston who recently retired was among the guests. . . . Marilyn Mattes and Doris Lehman, Bldg. 18-2 recently visited Mary Brouwer who recently left Bldg. 18-2. She sends ber regards to all ber friends in G-E. In case you have been wondering who the new girl in Mr. Swager's outer office is, she is not really a new girl, just Lucile Curie with a very becoming new hair-do. . . . Have beard several people say that they plan to see tbe Judy Canova sbow at the Quimby Auditorium Wednesday. Thelma Stone and Phyllis Tanner plan to go from Bldg. 18-1. . . . Elizabeth Carnell, Bldg. 18-1 is all anticipation, her three year old niece "Penny" Pollack of Cincinnati will spend the week witb her. . . . The Credit Union Card Party last Tuesday evening attracted a number of players from Bldg. 18-1. . . . Next week, Tuesday to be exact, the G-E Volunteer Firemen will give away all sorts of things, not that I expect to be on the receiving line—but it's fun to look forward to anyway. . . . PETER GEORGE III: Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kuttner, (Peter works in Bldg. 18-3) on the arrival of a 7 lb. 15 oz. son. Leo W. Kuttner (Pete) of Taylor Street, the grandfather, is holding up very well.

Engle Retires With 42 Years' Service



Charles Engle, FHP Div. 17, left recently for retirement after 42 years of service with General Electric. Mr. Engle began working for G-E in 1907, doing armature work. He has worked on several jobs such as laborer, coil former, tester, winder, repairman, speed lathe operator, stub lathe operator, and grinder. When he retired, he was working at Taylor St. His friends and co-workers honored Mr. Engle at a luncheon Monday, Oct. 31. He is shown, above, with his son and daughter, Arnold and Helen.



When Alma Witte wandered into Div. 14 office last Friday and was trying to give them our checks, her mind must have been a million miles away from Fort Wayne. Really, Alma, you have been around here long enough to know where our office is. . . . Francis Thomas and John McComb of Div. 13 are now on a deer hunting trip in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and we hope they have a lot of luck because the fellows are looking forward to a big venison dinner. . . . Charlie Briggs was on vacation last week and he said the hunting was fine. The only trouble was it was just like at home, surrounded by females. At home he has a wife, three daughters and a female pup. So when he goes bunting all he can find is female birds, and he was really disgusted. . . . Frank Hutchinson from River Works in West Lynn is with us in the Planning Section for a few weeks. Nice to have you with us, Frank. . . . Welcome also to Portia Schaaf, who joined the raw material section recently. . . . F. L. Gale is also on vacation this week, but is just taking it easy at home and might try his luck at a little hunting. . . . The girls are really doing all right with their knitting. Peg Tursebman has one mitten nearly finished and if she hurrys she may be able to finish the second one before Christmas.

Information Clinic

QUESTION

I would like more information about the pension plan, in which one's wife may receive a portion of the retired employee's pension after the employee's death.

ANSWER

With the consent of the Pension Board and subject to Company medical examination, a participating employee may, at the date of his retirement, elect to receive a reduced pension in order to provide for payments being continued after the employee's death to a surviving spouse during the latter's lifetime. This is called a Survivorship Option.

The Survivorship Option of the Pension Plan provides a reduced pension under two options. Tbe amount of the pension shall be actuarially determined by the Pension Board on the basis of tbe age and sex of the employee and of the spouse.



Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John R. Clendenen who are the proud parents of a baby girl Lois Marie. . . . Carl was kind enough to let Dick White go hunting out at his place. But it was the first and last time, because Carl still hasn't found his two cats. . . . The office has a "new look" since the furniture has been rearranged. . . . I've heard some pretty good hunting stories, but Mr. Wolf still claims he has run over more rabbits than any apprentice has caught. . . . Our congratulations to Joan Eicher and Joseph Rowan who will be married tomorrow. We wish Jo and Joe many years of happiness. . . . Morton was very generous in passing around fried chicken (?) one day last week. After every morsel had been devoured, Smith sweetly informed the fellows they had just eaten that old owl Mort caught last week. . . . Merton Allen is now known as "file-head" for details see Dick Wagner. . . . Flash! Fire Sweeps Apprentice School—or was that Carl sweeping water from the low spots? Due to quick thinking by "cool" heads the small blaze outside Bldg. 12 was extinguished in the record breaking time of 30 minutes. The alarm was sounded by someone in the mill section, and they sent Fireman Ecenbarger racing down the aisle for the fire fighting equipment. He came back with a hand pump. Of course with Chubs Auer on the pump, how could Harry miss, but he did. Next came the bucket brigade with Harry dashing from hose to window. Three buckets were used—a five-gallon pail, standard mop bucket and last but not least a pedestal grinder cooling cup. The fire still blazed on! Then came the mechanized division with Pugh, Allen and Werling cranking water out of the compound tank. This succeeded very well until the tank went dry. The fire hose was then rushed to the scene from the gear section with only a dribble coming forth at first. Then it began to pour—out of the side of the hose connection. With the fire nearly out, Harry and Mort finally subdued it by using a good fire hose from Bdlg. 12-1. . . . All that trouble one day trying to get water, and the next day the water pipe broke in the tool crib and everyone was frantically trying to get rid of the flood. This time it was Homer Thayer and Carl Johnson who saved the day by pumping the water out of the tool crib. Neitber Carl nor Homer suffered any ill effects from taking their Saturday baths a day early.

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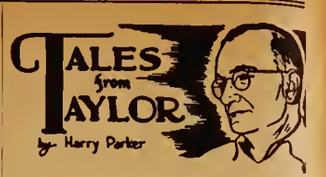
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The pipe that Frank Blotkamp smokes is one of the most atrocious that we have ever come into contact with. The other day he laid it on Jimmie Hamilton's bench. Well, Jim just could not take it as Frank smokes everything from mullen leaves to shavings in it, also a little horse hair now and then. So Jim picked up the pipe, disassembled it and tossed the pieces in different directions. Frank had an awful time finding the parts, but he did. Taping them together, he restored the fume pot to service. Now Jim tells us that he is going to have a requisition put through for a gas mask. . . . Ray Heck, our auto mechanic extraordinary, is now busy reconditioning an old car that laid down and died many moons ago. He claims that he will have her running in a very short time. He made the rounds of all the junk yards for his replacement parts, saying that he likes parts with plenty of tolerances in them for his reconstruction jobs. In other words he likes a lot of shimmy and shake in his cars. . . . While departing from work the other afternoon, Leo Herber picked up his lunch kit as usual and left the plant. That evening his wife opened the kit to clean it for the next day's charge, but it was full of food. She asked him why he did not eat his lunch. Saying that he did and taking a good look at the lunch box, he discovered he had taken one of the second trick fellow's dinner pail. Living quite some distance from the plant Leo was unable to return it, so some poor soul had to do without his daily sustenance. . . . We report that the first of this month William Mauger and Herman Doehrman were appointed official seeing-eye dogs of the drill press section. Their duties include keeping a close vigil upon their coworkers and helping them out in whatever way may be necessary. So if any of you need expert guidance, get in touch with Herman or Willie, our super bleed hounds.



Here it is the hunting season is upon us and we don't have any stories worth printing except the one that almost took place the other eve when Clisty Rich was going to take the Misses Myers, Weaver, and Schindler on a trip snipe hunting. I guess the reason they didn't go was due to the fact they couldn't get a bag to throw the snipes into. . . . No, she wasn't hurt, nor her foot wasn't fast. It was only Julia Sprunger singing, "Halleujah, I'm a Blonde." Boy, she sure can yodel. . . . Dorothy Ketrow is the gal who is wearing the cheaters you see over on the winding line. Don't you think she looks rather snazzy? . . . Al Windmiller is consistently getting his name in the WORKS NEWS. Sure and now he got himself a title, Grandpa. His son Jerome and wife are the parents of a baby so that makes Al a grandpa. . . . Clarence (Bones) Brunnegraff, the boy that herds the jeep around on the second shift, has a tough time getting the bull by the horns and just when he thinks he has things under control—ker wham. . . . Get your turkey here. Yes, the GeCode girls have the tickets now on sale for that big bird and now is your chance to get one free. . . . Clarence August is off due to illness. Hurry back, Clarence. . . . Effie McGill decided to kill two birds with one stone by taking her third week of vacation and celebrating her birthday all at one time. Thanks for the treat, Effie. . . . Peter Koenig never woke up to the fact that Nov. 7 was his birthday until 3:30 when he made out his time. . . . Evelyn Plasterer just fairly beams over her 212 howling score. . . . All the pretty originals you see Agnes Nesswald model are all her own making. Agnes is quite a seamstress. . . . Olive Journey was a visitor at Anderson recently. . . . We thought she was a new girl on KH Line but at second glance it was Bonnie Foor wearing a new pair of glasses. . . . Regulars seen on the golf course are Red Morgan, Johnny Baumann, and Mary Miller. They are wondering if the cold weather is responsible that George Laurent, Bob Andrews, and Kenny Gaunt fail to come out. . . . Clyde Gould and family spent the week-end of Nov. 12th at Cedar Rapids, Iowa. . . . Meet the new Mayor of Wren, Jason Moser also George Myers, of the Lab, treasurer. Congratulations. . . . We extend our sympathy to Chester McIntosh upon the death of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Ada Martin and to Marcia Martin, a former employee. . . . Bob Striker also belongs to the "New Car Club" and is the proud owner of an Oldsmobile. . . . Christine Andrews couldn't figure out why her sister didn't get her with the car one noon and later on remembered she had driven to work that morning. . . . Charles Keller, Ray Shackley, J. K. Eady, Lloyd Baker, and A. Buffenbarger have birthdays in the month of November. Congratulations. . . . In bowling the other night Dort Schnepf bowled a 181 and was so thrilled about it she almost let out a war whoop. . . . One special event for this week was the opening of hunting season. Several employees managed to get their hours and vacation arranged to take advantage of early shooting. Erhrman Johnson and Curt Baxter are vacation hunters. Hez Cochran is working nights, and, pheasants, look out this week for Hez is out to shoot um up. Hope you boys get your bag limit. . . . Mary Meyers is again planning a vacation in Northern Michigan during deer season with her sons. We'll be waiting to hear if they have any luck shooting a deer or two. . . . Last week there was another birthday that was celebrated but was mentioned too late for our last issue. Ella Scherry passed out sweets. Happy birthday, Ella, many more celebrations. . . . Another birthday was discovered one of our winders "Curley" Reynolds is celebrating today. Happy birthday, Curley, and may you have many more. . . . Margaret Waltke entertained last Sunday at a birthday dinner for her father who was 87 years young. We all hope he has many more of them. . . . It is a good thing Armistice Day celebration comes once a year. Wonder what made Irene Bieberich feel so tough the next day, also Geneva Pickering so run down? Pauline Dixon hasn't any complaints as to the fact. What a wonderful constitution you have, Pauline. Anyway these girls had a good time celebrating with their husbands at the Legion supper. . . . It's pink booties again. Once more Hilda Staley is grandma. The son-in-law, our former engineer Barney Hartough, and Hilda's daughter Peggy, the former attractive secretary. So far Hilda knows the addition as Jane. . . . One news item: Margaret Waltke is on a diet—one box of cherry flips a day is her limit.

Irene Meyers Addresses Rubber Co. Girls' Club

Irene Meyers, Supervisor of Women's Activities and adviser to the Elex Club, was guest speaker at a dinner meeting of the board of governors for the U. S. Rubber Company's Girls' Club Tuesday night, Nov. 8, in the private dining room of the Ace Cafe.

Witte Completes 40 Years



Edward W. Witte, Bldg. 8-2, has completed 40 years of service with the Company. Wednesday, Nov. 9, he was honored by his co-workers and was presented a 40-year certificate.



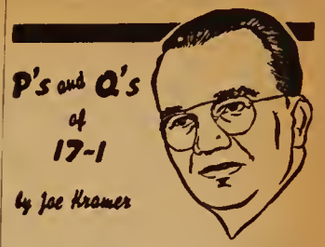
Mary Heymann

Time to trade again. Time rolls by so fast, it is difficult to realize that it has been six months since two of our nurses traded places. Monday Berneta Welbaum came to Broadway in Bldg. 21 on second shift and Mable Wilson treks out to Winter Street on days. . . . Edith Bald, R. N., classmate of Mae Mulvane's spent Tuesday evening in Ossian. The breezes carried the scent of liver and onions all the way to Fort Wayne! . . . Back in the days of the Revolutionary War a lot of history was made by the famous "Red-Coats". Today, not to be outdone by these scarlet-coated boys, we have a new organization, namely the "Green-Coats". According to the latest count among the members of the Medical Section, there are eight green coats! Anyone else going coat shopping? . . . Dr. Garton celebrated a birthday last Monday and was presented a gift, cake and coffee by members of the Section. . . . The doctors and their wives entertained the employees of the Medical Section at the Murdock home last Saturday evening. Technicolor pictures of their travels were shown during the evening, followed by a delicious buffet luncheon. It was a very delightful party and enjoyed by all. We are hoping to see the pictures all over again sometime. . . . Imo Jean Schwartz spent the week-end with her brother and wife at Purdue University and attended the football game Saturday afternoon.

Celebrates 40th Anniversary



Victor W. Blomenberg, Bldg. 31-2, completed 40 years of service with General Electric Friday, Nov. 4. He was presented a 40-year service certificate, and received the congratulations of his friends in the Motor and Generator division. Left to right in the picture are: P. S. Stough, Manager of Engineering for the Motor and Generator divisions; R. A. VanHorn, E. P. Ginder, R. P. Walworth, and Mr. Blomenberg.



The deer and the bear are going to be in for a rough time this winter. Ed Arthur is going bear hunting and Clyde Crabill is going after deer. We have been informed that Ed is going to get more than one bear. Clyde Crabill has received a number of deer lures and hunting information from Loyal Decker so he is quite sure of returning with his quota of game. . . . There was quite a smoke raised in 19x72 group the forepart of the week, but it wasn't a fire. What with winter weather, Jerry Humbarger had dug out his corn cob pipe and was smoking fast and furious to keep warm. . . . Andy Degler is going to compete in the club noted for being tellers of tall tales. Andy is practicing noon hours by describing some adventures he had in Texas. Ask bim about the Texan that fell in the well and how he got out. Boy, that should win first prize. . . . The Florida bug is really biting people in Bldg. 17-1. George Mosshammer is the latest addict to plan a trip south. George has received numerous pamphlets describing the fair cities of the south. He has decided to leave Ed Brosche be his highway guide to Florida and have Vic Hall schedule his return trip. . . . Bill Walt, having been a master at bingo calling for a number of years, had better prepare himself for some competition. At the Bldg. 17-1 office party last Friday, Bill Franke ran the bingo game, and from all reports, Bill is going to give Mr. Walt a race for his money. . . . We wonder how many sore muscles there were Saturday and Sunday after the square dancing and rope jumping exhibitions that were put on during the party. Norm Bender kept the square dancers in line. Norm says that what was wrong, they kept in too straight a line. You are not supposed to walk straight when you are square dancing. Bob Dent did a good job in leading the community singing. A special song was presented by Vic Hall with gestures and facial expressions. The "Schnitzel Bank" was the song presented by Vic with the crowd joining in for the repeat phrases. Attendance prizes were won by Mrs. Norm Bender, Agnes Cordes, Mary Gerhard, Betty Sue Morris, Tavie Popa, and Miriam Valentine. The party was held at Elmer and Lillie Pion's country home. Elmer must have really worked to get the nice fireplaces and have the tables set up like they were. It was a lot of work for Lillie and Elmer and we want to thank them very much for their hospitality. We just about forgot the speech made by Elmer Brown concerning the can opener salesman from Canton, Ohio, while standing on a wabbly log. Agnes Cordes and Addie Masbaum, members of the food committee, did a good job keeping the food coming from the kitchen to the table in the yard. Bob Dent also very ably assisted by passing around coffee without cups. Frank Hickman proved the old adage that you are as young as you feel by giving a remarkable demonstration of the way they danced a few years back. Argend Denny and E. P. Tickel even joined in the square dancing with a little persuasion. Denny said that after a round of square dancing it was harder to do that than spend a day working in the field.

FHP Motor Divisions Announce Sale Of Multi-purpose Fan Kit

The Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions have announced the development of a Deluxe Multi-Purpose, 10-inch Fan Kit, with long-life, pressure-lubricated motor.

The sale of this kit is being conducted directly by the divisions through the use of coupons, which have already appeared in the Country Gentlemen and Farm Journal magazines.

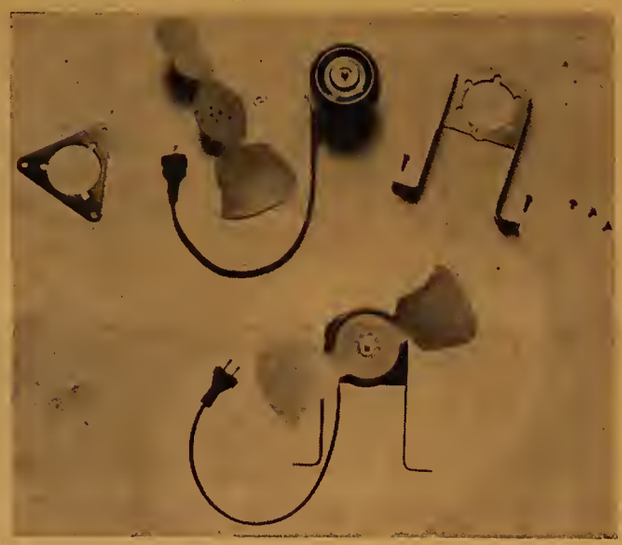
The fan kit, originally intended for the ventilation of poultry houses, operates on 110-120 volts, 60 cycle lighting circuit. It is quiet, and requires no attention, even with continuous year-around operation, and may be mounted in any position. The kit includes all accessories for installation.

In addition to poultry house ventilation, this Multi-Purpose kit is also ideal for use in many home-designed fan units for moving hot or cold air. As a hot air booster, it can be mounted inside radiators to draw heat through long runs of pipe. The kit may also be used as an exhaust fan for kitchens, barns, milk houses, laundry or utility rooms, or many other jobs.

When the kit is used for the ventilation of poultry houses, it keeps litter drier and birds healthier. Based on test results by several state agricultural schools, it has been found that each fan will move approximately 360 cubic feet of air per minute. Best results are obtained by using one fan unit for each 125 to 175 hens.

If a choice of mounting exists, the exhaust fan should be located on the side of the building opposite from which most prevailing winds blow. If this cannot be done, louvers should be provided to protect the fan from "bucking winds." The fan should not be mounted outdoors unless it is protected from the weather.

The kit, which is regularly sold for $9.95, has been made available at the Employees' Store for only $6.65.



The Multi-Purpose Fan Kit is shown, above. At the top of the photo are all the parts included in the kit, while the assembled fan is spotlighted below them.



The Hunting Season Is On! Watch this column for latest developments and results. It looks like the women have it on the men this time, so far the only pheasants I've heard of anyone getting is Mayme Carney. She got one Thursday and another Saturday! Of all the men I've asked nary a one of them got even a shot at one! . . . Rabbit hunting was good for almost everyone in 1x10 but few if any birds. One fella thought that Earl Sexton was a rabbit and shot him in the ear! . . . Freeman White, 1x65, will believe Art McNamara the next time he tells about catching a big fish! The head of one found its way into White's coat pocket. . . Herb Bauer 1x10 caught a "Popeye" fish last Saturday—it was nine and a half inches long and had only one eye. It had to be blind to run into his hook, that is what he says! . . . Fred Couture was disappointed the other day when the candy lady did not have his favorite raisin pie and he had to eat a mince pie. . . . Bill Wickliffe is sporting a new Pontiac these days. . . . Here is another hunting story about a lady. Geneva Worden and her husband went hunting in Michigan for deer and bear, and they got one of each! She even helped drag the deer back to camp. The guide wasn't with them when they got the deer—just she and her husband. That is why she had to help get it back to camp! . . . Sometimes I forget to say anything about people's birthdays like I did George Prince's last week and then again I get too rambunctious and get them in too early such as Helen Struver's. Her birthday isn't until after Thanksgiving, but GREETINGS all the way around anyway! . . . We hear that Ralph Weikart has a farm animal he will sell cheap (say about five bucks). Now I'm wondering where he keeps it tied? . . . Opal Brayton can sure find her gauges in the funniest places! But it's kinda hard on the appetite! . . . Edna Hergenrader is back at work after a sick leave. Glad you're back, Edna! . . . Hazel Leonard and Bessie France are back in 1x55 and 1x79. Welcome to Augusta Gallmeier who is new in 1x55 and Juanita Harris in 1x79. . . . We wish to announce the birth of a baby girl to former co-worker Carol Estes and wife of Robert Estes. Congratulations. . . . Welcome to Walter Hart in 1x29. . . . Carrie Edgar spent most of the week-end washing windows. Now at least you'll be able to tell if it's snowing or not. . . . Mildred Gaffer certainly has been kept busy lately, first the twins—then she was sick and last week she was rushing around getting her niece (Sherry Varner) ready for her trip to Cuba. Maybe you can't get to Cuba, Mildred, but I'll bet some of your clothes will! . . . Berniece Johnston is kept busy lately washing feed sacks. It won't be long until we'll all have aprons or something out of them! . . . Clarice Woodruff entertained a few of the girls in 1x50 to a Stanley party. We all enjoyed it very much especially the lunch. She certainly can make some good cookies; I'll have to get the recipe. . . . A speedy recovery to Fern Painter's brother who recently underwent a serious operation. . . . Did you know that the Elex Club, with your help, has sent in enough "dog food labels" to be able to purchase 20 seeing-eye dogs? If you don't know what kind of dog-food labels they send in see me and I'll be glad to tell you. . . . Margaret Beugnot spent the week-end visiting a sister in Chicago, but didn't get a chance to do any Christmas shopping. . . . Elmer Sible keeps an up-to-date log on the Busco turtle and says so far it hasn't been caught. . . . We wonder what was wrong with Hazel Stauffer on Saturday evening of the Fall Revue. She forgot to take her 11 year old daughter along! It didn't dawn on her till she was ready to turn in the tickets, then she had to send someone back home to get her daughter. It is a good thing she doesn't live too far from the Club.



Everyone has heard about bees in your bonnet, but ask Vondy about the squirrels in his attic. . . . Earl Greenlee is taking orders for pike bobbers again. . . . Kitchen says he doesn't need a shanty for ice fishing, especially on Lake George. . . . Waldo Martin is going to carry a spare can of gas hereafter when he rides with Clarence Schroeder. . . . Martha Lee, isn't it rather cold to go swimming? . . . Ask Alice and Ina just how they got T-bone steaks at the Hobby House when they had ordered hamburger steaks. They only were charged for the latter. . . . Bill and Mac are looking pretty thin again. No pumpkin pie lately. . . . Mr. Fishback, during his week's vacation, saw his first hockey game in Milwaukee. Besides enjoying the game he was a lucky number winner. He received two tickets to the following night's game, groceries, and last but not least, a free ticket to Fred Astaire's dancing school. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Weisenburger on the birth of their daughter, Ann Louise. . . . Mrs. Walter Neimeyer was seen buying drapes and now we are wondering just what color Walt will have to paint the room, now. . . . We can't understand why Harold Somers isn't a Piston fan, unless it is due to the fact he went to South Side. . . . Chauncey Tucker worked so hard building a two-car garage and now we hear he is tearing the one stall down to build himself a dog house. . . . Louie Botteron is really a bragging man. Since he has filled his yard in, the upstairs apartment is now on the first floor. He claims he is the only man with a two story basement. . . . George Miller is getting his new set of teeth for Christmas. He is insisting that Santa take back the "whistle" George has had ever since he had his teeth pulled. . . . Cleon Oyer has been wondering why his name hasn't appeared in the column for some time and that is the only reason we can figure out for the exhibition last Thursday morning. He had gone hunting earlier in the morning and when he came to work his hat was covered with pheasant feathers. According to all reports he really put on a show for the gang.



Last Saturday Paul Kennerk shared an unprofitable hunting trip with Charlie Reed and Ralph Reinking. According to his story the game was scarce and the few chances Reinking had, he missed, blaming it on poor ammunition. For lack of other game Charlie took aim and fired at a butterfly which he also failed to hit. We will have to wait for further information to learn how much ammunition Kennerk dissipated. . . . True Sheets spent his vacation of last week at Pretty lake. He has been unsuccessfully trying to convince us that he is enough of a weather prophet to know the weather at that time would be so perfect. . . . On one of his recent fishing trips Ray Lepper found himself in the direct path of an artificial bait which became imbedded in his scalp. Expecting a bit of sympathy from his listeners, he related how deeply it had penetrated into his head when Roy Bracht came up with the snappy retort that he could readily believe that since there was plenty of room there because he had nothing else in his head. What frankness! . . . Birthday greetings for the week to Ed McKering, Clarence Kronmiller and Arnold Johnson. . . . In the absence of your reporter a substitute has volunteered to write the news for the next three months but wishes to be kept anonymous. You may give your information either to your foreman, the time clerk or Erna Mann, who will see that it reaches the proper person.

Nothing ages like laziness.

Mennewisch Completes 30 Years



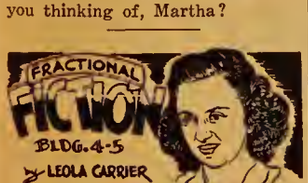
Ralph F. Mennewisch, Bldg. 4-3, celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric Oct. 30. He was congratulated by a group of his friends in FHP Div. 1: (l. to r.) William Wickliffe, O. J. Mettler, Florian Korte, Mr. Mennewisch, George Prince, Elihu Lee, William Widdefield, and Frank Buhr.

Fractional Facts

TAYLOR ST. OFFICE

By Alice Nichens

A grandson is born! Pete Kuttner has now been a grandfather for a week, and young Pete probably already has a room full of toys. We do know he has a tiny pair of boxing gloves. He may as well learn early that it takes a bit of fighting to get along in this world. . . . You have probably all heard that a little butter and a dash of salt greatly improves the flavor of coffee—this to be added while the coffee is being made, but when Mert Edgar dropped the whole salt shaker in his cup of coffee, I, for one, was amazed. How was it, Mr. Edgar?. Haven't had the courage to try it myself. . . . When Phyllis Cliffton was seen dashing after her tray the other noon we thought she decided she would have that last bite of pie after all, but then she said her billfold was on the tray and she didn't want her money washed away. And speaking of money, haven't you ever wished you were a dollar bill. Just think, no matter how old and wrinkled and dirty you get, everyone thinks just as much of you as when you were new and fresh and crisp. . . . In case you haven't noticed Kathryn Pfister's new hairdo you should because you are going to see more like it and she has started the trend. The style "End Flight" won the hair stylist contest for Kathryn and her sister at Columbus, O., last week. It ees soo smart. . . . The big fish that got away is now being replaced by the duck that was just winged and flew bravely into the blue. Someone was telling me that there is quite a rugged place to shoot ducks. There is a walk built out into the water and every so many feet there is an enclosure that has a glass top which can be opened when a bird comes in sight. Can't you just see four men sitting there playing poker and an attendant standing at attention—suddenly a soft voice is heard over the speaker which is connected with the radar scanning station. "Now hear this—Formation of ducks at 6 o'clock, altitiude 100 ft., approaching 45 miles per hour—should pass over station four in 55 seconds—That is all." The attendant then gently taps Reginald on the shoulder explaining that his big moment has arrived. The window slides open and good old Regie's chair is tilted at the proper angle and the gun placed in his hands. He does pull the trigger all by his 'ittle self and the duck falls into the water. A dog is released and the prize is brought to the attendant who allows our hunter a look before the bird is taken to the cleaning room to be dressed and frozen and sent to Reginald. Quite a trying day, wasn't it, old boy? . . . Martha Zuber was seen ringing out in the middle of the afternoon. What were you thinking of, Martha?



Congratulations to Walter Amacher who has a new grandson. By the way, Walter came to work late Friday. He claims that he was putting new wiring in the house and had the current shut off; therefore, his alarm didn't go off. . . . Belated birthday greetings go to Ida Mugford. . . . If anybody heard a grumbling noise behind the packing bench, it was no one but Dale Fredericks arguing with himself. . . . The co-workers of Ralph McCain wish him a speedy recovery. He is in Room 326 of the St. Joseph Hospital. . . . Pat O'Brien is spending his vacation this week hunting and fishing. He even was kicking wastepaper baskets to see if there was any game running around on the floor before he left last Thursday. . . . We are glad to see Forest Bunner back on the second trick. He has been on the sick list.

Gloria Geesaman Writes Column For Taylor St. Shipping Section



Gloria Geesaman

Gloria Geesaman, new division editor for the Taylor St. Shipping section, writes "Corn S'talks."



Thanksgiving will soon be here. That day when everyone forgets their diet but we hope, won't forget to give thanks for being able to live in this land of plenty, for being able to worship in the way they believe, and for so many other things that in our daily lives seem so important. We have so much more to be thankful for than our ancestors who set this day aside. We need have no fear of Indians or long, hard winters, or any of the perils they had to face. We can sit relaxed with a feeling of security and really enjoy our turkey. So let's remember all these things when we seat ourselves at our table this Thanksgiving Day amongst our dear ones and really give THANKS. . . . Mart Macke went pheasant hunting the other day. I'll admit there's nothing so strange about that, but Mart came back with rabbits. . . . Tez Trump went hunting too, but he came back with nothin'. . . . Last Friday someone unbeknownst to some of us brought a piece of cheese into the General Service office. Now this was no ordinary piece of cheese. It had an aroma that would have made limburger look sick. Someone started getting ideas and that's when it all started. Rog Pierson got a big surprise when he answered the phone. He really got an earful (of cheese, that is). I guess it might be added that he got a snootful too. But naturally, it didn't stop there. After that it was found on Forest Somer's desk. Then, somehow it got over to Ernie Hanauer's waste basket. After he became aware of the aroma, he went through his desk and couldn't find it so he put on his coat and left. In the meantime someone very thoughtfully put it in his desk drawer so he couldn't miss it. Lois Ulrey just couldn't get away from the scent. After washing her hands umpteen times she discovered someone had rubbed it all over her pencils. The moral of this story is, a little bit of cheese goes a long way.

Gloria began working for General Electric in 1945 while she was still going to school. During that time she worked in the Bldg. 16-1 cafeteria. After completing her school work, she did duplicating in Bldg. 4-6. She then left the Company in 1948 and returned last June. Gloria is now a clerk in the Shipping office at Taylor St.

Although she has no specific hobby, Gloria's after-work hours are occupied by taking care of her baby daughter. She also enjoys horseback riding and swimming.



Shipping Office: Warning to all rabbits! Take cover! Cause "Deadeye" Wilson (Dutch to all his friends who aren't rabbits) is on the prowl. Dutch had his third week's vacation last week, and the Wilsons are really eating now, rabbits, pheasant, you name it and they got it. . . . Viola Haiber, who has been looking high and low for some appropriate feathers for her chapeau, was the first one to corner Dutch about some pheasant feathers for said hat. Dutch complied and now we are wondering if Vi will be safe wearing that hat during the hunting season. So please, all you hunters, don't shoot until you are sure the tail feathers belong to a real pheasant and not Viola's hat. . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to Sarah Harris upon the death of her aunt. . . . Teresa Arend has given us all the inside details on the new kitchen feature, the built-in dust pan. If you don't think there isn't any such animal you just have Teresa get in touch with a special carpenter in her life. He'll do the job and your dust will disappear like magic down the chute instead of under the rug. . . . Happy birthday to Helen Eggeman who celebrates next Tuesday. . . . We are very happy to report that Anna Somer, who has been recovering from a broken foot, is progressing very nicely and is now getting around on one crutch. . . . Mailing: He did it! Yes sir, Frank Hooper is now a licensed commercial pilot. We bow from the waist to Frank's superior technique. . . . Telegraph: The biggest and happiest smile we've seen for quite a spell was displayed by Carol Levy Monday, and why not, that's a beautiful sparkler Carol is now wearing on the all important finger. . . . Distribution, Bldg. 6-1: We extend our best wishes for a very speedy recovery to Henry Brueggeman and Romney Wass. We are looking forward to seeing both you boys real soon. . . . Regional Office: Boy we've heard of some talented dogs in our time, but the dog belonging to Millie Homes has topped them all. When Millie and her hubby hop in the family auto and drive away from the house Fido waves farewell from the window. . . . It pays to start early they tell us, so Kathleen Freshwater did just that and she has her New Year's resolution all made. The resolution is to quit smoking in 1950. We must remember to contact Kathleen next year at this time and see if she held out that long. . . . For Sale: One new chair—cheap. The owner wishes to sell because she is unable to rout friend husband out of his old chair. The victim of this unusual circumstance is Helen Friddle, and she just can't seem to convince hubby that the new chair sits just as good as the old one, to say nothing about how much nicer it looks. . . . Many happy returns of the day to Ilene Shroyer who had a birthday last week. . . . Emmet Mills (a very conservative man) has figured out a way to eliminate going hunting every year. With Emmet's method and also a good aim, one can get all his bunnies one year, thus eliminate the necessity of going hunting the following year. Last year Emmet got 17 bunnies so this year he didn't have to go, you see Emmet deducts the depreciation of his hunting coat from his income taxes. (T-Men, is this legal?) . . . Attention Donna Hayes, Bing Crosby's record of "Mule Train" is very good. By the way if anyone has any old Bing Crosby records Donna will take them. . . . For the most varied and choice selection of footwear just cast an eye in the direction of Joyce Archibold's feet. . . . Joe Hambrock (Holmes) of the corrugated box stock in Bldg. 6-4 has the inside information on how to catch a thief. Do you use a trap, Joe, or are you applying the old Sherlock Holmes technique? . . . Heavens look at that man standing on one foot fixing his shoe. Why it's Hector Fraser. Hector has us so confused we couldn't decide whether he is a shoe cobbler or a turkey gobbler since he did such a good job of standing on one foot.

Ginder Chalks Up 30 Years' Service



E. F. Ginder, Bldg. 31-2, chalked up 30 years' service with General Electric Monday, Oct. 31. The day of his anniversary he received a congratulatory letter while a number of his friends offered their best wishes. Left to right in the picture are: E. F. Richter, W. P. Lautzenheiser, K. R. McDougall, Mr. Ginder, R. A. VanHorn, L. A. March, P. S. Stough, Manager of Motor and Generator Engineering, and R. E. Pumphrey.



BROADWAY STORE HOURS
12 noon to 4 p.m. daily

TAYLOR ST. STORE HOURS
1 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily

The following items are available for immediate sale* in the Employees' Store:

Heat Lamps	$4.47
Room Heaters	$11.25
Automatic Blankets	$27.95 to $39.95
Kitchen Clocks	$4 to $6.40
Alarm Clocks	$2.95 to $14.50
Mantel Clocks	$6.40 to $11.70
Chime Clocks	$33.90 to $44.35
Circline Fixtures	$8.75 to $10.06
Lamp Diffusion Bowls	$.52 to $1.27
Fluorescent Fixtures	$2.31 to $14.50
Fluorescent Ballasts	$.35 to $3.40
Heat Pads	$4.45 to $5.80
Foot Warmers	$3.35
Vacuum Cleaners	$32.35 to $64.35
Cleaner Attachments	$11.20
Travel Irons	$5.50
4 lb. Irons	$5.50
Steam Irons	$12.40
Roasters	$26.95
Non-automatic Waffle Irons	$8.25
Twin Waffle Irons	$11
Automatic Waffle Irons	$12.40
Clock Radios (Brown)	$28.70
Clock Radios (White)	$30.30
Radios (226)	$26
Radios (115W)	$26
Portable Radios (with batteries)	$30.40 to $38.93
Kiddie Console Record Players	$26
Kiddie Record Players	$17.15
Coffee Makers	$1.30 to $9
Battery Chargers	$11.80 to $16.55
Utility Motors	$9.15 to $36.40
Exposure Meters PR1	$21.95
Exposure Meters DW58	$15.70
Stock Tank Deicers	$6.75
Soldering Irons 300W	$10.30
Safety Shoes	$6.50 to $9
Paints, Colors	
Light Bulbs	
Wiring Devices	
Christmas Bulbs	
Christmas Decorations	
Radio Tubes	
Iron Handles	
Vacuum Cleaner throw-away bags	

These prices are subject to change without notice.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Floetta Zartman, Edna Hauser, Ruth Banter, Aldine Bell, Ruthanna Gaff, Merrill Patrick, Vera Killian, Ocea Allen, Anna Robinson, Fay Houser, Orval Smith, John Howard, Malinda Bradtmiller, Edna Ward, Arthur Smith, W. E. Moore, Fern Hartman, Leroy Heintzelman, Leroy Crider, Susie Yerger, Peggy Ruck, Ernest Reed, Marjorie Kramer, Phillip Vorholzer, George Schaaf, Donald Voorhees, Ronney Wass, Clarence Duhamel, and Rose Mary Daugherty.

Left the Hospital

Frederick Borton, Waneta Koehlinger, and Roy Utter.

Returned to Work

Verl Pribble, Neva Scott, Roscoe Grover, Rita Zuber, Lucille Salas, Emma Snyder, Armin Mittermaier, Eulalia Zuber, Emma Tschannen, Katherine Koorsen, Marilyn Parrish, Robert Glenn, Florence Minnick, Marie Bowers, Edna Herganrader, and Jo Ann Moyer.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Bob Bunyan

A dillar, a dollar. We have one who is a ten o'clock starter. Guess who? . . . Maybe Santa Claus will bring Raymond Zell a pair of boots this Christmas. It seems that Ray is bringing in a great deal of mud from his farm every morning. . . . The sportsman and hunter, Bill Conrad, again reports a successful hunting and fishing trip in the north woods, bagging his limit of trout and deer. . . . Don't be surprised if Don Huffman asks for a recount on the MBA election. Don claims if Crum had spelled his name right, he might have been elected. . . . We're just wondering if that watch chain John Laymon is carrying is strong enough to hold that new watch. A recent discussion of strength was held about the watch chain and Fred Thieme's fish line. But we found Fred Wellingsick's pipe to be strongest of all subjects. Paul Noffze will still buy the chain for his garden tractor. . . . Luther McConnehey has started a liar's club. He will accept any entry you may have to offer. Of course, you will have to top his best. . . . I hear there was some disappointment in the West end of Bldg. 26-1. It seems the invitations for Ladies' Night got out a day too late. . . . George Horner seems to think they just don't want his picture for publication. At least he was cut from the print that was published. Maybe it was because Crum left his apron on. . . . We hope this week's vacation for George Christman will rest him up and that he will be able to work at its end. . . . Anyone having an extra blanket please bring it in for Sherman Miller to wrap up in. He is bothered with our ventilation here. . . . Arnold Ley is our furnace cleaner and repairman. He offers his work reasonably and guarantees all repairs. . . . That baby doll that Ed Byers and Gerald Crum had must have been a Betsy-Wetsy. Anyhow a lot of fellows got wet. . . . There is a rumor around that we have romance in the making here in Bldg. 26-1. I am curious too.



We have been having celebrations galore the past several weeks. The division paid tribute to Irene Meyers on her 30th anniversay and to Ed Witte on his 40th anniversary with G-E. We still have not discovered Ed's secret on how to stay so young looking. He guarantees, however, that he does not use hair dye. . . . We welcome Marie Alleger to our division. Marie is giving a helping hand in the suggestion office. . . . Congratulations are in order for Herschel Smith, who was presented with a certificate of outstanding service and achievement at the National Safety Congress held recently in Chicago. It couldn't happen to a nicer guy. Have you heard that while he was in Chicago, he also learned to rumba and has promised to demonstrate at the Elex Thanksgiving Dance at the Prom Terrace Nov. 23. We are looking forward to it. . . . There is usually a good canasta game in the Works Library during lunch period. The players are Ceal Romary, Ruth Shull, Marie La-Mons and yours truly. Occasionally we can talk Lloyd Platt into being a fourth, and he has proved to be a good substitute.

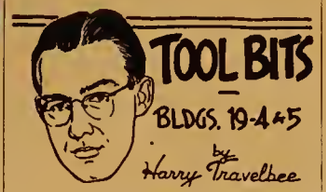


Pappy says, "If your wife isn't home, look at the neighbors. She is probably playing canasta." . . . Next Thursday is Thanksgiving, a day to pause and give thanks for all that we have. After walking through one of our super markets, I wonder what my grandmother would think of the food products. You can find canned chicken, turkey, potatoes, onions, frozen pies and cookies, strawberries, corn, beans, peas and all other good things of modern times. Food has no season anymore. . . . Bill Ort and his tragedies: The other night Bill was bitten by his own "falsies". Then later he came into work banged up from playing football. They really should wear "cat's paw" instead of cleats. . . . Paul Nelson also came in with a black eye. The cupboard door got in his way (and he's stuck with it). . . . A tragedy also happened in the Lupton family. Betty's canary had a heart attack. . . . Ever since she has seen and heard Elsa Maxwell, Lorena Buuck has been wearing a silly grin, "to be the first to laugh at herself." . . . Betty Pressler left us last Friday to take up the occupation of sewing tiny garments. Best of luck, Betty. . . . Need an apron mended? Bill Martin was seen mending his apron. He did a good job too. . . . We hear that Hershal Case is in the market for a permanent wave. . . . Grace Jones got the new cook book that Elex is selling. She decided to try her art at cooking, so she made Fido some cornbread. . . . JoAnn Kemery's dog has a new diet too. He likes cheese so well that he ate a whole pound of it. Of course, his mistress knew nothing about it until it was all gone. . . . Hedy Harrison really supports all Elex activities. Every time Isabelle Blackburn comes near Hedy, she reaches for her purse. . . . Marie Dunfee spent last Sunday in Bloomington visiting her daughter. . . . Bertha Bertsch was a third week vacationer last week. This week Jess Hahn is taking his third week. . . . Ethel Perry and Pauline Kirchner were hunters last Friday. We haven't heard how many bunnies they missed. . . . Marcille Thomas has been boosting the St. Joe basketball team by attending all their games. . . . Ellen Dittlinger had her lipstick smearing trick backfire. She got it all over her gloves and had quite a time keeping the little white stockinettes clean. . . . "How dee do dee" to all newcomers on the early bird shift. . . . Mary Wright has decided that you should never leave a party early. Then you don't have to go back and get your husband. . . . We have been missing Elvira Diller. She is off due to the serious illness of her father. . . Our sincerest sympathy to Fern Monroe Wagner in the death of her father.

Proof Positive



This photo offers proof to the stories by Gertie Dammeyer and Rose Heche of bullheads they caught at Lake Webster.



Mart Walsh isn't having much luck pressing out cider these days. He claims all he's getting is apple sauce. Why not sell apple sauce, Mart? . . . Leo Slaudrauff and Elmer Sauerwein took in the Michigan-Purdue football game. Now we hear the football game must have been too much for Elmer. He came down with the German measles. . . . We're glad to see our friends, Al Holthouse and Joe Mettler, are well and back on their jobs. . . . Chuck Abbott and his son David went hunting last Saturday. Chuck did a lot of shooting, but as usual Dave brought home the game. . . . John Fleisher refuses to bring any of his frozen fish to Frank Lebrecht until Frank produces some of those five pound steaks. . . . Harry VanDiver is putting the finishing touches on his new garage and then he intends to hold open house. . . . Don Alcott says his bowling is getting as bad as his golf game. He's now rolling 157 average. . . . Walter Greiner and Frank Hoffman both have the latest edition of Webster to keep them on their toes in English. . . . Carl Einsiedel's Hudson wouldn't start, so Art Dicke gave him a lift. Carl left the door handles in position when closing the door, thus making it impossible to unlock the car. That's gratitude. . . . The reason Mabel Truelove drove in the ditch wasn't because she was learning to drive, but because the door wouldn't stay shut. Maybe she's using Mrs. Brinkroeger's system to get the husband to buy a new car. . . . Frank Druhot was seen fishing behind Centlivre's brewery. Fishing? . . . We all know by now that Schoaff has a new 1950 hydromatic drive Johnson outboard motor, and we hear he keeps it in a clothes closet. Gosh, some dogs don't rate that good. . . . Wonder if Charley Gutton visited the same barber shop as John Roemer? They both smelled mighty sweet when they reported for work Monday. . . . Wonder if Art Rasor's wife has been making him wear those green and red shirts the last couple of weeks for a purpose? Christmas is coming, you know. . . . Herb Thiele and John Roemer went hunting together but neither of them captured a bunnie. We hear Chet Reynolds did a lot better than that and didn't even go hunting. Chet says there is nothing —absolutely nuthin' — like good neighbors. . . . We welcome Herb Meyers into the lathe section. John Newkam didn't give Herb too much of a welcome as he accused Herb of stealing his shirt. After all, John, other people can buy shirts just the same as you. . . . Congratulations are in order to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ueber on the arrival of a fine baby girl born Nov. 7. Cliff Clapesattle, John Ebert, Karl Zurker, and Al Nehbur are enjoying vacations this week. We hope to have the details next week. . . . We have been asked just what has happened to the harmonica boys. John Hensler has asked us to tell them (Rasor and Jones) that the bass fiddle is always ready. Let's go, boys.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, November 21, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Light tan wool glove, turned in at 18 gate house.

FOUND—One earring set with brilliants. Found on the stairway between Bldgs. 4-B and 4-1, south end.

FOUND—A white rosary in Lindley Ave. parking lot, Saturday night, Nov. 5, coming from last show at G-E Club Gym.

FOUND—A small set. Found in ladies' rest room, Bldg. 18.

FOUND—Four keys on a bar. Found in coal yard parking lot back of Bldg. 12.

FOUND—Link bracelet with red sets. Found by Bldg. 18 gate.

FOR SALE

NICE FOUR ROOM HOUSE—H-78313.

TWO-TROUSERS SUIT—Brown, Size 38 stub; overcoat, blue, size 38. H-26094.

ROLL-AWAY PANEL BED — Innerspring mattress, perfect condition. E-1345.

DESK—Waterfall, knee-hole, walnut, $25; Horner accordion, 120 bass, good condition, $100. H-28522.

GIRL'S 24" BICYCLE—Schwinn, very good condition, $25. H-76943.

GIRL'S BROWN SNOWSUIT — And brown coat, size 10. H-79642.

GIRL'S THREE-PIECE SNOWSUIT—tan, size 2-3 years; boys blue tweed suit coat, 5-6 years; misses' gray wool ¾ length winter coat, size 32-34. H-35932.

TWO BOYS' WINTER COATS—Size 14 and 16; Woman's coat, size 12, $5 each. H-75784.

ELECTROLUX—Used one year and a half, good reasons for selling, $40. H-55114.

HAND CROCHETED PILLOWCASES—Good 42" tubing, different designs and colors, $5.50 to $6.50 per pair, also chair sets. A-89804.

CUB UNIFORM—Size 10; girl's blue winter coat and leggings and hood, size 10; crib mattress. H-24771.

WHITE FORMAL—Size 14, excellent condition. 1049 Swinney Ave.

RED COAT AND LEGGING SET—Girls, size 4, used one season, cleaned, in excellent condition, half price. A-70064.

CONN CORNET—Silverplated, good condition. H-0500 afternoons and evenings.

SUBURBAN HOME SITES—200 ft. frontage, two lots fully wooded. R.R. 11, North Bend Dr. H-48345 after 4 p.m.

1935 OLDSMOBILE—Four-door sedan, good condition, both in and out, make an offer, must be seen to be appreciated. A-49545.

WELSH BABY BUGGY—With pad, $8; windup train, $2. H-77604.

CAR RADIO—With aerial, recently installed and in working order, $25. 1302 W. Washington.

ROOFING, SIDING, INSULATION—Free estimate without obligation. H-1267.

1949 KAISER TRAVELER—Good condition, low mileage, radio, heater, black, red leather interior. E-2670.

WANTED

COMBINATION STORM DOOR—Also chrome kitchen set. A-75442.

PIANO—Small one preferred. H-70855 before 3:30.

METER BOX—Trailer. H-50672.

TWO COMPLETE TWIN BEDS—H-39824.

THANK YOU NOTE

WE WISH TO EXPRESS OUR THANKS—To the Regional Warehouse, Bldg. 6-2, Transformer, Bldg. 26-5 co-workers and Local 901 for the beautiful floral offerings sent us in the death of our father and husband. Ilene and Irene Shroyer and Family.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Henry P. Gollmer, from Lima Rd., Route 3, and Wallen Rd. to G-E Taylor St., each day to and from work. Works in FHP Div. 17, Taylor St. A-85341.

WANTS RIDE—Catherine Walters, from Avilla. Works in Bldg. 19-2 from 7-8:30. Extension 2192 or Avilla 104W.

There are more people ready to turn down ideas than there are people to think them up.

ELEX CLUB'S



Fall Fashion Show

Paulla Moyano, Luella Bandt, Kathryn Erwin, Jessie Filler, Betty Williams, Phyllis Tanner, Mary Jane Redding, Gloria Wiebke, Pat Cranfill, and Helen Brindle were models for the Elex Club's fashion show Wednesday, Nov. 2. They are all members of various Elex clubs.

MOTOR and GENERATOR Static



Thought For The Week: "Everything that has happened was an idea first." G-E Suggestion Booklet.

THANKS: Roscoe Markley, the "Sage of Roanoke" sends his thanks for the publicity given to him in the WORKS NEWS. He states that everyone in town knows him. That's what we have always said, "advertise." . . . OF HUNTING AND STUFF: As Ed Foley, that dear lad, informed you in last week's "Static" this "poor old man" was on vacation. A vacation spent planting rose bushes, hunting and taking life easy. Speaking of hunting it was fine but this writer bagged little game. We figure that, calculating our walking mileage the way you do on automobiles, we averaged about 12 miles per rabbit. We kicked up four, got two and felt pretty low that our average was only about 50 per cent. That is, we felt low until reports of other fellows' attempts began to arrive. Then we felt pretty good. We understand that Stan Marquardt blazed away six times and bagged none. Howard Musselman shot 23 times and downed four. But this is the pay off. Dick Hobson, our crooning nimrod, went hunting Saturday, saw eight rabbits, shot at four, bagged none and then complained that about 1:30 p.m. a heavy "London" fog settled around him so that he was unable to shoot any more. All this on a bright sunshiny day. We realized for quite a while that Dick frequently goes into a fog, but never heard of it happening on a hunting trip. Taken all in all hunting is a nice way to get exercise with the game having at least a 20 to one chance of remaining unharmed—almost as good as the hunter's chances. . . . RESULTS: Handsome Dick Saunders, seems to be taking the feminine hearts by storm in Fort Wayne. Especially at a certain diner on Maumee Avenue extended. Could it be his red curly hair? Or maybe his Buick? Dick says that if you want to get results, you must make calls. See Dick about this. . . . We're all glad to see Jack Scott back after his recent appendectomy. He looks swell.

Safety Raiser

Make every week Fire Prevention Week. Be careful at Work, at Home and at Play. Fire losses attributed to carelessness in smoking and the use of matches amounted to $200,000,000 in 1948 or 30% of the fire losses in the United States. This does not include the cost of the cigarettes, cigars and tobacco.

Ramblings In 31-2

On Record No. R 212, Ken Griffin plays "Uncle Joe's" (Eric Gawehn) "Merry Christmas" and "Santa's Coming." Uncle Joe has another song, "Our Indiana," which will appear soon in an album called "A Salute to Indiana". . . . She shall have music. Irene Hastings has a new electric organ in her home. She is thinking seriously of going in competition with Ken Griffin. She's got rhythm. . . . The high financier, Curley Mannan, was seen on Main Street, waiting for a bus. Since Curley was reading the stock market reports, several busses passed before he came to. In Curley's language the stock market is the "shock" market.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT HAS BEEN THE MOST UNUSUAL EXPERIENCE IN YOUR LIFE?

MINTA COLE

Bldg. 18-B

"After keeping house several years, I faced the fact I must find work. I didn't want to at first, but now find it very interesting and pleasant to be able to meet and work with nice people, young and old alike."





HERMAN KUHN

Bldg. 19-3

"I was walking on an ice-covered sidewalk. My left foot slipped under an iron fence and a buddy had to remove the shoe to release my foot."

WILDA FRAUHIGER

Bldg. 26-4

"The most unusual experience that I can recall concerns my first fishing trip. I caught my legal limit of fish and in addition I helped catch two turtles. This remains as unusual in my mind, as I have never been able to duplicate this first feat."





RUSSELL F. MEEKS

Bldg. 4-1

"When World War II started, the boys on the floor each week collected money for a war bond and raffled it off. I won two out of four draws. Then they said it was my time to draw and I drew my own number three times out of five."

LUCY WHITLOCK

Taylor St.

"My most unusual experience occurred when I took an Eastern trip and went up the narrow, winding stairway to the top of the Statue of Liberty. This was a climb of 300 feet to the crown. The view across the water was an unforgetable sight."





Jack (Deadeye) Pollock, he was known as in those days, or daze, received a few pointers in the art of hunting last week when Paul Bodeker and he went out after the meat on the table. Jack said that he didn't care much since he was the only one at home who ate rabbit. That way if he didn't shoot any, he didn't have to clean or eat any. But Louie Watt's story was somewhat different, it was either the kind of shells he used or something else. We are inclined to think it was something else. . . . Frank Phillips is on his vacation this week, but what we would like to know is how long it has been the style for men to carry ladies purses to work. Frank was recently observed going out the gate with a ladies purse under his arm. . . . Bill Johnson was presented a rear view mirror to wear on the side of his head so he could tell when the party he was talking about was standing behind him. . . . Art Haberstock now gets quite a thrill when that certain party walks down the aisle. . . . Fireman Ray Bowers has been operating a pump that throws 6,000 gallons per minute trying to pump the water out of the air conditioning tank. Ray has been on this job for a week now and we have started to wonder what the capacity of that tank really is. . . . Maybe the reason Frank Phillips is vacationing this week is so he can celebrate his birthday. Anyway, congratulations, Frank. . . . Lyle Claphan found that a day's hunting was a good preliminary training to an evening of volleyball. But after the first game he decided he would do his hunting on a day other than his volleyhall schedule.



Only four weeks more until our annual Christmas party. Don't forget the date, Dec. 17, or the address, Robinaon Park pavilion. Party starts at 8 p.m. and is open to all members of Bldg. 17-4, your families and guests (over 21). Noble Wagner has gallantly consented to substitute as party chairman for John Howard who is ill. Let's all help "Wag" make this year's party the biggest success ever. Come out and meet your old friends, meet new friends and have an evening of holiday fun. . . . Art Blume had water heater troubles and "Emie" Stock was a little skeptical till he went home and found the same trouble at hie house. . . . Dick Wagner was seen autographing all the copies of last weeks WORKS NEWS that he couldn't get in hia lunch bucket. What price fame? . . . Bill Wehrle is the very proud father of a son Michael born on Armistice Day. Better come down out of the clouds, Bill. . . . Ray Debolt must not get along so well with his Ford. He was seen last Thursday evening going home on the bua, even though his Ford was parked on Calhoun St. Or do you have someone to visit where you car was parked, Ray? . . . Who is the guy who after Wednesday walked around with expanded chest? Just because you invested one dollar and got 35 in return, don't get snooty with us, Al Middaugh. . . . Frank Magers went hunting after work the other evening. He rushed home, nearly got run over by a train and had a rough time in general. We understand Frank had his usual luck. . . . The corn is nearly all picked so we probably will be seeing a lot of the old faces back again. . . . Who put the overalls in Mrs. Murphy's chowder? We don't know, nor do we know who tied the banana skin under Wilfred Fett's chair. All we know is that Wilfred fought hordes of little gnats for a week and was nearly exhausted before he found said banana skin. . . . Bill Mills seems to have a lot of trouble getting a true story out of the fishermen on the floor. It seems as though when three of them go fishing together, Bill gets a different story from each of them. And as Bill says, he doesn't believe any of them. Why be so suspicious, Bill, maybe one of the three stories is true. . . . When McNussel loses on a match of the coin to see who buys from the candy lady, he does not eat. That is one way to cut expenses and reduce at the same time. . . . After all the hunting stories I have heard since the season opened I wonder if the hunters are just as truthful as the fishermen. After a hard day of hunting Norb Lose says he was more tired than his dog. Don't see how that was possible as I heard the dog had to run down all the rabbits he got. . . . We were happy to see "Doc" Hanson's smiling face when he paid us a short visit the first of the week.

Corn S'talks

TAYLOR ST. SHIPPING

By Gloria Geesaman

Edith Robertson went to the Indiana-Michigan game. Said she didn't go along for the ride this time and that I shouldn't put this in for the reason that some people might think that it's all she does is go to the games. If most of us had the chance we would go too. Wouldn't we? Wot a game, nice weather too, everything was perfect. Lucky you, Edith. . . . We have back with us two old fellow mates, Maxine Carl and Betty Aschilman, nice to have you gals back. . . . More changes again. Bonnie Koop left us. Boo hoo went over to Bldg. 26-2 where her hubby works. Be nice, huh? . . . Don't look now but Jo Franklin got her hair cut. Not bad though. . . . Jean Carrol's mamma isn't well. Bet it won't be long before she's up feeling better than Jean does; we hope so anyway. . . . Boy oh boy rabbit season is in. Remember in the Fall Revue show the magician asked everyone to place their hand on their head, and asked if they felt a little bunny (hare) Helen Risser's hubby has not only one but five (hares). Lucky shots, that all. . . . Mr. Blackburn went hunting too. . . . And Fred Wheeler also became a hunter Saturday he only got one between two of them. Couldn't see them for looking. Right, Fred? . . . Let it up to the younger generation to do something cute. Russ Carpenter's little one was playing with mommie's shag rug one day. Says mommie to the little one, "Leave that rug alone I have eight bucks wrapped up in it." The little one then started to look for the eight bucks. . . . Have to mention that Barbara Reeb can now see what she is doing. New specks. . . . Say boy we have a real dancer in the crowd. Gladys Cleland and hubby were jitterbugging the other night, and Gladys spun around on the floor like a top. . . . When lovers go for a ride in the country the fellow always finds an excuse to stop. Gloria Beverforden had a situation like that last week. Only thing, they really did have a flat tire and had to stop whether she wanted to or not. From now on Gloria knows how to change a tire. It's always nice to know in case of emergencies.



PISTOL LOUIE: Maier and Carl (Snuffy) Junk went hunting. Pistol Lou got three rabbits and one large pumpkin. Snuffy got skunked. Snuffy was so tired out helping big Lou over the fences that he couldn't see straight to shoot. At least that's Snuffy's story, or was it that Lou was taking all the shots? . . . WERE YOU WONDERING TOO: Why it wae so quiet around the Wire Mill last week? George Gettle was on his third week's vacation. . . . DOC VS. DOCK: Truman (Curly) Buckles had a reminder on his desk which read "Don't forget to call Dock Garton." Maybe it shows up better that way. . . . WAD'DA SAY: Leo Elward said to Howard Smith, "Not a thing," repiled Howard. That's just the way I heard it would be after you get married. Leo, you ought to know you are one of the newer recruits, and you seem to be awfully quiet lately. . . . SKELETON-GHOST-CONSCIENCE: Jake Arnold was seen talking to something like a Skeleton at the Ivanhoe Club Catacombs after the Bears and Packers football game several weeks ago. Still we are not sure it could have been a ghost. Couldn't be, Jake, that you were trying to bargain with your conscience, oh! no couldn't be. . . . VALUABLE LIFE: Ora Bireley must have. It seems that every week they take insurance payments out of his check. If this keepe up, Ora, someday you will be worth more dead than alive. . . . PEPSODENT KID: Is the new nickname given Bill Rohe. Bill had his teeth cleaned and polished. He walks around all day with a smile on his face as large as the moon (full, that is). . . . RIGHT VS. LEFT: Have you noticed that limp on Herb Thompson? If not please take note, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, it's the right leg. On Tuesday and Thursday the left. Saturdaya and Sundays, we don't know. . . . UPSTAIRS WINDOW: Virgil Nash tells us he fell off of the ladder while he was painting. Other reports are that his wife threw him out of the upstairs window. What's the true story, Virg? . . . EVERY ONE WANTS TO GET INTO THE ACT: If you have read your WORKS NEWS you no doubt noticed that we seem to have a couple of new assistants. They seem to by-pass yours truly with their news. No doubt to show him up on the punk job he's been doing. But, I'll let you in on a little secret. We have been looking for a long time for a couple of suckers like you. So that we can take a rest and also get that face of ours out of circulation. Our only ambition now is to find out who you are. Anyone having this information will be greatly rewarded (with a new division editor). . . . GRAND POP: Cy Ort has a brand new granddaughter, and is he ever proud. Congratulations, Cy, we know you'll make a good one. . . . THANKSGIVING: Is next Thursday, folks. Who in this wide world has more to be thankful for than we here in America? So please do not forget to take a few minutes out on this Thanksgiving Day and give thanks to Him who has made it all possible. "God Bless America" and all of you.

Diploma Daze



We often wonder what our fellow-workers looked like way back when. The boy is Ray Kierspe, Asst. Supt. of the Wire and Insulation Division. The picture was taken on the occasion of his confirmation.

Pick-Ups

Bldg. 26-3

By Elvira Romary

Hi, Gang, here is somethlng to remember: "More helpful than all wisdom or council is one draught of simple human pity that will not forsake us." . . . Congratulations to Jackie Boxberger who will be married Nov. 19 to Eric Trier. Best of luck to both of you. . . . Dale Stucky has a pet mouse that he feeds every noon. . . . Ed Bangart should turn the lights on in the morning because stubbing one's little toe is a violent way to awaken. . . . Dave Bertsch and Don Shepherd are inseparable. Do you suppose they are part Siamese? . . . We all wish a happy birthday to Mabel Odel, but unfortunately she will be in the hospital due to an auto accident. . . . I wonder if the single girls have noticed how cute and bashful Earl Sweeny is? How come, Earl, are you afraid of girls? . . . Helen Wagner has taken up plpe smoking, much to Frency Chilicot's surprise. It was his pipe. . . . We wish to extend our sympathies to Ed Bangert on the death of his father. . . . After Mary Cordell got her brand new Ford, she got some slick new seat covers too. Now Mary's little bear, Herkimer, can't stay on the seat. Poor Herki. . . . Anyone needing a hat model, please see Art Pequignot. He should do a good job. . . . A personal note to Pearl Eger: Lavonna Porter wants to know if you are waiting or resting. . . . Baby sitter for hire: Lena Forker is available—for baby fish only. . . . Welcome to Ruth Schwartz who started recently in the stacking section. She nearly stopped production on her first day. Bldg. 4-5 lost a pretty cute gal. . . . Any music you hear coming from the winding section will be Rose Onstodt who can really make with the hot licks on the drum. . . . Congratulations to a Bldg. 26-3 bowling team: Capt. Helen Wagner, Chlorene Trout, Marie Johanns, Helen Studler, and Mary Wiedman. They are now in third place. Nice going, girla. . . . When Gary Pequignot came to work Thursday morning he had a slightly blackened eye and aince he didn't work Wednesday we all wonder, "wot hoppened." . . . We all thought the second trick had left town, but we finally have heard from them. Wilson Jones will have no part of any used cigars. They gotta be new or nothing. . . . We wonder what is so interesting about those notes Llnda Werling receives. They leave her speechless. . . . Second shift now has its own little boy blue. He is none other than Kenneth Saalfrank. . . . Anyone wishing their glasses repaired see Evelyn Armstrong. She does a good job. . . . With George Brehm, it's something new has been added. Smile, George. . . . We hear Wade Bowman, Thelma and Ray Loveless missed part of a party Saturday night. Better late than never. . . . Swan'a loss will be Fort Wayne's gain before long. Kathryn Bailey will aoon be a city slicker. . . . And now for a parting word. Next Thursday is Thanksgiving. Be thankful for the smallest things as well as the biggest things.

Scandal and failure make news. Only success makes history.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS





Having slighted the Office League for the last few weeks, we'll try to catch up with all those 600 and 200 counts.

Monday evening was chicken night and the following were the feather winners: Paul Hattendorf in Group No. 1; "Wee Willie Back Up" Bushong, Group No. 2; Dick Grote, Group No. 3, and Ed Whipple walked off with Group No. 4's chicken.

Two hundred scores for the evening are: Erv Aumann, 231; Paul Hattendorf, 233; Denton Manecke, 209, and Don Kaiser, 201.

Don Waldrop, led the assault on the pins the previous week, taking over first place for those trophies with a single game of 268 and a three game total of 674. His games were 242, 268 and 164. It must be that new neighborhood Don lives in now.

Harold Fanning had the jinx on his former team as he led Clems to a three-game sweep over Standardizing.

Two hundred scores were rolled by: Don Pappert, 225 and 213; Hal Fanning, 213 and 211; Clarence Rump, 224; Bob Kallmeyer, 217; Dick Kent, 213; Harry Goheen, 212; "Brownie" Brown, 212; Dick Gerke, 205; Ife Holmes, 202; Frankie Schlink, 203; Paul Hattendorf, 203; Gardt, 200, and Schneble, 200.

Two hundred scores of the previous week were: Bob Blomker, 244; Walter Nitz, 224; Carl Hattendorf, 220; Maury Cox, 220; Dick Hanson, 218; Frankie Schling, 212; Dudley Snyder, 210, and Ife Holmes, 205.

Apparatus League

The week of Nov. 3, the league had its warmest night of the year, led by Paul Perry and Whitey Saalfrank's 600 counts and a total of 14 two hundred counts.

Paul Perry kegled 197, 193 and 230 for a 620, and Saalfrank had 150, 236 and 226 for a 612.

Two hundred scores were made by: Russ Sealover, 209 and 200; E. Bienz, 200 and 205; Ross Smith, 233; Bob Stute, 225; Bob Blomker, 220; R. Arnett, 209; A. Thompson, 206; William Stute, 210, and Oscar Huge, 204.

Now to bring us up to date, Team No. 2 is out in front by two full games. Erv Aumann headed the list this week with a 631 total on games of 180, 193 and 258.

Two hundred scores were piled up by: Bob Stute, 210; William Stute, 217; R. Dunten, 203; Vic Rump, 206; F. Burnau, 225; Russ Sealover, 215, and Howard Hickman, 201.

Ladies' Friday Night League

Virginia Mollet set the pace this week with a 513 total on games of 140, 197 and 176. Charlotte Stanford was right behind with a 508 on games of 220, 158 and 130. Too bad the girls didn't get into that 520 class.

Other high games of the evening were: Betty Puff, 186; Helen Miller, 179; Delores Lauge, 172; Jean Saint, 172; Ginnie Bowman, 171; Tommy Williams, 171, and Marge Malizzo, 170.

Apprentice League

Dick Reinking had two big games, a 248 and an even 200. What happened to that other game, Dick? Don Dimke had the only other 200, a 202.

Hillard Butcher hasn't been able to have his name mentioned under high games, so he tried for the lowest score and won special mention. We won't tell his score, but he avcraged 6⅔ pins per frame.

Masonic League

Dorics had a big evening, winning three games and moving into first place by one game and taking over the high three-game total of 2756.

Lauterberg had the only 600, a 601 on scores of 214, 210 and 177.

Two hundred scores were rolled by: B. Somers, 200; Denton Manecke, 200; R. Crabill, 225; Art Crayton, 200; Jones, 211; Boerger, 201; Briant, 216; W. Altevogt, 235; Hoelle, 213; A. Altevogt, 200, and Archer, 204 and 213.

Interdivision League

The Broadtails whipped the Hires Parts team three games to go back into first place by themselves, one game ahead of the Brouwer Tire and Battery team.

Arnie Horstmeyer and Erv France, of the Wire and Insulation team, had 600 counts, as did Les Shroyer, of Brouwers.

Arnie had games of 242, 221 and 163, for 626. Erv's games of 231, 178 and 203 totaled 612, and Les had a 619 on games of 222, 194 and 203.

The following rolled 200 scores: R. Tobias, 223; Ivan Parrish, 224; Ort, 209 and 209; Harold Fanning, 213; Paul Walker, 200; Murray Johnson, 232; Andy Anderson, 217; Rudy Zelt, 201; Russ Rose, 206, and Wayne Wiemer, 206.

Frank Matthews is still taking a razzing from the boys on his 414 series, which also included a gutter ball. Doesn't he know that they clean those out with a mop between leagues?

All Star League

There was another big turnout Saturday evening for the All Star League. Ed Kraft won five games from R. Sawyer, to increase his lead for the season to four games. Ed continues to lead the league with a 190 average.

Decatur Bowling

Monday Night League: High series were rolled by H. Shoaf, a 606. Shoaf led the two games on 218 and 201. Schultz got the other two hundred game on a 201.

Flanges still lead the league, with 14 wins and seven losses, followed by the Inspectors, with 10 and 11; while the Stators and Office are tied at nine and 12.

Fraternal League: K of C's toppled the league leaders, Teeple Truck Line, two out of three. Preble AC's took two from Moose, while the Elks nosed G-E Club two of three.

High scores were rolled by: Stump, 233; Bultemeier, 203 and 202; G. Schultz, 200; L. Hoffman, 205, Gilliom, 200; Schneider, 205; Zelt, 200; Appelman, 204; Leonard, 205, and A. Miller, 207.

Ladies' Monday Night League

Vivian Fleckenstein rolled the high series for the night's play on 191, 135 and 178 for a 504 total. Dorothy Fuhs rolled a 180 for the other high game.

Chicken winners were Vivian Fleckenstein for high series; Dorothy Fuhs, high single game; and Melinde Gehle, most pins over average.

Transformer League

Teams M and Watts are still tied for first place with a record of 12 and six. Bells are just one game behind for second place.

Two hundred games were kegled by: Wownie, 202; Lieberenz, 202; Meeker, 205; Pappert, 208; Moore, 218, and Mack, 223.

Someone in the league traded a size 44, blue sweater with Tommie Williams, of the Taylor St. plant. She claims that her sweater was much newer than the one that was left, so she is anxious to get hers.

There will be no bowling for the league Nov. 25, the night after Thanksgiving.

Bowling and Stuff

Don Waldrop's 268 and 674 head the men's list for those trophies. Bess Potts leads the women's high three-game series with a 580 count, and Ethel Koontz's 232 holds down first for high-single game.

There will be a mixed doubles tournament at the G-E Club alleys Saturday, Dec. 3. Entry fee will be $4 per team. This will include the price of bowling. You may bowl in the tournament as many times as you wish, providing you change partners. There will be squads at 3:30, 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. If we can't handle everyone on these three shifts, the tournament will be extended to the following Saturday, Dec. 10.

We have had a lot of requests for this tornament, so let's have a big turnont. The Clnb will donate the first prize with the prize money derived from entry fees to make up the rest of the prize list.

Enter now at the Club to get the shift you desire. Entries will be accepted right up until bowling time, providing there are any openings. Entries will be restricted to G-E employees and club bowlers. The tournament will be run on a handicap basis with averages as of the week starting Nov. 14, 1949.

Don't eat too much turkey over the holiday and to those lucky chicken winners, here's hoping you enjoy them.

The bowling alleys will be closed over the Thanksgiving holiday week-end, including Friday. The reason for the closing is to refinish the alleys.

Machinists Beat Squares To Lead Volleyball League

The Apprentice Draftsmen's volleyball team defeated General Tool two games out of three in Interdivision League play last Friday. The scores for the games were: General Tool 14, 4, and 6; Apprentice Draftsmen, 16, 15, and 15.

Another apprentice team, the Machinists, came up with three victories over the Squares with scores of 15-0, 15-8, and 15-2. Taylor St. won two games from Small Motors. The scores for this series were 13-15, 15-9, and 11-15.

Main Office won one game from Winter St., but fell to defeat on the last two games. Scores for the set were 11-15, 15-6, and 15-6.

League Standings

	W.	L.
Apprentice Machinists	10	2
Small Motors	9	3
Taylor St.	8	4
Winter St.	6	6
Apprentice Draftsmen	6	6
Main Office	5	7
Squares	2	10
General Tool	2	10



Interdivision basketball got off to its usual good start Tuesday, Nov. 15, with the appearance of several new teams and lots of new faces.

Transformer, a team of veterans, beat the Test Engineers, 34-23. The Traffic Division defeated the Apprentice School team, 38-29, with most of the scoring honors going to Bentley and Lenz.

Winter St., with only two players left from last year's championship squad, dropped a 53-22 decision to the Squares. It looks as thongh Bill Hunt may really have something there.

Some of our teams could use additional players. Anyone interested in playing shonld contact Walt Muehlenbruch, Bldg. 20-2, or Ray Quinn, Bldg. 6-2.

G-E Downs Rod-Wire In Opener

The YMCA Owl Industrial basketball league got under way Tuesday morning at the G-E gym.

A big league atmosphere prevailed as Marian Davies, Bldg. 8-2, held the ball for the opening tip. Eric Oakshott, YMCA director; Charlie Wilt, G-E Club manager, and Harry Zimmerman, G-E Club steward, were present for the opener.

G-E bested Indiana Rod and Wire by the score of 46-18 in the opener and Zollner beat out Eckrich in the final minute, 24-22. Wickliffe and Riedort, with 12 and eight points, led G-E in the routing of Indiana R. and W. Feasby was the big gun for the losers, with eight points.

Schrimp, of Zollner, scored the winning basket and also led his team with eight points. McKeeman, with 10 points, led the losing Eckrich Packers.

Summaries:

G-E	G.	F.	T.
Anspach	2	0	4
Berrier	1	0	2
Baker	2	0	4
Crosley	0	1	1
Marke	2	0	4
Phillips	2	0	4
Lambroff	1	0	2
Riedorf	4	0	8
Sherrer	1	1	3
Wickliffe	6	0	12
Greeno	1	0	2
Totals	22	2	46

Rod & Wire	G.	F.	T.
Leakey	1	0	2
Coffee	1	0	2
Helmke	1	0	2
Beard	0	0	0
Feasby	4	0	8
Sowers	0	2	2
Lortee	1	0	2
Totals	8	2	18

Eckrich	G.	F.	T.
Wynn	1	0	2
Kurtz	1	0	2
Arend	1	1	3
Kroemer	0	0	0
Shaughnessy	0	0	0
Shinbeckler	1	1	3
McKeeman	4	2	10
Stellhorn	1	0	2
Totals	9	4	22

Zollner	G.	F.	T.
Waltz	1	0	2
Montieth	0	1	1
Hockemeyer	0	2	2
Harsh	1	0	2
Schrimp	4	0	8
Clay	0	1	1
Brandtmiller	1	0	2
Ductheau	2	2	6
Totals	9	6	24

Officials: Koepke, Waldrop.

G-E Club Enters Volleyball Team In YMCA League

The G-E Club has entered a volleyball team in the six-team YMCA league. Other teams playing in the league are Zollners, Inca, Hazard Club, Broadway Merchants, and Turners. Games are played each Monday at the Turners gym.

OPEN BOWLING
3 to 11 P.M.
SATURDAYS
G-E CLUB

G-E Club Loses To Huntington In 55-43 Upset

The G-E Club, industrial basketball team, after leading 31-23 at the half, faded fast and finally fell before the Huntington K of C rally, 55-43.

Larry Godfrey and Joe Etter sparked the K of C's drive, with 24 and nine points respectively.

The Club was only able to hit 11 of 33 free throws, missing 12 free throws in the last half alone. Dick Bucher led the Club, scoring with 11 points; while John Lindholm and Lou Goehring looked good in controlling the ball off the backboards.

The next game is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 21, when they play Gladieux Oilers at 8 p.m. in the G-E Club gym. Tuesday, Nov. 22, they will play a YMCA Industrial League game with Master Builders at 9 p.m. in the Central gym. Friday, Nov. 25, they return to the G-E Club gym to play an 8 p.m. game with the Turners' Club.

Box scores:

Huntington K of C	G.	F.	T.
Stoffel	1	0	2
E. Karst	2	1	5
Etter	1	7	9
P. Godfrey	2	1	5
L. Godfrey	10	4	24
R. Karst	2	2	6
Leher	2	0	4
Landrigan	0	0	0
Totals	20	15	55

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Bucher	4	3	11
Goehring	2	2	6
Lindholm	2	1	5
Gettys	2	1	5
Baals	1	1	3
Lahrman	1	0	2
Trabel	2	2	6
Zimmerlee	1	1	3
Hower	1	0	2
Totals	16	11	43

Half Score: G-E 31-23.
Officials: Morkoetter, O'Connel.

Bangert Dies

Edward C. Bangert, 65, died Sunday at 9:05 p.m. at his home, 1222 Swinney Ave. He retired two years ago aftor 27 years' service as a pattern maker in Bldg. 19-5.

Mr. Bangert was a member of the G-E Quarter Century Club, Holy Name Society, Council 451, and Knights of Columbus.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. in the Getz and Cahill funeral home, and at 9 a.m. in St. Paul's Catholic Church.

We Must Be Neutral

The contest between national unions and local officials continues to be reported in the press.

We continue, of course, to be absolutely neutral.

But each side is now beginning to charge us with being *for* the other.

What each side seems to mean is that we are not enough for *that* side. Each has apparently adopted the old slogan of "if you aren't *for* me you're against me."

We are not—and must not be—for *either* side. We *must* be neutral. We *want* to be neutral. We *intend* to be neutral.

And we are trying our best to *show* we are neutral. We are taking care that no statement or act of ours can possibly—no matter how cleverly twisted or unfairly distorted—be misinterpreted as the slightest departure from what is actually our strict neutrality.

We are continuing to deal—as we must under the present circumstances—with the 40-odd unions certified to us by federal authority as the choice of our employees. This we are required to do by law.

As to any disputes about these unions, or among these unions, or inside these unions—and regardless of what must be the strong and sincere conviction of many of our employees on one side or the other—we are duty-bound to take a position on the side-lines.

At any time, however, that the pay or safety of our employees should be in danger, we would initiate whatever action would be proper for us to take.

Meanwhile, we repeat again that we want to keep on peaceably and productively working with our employees toward accomplishing the main objective in our joint activity—to serve our customers with good General Electric products in a way that will let us serve our employees with good pay checks.

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Record Number Of Awards Presented As Suggestion System Contest Ends



Mary Jane Runkel, FHP Div. 14, Taylor St., was awarded $110 for her suggestion pertaining to a change in the records used in placing parts in sequence on the matching conveyor. Miss Runkel is shown receiving her check in the above photograph. Left to right are: Carl Reynolds, Supervisor of Production; Miss Runkel, and F. H. Campbell, FHP Div. 14 Superintendent.

196 EMPLOYEES RECEIVE CHECKS

A total of $2,210 was presented during the past two weeks to 196 suggestors, the largest number ever to receive awards for their ideas over a comparable period of time at the Fort Wayne Works.

This great influx of suggestions successfully climaxed the Suggestion System Contest, which officially closed Tuesday, Nov. 15.

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N.L.R.B. Asked To Decide Conflicting Union Claims

BOARD STARTS INVESTIGATING TO DETERMINE REPRESENTATION

The National Labor Relations Board has commenced its official investigation of conflicting claims of IUE-CIO and UE as to representation of certain General Electric employees.

The N.L.R.B. has advised the Company that a representation petition has now been filed by the IUE-CIO asking for bargaining rights for many General Electric employees now represented by the UE. Pursuant to the Board's preliminary investigation, the Com-

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G-E Club To Hold Annual Christmas Party, Dec. 17

Committee Plans To Limit Attendance To Children Under 13 Years Of Age

The G-E Club's annual "Kiddies' Christmas Party" will be held Saturday, Dec. 17, it was announced today by Ralph Hemminger, chairman of the entertainment committee.

A professional talent show is being booked for the party, which is staged each year for the children of all G-E employees. A special effort to limit the attendance to children under 13 years of age will be made this year, because of criticism received in past years about many adults taking seats rightfully belonging to the children.

The G-E Club management has adopted the following rules and requests that all employees comply:

1. Obtain tickets for your children only. Otherwise, you deprive other employees' children of their tickets.
2. Tickets may be obtained only for children under 13 years of age.
3. For children too small to attend alone, one adult should be sufficient escort.

Performances will be given at 10 a.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 5 p.m., and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17. Free tickets will be made available starting Monday, Dec. 5.

"Happy, the Clown" is the first act which has been booked for the show by the G-E Club's entertainment committee.



HAPPY, The Clown

Apprentice Alumni Banquet Is Scheduled For Dec. 14

The Apprentice Alumni Association will hold its annual banquet and election of officers Wednesday night, Dec. 14, in Bldg. 16-2. Tickets may be obtained from contact men.

G-E Club To Sponsor Square Dance Dec. 2

The G-E Club's entertainment committee will present its fourth in a series of square dances Friday night, Dec. 2, in the G-E Club auditorium.

The dance will be held from 9 to 12 p.m. and admission is free of charge to all employees, their families and friends. Joe **Taylor's Indiana Red Bird** band will provide the music for both round and square dancing.

After the first of the year, the family night dances will be held Saturdays to accommodate employees on the second shift. Previously the committee was unable to acquire a band except on Friday nights.

Q-C Club Announces Slate Of Candidates



J. V. Johnson



J. L. Lare

James V. Johnson, Bldg. 18-2, and John L. Lare, Bldg. 20-2, have been named as candidates for the presidency of the G-E Quarter Century Club, it was announced today by C. V. Bobay, chairman of the nominating committee.

The slate of candidates also includes:

Vice President
Howard F. Bennigan, Winter St.
Delbert C. Rehm, Bldg. 19-5.

Secretary
Lyston P. Persing, Bldg. 16-3.
Herschel L. Smith, Bldg. 8-2.

Treasurer
Walter W. Dreyer, Bldg. 4-4.
Herbert D. Kammeyer, Bldg. 18-1.

Director
Arthur R. Kabisch, Winter St.
Elmer J. Wagner, Bldg. 19-3.

The directorship is for a term of five years, while all other offices are for one-year terms.

The election will be held during the first week in December. Ballots will be mailed to all members.

Fred Schafenacker, Taylor St., and Walter H. Sunier, Bldg. 4-6, complete their third terms this year as president and vice president of the club.

Mr. Dreyer is the only candidate nominated for re-election.

ELEX CLUB PLANS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Elex Club's Christmas party for members will be held Thursday, Dec. 15. There will be two sections of the party.

The party will be held at 8 p.m. for the day shift, and at 12 midnight for second shift members.

The Harmonicats will be featured on both programs. The harmonica trio is famous for its recording of "Peg of My Heart."

A reservation fee of 50 cents must be paid on or before Friday, Dec. 9.



HARMONICATS

Squares Announce Plans For Annual Fall Dance

The annual Fall Dance for members of the G-E Squares Club will be held Saturday night, Dec. 3, in the club rooms. The informal dance will start at 9 p.m.

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Don Campbell.....Editor

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Unless You Are An Indian, Be Careful Of That Word

Ever since the Pilgrims landed, there have been those who called others "foreigners." Come to think of it, we're all foreigners, aren't we? Some of our families have been here longer than others—but at one time they, too, were foreigners.

We're all foreigners, more or less, but far more important —all Americans. So let's not think of others in terms of where their ancestors came from, or which church they go to. Let's think of everyone as individuals—as Americans.

Attention Hunters: Don't Let Bugs Bunny Have The Last Laugh

With the hunting season now going full tilt, many of us are tramping the woods and fields with shotguns under our arms, hoping to bag our share of the rabbits. Brer Rabbit makes good eating, and hunting him is good sport—if the hunters are aware that he may be carrying a dread disease, tularemia.

This tularemia, which is more commonly known as rabbit fever, is an acute infectious disease that may have dire consequences. It is just as common in ground squirrels, so watch your step with them too.

All rabbits don't have tularemia, of course, but it's good common sense to be on guard when handling or cleaning any of them. This infection, if present in a rabbit, can enter your system by way of any small cut or break in your skin. It is passed from one animal to another by the bite of parasitic insects such as fleas.

Under ordinary conditions, tularemia has its own effects on a person and is not hard to identify although once in a while it is confused with such diseases as typhoid fever, malaria and tuberculosis. A blood test by a medical laboratory will tell whether it is tularemia.

Symptoms usually show up within three or four days following exposure to a diseased rabbit. There is a sharp onset of fever and chills. This is followed by aches and pains throughout the body, principally in the muscles of the back and thighs. These aches and pains are associated with a severe headache. At the point where the infection enters the body, a sore usually develops. As a rule, it is a thumb or finger that is infected, and the lymph glands which drain this area become swollen and sometimes even ulcerated. Once in a while the infection spreads to the eyes. If this happens, it might cause blindness.

When a person in average physical condition gets tularemia, he usually recovers. But—and this is an important thing to remember—a deep physical depression hangs on for many weeks and months after the original infection gets hold of the system. With this general lowering of physical condition, there is likelihood that some other severe infection may get a toe hold in the system and cause serious damage.

There is no special drug which medical science has found to cure the disease. It is mainly a problem of treating the symptoms. Some of the newer drugs, such as streptomycin, have contributed their share in lessening the severity of the illness, however.

It is always best to play safe, so whenever you're handling or skinning a rabbit wear a pair of rubber gloves. If the infection can't enter your body, it can't raise hob with your system. Also, just as we have always cooked pork thoroughly to remove any threat of trichinosis, another parasitical disease, we should cook all the redness out of a rabbit to eliminate any possibility of getting tularemia when eating the meat.

Beware of the rabbit that has "spotty" liver or organs—this should be a definite warning that tularemia is present. And, in the field, be suspicous of the rabbit that is sluggish and doesn't make the usual effort to get away. It's a good idea to shoot him, but don't take him home.



"Ugh!.. foreigners!"

It's Your Federal Government

What You Can Do About It

By Robert L. Johnson

Editor's Note: Following is the sixth in a series of articles describing the major findings of the "Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report". These articles are written by Robert L. Johnson, President of Temple University and Chairman of the committee. This committee is a voluntary, nonprofit, nonpartisan organization of leading citizens which has undertaken the task of informing the public of just what reorganization means and what the Hoover Commission recommendations, if enacted into law, will mean to each individual and to the nation.

If I have been successful in presenting the case, you have a fairly good idea of what a disorderly and wasteful pattern of government we have in this country. But you don't know half of it. I have attempted in this series to inform you of some of the defects in those departments of the Executive Branch of the government which are next to be considered by Congress; and in the order of this series.

I purposely spaced these articles in this way so that you could discuss the measures intelligently when they come before the Congress in its session opening in January, 1950. It also gives you time to communicate with your Congressman if, as I expect, you are disturbed by this vast waste, which is costing you money, and wish to do something about it.

A little further on I will tell you specifically how you can co-operate to bring about the saving of at least $3 billions a year, and probably $4 billions, if all the recommendations of the Hoover Commission are made into law by the Congress.

People are daily becoming more aware of the bipartisan Hoover Commission and of the great importance of its work. The Hoover Report, I am convinced, will take its place in history alongside other great and cherished documents which have marked the passage of this country along the road to human betterment. As to the Commission itself, it was unique.

Politics Are Avoided

It was unanimously created by the 80th Congress to make a survey of the government, to seek out instances of waste and duplication, and to recommend how savings in costs and more efficient government could be achieved. Politics did not enter into the question in any way. There were six Democrats and six Republicans on the 12-man Commission and Mr. Hoover was made chairman at the suggestion of President Truman himself.

The 19-volume "Hoover Report" is the result. To the everlasting credit of the Commission and the Congress, the first five of the Reorganization bills to be considered have all become law with potential savings of at least $1.25 billions. It is a remarkable beginning. Witb your help, at least 80 to 90 per cent of the entire program can be enacted into law. Perhaps all of it.

I should like briefly to review some of the bigh spots of the previous articles. The first referred to Uncle Sam as the world's worst business man. I think it is true. If there is anyone in business more confused, I haven't heard of him. Imagine a business house that goes into debt every year on an increasing scale, while going ahead and deliberately piling up other and greater expenses. Try and see if you can conceive what kind of thinking goes on in a government which spends $10 in cumbersome paperwork to execute millions of purchase orders for items costing less than $10. Or in a concern that borrows money from itself and pays itself interest. Or a company which keeps seven different set of books and still doesn't know where it stands. All those things are done by this government.

Then take the Post Office. It does a business of $1.3 billions a year and goes "in the red" for more than one-third of that amount. It spends two and one-half cents for each of the billions of post cards it sells to you and delivers for one cent. This loss alone amounts to $45 millions annually.

The Post Office bill will be the next to be taken up by the new Congress. Watch it.

Hard To Keep Employees

Then we took up the question of a government career, and found that a job with the government is proving so unattractive that every fourth person working for Uncle Sam voluntarily quits his job each year. The reason? Low pay and less chance for advancement than in private employment. Also, nearly 50 per cent of applicants who have passed examinations for government jobs quit before they are appointed because of the delays and red tape. And, by the way, it is just as hard to get out as to get in. Red tape and delays are so great that it is practically impossible to discharge an inefficient employee.

We saw in the fourth article how the finances of the government are being conducted under formulae dating back to Alexander Hamilton and how there is no place where an overall picture of our financial standing can be found. Some of the departments, the Post Office, for example, do not handle their own finances and nobody, even the Postmaster General himself, can tell, until the end of a fiscal year, how his department stands. Or, in other words, how much it is going to lose that particular year. It's fantastic!

Finally I took up the subject of waste by the Veterans Administration in the building of hospitals. It seems to me that its program is too ambitious.

Disservice To Veterans

The Veterans Administration, at the time of the survey, had 6500 empty beds in its existing hospitals and yet it plans, or is building, 89 additional institutions at a cost of $1.1 billions. This could result in a disservice rather than a benefit to veterans, because there are not enough available doctors and nurses to staff these hospitals when they are completed.

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OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



N.L.R.B. Asked

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pany has been requested to supply copies of the contracts and of the correspondence from the parties concerned having any bearing on the representation question.

In accordance with what the Company has been urging, matters of representation are thus seemingly on the way to being resolved in the normal and customary legal manner. The Company will recognize as the bargaining representative of employees whichever union is the choice of employees, as certified by the N.L.R.B.

Under normal Board procedure, the Board makes an investigation, holds a hearing and directs an election if it finds there is doubt as to the union the employees want as their representative. An election directed by the Labor Board is conducted by secret ballot as to whether one or another or no union is desired by the employees.

PURDUE TECH INSTITUTE TO OPEN REGISTRATION FOR WINTER TERM DEC. 8

Purdue University Center has released its schedule of classes for the Technical Institute Winter Term, to begin Dec. 12.

Registration for all courses will be held on Dec. 8, 9 and 10. All courses are approved for G.I. training. Pre-registration is now underway at the University Center Personnel Office.

41 Courses Available

Forty-one afternoon and evening courses will be available during the coming term. All courses carry Technical Institute credit and can be used for meeting requirements for certificates.

Technical Institute training constitutes a two-year terminal program, in which students may pursue programs of study in Building Construction Technology, Electrical Technology, Drafting and Mechanical Technology and Industrial Technology.

Graduates receive an Associate Technical Aide Diploma and are qualified for work in time study, as production control coordinators, laboratory technicians, in technological services with architects, contractors, and building material suppliers as methods engineering aids, administrative assistants, draftsmen and electrical contractors.

It is now possible to complete each of the four two year Technical Institute programs on either an afternoon or evening part-time or full-time base.

Requirements for admission to the Technical Institutes are quite flexible. Applicants who are not high-school graduates but who can submit satisfactory evidence of an equivalent background of experience or training may be considered for admission.

Complete information and schedule of classes may be obtained by writing Purdue Center, Jefferson at Barr, or by phoning A-3171.

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C. H. MATSON, Works Manager

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Parker Addresses Annual Meeting Of Squares Club



R. I. Parker, Commercial Vice President in charge of the Central District, addressed 250 members of the G-E Squares Club and test engineers at the club's annual dinner meeting Wednesday night, Nov. 16. Mr. Parker is shown at the right, above, talking with P. M. Staehle, Manager of Sales for the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions; W. A. Hubbard, of Rugby, England, who is the Sales Manager for Fractional Horsepower Motors of the British Thomson-Houston Co., Ltd., an IGE associated manufacturing company, and R. C. Hanna, Assistant Manager of Sales for the FHP Motor divisions and president of the club. Mr. Staehle and Mr. Parker both started with the Company as test engineers in 1912.

Reduced Prices Announced On Several Models Of FHP Utility Motors At Employees' Stores

A limited supply of ⅓ hp Fractional Horsepower utility motors are now available at the Employees' stores at special reduced prices. These motors are discontinued models and will be offered for sale to employees until the stock is exhausted.

These models are:

	Retail Price	Special Employees' Price
No. 1E158—⅓ hp—Split Phase—Sleeve Bearing	$17.95	$10.75*
No. 1E159—⅓ hp—Capacitor Start—Sleeve Bearing	$24.50	$14.70*
No. 1E165—⅓ hp—Capacitor Start—Ball Bearing	$26.95	$16.20*

*Plus state tax.



⅓ hp Ball Bearing, Capacitor Start, Utility Motor, Catalogue No. 1E165.

Catalogue No. 1E158 motors, rated ⅓ hp—1725 rpm—115 volts—60 cycles, are equipped with double shaft extension, 8 ft. rubber-covered cord and plug, ON and OFF switch, and manual reset overload protecting device. These motors are recommended for devices where high initial starting ability is not required. Typical applications are buffers, grinders, bench lathes, and other similar applications.

Catalogue No. 1E159 motors, rated ⅓ hp—1725 rpm—115 volts—60 cycles, are equipped with single shaft extension, sleeve bearings, 8 ft. cord and plug, ON and OFF switch, and manual reset overload protection device.

Catalogue No. 1E165 motors have the same rating and features as No. 1E159, except they are equipped with ball bearings.

Both Nos. 1E159 and 1E165 are capacitor start motors and are recommended for devices where the motor must start under a heavy load. Typical applications include belt-driven, shallow-well pumps, homework shop tools, small compressors, and similar devices.

Despite all the sword rattling that has been going on lately, Arnold Toynbee, the famous historian, says he doesn't think there'll be a shooting war for generations. That's as cheerful as a shaft of sunshine in a cave. He is not optimistic enough to expect Russia to become a "good neighbor," but he says he doubts that they'd dare buck our production ability. But don't look for any sudden thaw in the cold war. Still, if the frigid fracas continues, it'll be up to the Western nations to prove how successful their way of life can be . . . and that might mean a better world for everyone. It's a great idea.

What You Can Do

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The Hoover Report points out that the cost of these structures greatly exceeds that of community hospitals, running from $20,000 to $51,000 per bed. The average for community hospitals is $16,000.

In the fiscal year 1950 the Veterans Administration will spend $3.5 billions, which is 11 per cent of the Federal budget and second only to the Defense Establishment. No one begrudges the veterans the best care available; but it is significant that last year President Truman lopped $200 millions off the Veterans Administration budget, declaring that the hospital building program was excessive. Congress, however, restored the item.

There is now a nation-wide movement on foot to see that the Reorganization bills are understood by everyone, and that everyone who will, can be an influence in effecting their passage. It is spear-headed by the non-partisan Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report. This is a voluntary, non-profit group of citizens having 38 active State committees. The Committee wants your cooperation.

Simply address a note to the national headquarters, 1421 Chestnut St., Philadelphia 2, Penn. Indicate whether you wish only to sponsor the movement, or will take an active part. We can, together, be the deciding force in the battle for good government, and we, and our children, and children's children, will benefit in better government, reduced taxes and a more normal life.

CURRIE, CASE RECEIVE NEW APPOINTMENTS

Neil Currie, Jr., and Byron A. Case, both formerly of the Fort Wayne Works, were among seven executives of the Apparatus Department named to new positions last week by Henry V. Erben, G-E Vice President and General Manager of the department.

Mr. Currie was appointed Administrative Assistant to the General Manager. Before his promotion, he was Manager of Manufacturing.

He was Manager of the Fort Wayne Works from 1936 to 1939, when he went to Schenectady as Assistant to the Vice President in charge of Manufacturing. In 1944, he was named Manager of Manufacturing for the department.

Mr. Case was promoted from Assistant to the Manager of Engineering to Manager of Engineering, Small Apparatus divisions.

Mr. Case served most of his career at the Fort Wayne Works after graduation from the University of Washington in 1927. During that time, he was an engineer in the Transformer Engineering department, Supervisor of Production Planning, Fort Wayne Works, Administrative Engineer of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering division, and Assistant Engineer of that division.

In 1947, he went to Schenectady as staff assistant to the Manager of Engineering and in 1948 became Assistant to the Manager of Engineering.

Some of our teen-age dancers look as if they had just stepped into a wad of chewing gum.

Record Number Of Awards Are Presented



Russell Noll, Bldg. 17-4, received $30 for his suggestion to change the method of punching ventilation slots. He is shown at the left, above, discussing the idea with his foreman, Carl Hattendorf.



Dear Mamie: Opal Bates and Evelyn Daugherty and our mutual friend George Norwood are suffering the same form of torture that of having a birthday. They think that it doesn't show, but all of them are smiling. . . . Why is it that all of the things that are happening we have to go back and think how much better this would be if Mamie were still here to do the weekly stint. . . . We hear by the grapevine or cable (whichever fits best) that our friend Ed Glusenkamp is having his difficulties. Very innocently he asked Ed Johnson to go downtown with him after work to make a tour of the toy departments (his wife being allergic to toys). Mr. Johnson, having in mind of going home declined the proffered ride, but Ed went ahead on his own. I wonder what he was really looking for. (Maybe it was for an archery set to make it more difficult to get out this week's blurb). . . . Wonder what is wrong with Bill Shuler's car. It sounds like a cement mixer. . . . It would appear to me that there would be a little more care taken by Joanna Alles and Luella Guy when they went to a style show. Maybe they are so interested in getting home that they don't care what they put on in the way of coats. If you know them you will see the problem. . . . Frank Lawrence is about to have the best chance in his life to be a success. He went hunting with an Allmandinger (we all know how many of them there are) so he just can't come home empty handed.

Mamie's going to take a trip
We hope that she doesn't make a slip
By trying to work and strain her brain
She sure will have trouble catching a train.

By "Them"

CHRISTMAS CARDS, WRAPPING PAPER ARE SOLD BY ELEX

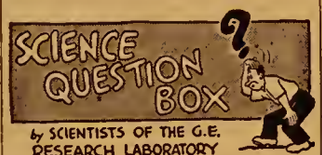
The Elex Club has a selection of Christmas cards and wrapping paper for sale. The cards and wrapings are $1 per box, and may be purchased from contact girls or at the personnel offices at Taylor St. and Broadway.

City To Erect Stop Light Near Taylor St. Plant

A stop light will be erected at the corner of Brooklyn Ave. and Taylor St., it was announced this week by city officials.

The General Electric Company has offered to furnish the timing device for the light and arrangements for the bus loading zones have been made by the Fort Wayne Transit Co. According to the new plan, the special buses will load on the north side of Taylor St., just east of Brooklyn Ave., and the regular buses will load on the south side of Taylor St., just east of Brooklyn Ave.

Starting Monday, Nov. 28, a police officer will direct traffic at the corner during the changing of shifts at the Taylor St. plant.



Q: If rocket ships can some day be constructed to travel to other planets will there be much danger from meteorites?

A: Different opinions have been expressed in the past but one of the most recent studies was made by a California engineer, G. Grimminger. He concludes that for meteorites large enough to penetrate the hull of such a rocket ship, the chances of a hit are negligibly small. Suppose the skin of the ship were of stainless steel and as thin as 1/20 inch. Then the smallest meteorite from which there would be any danger of penetration would be about 1/175 inch diameter and weighing about 1/180,000 ounce. If the ship presented an area of 1000 square feet, the average time between hits by a meteorite of such a size or larger would be about once in 15 years, and for a thicker hull, of course, it would be much longer.

These are the days when your life in the country agrees heartily with your relatives from the city.

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Donald W. Shutt, of the Tiffin plant, was the leading suggestor with a $140 award. He recommended the reduction of banding steel used.

Mary Jane Runkel, FHP Motor Div. 14, was awarded $110 for her suggestion to omit certain records. A $100 award went to Fred E. House, FHP Motor Div. 17, for his idea regarding tote boxes.

For his suggestion of a float to remove paint, John Bastian, FHP Motor Div. 17, received $80. A proposed change to unit bearing motors brought a $30 award to Russell J. Noll, FHP Motor Div. 33.

Twenty-five dollar awards went to Walter F. Hinrichs, FHP Motor Div. 14; Robert McAfee, Decatur plant; Loren Wood, DeKalb plant; George T. Noffze, Motor and Generator division, and H. J. Kruge, General Service division.

Employees receiving awards ranging in different amounts from $5 to $20 were:

FHP Motor Div. 1: Robert Maxwell, Jay H. Michael, John S. Pumphrey, James F. Sarasien (two awards), Gilbert Walker, Henry Wiegmann, and Francis J. Fitch.

FHP Motor Div. 13: H. D. Patterson, Theodore H. Weber, Waldo D. Martin, Clarence F. Myers, Fred K. Vietmeyer, John F. Driver, Herschel Foreman, Donovan Garton, and Preston H. Hille (two awards).

FHP Motor Div. 14: E. E. LaVine (two awards), Herman F. Lepper, Charles Norwood, Fred H. Vogt, Joseph Sallot, Claire H. Forbes, Luke C. Shorter, Lydia M. Doebrman, and Arthur L. Bear.

FHP Motor Div. 15; Gerald F. Meeks (two awards), William Oberlin, Wilbur E. Tibbitts (two awards), Walter Amacher, E. James Battrick, Thomas L. Blackwell, Merl E. Bryie, Leola R. Carrier, Francis Fann (two awards), Harry C. Grimm, Robert O. Kerr, and Oliver H. Bowman.

FHP Motor Div. 16: John R. Magley (two awards), Everett Sloffer, Dale W. Stalter, C. J. Mosshammer, Charles Coffman, Jr., Ross M. Domer (three awards), George Eshelman, and Herb Halley.

FHP Motor Div. 17: Eldon R. Lewis (two awards), John Lee (two awards), George N. Miller, Betty Boldt, Thomas W. Cannon, Howard Householder, and Norman Hughes.

FHP Motor Div. 19: Hugo Wengert, Claude L. Gill, Mary A. Herb, Howard G. Reinking, Dorothea Swank, Lloyd Runyon, John R. Miles, Charles A. Lauer (two awards), Ruby A. McBride, Edward A. Huhn, Ralph E. Trevey, Raymond B. Schuckel, and Arthur W. Lantz.

FHP Motor Div. 33: George H. Miller, Joseph F. Prezbindowski, Joseph E. Quinlan, Solomon Andorfer, William F. Decker, and P. H. Kraft.

FHP Motor Div. 10; Joan Walter, Merle Morkoetter, Jr., Jack E. Angel, Nadeen Junk, and Virginia Mariotte.

Decatur Plant: Calvin P. Magley, William Hunt, George Rothgeb, Edna Callow, and Guy Koos.

Tiffin Plant: Norman Abbott, Robert Borer, Merlin Drohen, Donald J. Philbrick, Harvey J. Miller, Paul Raitz, Russell L. Semer, Robert Warrington, Richard Zirger, Gerald Yost, and Al Grieve.



Joseph A. Haas, FHP Div. 16, recently received a $25 suggestion award for his idea in regard to grinding dies.

DeKalb Plant: Elliott Lay, Sr. (three awards), Elsie Hawkins, Evelyn Freeman, Jesse Ramsey, Elmer W. Scott (two awards), William Paseka, Loren Wood, J. D. Ramsey (four awards), Clifford Smith, H. K. Wells, John Feyerhard, Edward Cristallo, and Virgil Hinkston.

Specialty Transformer Div. 91: Donald C. Ford (two awards), Robert A. Bunyan (three awards), George W. Jones, John A. Kennell, Gerald Crum, Howard G. Welch, Charles Druce, and Harold Franz.

Specialty Transformer Div. 94: Olen 1. Lehman, J. Virgil McKeeman, Lucile Nevelle, Arthur Pequignot, Phil A. Roberson, Murray J. Sherman, Dorance Stuckman, Clifford Thompson, David Bertsch, Virgil Buchanan, Levi C. Carpenter, George E. Corell, Kenneth Fisher, Estella Frantz, Ned D. Greulach, Violet Kellams, Dorothea Kaylor, and Robert D. Glenn.

Danville Plant: Roy A. Tarpley, Wilson D. Halls (two awards), Joseph McFadden, W. E. Deichman, Paul Zemont, Donald Halls, Robert Gardiner, John Doney, Lula Allison, Miriam Farley, William Uvick, Peter Szollosi, Robert Young, Ambrose Frazeier, John Hinrichs, Viola Cundiff, Ronald Rutan, Verlin Biggs (two awards), Herman Drew, and Ted Henderson.

Motor and Generator Division: Fred B. Lahrman (two awards), Clifton J. Mugg, George T. Noffze, George L. Santon, Louis E. Tagtmeyer, Leroy A. Heintzelman, Richard K. Hobson, and Everett Anderson.

Wire and Insulation Division: Gerald Kummer, Dewey D. Parkison, Amel D. Beck, Lois M. Connett, Lawson Bryan Cox, Alfred Eisenacher, Lewis Guenther, Carl F. Hankel (two awards), and Ralph N. Hoover.

Tool Division: Lowell O. Welker, Ned Tarney (two awards), Guy F. Wagoner, and John Inches.

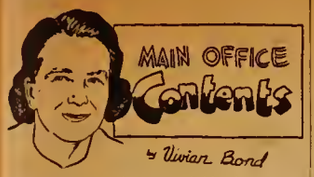
General Service Division: Alice R. Nichens, Theodore Raypole, Glen F. Ely, Horace L. Franklin, John N. Schreiber, Arthur A. Hyser, Wallace D. Reed, John A. Birchmeyer, Erven C. Huth, and Richard P. Dentel.

Miscellaneous: Ruth E. Moodie, Kenneth J. Petgen, Howard R. Mertz, Dorothy Crist, and Frank J. Chayka.

Recipients of G-E monogramed cigarette lighters during the last week of the Suggestion System Contest included:

William Tennison, Eldon Lewis, Lloyd Garrison, Clifford Balyeat, Raymond Pickett, Eugene Kelsey, Clifford Geller, Alva Johnson, Clifford Thompson, Edward Murchland, Lloyd Brown, Jason Moser, Walter Gibson, Harold Pippin, George Cavanaugh, Earnest Freeman, and Paul Judah.





Service to Others: Life in these United States presents many problems to all of us. To Fred White in Bldg. 18-4 some of these problems can be very embarrassing. Now, mind you, he does a wonderful job of getting everyone on the right train at the right time; is very accommodating about last minute changes and goes all out for service. But to park a car at the Pennsylvania Station with the keys in it, making it most convenient, is carrying the matter of service to others just a little too far. At the present writing, the car has not been located. . . . Carl Brandt and Ray White of the Office Bowling Team said the chicken flew over the fence Wednesday evening. Ray said if I had only made more points in that third game and Carl bemoaned the fact that he has been falling behind par lately. Better luck, next time, bowlers and may the prize be bigger. . . . With Thanksgiving over and everyone full of turkey and roast duck, we settle down in earnest to work on Christmas. Judging from what we see, the Employees' Store is carrying a complete line of fancy gadgets for the Christmas tree. So just spend your spare time over in the Store and the first thing you know your shopping worries will be over, G-E will profit and you in turn will profit, and the receiver of the gift will love it! Simple, isn't it?

I. W. Butler Completes 45th Year



Irvin W. Butler, Bldg. 31-1, celebrated 45 years with the Company Friday, Nov. 11. At that time he received a long-service certificate. Pictured above are: (l. to r.) R. M. Hartigan, Manager of Manufacturing for the Motor and Generator divisions; Mr. Butler, and P. S. Stough, Manager of Motor and Generator Engineering.

G-E Squares Women Hold Bridge Party

The Women's division of the G-E Squares Club entertained Thursday, Nov. 17, with a dessert bridge at the Squares hall, 219 E. Berry St.

Charles Powell, of radio station WKJG, was the guest speaker. His subject was "Interesting Sidelights Of Radio." He concluded his talk with a question and answer period.

An attendance prize was awarded to Mrs. Richard Thomas and bridge prizes were won by Mrs. Robert Hanna, Mrs. William K. Gregg, Mrs. M. C. Halleck, Mrs. Mark Tam, Mrs. Gilbert Jamieson, and Mrs. Frank Olney.

Mrs. M. B. Barrows and Mrs. Lore Ferverda were co-chairmen for the party. Their committee members included Mrs. Eldon Vosburgh, Mrs. Charles Cutshall, Mrs. Charles Johnson, and Mrs. Robert Schulte.

The refreshment table was centered with an attractive arrangement of autumn leaves, colorful gourds, and white chrysanthemums. The individual tables were spread with pastel covers, and each table was centered with a gourd holding a lighted taper.

The next event of the group will be the annual Cbristmas guest bridge Wednesday, Dec. 14.

West Lynn, Fort Wayne Take Top Safety Honors

The West Lynn and Fort Wayne Works are rated as baving the best records for safety of all the works in the Company's Apparatus Department for the first 10 months of this year.

Classes In Resuscitation Being Conducted Here

Classes in resuscitation started this week for maintenance and plant protection employees. Films and actual demonstrations are used in the training and pamphlets on resuscitation are furnished.

Carl Rehling, Bldg. 20-2, is arranging the classes, and E. J. Cade, Bldg. 4-6, is the instructor. Mr. Cade is also assisting the local Red Cross on a city-wide basis in Red Cross training work.

Elex Partizan Chapter Installs New Officers



The Partizan Chapter of Elex held its second anniversary banquet at the YWCA Tuesday, Nov. 15. The new officers were installed by Irene Meyers, following the program. I. H. Freeman, Supervisor of Personnel, spoke on the chapter's slogan, "Endeavoring, We Progress." Helen Miller was toastmistress for the evening.

The officers for the 1949-50 season are: (seated, l. to r.) Margaret Tomson, president, and Selma Rodemeyer, vice president; and (standing, l. to r.) Helen Thiele, treasurer, and Myrtle Bennett, secretary.

Apprentice BROADCAST



by MILDRED ELLIS

Wayne Bergman has earned a new name. While hunting rabbits with some of his buddies, Wayne scared out a cottontail, but was unable to shoot immediately because the safety on his gun was jammed. For fear the rabbit would get too far away Wayne was heard to say, "Bunny, bunny, bunny!" So now he goes by the name of "Bunny-Bunny Bergman." . . . It must have been the volleyball victory Wednesday night that went to Ecenbarger's head. Hoppel and Staley report that Harry became so brave he wanted to let the air out of the sheriff's tires. . . . We are glad that Fred Borton has recovered and has returned to work. . . . Paul Wuttke was to have the cast taken off his arm last Friday and hopes to be back with us soon. . . . Joe Rowan's bachelor buddies were beginning to show signs of anxiety last week. All were hoping Rowan would last till Saturday. . . . Donald Dimke and Homer Carson were the fellows who took home the chickens last Tuesday. It was their reward for bowling the most pins over their average. . . . Apparently Skeets Lahrman's ribs are back in shape. It is rumored he has been taking chest expansion exercises—probably so he would be in shape for Rowan's reception. . . . Wayne Bergman was a proud man. He bragged that he was going to lead the parade, and he thought he would look pretty nice riding along in that new station wagon, but it proved to be a long walk and Wayne's ego and feet both suffered. . . . Garland Roby was having his fun by frightening people with his rubber alligator named Hirkermer. But poor Hirkermer has disappeared, and we fear someone has killed him.

With television spreading its web across the country the report is that many politicians are resorting to face lifting and oral surgery. The TV and newsreel cameras are making them as self-conscious as an amateur toe dancer with blisters. When the politicos say, "Let's face it" . . . they want to have the face to face it with. A man's ideas may be as sensible as a mother's advice . . . but if he pops out of a TV screen looking like Groucho Marx or J. Durante, he'd bc better off in vaudeville. Of course, if we ever get to a time when we pick our representatives by their looks alone . . . we better look out!

FHP Motor Divisions Announce New Line Of Shaded-Pole Motors

A new line of lifetime oil-lubricated, sbaded-pole motors designed for operation in any position—shaft up, down, horizontal, or at any intermediate angle—has been announced by the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisons.

Designated as Type KSP, frame sizes 11 and 21, the new motors can be used as drives for exhaust fans, cooling fans, evaporative coolers, unit heaters, condenser cooling, and space heaters, as well as for small pumps, agitators, and blowers.

The new motors feature a new unit-bearing construction in the shaft end of thc motor for greater strength on direct-connected loads; treatcd stator windings of Formex (R) insulated wire; and vibration-absorbing resilient end rings which are resistant to oil and aging. Mounting arrangements for the new motors include resilient end ring mounting, resilient cradle basc, and hand mounting. Motors also are available with four tapped holes on the shaft end for end mounting.



21-frame open motor with resilient base.

Kammeyer Celebrates 40th Anniversary



Herbert Kammeyer, Supervisor of Payroll, Bldg. 18-1, celebrated his 40th anniversary with General Electric, Nov. 5. He was presented a 40-year service certificate by C. H. Matson, Works Manager, in a meeting Friday, Nov. 4. Attending the presentation were: (l. to r.) J. E. Estabrook, Assistant to the Manager; Mr. Matson, Mr. Kammeyer, E. F. Waldschmidt, Works Accountant; C. H. Weber, Manager of Wage Rates; I. H. Freeman, Supervisor of Personnel; L. C. Swager, Assistant to the Manager; A. E. Leider, Manager of Production Service division; and C. R. Olson, Staff Assistant.

Motor and Generator Static



Thought for the Week: No man is fast enough to keep up with his good intentions. . . . Odds and Ends: Daffynitions: Antique Furniture—Chairs too old and rickety for poor people. . . . Bathing Beauty—Displaced person. . . . Poet—Guy who lives the hard way. . . . Wedding Cake—Altar rations. . . . Garage—Room for one mower. . . . Dilemma: The fellows in the office have a problem: "What do these New York fellows have that we don't have, and where can we get a Buick right away?" . . . TAILS NOT TALES: That ole coon tail is really getting around in Bldg. 21-1. We can't make up our minds as to who did it most justice. It looked mighty good on Joe Neal, but then it looked right nice on Walt Metzenius, too. It made its comehack today on our ex-Marine, Stan Marquardt, who unknowingly paraded it hack and forth across the office. When it was discovered following Mr. Marquardt, he, heing anxious to pass the honor along, attached it to "Golden-Voice" Hohson. . . . Birthdays: Speaking of Mr. Hobson, as we were doing, our fair-haired boy celehrated a hirthday today. Likewise for Dwight Meyers. We wish them many more. . . . Sleep: "Big John" president of Ed Foley's Greeks is a sound sleeper. On two occasions he has boarded the train at Detroit and gone to sleep. On one occasion the conductor managed to awaken him at Fort Wayne, and he wanted to argue that the train could not he in this city as he had only heen asleep five minutes. On the other occasion he was carried to St. Louis hefore they discovered him peacefully sleeping. In this case there was no argument. . . . Who? Each year since 1939 Jack Toole and Mike Sorgen have exchanged a Christmas greeting. "So what," you remark. To which we reply that it is the same greeting each year. Both hoys have forgotten who sent it last year and will have to check their collection to decide who sends and who receives. . . . Must Be: The other evening Jack Hively decided to chop some wood for his fireplace. He picked out a choice piece, struck a mighty blow with his trusty axe almost severing the log. To complete this task he picked up the piece and struck it on the chopping block. The severed piece flew up in the air and hy some freak action curved around and struck Jack in the hack of his head cutting a gash behind his right ear. Must be a limb off some sort of a boomerang.

Safety Raiser

These three little words, calm, cool, collected, give those who practice it a douhle reward—safety and happiness.

Ramhlings, Bldg. 31-2

Extra, Extra: Howard Naslund is all hroken up ahout haskethall. While playing on the Squares team Howard was humped and is now laid up with a broken clavicle (that's the collar bone). Howy has to wear a cast which makes his "wings" spread hack like he is ready to fly. We may he missing him four weeks. Howard will prohably have some ribbing to take from Brown and Brighty about being too old to play basketball. . . . The Formeneks have recently returned from a two weeks' trip to California and Oregon.

Corn S'talks

TAYLOR ST. SHIPPING

By Gloria Geesaman

Here we are again with something new added—me. . . . We had two hirthdays this last week—Naomi Snyder and Nancy Woodhull. Both received gifts from the girls of the officc. May they hoth have many more happy birthdays to come. . . . Oh, brother, what style! Ruth Sutorius was honored at a dinner at The English Terrace and show afterwards. Corsage, too. What's the occasion? She's leaving us this week to take up the duties of a housewife. Lucky girl. . . . Whoopee! We got off Thanksgiving to eat all the turkey we could hold. . . . Romeo has his third week of vacation. Man of leisure, that's what. . . . Notice to all visitors. You must sign the register when you visit certain (they must be special) persons in shipping. . . . Barhara Reeh went with her boyfriend muskrat hunting, and they came home with a couple. Nice hunting, ole girl. . . . Our other hunter, Jack Angel, hagged five rabbits Saturday. Not bad considering, who did the hunting. . . . Delores Connin's daughter was operated on Saturday for appendicitis. Condition, good. . . . Who bas a visitor every noon in teletype? Ask Fay E. Alexander. . . . Can you imaginc anyone forgeting a turkey dinner? That's what Jerry Schlund did. He forgot he was planning on having a turkey dinner Saturday. . . . Alice Uffelman has been robbing her piggy hank lately. Guess everyone will know that Christmas is just around the corner. . . . That's all today, folks, see you next week.



Mr. and Mrs. Lou Mayle spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Niagara Falls, N. Y., visiting his parents. . . . Dr. Garton spent several days last week in DeKalh on husiness. . . . The little nurse from Huntington, Thelma Harrison, was visiting in Bldg. 21 Dispensary recently. She formerly was on second trick at Taylor Street. . . . At last the secret is out! There were some surprised girls at the last night girls Elex party at the "Y", when the identity of the Apple sisters was revealed. Now who would have thought that Seedy and Corey were Berneta Welbaum and Mary Heymann? Their costumes were colorful hut far from beautiful, and the music "out of this world"—but not far enough. It really was plenty corny, hut a lot of fun. . . . The last report from Veda Orff was that she is improving satisfactorily. This is another of the many things for which we are thankful. . . .

A Post-Thanksgiving Thought

"He enjoys much who is thankful for little;
A grateful mind is both a great and happy mind."

William Seeker.

L. W. Wightman Granted Patent



L. W. Wightman

The U. S. Patent Office has granted Lawrence W. Wightman a patent on his invention of a thrust eyelet for single bearing end play adjustment. Mr. Wightman is a group leader in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Development Engineering division.

His invention consists of an eyelet, having one of a variety of forms, which is secured to the motor shaft outside the hearing in such a position as to control the end-play of the rotor from the one bearing only. Twelve claims were allowed in connection with this invention.

Mr. Wightman has heen employed hy General Electric since 1938 and has worked in the FHP Motor Engineering divisions since 1940. This is his fifth patent.

Fractional Facts

TAYLOR ST. OFFICE

By Alice Nichens

'Till the digestive workers cry "No room"
And the tables now are turned
The turkey is no longer stuffed
But that title I have earned
We seem to feel on holidays
All food we must consume
And this we do quite vigorously
Thanksgiving day is over
We slowly leave the table
To find a nearby chair
And never will we eat again
This solemnly we swear.

But prohahly before the day is over we will be planning a menu for Christmas equally as capable of making us feel dull and stupid. It's a good thing holidays are scattered through the year. . . . Is it true that four little hunnies committed suicide so Ralph McVay and his hunting companions could face their friends? . . . Were those shells or blanks or has Bob Feller a job making shells? . . . Alberta Roth has spent some time recently studying the 1901 issue of a Sears and Roehuck catalog. Does that about finish the Christmas shopping? The catalog displayed a selection of good looking surreys and the clothes—they were really dreamy. . . . We, the loyal supporters of Bob Wildermuth during his recent MBA election, are patiently waiting the promised candy and cigars. It was my understanding that all politicians kept their promises. . . . Clara and Paul Billue will check the milk containers before lunch after this. Sometimes a bit of water is noticed in milk, hut not quite that much. Who could have done such a thing? . . . Martha Zuber was very embarrassed when she started to fix a slipping stocking hefore looking to sec whether or not she was alone in the hall.

Dean Carothers To Address Fort Wayne Engineers' Club

Dr. Neil Carothers will address the Fort Wayne Engineers' Club at a meeting in the Civic Theatre Thursday, Dec. 15. Free tickets will be made available the first week in December.

On leave of absence as dean of the College of Business Administration at Lehigh University, Dr. Carothers has heen conducting a series of lectures at various works throughout the General Electric Company during the past year. The lectures were presented here from November through January last year.



Thanksgiving time, God has been good.
Are you going to thank Him as you should?
This wonderful world, this life we love
Are gifts to all from the Father above.
Look your blessing over with careful eyes
Take time to think and to realize
That God is good. Give thanks.

Foothall has taken a hack seat. All you hear is hunting stories. John Gutermuth wants to huy some sleigh hells to put on his rahbit dog, so that he knows where the dog is. John always has to hunt in the next county for the dog after each shot. . . . Ray Johnson really shoots up any going rahhits. He shot one with his boy's air rifle. The rahhit took off, bumped into a tree that was 14 inches across the stump, hreaking it off even with the ground. P.S. The rahhit never stopped. (Anyone taking notes for the tall story club?) . . . We also hear that Harry (Curly) Chism has heen out getting the bunnies at Eunice Zehr's place. . . . Betty Collier went hunting last weekend. . . . If you haven't had a hunny and are hungry for them, Lilly Schock will help. Pretty good on the trigger too. . . . Monday morning Charlie Rise reported to line 534 that he was Jess Hahn. (Jess was on vacation.) We wondered how Jess grew up and out so fast. But Jess' ghost must have been hanging around. Wilma Burkholder just knew that she had seen him. . . . We have a duel scheduled, not a sunrise affair, however. It is a euchre duel between Edith Beaty and Joe Jensen. . . . Delores Wonderly has decided the next time she rides an automatic elevator, she is taking a can opener along. . . . Elizabeth Wert wants to know the price of a hear trap. Wonder what for? . . . Minnie McCague was airminded last week. She flew to Hartford, Conn. . . . Dorothy Johnson attended the Michigan-Ohio State game. . . . John Magley went to see the Purdue-Indiana game. . . . It's a happy birthday to Margie Drake, Faye Kitteridge and Ella Arn. . . . Fourth wedding anniversary wished to Lavon Neshitt. . . . And Gertrude Martin was a grandma. . . . Our "We wish you happiness" mat is out for Marie Bowers. She is getting married tomorrow. . . . Congratulations for the baby girl at the Jack Shadys. The mama was a former co-worker. . . . Leona Hollis got out her ear muffs the day we had our first snow. . . . Bill Martin has kindergarten ideas. He likes to use a "double X" stamp. . . . Lucille Miller was very unhappy with Jerry Snyder. Jerry decided to hurn leaves while Lucille had her washing on the line. . . . Hedy Harrison believes in getting down to the basement in a hurry. She makes it in one step, landing on her face. . . . Lucille Allen is getting ready for Christmas hy having her picture taken for gifts. Did you see the hirdie? . . . Notice the difference in Alice Brockmeyer? It's the new gold rimmed specks. . . . Luella Stabler was out for exercise. She was going to the heauty shop at Taylor and Broadway and ended up at Broadway and Berry. . . . The hoss said, "We are going home at noon." Delores Wonderly said, "Goodby." At the cafeteria she found out it was she who was homeward bound. Not the hoss. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Mildred Clevenger in the death of her mother.

When a college student gets a joh in spite of his education it's the power of mind over Mater.

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Mirthful Moment . . . Al Capp, left, famed creatar af Little Abner, and Hank Prajansky of Aircraft Gas Turbine Divisian, who does cartooning far the *River Works News*, enjay a G-E NEWS cartoon.



In the Mood . . . The Family Night Committee assumes the praper pose for "Our Family Album" film which traces histary of the Fart Wayne Warks for past 50 years. Seated, left ta right: J. E. Estabraak and R. A. Waehr. Standing: I. H. Freeman, C. J. Manrae and Frank Ondrovik.



Bowery Cutie . . . At annual Bowery party held at the Edison Club, Schenectady, members and friends wear those Bawery-laak autfits. Helen Rostkowski af the General Office is in an apprapriate costume.



Holiday Headliner . . . Jayce Ann, daughter of James Quilty af the Mahoney Glass Warks, Niles, Ohia, has the main caurse af her Thanksgiving dinner well in hand, as she leads unhappy bird kitchen-ward.

Head "Ham" . . . Gearge Grave af Winter Street Plant, Fart Wayne, displays plaque he received as autstanding amateur radia aperatar af Indiana. At right is instrument panel showing his call letters W9BKJ.



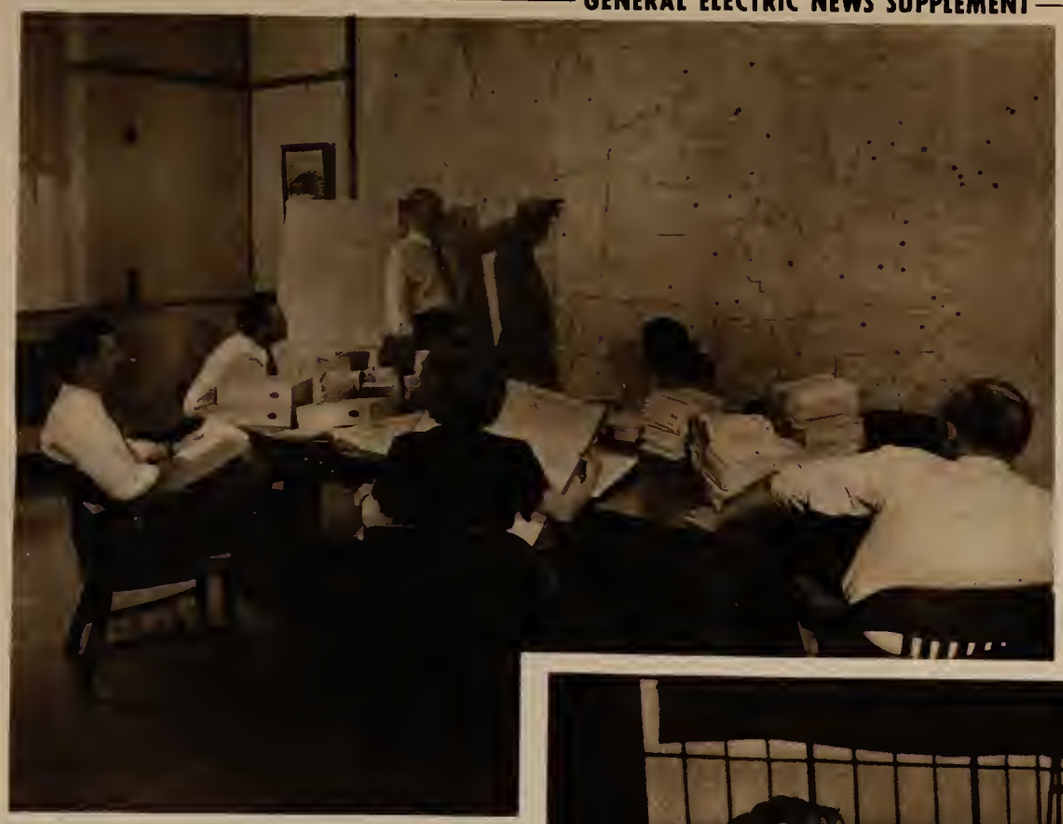
How G.E

JOB holders aren't the only ones who worr about steady work, did you ever stop to think about that?

Management does, too.

Steady work and regular pay for its employees is something that management does more than just *worry* about—it spends hard cash which runs into millions to maintain employment for its people and financial security for those who depend upon them.

For instance, product improvement never stops. No matter how good a product is, smart management tries continually to make it better. And when existing products don't move fast enough in the market place, new



1. Marketing Services experts study detailed map of U.S. to determine in what areas which products are selling. They not only make sales surveys, but can report whether a product will sell even before it leaves the draftman's drawing board.



2. An idea for a new product or for improvement of existing one, goes first to drafting board, after it's confirmed by survey returns, where engineers start with slide rules, blueprints.



4. The Tool Section must then convert machines or design new anes. With new and converted machinery, engineers then begin to set up assembly lines for quantity production to bring this new idea ta the buying public as rapidly as possible.



3. Appearance Design and Praduct Engineering specialists must agree before the engineers' skill can be dressed up to appeal to the customer and provide the utmast in durability.



5. Division management, sales, advertising and promation experts canfer an a national program to introduce improved product to the market in hope af stimulating buying power.

helps keep jobs steady

products are developed and introduced in the hope that they will find public acceptance and perhaps support some of the slower lines.

Then there's Marketing Services which conduct studies in the field to determine customer likes and dislikes, to locate poor selling areas in the market. Also advertising which makes the excellent quality of General Electric workmanship known through the medium of newspapers and magazines, through assistance to distributors in the form of product promotion materials such as counter cards, window and floor displays, etc.; Product Engineering which not only creates new lines, but improves existing ones; Appearance Design which develops the sleek, serviceable modern design that houses the engineering skill of G.E. merchandise, and on and on in a never ending parade whose functions serve to bolster the effort of production workers—in good times and bad—in bringing *new* and *improved* products from the assembly line to the homes of our customers.

Sales mean jobs. Literally hundreds of G.E. experts, sales and advertising people, and thousands of dealers are working for the man at the machine. We can all help them protect our jobs by keeping quality up and costs down. . . . *Prepared for CANDID CAMERA by A. and M. Dept., Bridgeport Works.*



6. Important people in the chain of distribution to bring goods from factory to consumer are G.E. distributors. Here, a Company district representative exposes a new and improved sandwich grill and waffle iron to a group who buy in carload lots.



7. Meet the critics. An improved product which specialists in marketing, appearance design, manufacturing, advertising and promotion say will sell is shown to distributor salesmen in the field. It's their job to sell it to dealers everywhere.



8. It ultimately reaches a dealer's window where its smart styling, set off by a handsome, self-contained display, attracts prospective customer. A whole army of talent has combined its total effort in bringing this product to the point of sale.



9. The prospective customer is intrigued. Yes, it's brand new! She observes that waffle plates are removable and the hot plate can be used to toast sandwiches, to fry eggs and used in many ways to prepare breakfasts or quick light lunches.



10. But selling effort does not end with customer buying her G.E. sandwich grill. Three months later, alert dealer called to ask if she was pleased with its performance, resulting in the sale and installation of complete General Electric kitchen.





Excellent Form . . . Ann Halland, right, golf chompion af the Electronettes, the G-E Wamen's Club ot Electranics Pork, Syrocuse, shows her trophy to Pot Evons, runnerup.

OPEN HOUSE AROUND G. E.



Viewing the Works . . . Mike Brickley (above), son of Wolter Brickley of Schenectody Warks, is o little bewildered by the size af equipment at G.E. as he gets next ta a huge generotor shaft under construction in new turbine building at Schenectody. (Right) Julius Pardi demanstrotes pottery moking in parcelain to part of Schenectody Works Open House crowd.

Family Affair . . . At River Warks Open House, (below, right), Children of G-E employees were omused by ventriloquist ond his dummy, part af the ofternoon-long show for the youngsters. (Below) John DeSolvo, shaws his wife ond sons where he works.





Three Draftsmen Graduate From Apprentice School



C. Z. Hubartt

Carl Z. Hubartt completed his draftsmen's course at the Apprentice School last week. A 1939 graduate of Wolcottville high school, he attended Indiana Technical college before coming to General Electric. He worked in the Motor and Generator division a year and a half before leaving for the Army.

Mr. Hubartt served with the Eighth Engineering squadron of the First Calvary division nine months in the States and 18 months overseas in New Guinea, Philippine Islands, and Japan. He returned to the Motor-Generator division after his discharge in January, 1946. He enrolled in the G-E Apprentice School the following May. He is married and has two children. They live at 2929 Queen St.



J. L. Leffers

John L. Leffers garduated Friday, Nov. 11, as a draftsman from the Apprentice School. He attended Central high school and graduated in 1941. His G-E career began that same year, working in Bldg. 6-4.

Mr. Leffers entered the armed services in February, 1943, serving a year in the States, 18 months in India, and six on Okinawa. After his discharge in January, 1946, he returned to G-E the following March when he enrolled in the drafting course. Mr. Leffers is married and resides at 2623½ Pittsburgh St.



H. L. Carson

Homer L. Carson graduated last week from the draftsmen's course of the Apprentice School. A 1940 graduate of Brown high school, he attended Tri-State college before coming to General Electric in 1942. He worked as a draftsman in the FHP Motor division until he entered the service in November, 1942.

Mr. Carson was a crypographic technician with the Signal Corps in the Okinawa campaign. He was discharged in March, 1946, and returned the same month to the FHP Motor divisions as a draftsman. His apprentice training began in May, 1946. Mr. Carson resides at 1516 Swinney Ave.



SHIPPING OFFICE: Helen Elbert (shipping section's proudest grandmother) produced some very snazzy pictures of her two pride and joys for some very appreciative eyes. No wonder you're proud, Grandma, they are adorable. . . . That troublesome little fellow, the Eight-Ball, was back to Herb Grueb Friday, but it seems there is some question as to whether he deserved it on such short notice. However, Ed David and Tom Dent believe in neatness at all times. . . . Katie Minchart has become our society candidate since her picture appeared in the morning paper, but Katie hasn't let fame go to her head. . . . A very difficult problem has arisen between Ray Quinn, Eileen Fitch and Phyllis Grace. Seems the problem is the age old question of which is the best way to bring up the off-springs. Anyone who has the proper method fully perfected please advise these three. Ray says move the furniture and release the younguns, while Eileen and Phyllis say don't move a stick of furniture just hold onto Junior. Well anyway it's a good question. . . . MAILING SECTION: Happy birthday to Dave Thiebolt who celebrated his birthday the 21st and also Jim Nagel who celebrated the 25th. . . . Is your Ed's face red, all because her knowledge of aviation is very slim. Last week we reported that Frank Hopper had received his commercial pilot's license, but with deep regret we must back down. Frank received his seaplane rating instead of a commercial license. . . . The reason for all the smiles displayed by Dave Thiebolt is he has taken a test for Apprentice School. Good luck, Dave. . . . If you are in need of a good excuse for being late just contact Dick Wilson. He will find you one, cause he has a million of them. . . . All our sympathy goes out to Clint Sorenson, who is going to have one of his molars extracted next Monday. Clint is now sweating out the delay. Keep a stiff upper lip, Clint. . . . SHIPPING, BLDG. 6-1: Roscoe Grover vows that never again will he accept an invitation to a rabbit dinner, especially when it is extended by Simon King. Simon told Roscoe he was getting a few of the boys together for a rabbit dinner at Dave Bridge's Wednesday. Poor unsuspecting (and also very rabbit hungry) Roscoe went to the gate house with Simon and agreed to wait there until Simon gets his car. After quite a wait a faint suspicion crept into Roscoe's brain and he decides he's been tricked and trotted off to buy his dinner. . . . If you big brave men think that women are the only ones afraid of mice you are mistaken because Dave Bridges has discovered that Simon King is very allergic to the little rodents. It seems Sam has quite a habit of sneaking apples out of people's coat pockets whenever he knows they have one. So the boys (being quite alarmed at the fact that Sam was afraid of mice) decided to correct the matter. They found a mouse, tied him to an apple stem, placed the mouse and apple in a coat pocket and then casually let it slip that a certain coat pocket contained an apple. Sam whizzed to said coat pocket, reached down deep and bingo! There was the little rascal. Just for the record Sam hasn't been seen around any apple-holding coat pockets lately. . . . John Brothers has a hidden talent, that of square dance calling. John has been calling at the American Legion Post at Leo for some time.

We all know that sourness spoils milk. It's too bad more people don't know it has the same effect on people.



I hope everyone was able to get in after that big Thanksgiving meal. . . . Howard McMaken has something to be thankful for this week. His long lost cigar holder was found next to the starting switch on his machine. . . . We have heard many stories about fellows building boats in their basements, and not being able to get them out. One of our former coworkers, Claude Gill, built a display case in his basement for a friend. When all was finished Claude had the choice of dismantling the case or taking out a door. From the last reports I had, Claude was working on his door. . . . Paul Boedeker lives in a neighborhood which has had several large fires recently so it was a rather common thing when someone knocked on his rear door and said that there was a fire out there. Paul's answer, was "I'll be right out and help you in a minute." Was he surprised when he went out the rear door and found his garage engulfed in flames. . . . Jack Pollock was going through the scrap last week in search of a shaft he threw away thinking that someone had placed it on his bench as a prank. When the boss asked if he had put that keyway in it, Jack remembered that it wasn't scrap. . . . Anyone wishing fast service in tire changing in the parking lot, just call on Jess Batchelder. He has all the latest equipment for tire changing. . . . Birthday greetings to George Bartel this week. George will probably celebrate by eating some of that deer he brought back from his hunting trip. Nice going, George. . . . John Bastian received a nice check as an additional award on one of his previous suggestions. I promised John I wouldn't mention the $80 to his wife. . . . The fellows were trying to tell me Louis Watt was on the receiving end of a skunk last week. I guess it was just a rumor as Louie said, "You fellows won't live long enough to skunk me." Oh, boy, if and when. . . . We all hope Ray Bowers is enjoying that additional week of vacation and catches plenty of game. . . . I will probably have a good hunting story next week. Paul Boedeker, Louie Watt and Bob Ripine are going on a threesome. . . . I saw one of our former coworkers, Russell Clawson, last week and he said to give the fellows his regards. . . . Edwald Stinsmuehlen is now at home to his friends at 1250 Sheridan Ct. since last week-end.



Birthday greetings of the week go to Martha Smeader. . . . Frank Lebrato left us last Friday for a new interest of business. . . . We wonder why Thomas Blackwell was wearing a red helmet last week. So he could be noticed by a lot? . . . Helen Tescula gets in a hurry Friday. She just leaves her card in the rack. You cannot get paid that way, Helen. . . . Welcome to Herman Macke and Burl Beaman. . . . At least we had one person who was lucky at the feather party. Velva Smith won an order for a turkey. . . . We have one proud papa in Bldg. 4-5. Ed Rodenbeck told us that his son won fourth place in a local baby picture contest. His picture is on display at a local studio. . . . We welcome A. Denny to the Bldg. 4-5 office who came from Bldg. 17-1.

Folks who left coal buying go until late may find out they made a fuelish mistake.

You're very likely to get a sudden shock when any account is overcharged.

Case Rounds Out 30 Years' Service



Calvin W. Case, Bldg. 19-3, rounded out 30 years of service with General Electric Wednesday, Nov. 9. At that time a number of his friends in the Motor and Generator division joined in with their congratulations. Pictured above are: (l. to r.) C. F. McCormick, Foreman; C. W. Hale, General Foreman; Mr. Case, Delphos Morrical, George Foerster, Glen Stanger, and Ralph Root.



This week we will introduce to you the team. The team that wears the gold and blue representing your G-E Club in the YMCA Owl basketball league. Hardly could a team be found anywhere that are as formidable as this. . . . To lead off the coach is Paul Boyer, who received his book learning at South Side. Although he didn't play varsity basketball Paul was always in direct contact with the sport. He also was coach and manager of the softball team last summer. . . . The captain and sparkplug of the team is Warren Wickliffe, 6-ft. 1-in. forward who played on the varsity of the Central Tigers for two years. In '41 he played on the G-E Majors and also on the interdivision team that won the championship in '47. Warren is an aggressive type player that can be used in any position. He was also a member of the "Hot Shots" three-time winners of the Owl Golf league. . . . A real old-timer is Bob Crosley who graduated from South Side. Bob is better known for his boxing ability. Seven times he won his weight division on the Golden Gloves boxing championships. In one year he and two brothers, Max and Lee, won their division in Golden Gloves, a feat that has never been equaled in the Gloves' history. . . . Max Greeno, who hails from Salem Center where he played two years of basketball, was in the 1947 class of the Apprentice class. He is 5-ft. 8-in. tall, but is plenty quick out on the court. He is soft spoken and can always be depended upon to give his best. He was the catcher on the softball team. . . . Harold Baker is the team's "mighty mite." He stands only 5-ft. 7-in. but makes up for his lack of height with drive, speed and cleverness. Harold went to Central where he played a year of reserve ball. He played with the interdivision champs in 1947. At shortstop and with a bat in his hand he was a potent factor of the softball team's success last summer. . . . George Lambroff was another Central grad but didn't play basketball until he went to the Apprentice School. George is single now, but is spoken for sometime next spring when he plans to take the step. . . . Fred Phillips, the team's tallest man, at 6-ft. 2½-in., holds down the paint booth in Bldg. 4-5. He went to North Side but didn't play varsity ball. He also held down first base last summer. . . . Another Tiger from Central is John Anspach. One year of varsity ball and a big helping of interdivision competition bave coupled to make Johnny one of those players whose value always shows up in a close game where aggressiveness and team play is necessary for the winning of the game. . . . Another of the team's "fancy dans" is Don Rietdorf. A South Side product who gained most of his court experience playing for 71st Army division team along with Blackie Towery, a former Piston, Milt Ticco and Ewell Blackwell, the Cincinnati Red baseball pitcher. Wearing glasses doesn't handicap Don, who is in on every play while he is on the floor. . . . Joe Schible played three years of reserve basketball and two years of varsity football for North Side, holds down a guard spot on the team. He almost invariably comes off of the opponents' board with the ball and quickly engineers the ball on its quest for two points for the Owls. . . . Howard Barrier is one of the boys that we didn't get the dope on, but it doesn't take long to see that he knows his stuff out on the court by the way he takes care of his position. . . . Ray Scherer, a Hoagland product, is a heads up ball player who always makes it very uncomfortable for the opposing team the way he hawks the ball. He played on Hoagland's 1936 Allen County Champions. . . . Our loss of Red Markey was the first trick's gain. We should mention that the mouse under his right eye was really a beauty to behold. . . . Now you have met them all. . . . Come out and see a real classy team perform at your G-E Club every Tuesday morning. . . . A team picture will be found on the sports page of this issue. . . . RANDOM NOTES—Ralph Clark, the night superintendent, has been busy planning his third week's vacation. We all hope that the vacation is as good as the anticipation of it has been. . . . This writer is very sorry to learn that Perry Jeffries, Bldg. 4-4, is in the hospital with pneumonia. It would take something just that drastic to keep Perry from hunting on opening day. . . . At a recent Elex party held at the YWCA two attendance prizes were given to two Second Shifters. They were Eileen Foor, Bldg. 17-3, and Laura Schnoeder of Taylor St. . . . Off to the hunt went Don Shroyer, Lloyd Oberholtzer, Virgil Fogle and Eileen Foor of the Hermetic gang. Obey bagged a poor little bunny. . . . Al Fry outdid the whole gang by getting two pheasants. . . . Bea Lantz and her daughter will tell us all about the ND-Iowa football game. . . . We hear that our good friend, Mary Heymann, the east side nurse, really spilled the maples down at the Court Street alleys to the tune of 180 pins. Nice bowling, Mary. . . . Jim Battrick, Bldg. 4-5, is really making the suggestion system pay. It all goes to show that good ideas really pay off. . . . Next week we hope to get across the street and take them floor by floor. It takes your cooperation to make this a success. Let me hear from you.

Crawford Chalks Up 30 Years



Lynn L. Crawford, Bldg. 4-5, chalked up 30 years' service with the Company Wednesday, Nov. 9. On his anniversary, he received the congratulations and best wishes of his friends in FHP Div. 15. Left to right above: are: H. G. Siebold, Superintendent of FHP Div. 15; George Kline, Mr. Crawford, William Vachon, W. L. O'Brien, Supervisor of FHP Div. 15 Test and Inspection; W. H. Sunier, Supervisor of FHP Divisions Test and Inspection, and M. G. Pugh, Assistant Supervisor.

C. A. Thomas Given Patent



C. A. Thomas

A patent has been granted to Charles A. Thomas on his invention of a Unicoil type of motor.

Mr. Thomas is a group leader in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering divisions. This is the eighth patent which has been granted to him.

His invention permits the reduction in the size of certain types of motors by reducing the number of field coils from two or three to only one. In some small machines which are too small for wound interpoles, the invention gives commutation performance comparable with that of machines baving interpoles.

A beauty expert says women lose their figures only because they are lazy. Try telling this to a plumpish mother who is raising nine children.



Ross Sills, prominent livestock raiser, was seen recently adding to his collection by catching a live squirrel (with his bare hands, too) in Bldg. 19, West Elevator. . . . If Harold Fanning doesn't answer to his given name, you might try "Billboard." It seems that he does a bit of advertising on his new bowling shirts. . . . We've been wondering why the Standardizing bowling gang doesn't take up a game in which they at least stand some chance of winning. To us it sounds as if debating would be a better deal. . . . Art Hyser, on his vacation last week, shot a 210-lb. doe. Art says it was the nicest vacation he has ever had. . . . Say, Charlie Hartman, did you have a little trouble getting your dog ready to go hunting the other evening? . . . There is a large sign in the machinist's shop with an attendance record on it for George Miller. The fellows say it won't come down until George has a perfect week. Come on now, George, that sign has been up there too long now. . . . We hear from the grapevine that "Cupid" Banks likes to see his name in the WORKS NEWS, so we can't let him down. It seems the other night he took the wrong lunch box and didn't notice it 'till he got home. Being the gentleman that he is, our "dashing hero" brought it back to the plant only to find that his own was gone. The next night Roscoe Hamilton brought his lunch to work in "Cupid's" box and didn't seem to mind the switch at all. . . . What's this we hear about Roger Pierson going to be "Supervisor of Production" in his own little business. . . . Elmer Mesing was off a couple of days last week. It is rumored that he went hunting with Jay Greer, John Estabrook, and Joe Steward. We wonder if Elmer went along to hunt or to lift Mr. Estabrook's dog over the fence.



No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

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Monday Noon, November 28, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Man's brown leather glove.

LOST—Square yellow gold tie clasp with pencil insert.

LOST—A biege colored wool glove.

LOST—About three weeks ago, a diamond set out of a ring.

FOUND—Fancy hair comb. Found in Fairfield parking lot.

FOUND—One gold colored button. Turned in at Lindley Ave. gate.

FOUND—One key in Bldg. 16 cafeteria.

FOUND—One pearl earring. Found in front of the Employment office.

FOUND—One gold earring. Turned in at Bldg. 18 gate.

FOR SALE

GIRL'S BICYCLE—Schwinn, 25"; size 10 snow suit, botb like new. H-48921.

WALL TYPE KITCHEN SINK—Single drain board, mixer faucet, good condition. A-77589.

TWO PRACTICALLY NEW TIRES—5.00x16, General, four-ply. Very reasonable. Will install. H-15512.

20-GAUCE DOUBLE-BARREL, HAMMERLESS SHOTGUN—Practically new. 1135 Broadway.

MINK DYED SKUNK CHUBBY—Useful for formal wrap, size 11-13. Reasonable. H-82029.

FUR COAT—Northern Seal, in fine condition, box style, size 14, make offer. H-3435.

FOLDINC BED—With mattress, $10; Horton washer, fair condition. A-85884.

FORMAL—Light blue, size 18, net skirt and jersey top. E-40971.

TUXEDO COAT—Moss green, brown muskrat fur, size 14. A-97024 or 21294 Thompson.

OAK KITCHEN TABLE—And four chairs, good condition; Westinghouse sweeper. A-40545 after 4 p.m.

LADIES' RED TUXEDO COAT—Skunk fur, size 12-14. E-55812.

ELECTRIC TRAINS—New and used, also repaired. E-5204 or 1182 Wabash.

LADIES' MOUTON LAMB FUR TRIMMED COAT—(Fur collar and cuffs). Size 14-15, like new, $7.50; also man's overcoat, size 42.

GIRL'S WHITE BOOTS—Size 8; three dresses, two blouses, skirt, for 3-year old girl, excellent condition, reasonable. A-26502.

FUR COAT—Mink dyed coney, like new. H-58463.

TOY TRAIN—With 35 lengths of track, four switches, transformer, locomotive, five cars, fair condition. H-81327.

MINNEAPOLIS-HONEYWELL FURNACE CONTROL—Limit switch, motor, chain, transformer and thermostat, 1½ years old, excellent condition. H-69075.

GOOD 20" FURNACE—With pipes, Kalamazoo. H-0830 after 4 p.m.

FIVE-PIECE DINETTE SET—Large, red leather seats, good condition. A-39611 or 1300 McClellan.

PORTABLE RADIO—110 volts or battery operated. A-85831.

CHILD'S ROLLTOP DESK—And Chair, $7; medium size tricycle, $5. H-81107.

GIRL'S CHESTERFIELD COAT—Size 10; chum suit, velvet dress, hat, two grey suits, gabardine dress, grey skirt, all for $10. 415 E. Masterson Ave.

COAL OR WOOD BURNING SIDE ARM WATER HEATER—And tank, $10. H-83301 from 4-8 p.m.

SILVERTONE CONSOLE RADIO—Pushbutton type in walnut case, like new, $50. A-65741.

FOR RENT

COMFORTABLE FRONT ROOM—For one or two gentlemen. Near C-E. Meals if desired. A-50175.

WANTED

BOY'S SHOE ICE SKATES—Size 4 or 4½. H-79386.

MITERBOX—Trailer. H-50672.

USED $2 DUCK STAMPS—Will pay 50 cents, must be clean. A-50551.

35-FT. EXTENSION LADDER—A-66222.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDERS OR RIDE—Bob Scher, from Huntington. Works in Bldg. 19-1, from 3:30-11:48. Pbone Huntington 2747J or extension 2257.

WANTS RIDE—Golda Duff, from three miles north of Zanesville, Ind., on Rt. 8. Works at Brondway, from 7-3:30 for T. F. Bain, Bldg. 4-3. Extension 428 or Nine Mile 719.

WANTS RIDE—Ralph E. Jacobs, Liberty Center, Ind. Works in Bldg. 31-1, from 8-5:15. Extension 565.

WANTS RIDE—Mildred Hartman, from Wayne Trace and Tillman Rd. Works in Reproduction, Bldg. 18-5, from 8-5:15. H-50623.



"UP IN THE MORNING, OUT ON THE JOB—BUT HE FORGOT TO SHAVE"—Bill Pringle arrived at work the other morning and discovered he had forgotten to shave. This must have bothered him because we notice he was clean shaven by 11 a.m. . . . "SLIPPING AROUND" — Harry Balz tells about the plight of two defenseless ants who only remained of a host that were wiped out by the wild swing of a golfer. Of course, the golfer missed the ball. One ant says to 'tother "To survive we are going to have to get on the ball." . . . "HI THERE NEIGHBOR"—The Tabulating Division wishes to welcome their newcomer, Gloria Geesaman, formerly of Taylor St. We hope you like us all, Gloria. . . . "CANDY, I HAVE MY SUGAR CANDY"—Esther Batchelder provided the Production Division with another box of that delicious divinity fudge she so capably makes. Candy like that can't come too often. . . . "A HUNTING WE WILL GO"—Al Volz doesn't like the little mice who scamper about him. He says they "irk" him when they set up on their hind legs and want to shake hands. What did you expect them to do, Al, turn cartwheels? If you don't like them why don't you bring in that big gun that gets all the ducks for you and shoot 'em. . . . "YOU GALS MAY PLAY ACCORDING TO HOYLE, BUT FROM NOW ON, YOU PLAY ACCORDING TO MY RULES!"—Joe Hiles sure makes a cute canasta player. He substituted as fourth player for the girls the other noon. We wonder who won. . . . I WISH I WAS SINGLE AGAIN—Girls, beware! Of Leonard "Spike" Speicher, that new man in the Developmental division. He must have hidden charm. Someone asked him the other day if he had a wife. He replied, "Sure, I have three." Reckon we ought to get the law on him? . . . "BACK HOME AGAIN"—We wish to welcome Fred Borton back who has been ill. We are also glad to see Joe Gardt, of the A. C. Section, back to work after his recent illness. . . . "HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU"—A belated birthday greeting to C. T. Johnson, Nov. 14, and C. J. Herman, Nov. 15. Happy birthday to J. C. Duryee, Nov. 25. . . . "GOOD BYE NOW"—Ed Brink, who is going to DeKalb and getting closer to Chicago, is being replaced by Leonard Speicher. Robert Zieske, test engineer, is leaving A. C. section for Winter Street. . . . "AN APPLE FOR THE TEACHER"—Betty Puff, of Developmental division, received a great big box the other day, and guess what was in it? Just an old apple wrapped in plenty of paper. . . . "PRISONER OF LOVE"—Anyone want any housework done? Chris Flanigan has been chief cook and bottle washer since his wife went to Florida. . . . "THAT OLD GANG OF MINE"—Joe Rowan was presented with a very lovely clock for a wedding gift. I guess by the time he reads this he will not have that old gang anymore. That's all right, Joe, you're happy. . . . "A TISKET, A TASKET, I LOST MY LITTLE PURSE"—Virginia Mariotte was always losing her glasses, but the other day she lost her purse. What's happening, Virginia, having troubles? . . . "I DON'T KNOW HOW SHE DOES IT BUT SHE DOES IT"—If anyone wants a pair of gloves made just call on Gloria Openlander. She's an expert on it. . . . "I WONDER WHO'S KISSING HIM NOW?"—Georgia Garrett is left all alone this whole week. You see, her husband has gone to Michigan to hunt *deer* (four legged that is). Good hunting, Harold. . . . "NOW HAS HE GOT THE WINGS OF AN ANGEL?"—We notice Jack Jennings has been issued a pass for leave of absence from home to play volleyball on certain nights. Why, Jack? . . . IRRESISTIBLE YOU — Do you know Wilbur Boltz, of the DC division, can wiggle his ears? Not only both at the same time, but each one (he has two) separately. Come in and see. He also said the other day the barber charges him two dollars for a hair cut ($1.50 for research). He ain't got it no more. . . . "SOMETIMES I WONDER WHY"—We hear Walt Gerke got himself chased out of some farmer's field. Why, Walt? Was it because he knew you didn't shoot anything but holes in the doors and roofs of barns? . . . SO SORRY—We wish to retract the statement of last week saying Judy Clark was quiet for two minutes. It was really four minutes.



Hope you all had a very nice Thanksgiving. If you feel a little loggy and stuffy today, maybe it's because your eyes were larger than your stomach. . . . BUNNY HUG: Bill Skinner tells us that the day he went hunting, the bunnies were so thick that they actually sat all around his feet, and that he had to keep kicking them away so that he could get a shot at them. You are not trying to be elected president of that certain club are you, Bill? . . . CONGRATULATIONS: Guy Oberlin had a birthday Tuesday and a wedding anniversary Thursday. Wish you many more, Guy. . . . PHEASANT OR PARROT: Jess Easterday brought in some feathers to show us he went pheasant hunting, but to us the evidence looked more like parrot feathers. You can't fool us, Jess. . . . WHY IS IT, Curly Buckles, that Wednesday night when you are bowling you can be heard all over the place? And then the rest of the week you are as quiet as a little mouse? . . . NEW FRIENDS: Has Paul Kempf the kind who invite him in for refreshments, and then pull the old stall about leaving their pocketbook at home? That's an old one, Paul. You'll learn eventually. . . . CHICKEN: Leo Elward won a chicken at the G-E Club the other night for bowling. Bill Irwin got one just for keeping score. Not bad, fellows, we'll be over Sunday. . . . BLOOD DONOR: Did you know that Herb Thompson is a regular three month blood donor. That's a very fine act of charity, Herb. We should have more like you. . . . RILEY-RUHL AND MOP: First it was Louey Maier who chewed and messed everything all up. Now Lou's quit chewing and Nolan Riley has started smoking a pipe which seems to make him cough a little. The result is that John Ruhl has to mop up the place before he can start. work. Why don't you guys get together and chew gum and swallow that stuff. . . . HOSPITAL: Amel Beck underwent an operation last week. Bing Englebrecht is on the sick list. Hope to see you back soon, fellows.



That was a fine Thanksgiving dinner you tucked away yesterday. The kind that leaves mouth-watering memories. When we stop squawking long enough to really think about it, we do have much to be thankful for and your dinner, served in warmth, among friends, was just the kind of thing we should appreciate. Let's not forget to "Count our many blessings, count them one by one." . . . 'Tis said the quickest moves of the day were made by Clara Gehring and Virginia Harris when the mouse ran across the rest room floor. Didn't know you were so fast, did you? . . . Bob Olson joined the coon hunters' club. Buck Lydy initiated him not long ago and the night was crowned with success, as the boys got two. . . . Tickets for the Christmas party went on sale this week so better hurry and get yours. The date, Dec. 17. The time, 8 p.m. The place, Robison park pavilion. All the fun you can crowd in one evening; dancing and singing and visiting, plus all you can eat and drink for $1.25 per person. Where else can you get so much for so little. Let's all join in the fun and have a wonderful party as we have always done. Watch the bulletin board for more details. . . . Larry Reed was surprised to find his picture above the fountain on Wednesday. We hear he is very upset because the evening paper slighted him and didn't print his picture, too. How about that? Oh, yes, Don Thomas says he knows now why Larry won't join S. W. Conservation Club. No ladies there. Could that be it? . . . What has happened to the good Samaritans? That question is uppermost in Emmie Stock's mind these days. It seems Mr. Stock's Buick (of unknown vintage) refused to answer his pleas to start Saturday. Although Emmie made various and sundry pleas with motorists at large no one came to his rescue. If a scowl is apparent on Emmie it's just because he has lost faith in mankind and Buicks. . . . Frank Magers and Al Middaugh decided to ride home in Al's car instead of riding with Ned Neuman. Results: One flat tire to fix in the rain. . . . Last Friday we said goodbye and lots of luck to Don Gerardot who left us for a new career. All our best wishes went with him along with our reminder not to forget the gang. Best of luck, Don. . . . Our "Pink Lady" last week was Blanche Allen who celebrated her birthday. She now has two new friends called "Chicquita" and "Pete" who were sent to wish her a happy birthday and many more. . . . Ida Witte celebrated her birthday on Nov. 14. No matter how hard we tried, we didn't get to give her a birtbday spanking, worse luck. . . . Our sincere apologies to Wilford J. Fett. We are sorry we misspelled your name. Next time we'll do better. . . . Our very best "get well wishes" to Harold Moore, who is among the aching. Harold was hurt in an auto accident two weeks ago but is on the mend now. Hurry back, Harold. . . . Just because McNussel dined at an exclusive place last Friday noon, he thought he could park most any place and picked a spot where the F. W. P. D. had posted a "No Parking" sign. Too bad the pretty pink ticket wasn't the shade of the "Coral Room".

Oversleeping will never make your dreams come true.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT IS IT YOU HAVE FOR WHICH YOU ARE MOST THANKFUL?



ALVIN MYERS
Bldg. 4-B

"I am thankful that our country is at peace, and for the privilege of seeing our young men and women striving to keep it. I am thankful for the safe return of my three soldier sons, for my job, my health and my family. Then, too, I am thankful for being able to celebrate the coming holidays as I see fit."



AGNES E. HARBER
Bldg. 31-1

"One of the numerous things for which I am most thankful is the privilege of being born a citizen in the United States, which entitles each and everyone to the rights of liberty, freedom of speech, religion and the press."



RUTH SHIVE
Bldg. 26-3

"I have one thing for which to be extremely thankful. I speak of my utmost faith in the One who has supremacy over all and who gives me guided peace of mind. Consequently my everyday happenings are taken in their stride and to be solved for better or worse by His method. The very best things in life are free, so let us be thankful not for what we can take but for what we can give."



HENRY GUENTHER
Bldg. 8-1

"I am most thankful that I am an American citizen, with the privilege of free worship and free speech."



ANNA E. GRIEBEL
Taylor St.

"I am most thankful for the freedom we have in our United States of America—freedom of religion and freedom to live our personal lives as we choose."



Louie Sauers was out in the woods hunting the other day and wasn't having much luck so he sat down on a stump and wrote the following poem:

A raccoon has a bushy tail
The opposums' tail is bare
A rabbit has no tail at all
But a little bunch of hair!

Art McNamara is just waiting for his pension so he can spend all of his time at his lake cottage. He still has a few years to go, but he sure is anticipating it. Paul Arnold is back with us, and so is Jim Burns. Esther Harkenrider and Marcella Oetting who recently worked at Taylor St. are over here now. Down in 1x29 we have Phyllis Hermes, Edith Harchelrode and Marilyn (Jean) Parrish. Hope you all stay with us a long time! . . . Congratulations to Georgia Jarrett who lives in Mesa, Ariz., and who is a former co-worker, on her new son, Thomas Michel. . . . Ralph Mennewisch is on his third week's vacation, and we sure do feel sorry for those rabbits out around his home. . . . Paul Hendricks is on his third trip up in Michigan to try and catch a deer. The first two trips they didn't even see one, and I doubt if he brings any home this time. Better take a salt shaker with you next time. If I remember rightly deer like to lick salt, and you might sprinkle some around and see what luck you have. . . . Harry Magner is going to Florida on his third week's vacation. Just think, he will be eating his Thanksgiving dinner in the sunny South while we will probably be freezing up here, lucky guy! . . . Louie Clark is on our sick list. Sure hope you are soon able to be back at work, Louie. The winders sure miss you! . . . Hilda Barthold is spending this week in Chicago staying at the Bismark Hotel and from there is going to Milwaukee. . . . These lucky people and their third week of vacation. . . . An addition to the main office: Brooks Brickley is new in the production section. Hope you like your job, Brooks! . . . Bonnie Wolf came home the other night and drove her car in the garage, left the lights on and motor running, locked the car, ran to the house to turn on the garage lights, came back to turn off the motor and lights when she discovered that all the keys were locked inside the car. The only solution was to call a service man for assistance. . . . The trapping season is on at last for Elmer Sible. Gladys Beal claimed she saw one of those little grey furred animals running around, so Elmer came to the rescue or so he thought but no luck yet! . . .Louie Scherer fell off a 12 ft. ladder and fractured three ribs. He says that he was putting up storm windows, but we wonder. . . . Alma Merwin had a very good dinner at Clara Krudop Schneider's the other night and she says that Clara really knows how to put on a feed! . . . Pinkie Barnes, the little lady in our washrooms, is leaving us on the first of December. We sure hate to see you go Pinkie but know it won't be too long before you will be back with us again. Here's wishing you a lot of luck, Pinkie and that is a wish from everyone! . . . Was Evelyn Foulks ever surprised when she opened her lunch sack last Friday. Her husband, Alva, was extra special good to her and put a half fried chicken in her lunch. I know it was good cause I had some! . . . Those fabulous dreams that Marie Griffith has been having are really something. The latest is that she dreamed that she was dining and dancing with Ike Eisenhower! Imagine! Wonder who she will be dreaming of next? . . . Gloria Mechling wishes she was back in California! Her sister says the temperature is 90 degrees in the shade. There is only one way to make those wishes come true, Gloria! . . . The Credit Union should have more card parties. Does everyone receive a prize? Malinda Gehle, Clarice Woodruff, Lorinda Byerlein and Kathryn Hepker all came home with something. . . . Richard Bucher reports a grand birthday, and that he and his wife were guests of the Johnny Procise's for dinner. . . . Tom Dickerson had as guests for Thanksgiving all his children and grandchildren. That takes quite a turkey, Tom! . . . Irma Henney won a turkey but wasn't sure of having it for dinner on Thanksgiving. Going to raise them, Irma? . . . Thelma Wyss says she had to have vegetable soup on that day. Welcome to it, Thelma, if you like it! . . . Teresa Trout spent the day eating and not much of anything else. . . . Lee Raver went to a big wedding and reception. . . . Birthday greetings to Malinda Behrman. . . . Yesterday at your Thanksgiving dinner, did you once again thank God for all your wonderful blessings and also for the privileges you receive as an American citizen?

Serves Company 30 Years



Edna Welch, Bldg. 18-4, recently completed 30 years' service with the Company. She was honored by her friends Tuesday, Nov. 8, at a luncheon. Miss Welch is shown reading a congratulatory letter from C. H. Matson, Works Manager.

Pick-Ups

Bldg. 26-3

By Elvira Romary

Hi, Gang: I suppose everybody is full of turkey today and wishing they weren't. I hope everyone had as nice a Thanksgiving as I did. . . . This certainly has been an eventful week: The Max Kimbles have a brand new baby girl named Sarah Lee and on arrival weighed 7 lbs. and 11 oz. Congratulations, Max. . . . When Rose Smead came to work last Friday she looked rather bedraggled. It seems she was on her way to work and the car she was riding was hit by a truck. Rose received a knee injury. . . . As Jackie Boxherger completed her bowling last Monday she dropped the ball on her third finger, left hand. Any old curtain rings or hailing wire would be greatly appreciated by her future husband. . . . A bit more information about Mabel Odel. She was quite seriously injured and is in the St. Joseph Hospital. . . . We wish to welcome Donna Bailey to Bldg. 26-3 from Bldg. 26-4. Hope you like us, Donna. . . . We wonder if Blanche Kanning is trying to tell fortunes or if she was suffering from a headache. . . . Dave Mannix is going to keep Ginny Wilson and Helen Wagner happy by keeping his time straight. That's a good boy, Dave. . . . Who has the sweet voice on the other end of the phone asking for Ronnie Davies? . . . Vera Hoover must be studying accounting. She certainly works hard at budgeting her money. . . . Marjorie Robertson has announced her engagement. Congratulations. . . . Never pull a raveling on Lorraine VonBehren or you may have an unveiling. . . . Has Lola Brunner moved from her R. R. 2 address? According to the records, she has. . . . Erma Wilkens and Almetta Smith like surprise sacks. . . . John Collins got a new car and a flat tire. Don't be discouraged, John, it was only flat on the bottom. . . . Peggy Reynolds is a perfect model for tweed coats. Are you for hire, Peggy?

A woman complained to a doctor that her 17-month-old baby ate dirt whenever he could. The child may grow up to be a politician.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Gertrude Martin, Carl Jenkins, Daisy Rickard, Ralph McCain, Ida Williams, Alfred Woenker, George Taylor, Anna Robinson, Hollie Hosler, Kermit Agler, John Bailey, Amel Beck, Perry Jeffries, Oscar Mize, Fred Major, Winifred Scheurich, William Morton, June Reneman, Louis Scherer, LeRoy Cook, H. Glenn Billman, Harold Moore, Ray Slusher, Ruth Stier, John Fuller, Jr., Dorothy Childrey, William Hattendorf, Jr., William Mitchell, and Mable Odel.

Left the Hospital

Doris Hill, George Schaaf, and Merrill Patrick.

Returned to Work

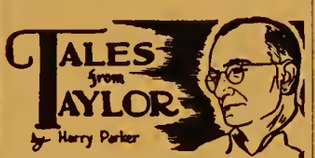
Phillip Vorholzer, Aloysius Holthaus, Willis Bunyan, Rose Mary Daugherty, Clara Hoeh, Clarence Duhamel, Forest Bunner, Kenneth Betts, Thomas Rockhill, Byron Simmons, Adam Nicholson, Edna Hauser, Elsie Houtz, Constance Hille, and Thelda Aker.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Boh Bunyan

We are wondering just how much Everett Jones knows about the book of "How to Win Friends." It seems Ed Parker has taken an interest in the same subject. . . . If anyone sees a flash of tan between here and Decatur, don't become alarmed. It will probably be Jim Stauffer just trying out his new Kaiser. . . . Everyone has heard of corns, bunions and callouses of the feet. We have a man among us who has callouses on both legs from wrapping them around his chair. Your guess is right; it's Paul Noffze, but did he tell all. . . . Raymond Zell is doing better now. He was late only one day this week. Of course, it was the same excuse, "That Ford." . . . I expect Al Campton will show a little attention hereafter when Freeman Rohlfing has a good looking girl in conversation. So the story goes: A young lady was seen talking to Freeman, and a comment was made to Al, how good looking she was, but she was married. Al's only reply was, "I am not interested." A moment later he was very surprised when he saw it was his wife. . . . Bill Woberking solved Hosack's problem of parking his Buick. He provided him a private space in his backyard. . . . We got our air hose back now, so you, Eddie Baucher, can blow out your pipe again. . . . I don't know what Mary Kieler will do when winter comes if she has to go home now with cold feet. . . . Now Luella Allen is just the opposite. She claims the office to be exceptionally warm and is planning on wearing out her summer clothes. Let's get together now, girls. . . . The ventilation problem around the welding machines appears to be solved for the time being, at least. . . . Anyone interested in trading reading material, such as books and magazines, see Bob Mennewisch. I understand he has a variety to offer. . . . The romance continues. Have you guessed yet? . . . McConnehey took the week off to locate and land that Busco Beast. There isn't any doubt we will have turtle soup now.

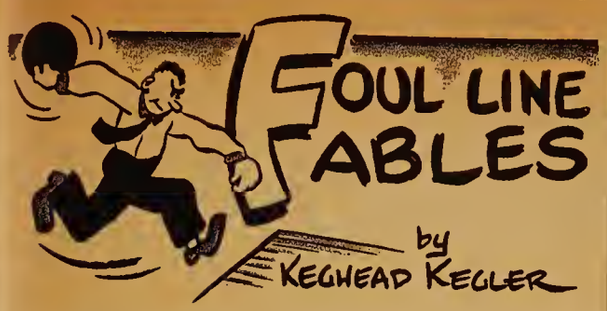


Brice Martin was terribly worried over the last week-end. In fact he could hardly perform his duties last Friday, so perturbed was he over a certain situation at home. Sunday evening the blessed event occurred—one of his mama pigs presented him with nine little pigs. From all reports mama and piglets are doing fine and Brice wears a broad smile. . . . Quentin Romy tells us that he will not go near Sam Allmandinger's cottage since he has had that mountain of dirt moved onto his place. He said that the pile is so high that it cuts off entirely the view of the lake. Sam tells us that the reason Quentin is keeping clear is that he is afraid of being handed a scoop shovel and told to get busy. . . . We discovered sand in Kenny Miller's lunch kit and also in an empty compartment of his tool box. We cannot understand the presence of this commodity in these two places. Perhaps he is eating it. We know that it would not be any good for his driveway. Nevertheless we are mystified by its presence there and Kenny will not explain. . . .



By this time we have all had our traditional Thanksgiving dinners. With those irresistible drumsticks and cranberry desserts. . . . Wonder if Lawrence Franklin shot his limit during his extra week's vacation? Pheasant with banana cream pie! . . . Don't think Chet McIntosh did any shooting. He just doesn't go in for that sport. He also had his third week vacation. . . . It would be unusual if Jack Teeple came two minutes early some morning. The other morning he would have succeeded if that durn rooster had crowed earlier. If the gate was just a little closer to the parking lot, that would help. . . . Greetings to the two new members of the KC Line, Betty Amweg and Ruth Miller. Glad to have you back and hope you enjoy your work. . . . It was Doris Paxson and Cecile Egly passing out the treats this week. Happy birthday, girls. . . . Frank Braun is enjoying his third week of vacation. So far we haven't heard anything about how it was spent. . . . Have you heard Edna Callow reciting poetry? You surely have missed something if you haven't. Edna, we didn't know you could do it. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jason Moser on their tenth wedding anniversary Friday, Nov. 11. . . . Sephus Jackson would like to know if anyone has an automatic shotgun for sale—one that would automatically aim at the rabbit and fire at the proper time. His wife told him to bring home the bunny, or else. So Sephus gave up hunting. . . . Ezra Brandyherry says it's so hard to diet when your wife is such a good cook. . . . Kathy Jane Hartough is the name of Hilda Staley's granddaughter. Congratulations, Hilda. . . . Barney Rempp enjoyed pheasant hunting on the opening date. . . . Leona Fruechte is our new glamour girl. . . . Lohnas (light bulb) McIntosh made his debut last week, but we believe it came a little late. I mean that advice he handed out. He had his photo in the WORKS NEWS. . . . Did you notice last week the posies that some of the girls were wearing? They were the handiwork of that well-known gal, Rosemary Miller. They were nice looking creations. Carnations and chrysanthemums. Thanks, Rosy, for my posy! . . . Max Drake is the proud possessor of a new '49 Ford. Some class to that boy, huh? . . . Did you ever see Clisty Rich in a pair of slacks? She wore a pair of them last week. For my money, she looks pretty snazzy. . . . Maggie Fruchte, the gal with the 29 charms, is still around and just as pretty as ever. . . . Herb Fruchte is back at work on the second shift at the mechanical press for McDougal. Welcome, Herby! . . . Charlene Evans has her share of trouble. Now her lights go out on that new jalopy she purchased. You know, Charlene, you never want to look a gift horse in the mouth. . . . Last report has it that Julia Sprunger is singing "Nearer My God to Thee." The girls really enjoy the singing.

John Weber has been busily engaged in replastering some rooms in his home. After getting the job completed he discovered that the plaster would not dry, and was sagging in many places. This has him stumped as he did not count on a lengthy drying process. We are wondering if he might have mixed his plaster with raw linseed oil as he also has been doing a lot of painting.



The Tools are still leading the league in the Wednesday night Small Motor Bowling League. The Production Team is fast on their heels in second place.

Wednesday, Nov. 16, was chicken night and Paul Walker, Bill Miller, Paul Billue, and Clarence Didier went home the winners of a chicken. Bill Miller had a hot night, rolling 104 pins over his three-game average. Orval Haver came back into his own, getting a big 206 in his second game.

Masonic League

Chicken night proved that the boys have been lying down all season, as they came up with their hottest night of the season. B. Somers showed the way with a rousing 662 on games of 246-214-202. J. Ruhl was not far back with a 235-222-172, 629 series. J. Harris came through with the other 600 count of the evening, a 606 on scores of 229-207-170.

Two hundred games were rolled by Ed Crabill, 203; Somerville, 202; R. Crabill, 202; Hoelle, 203, and Hinrichs, 205.

Chicken winners were B. Somers, J. Ruhl, J. Tarris, and Thonsberry.

Doric and Fellowcraft lead the league with 18 wins and 12 losses.

Interdivision League

Leo Elward, of the Schuelcr team, waxed hot Wednesday evening to knock out games of 191-256-202 for a 649 total and a chicken.

Murry Johnson had the league's only other 600 a 601 on scores of 181-220 and 200. He also walked off with a chicken.

Two hundred scores were rolled by Hal Fanning, 207; Carl Stout, 231; Paul Walker, 204; Lee Crowell, 210; Bill Nickerson, 202; Ivan Parrish, 203; Andy Anderson, 203; Putman, 203; Herb Habig, 212; Vic Rump, 203; George Luedeman, 223; Les Shroyer, 219; Mardo Tobias, 205; Forester, 207; Clarence Rump, 209, and Rudy Zelt, 228.

Other chicken winners were Carl Stont and Gil Meeks.

The Broadtails are leading the league by three games and a record of 22 won and 8 lost.

All Star League

The boys were back at the club last Saturday evening and had their best night of the year, having an overall average of 194 for the evening. High games were rolled by Ed Kraft, 259; R. Sawyer, 252; Hal Patterson, 247; Everett Scott and Roger Vaughn, 246, and Ernie Lester, 234. Roger Vaughn led tbe five game totals with a 1056. Don Stump was right behind with a 1001.

The league as a whole is averaging 184 for the season. Don Stump is the only bowler to have three 1000 counts. Ed Kraft continues to lead the league by four games and also has the high average of the league, a 191.

Bowling and Stuff

Don't forget to enter the G-E mixed doubles tournament to be held at the club Saturday, Dec. 3, with Squads at 3:30, 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. The handicap for the tournament will be 70 per cent of the difference of the averages from 400, with no limit on the amount of handicap.

Your wife's eligible, your husband's eligible, so come and enter the G-E mixed doubles tournament.

The club will be closed this weekend to refinish the alleys.

The Brouwer Tire and Battery team journeyed to Hartford City last week. They missed the prize list by 100 pins. All that was accomplished was striking up an acquaintance with Walt Mertz's long-lost uncle, Joe Schnops. No battery fell out and no carburetor to mess with this trip.

Ladies' Friday Night League

Marge Malizzo banged out a 546 series on games of 224-159 and 163 to walk off with the high series for the evening and a chicken.

The other two chickens were won by Bonnie Workman and Mary O'Brien.

High games were rolled by Bonnie Workman, 212; Marge Huber, 197; Virginia Bowman, 180; Ginnie Mollett, 174, and Liz Shearer, 171.

Decatur Bowling

E. Faulkner, a member of the Teeple Truck Line team in the G-E Fraternal League, became the first Decatur bowler to hit the coveted 700 mark this season. He rolled games of 204-249-258, for a 711 total. Faulkner's score was all the more remarkable because only the week before he barely missed the 700 mark when he rolled a 694, also in the same league.

Teeple Truck Line took two from Moose No. 7; Preble AC's took two from G-E Club, and K of C took two from Elks.

Teeple's still lead the league with 20 wins and 10 losses, followed closely by Preble AC with 18 wins and 12 losses.

700 Series—Faulkner, 711.

200 Scores—Stump, 223; McIntosh, 212; L. Hoffman, 211, and Schneider, 217.

Monday Night League

STANDINGS

Flanges	15	9
Inspectors	12	12
Stators	11	13
Office	10	14

High score—Koos, 204.



Hugh Reynolds is just barely speaking to us common folks these days. The reason, a new Oldsmobile. . . . Paul Clendenen is sporting that great big smile and all new grandfather's wear. The new little lady's name is Lois Marie. . . . Perry and Marvelene Butts have something special to be thankful for this year, and her name is Linda Sue. She weigbed eight pounds, and I'll bet she has red hair and is pretty cute. Congratulations to the new parents. . . . "I've got a quarter, who'll make it 50 cents?" No it wasn't an auction sale, it was Paul Merkey selling his can of tobacco. He actually knocked it down to Herb Koch who didn't think so well of his bargain so he split it with Vern Castle and Fred Grunst. Now no one knows who got tbe bargain, if any. . . . Harold Boles is on our sick list, and we all hope he will be up and around soon.

G-E Club Schedules Bowling Tournament

The G-E Club will sponsor a mixed doubles, bowling tournament at the club alleys Saturday, Dec. 3.

Squads will play at 3:30, 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. and the tournament will be extended to Saturday, Dec. 10, if there are more entries than can be handled in these three shifts.

The entry fee is $4 per team and includes the price of bowling. Bowlers can play as many times as they wish, providing they change partners. Entries are restricted to G-E employees and club bowlers. The entries will be accepted up to bowling time, providing there are any openings.

The tournament will be run on a handicap basis.



When Charles "Butch" Gable received some literature on a meat cutting course the other day he tried to blame everyone in the office as being responsible for him getting it, but not a soul knew a thing about it. It seems as though Butch has been doing a little meat cutting on the side and someone thought a few lessons might help. Anyone planning to do some butchering this winter should make their appointments now if they request a little expert advice. . . . Wanted, homes for five kittens. Peg Turschman still has a house full of kittens she would like very much to find homes for them so, any one interested, see Peg. . . . When the Delta Handa Polka Fraternity met at Gordon Smith's house the other evening they had a little difficulty getting out of the cars. Duke (the boxer) was the official reception committee, and he wasn't sure if he should let them in or not. After keeping them worried for a while Gordon told Duke they were all right and he let them in. . . . The latest report on the O'Neill twins is that they both have two teeth and are beginning to crawl around. It is really keeping Pop busy to keep an eye on both of them.

They are able because they think they are able.

The best way to preserve peace is to have more canned feuds.

G-E Owls Swamp Zollner, 58-17

ECKRICH EDGES ROD-WIRE, 33-28

The YMCA Owl Basketball League went into action for the second week with Indiana Rod & Wire winning a decision from Eckrich, 33-28, and G-E thumping Zollner, 58-17.

In the first game, tbe Eckrich Packers led at the end of the first period, 8-7. Three quick baskets by Lortie, of the Rod and Wire boys, put them out in front to stay. Lortie led his team with nine points, while Wynn led tbe losers with 10 points.

The Zollner Pistons found just too mucb power and balance in the G-E Club team. They went down on the short end of a 58-17 score. Wickliffe and Rietdorf led G-E with 11 points apiece, while Ducheteau and Brandtmiller each had four for the losers. The Pistons missed their tall center, Harry Schrimp, who suffered an elbow injury in last week's game.

The summaries:

ECKRICH				L. H. & W.			
Wynn	4	2	10	Peasby	2	2	6
Shaughnessy	0	0	0	Lortie	3	3	9
Arend	1	1	3	C.em	0	0	0
Kurtz	3	0	6	Delong	2	0	4
Kroemer	0	0	0	Beard	2	0	4
Shinbeckler	0	0	0	Coffee	0	0	0
Stellhorn	0	0	0	Sowers	0	2	2
McKeeman	4	1	9	Leakey	4	0	8
Gable	0	0	0				
Totals	12	4	28	Totals	13	7	33

ZOLLNER				G-E CLUB			
Waltz	1	0	2	Baker	3	1	7
Clay	1	1	3	Crosley	3	0	6
Brandtmiller	2	0	4	Scherer	4	0	8
Lang	0	0	0	Lambroff	3	1	7
Ducheteau	2	0	4	Phillips	2	0	4
Hockemeyer	1	0	2	Wickliffe	5	1	11
Salge	0	0	0	Barrier	2	0	4
Harsch	1	0	2	Rietdorf	4	3	11
Monteith	0	0	0	Greeno	0	0	0
Totals	8	1	17	Totals	29	6	58

Referees—Koepke-Wilson

G-E Club Owls Open Season In YMCA Basketball League



The G-E Club Owls have launched their 1949 season in the YMCA Owl Industrial Basketball league. This year's team members are: (front row, l. to r.) Don Rietdorf, Max Greeno, Bob Crosley, Harold Baker, and Ray Scherer; (back row, l. to r.) Paul Boyer, coach; Warren Wickliffe, captain; Joe Schible, Fred Phillips, Bob Markey, and John Anspach. George Lambroff and Howard Barrier were absent when the picture was taken.

G-E Vice President To Appear On Radio Forum Tuesday Eve.

L. R. Boulware, Vice President in cbarge of Employee Relations, will be one of tbe speakers Tuesday night, Nov. 29, at 7:30 p.m. on the Town Meeting of the Air program over radio station WOWO.

Stumbling blocks make very good stepping stones to success.

WHAT'S NEW IN PLANTS & LABS

SCHENECTADY — A new machine used in laboratory experiments to increase a hundred-fold the voltage produced by a small, shop-size generator has been developed by G-E.

Still in the developmental stage, the machine, called the voltage multiplier, may eventually be used in conjunction with X-ray equipment and atom-smashers. Initial tests show that it may provide a compact source of high voltage.

The voltage multiplier operates on the principle of the old-fashioned water wheel, according to Charles Lemmond, development engineer for the General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory. While a water wheel develops power as its buckets fill with water, the new voltage multiplier builds up energy by "filling" 100 capacitors with electric charges. Connected in series, the capacitors accumulate energy by picking up their charges through a sweeping arm with "finger-tip" brushes. The new machine multiplies the 1,000 volts of a small generator to a total voltage of 100,000 volts.

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FORT WAYNE — The Belt Corporation, Orient, O., manufacturer of farm equipment, is using G-E motors for the electric drive on its main product, the "Harvest-Handler" portable grain and ear corn elevator. According to Vernon C. Belt, president of the company, the G-E ½-hp general purpose induction motor, rated at 3450 rpm, 110-120 volts, was chosen because of its light weight and compactness, and "because of the reputation of the General Electric Company."

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PHILADELPHIA—A tempering process which heats a metal surface from room temperature to a bright-red 1600 degrees Fahrenheit and cools it again to room temperature, all within less than five seconds, is now being used at the Switchgear divisions.

Developed by G-E engineers for the tempering of small metal parts, the process uses an electromagnet which holds the part to be tempered within the field of a powerful electronic heater.

As soon as the part has been heated to the proper temperature, an automatic timing switch shuts off the electronic heater. At the same instant the current is removed from the electromagnet and the part drops into a cooling bath of oil.

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SCHENECTADY — Special power and control equipment is being built by G-E for a "human centrifuge," a machine which will subject pilots to strenuous conditions common in high-speed aircraft.

A 4000-horsepower motor, principal part of the power equipment, will whirl a gondola so rapidly that forces as high as 40 times the gravitational pull of the earth can be exerted on a pilot inside the gondola. Sensitive electronic controls will enable extreme acceleration and sudden changes of direction of the gondola, permitting study of such effects on tbe pilot.

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SCHENECTADY — Special "push button" drive and control equipment, developed by G-E engineers here, has enabled a new mine hoist to raise and dump eight tons of potash ore per minute automatically from 1150 feet below ground.

Installed at the Potash Company of America mines near Carlsbad, the new hoist will speed production of potash for fertilizer which is essential in maintaining a high level of food production.

Driven by two 500 horsepower motors, the hoist alternately sends two ore buckets, called "skips", down the 1150 foot vertical shaft, waits long enough for a bucket to be filled by a gravity chute and starts upwards with the eight-ton load.

Works Physician Stresses Importance Of Proper Body Mechanics Before Exercises Are Effective

By Dr. H. W. Garton

Proper body mechanics in standing, sitting and while engaged in work and exercise is a subject of considerable importance to those employed in industry. To many people, physical education conveys the idea of some form of active exercises involving the use of various groups of muscles, with particular attention to formal arm and leg exercises. This type of physical education was formerly emphasized by many educators. Ideas have been modified over the years, and it is now recognized that exercises, gymnastics or games are not always beneficial and in fact may be potentially harmful to some people. Educators point out that it is of first importance that the mechanics of the body should be proper before exercise can be said to be of maximum benefit.



Any sort of mechanical contrivance operates smoothest and most efficiently if it is set up in proper alignment, with the center of gravity passing through certain points according to specifications. It is true that such a machine will run in other positions, but with the loss of smoothness and efficiency. An automobile will run all day with one cylinder missing and a wheel out of alignment, but at the end of the day both car and driver will have absorbed much punishment.

The Creator allowed a wide range of safety when he converted man from a quadriped into a biped. He probably foresaw that intellectual development would be accompanied by less attention to the mechanical perfection of the human body; but subjecting the body to work, play, recreation or exercise when it is in poor alignment may bring about results not unlike those mentioned in the case of the mechanically imperfect car. Proper mechanical working of the body in standing, sitting and walking; as well as in exercise, is the foundation for any system or type of physical exercises, formal or otherwise.

Although physical exertion connected with industrial occupation has been greatly reduced by conveyor, cranes, methods, etc., a frequent application of industrial workers is fatigue, which results in discomfort, reduces efficiency during certain parts of the day and interferes with manual dexterity and mental alertness. While there is no single accurate method of measuring fatigue, and there are many factors contributing to its production, it is reasonable to conclude that a balanced, smoothly operating human machine can do more work with less effort (therefore, less fatigue) than one that is hampered by the abnormal stresses and strains of poorly balanced muscles.

Fatigue may be relieved, at least partially, by some type of single exercises; but better still, much of it can be prevented by the simple practice of proper posture. Certainly a knowledge of good posture and good body mechanics should precede any consideration of exercises as a means of preventing and relieving fatigue caused from standing or sitting for long periods in a constant position.

While correct standing and sitting postures should be developed in childhood, most adults can improve their situations in this respect. The formula for correct standing posture, for example, is so simple that it is almost universally ignored as being commonplace. Consider the West Pointer. His "carriage" is an outstanding characteristic. The lesson he has learned in good posture is simple in its fundamental principles, but it has been acquired by constant practice to the point of becoming a habit. It is not necessary to learn anatomical points and lines in order to acquire the posture of the Cadet. He has simply learned by constant practice to "stand tall, with head up, chin in, chest high, weight on balls of feet" — and that, as summed up by leading authorities, is a brief description of correct standing posture. The formula may be still further reduced to a single fact: if, in the standing position, one makes himself as tall as possible without rising on the toes, correct posture is automatically approached.



Anna Kensill, leading operator in Bldg. 17-2, is shown in the picture, above, demonstrating the right and wrong posture for sitting while engaged in work. The series of pictures, below, show first the right way and then the wrong position, center, in lifting heavy objects. Frank Newport, G-E Club boxing trainer and assembler in Bldg. 19-1, posed for these shots.

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CHARLES E. WILSON Anniversary 50 years with GENERAL ELECTRIC

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Distribution Of Free Tickets For Xmas Party Starts Monday

Free tickets to the G-E Club's annual "Kiddies' Christmas Party" Saturday, Dec. 17, will be available in the G-E Club basement, at the Taylor St. employment office, and from members of the entertainment committee starting Monday, Dec. 5.

All children under 13 years of age whose parents are G-E employees are invited. The party will feature a professional talent show and special treats will be given to all the children.

Performances will be given at 10 a.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 5 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

The Wade Quartette, a musical

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Apprentice Alumni To Hold Election Of New Officers

The Apprentice Alumni Association will hold its thirtieth anniversary banquet and election of officers Wednesday night, Dec. 14, in the Bldg. 16-2 cafeteria.

The following list of candidates have been nominated for the election:

President

Robert W. Branning, Bldg. 19-4
Richard E. Gebert, Bldg. 12-2
Wayne W. Weimer, Bldg. 26-2

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SAFETY INSTITUTE PRESENTS AWARDS TO SONDAY, LIBBY

Edward F. Sonday, General Foreman in FHP Div. 15, and Loyal L. Liddy, Foreman in FHP Div. 13, were presented Safety Ace Awards last night at the ninth annual Foremen's Safety Institute sponsored by the Industrial Safety Committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

The Safety Ace Awards are given each year by the committee in recognition of distinguished service to safety. A foreman is recommended for the award by each of the industries represented at the institute.

Mr. Sonday was selected to represent the Broadway plant and Mr. Liddy, the Taylor St. plant, by the General Electric Company. On the

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Foremen, Supervisors To Hear Fred Smith At Dinner Dec. 7

Fred Smith, Vice President and Director of Industrial Relations for the William Powell Company, will address members of the Foremen's Association and Supervisors' Club at their semi-annual dinner Wednesday, Dec. 7, in the G-E Club auditorium.



Fred Smith

His topic will be "Human Relations . . . The Art of Togetherness."

Mr. Smith has a law degree and started his career in sales work. He was a sales supervisor before being named personnel director for five plants at the age of 25. In 1942 he became director of industrial relations for the General Shoe Company's 26 plants and nearly 100 retail stores. Then, several months ago, he assumed the duties of vice president and director of industrial relations for the William Powell Valve Company in Cincinnati.

During the war Mr. Smith served as a member of the War Labor

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Decatur G-E Club Announces Annual Christmas Party

VARIETY PROGRAM IS PLANNED FOR HOUR-LONG SHOW DEC. 11

The Decatur G-E Club's annual Christmas party will be staged at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11, in the Junior-Senior high school auditorium.

Admission will be by ticket only. Special tickets will be provided to G-E employees for members of their families under 13 years of age for a gift and treat. Tickets are available from foremen.

Decatur's famed Aeolian Choir will be featured on the hour-long program. The choir will provide a wide selection of the favorite Christmas carols, as well as a group of novelty numbers.

The story of the "Three Wise Men" and their visit to the manger-crib will be enacted in a playlet, with all characters in full costume.

Two novelty features of the program will be a version of Spike

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Guest Night To Be Feature Of G-E Club's Square Dance

All employees have been invited to bring their friends to the square dance tonight in the G-E Club auditorium.

The "Guest Night" dance will be held from 9 to 12 p.m. and admission is free of charge.

Pat Corbat, daughter of James L. Corbat, Bldg. 20-2, and Ed Parker, Bldg. 24, will call the dances. Joe Taylor's Indiana Red Bird Band will provide the music.

After the first of the year, the family night dances will be held Saturdays to accommodate employees on the second shift. The G-E Club's entertainment committee has been unable to acquire a band except on Friday nights in previous weeks.

FHP Motor Divisions Receive Third Gold Key Contest Award



R. A. Thompson, sales engineer, is shown, above, accepting the Gold Key award from A. W. Bartling, Manager of FHP Motor Sales. Taking part in the presentation were: (l. to r.) R. C. Hanna, Assistant Manager of Sales; Mr. Thompson, M. E. Lord, Manager of the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions; Mr. Bartling, and M. W. Edgar, Manager of the Household Equipment Sales division.

With the presentation last week of a Gold Key to R. A. Thompson, the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions marked the receipt of their third Gold Key Order Contest award as a part of the C. E. Wilson Fiftieth Anniversary Program.

During the Gold Key Order Contest, 50 of the most outstanding Apparatus Department orders will receive this recognition. Thirty awards have been made since the start of the contest on Sept. 2.

The FHP Motor divisions' recent Gold Key order was received from the Lennox Furnace Company at Columbus, O. In addition to the Gold Key presented to Mr. Thompson, an identical award was also made to A. L. Kelly, G-E Sales Engineer, of the Columbus office.

In presenting the Gold Key award to Mr. Thompson, A. W.

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Garden Scene Is Planned For Squares' Fall Dance

The G-E Squares Club rooms will take on the appearance of a huge garden for the club's Fall Dance Saturday night, Dec. 3.

Extensive decorations are being planned for the informal dance, according to Jim Walley, chairman. His committee includes Glenn Seabold, Dick Dochterman, Herb Eaton, Hugh Folsom, and Dale Amsted.

The dance, which is for members of the club and all test engineers, will start at 9 p.m.

Woodie Neff and his orchestra will provide the music.

FORT WAYNE WORKS NEWS

Don Campbell ..... Editor

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Looking Back Over The Years After Retirement From G-E

When an employee reaches the retirement point in his life, leaving behind a long enviable record of service to his company, he perhaps has his first opportunity to reflect on his accomplishments, his past associations with his employers, and most important, the benefits he has received through the years.

Most of us here at General Electric think our jobs are tops. Yet, the Company keeps constantly trying to make jobs better, with pay that is right for the skill, care, and effort as measured by fair standards. With extra financial benefits —pensions, awards for ideas, free life insurance, scholarships, and paid vacations. With working conditions steadily improved, studied for further improvement, and about which suggestions are welcomed. With supervision competent technically, as a leader, and as a counsellor where the employee may obtain sympathetic assistance in solving his problems. With the greatest possible job security through the teamwork of our employees, our management, our stockholders, and our loyal customers.

G-E gives all of us a satisfaction that comes from going home to the family after a day's work with the feeling that something important has been accomplished, that this accomplishment has gained the attention and earned the respect of our fellow employees, and that the job is a good one to return to the next and following days.

As one G-E employee, recently retiring, has ably said: "Three things, to my mind, are important in a job. They are capable and sympathetic supervision, agreeable fellow workers, and good working conditions. I have found them all here; and now, on retiring, have a greater appreciation for them than ever. As pleasant and rewarding as my retirement will be, I will never be able to think of my service here without a great deal of pleasure and satisfaction."

Buy Seals To Help Solve An Important Health Problem

Tuberculosis is one of the most important health problems facing the American people today.

It is important because in the productive young age group from 15 to 34 it costs more lives than any other disease.

It is important because it is a communicable disease which is killing nearly 1,000 Americans a week, 125 a day—at the rate of one person every 11 minutes.

It is important because 500,000 people in this country are estimated to have tuberculosis, one-half of them unknown to health authorities.

Tuberculosis is an important public health problem because it can be prevented.

When we know that a disease as costly in lives and happiness can be prevented, it is only common sense for us to spare no effort to root it out of our communities.

Nation-wide efforts to bring tuberculosis under complete control in this country were started 45 years ago when the National Tuberculosis Association was founded and launched its campaign against the disease.

The Tuberculosis Association of Allen County is one of 3,000 associations affiliated with the National Association which are conducting sound programs of tuberculosis control in communities throughout the country. These associations, which work in close cooperation with official health agencies, receive their sole support from the annual sale of Christmas seals.

With Christmas Seal funds, the tuberculosis associations are seeking to find the estimated 250,000 unknown cases of tuberculosis so that these people can be placed under treatment and the danger of their spreading their disease eliminated; they are seeing that people are correctly informed about tuberculosis so that individuals can protect themselves and their families against the disease; they are aiding tuberculosis patients readjust to their new way of life and prepare to resume useful living in the community when their disease is arrested, and they are helping support medical research which is constantly searching for new weapons to use against tuberculosis.

We are helping support all these projects when we buy Christmas Seals. We are helping in the solution of a grave health problem.

Let's do our share to make this campaign successful.



WHAT'S NEW IN PLANTS & LABS

The Company has been awarded a contract for construction of propulsion and other equipment for three new round-the-world passenger-cargo vessels. Propulsion turbines and gears, which will give the liners a speed of 19 knots, will be constructed at the River Works, Lynn, Mass. The contract includes three turbine generators for lighting the ships, and the main power switchboards, as well as searchlights and floodlights.

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SCHENECTADY—A new smoke density indicator and control has been announced by General Electric's Control Divisions. Designed specially to indicate industrial smoke density levels and thus facilitate compliance with smoke abatement ordnances, the equipment can also be used to control over-the-fire heated air to the firebox to reduce excessive smoke and thereby improve fuel consumption and boiler efficiency.

Available immediately, the new equipment consists of a light source, a phototube holder, and an enclosure containing the required control and incorporating an indicator calibrated in Ringlemann units, all in one packaged unit. If desired a recorder, either of the continuous strip chart type or the circular "step" type, can be furnished. The equipment is sturdily constructed and dust-tight throughout. The water-tight phototube holder is easily mounted on ductwork or on a stack, indoors or outdoors. The complete equipment has only a few interconnecting wires and is easy to install and maintain.

SCHENECTADY — A new ultrasonic generator, providing a simple and practical method for studying the effect of ultrasonic energy on various materials and processes, has been announced by the G-E Special Products Division.

Developed by the General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory, the new device is for use in research laboratories, including those of industrial organizations, hospitals, schools, government bodies, etc.

Many possible applications in ultrasonic research are offered by the new instrument. Biologically, experimentation can be done on the destruction of some bacteria and increase in virulence of others. Physically, the transforming of immersible liquids into stable emulsions and the colloidal suspension of precipitates in liquids can be examined. Investigation into chemical reactions such as oxidation, hydrolysis, and reduction is possible with the new generator.

SCIENCE QUESTION BOX

by SCIENTISTS OF THE G.E. RESEARCH LABORATORY

Q: What causes sap to rise in trees?

A: The main force seems to be pressure in the roots, caused by the process called "osmosis." In the roots there are thin membranes through which water from the soil can pass more easily than the sugary sap inside can diffuse outwards, and this builds up considerable pressure. However, other forces, such as capillary attraction—which causes a blotting paper to soak up a liquid—and suction in the leaves caused by evaporation from their surfaces, seem to aid in raising the sap.

Q: Why do we yawn?

A: Yawning in humans, and higher animals, is a reflex action made up of many components. According to one theory, slight deficience of oxygen in the blood stream and in the brain is responsible for starting the yawn. Though it may be associated with sleepiness it does not necessarily indicate a need for sleep.

Q. What causes the colors in a soap bubble?

A. This is caused by "interference" of the light rays reflected from the inner and outer surfaces of the wall of the bubble. For thicknesses equal to certain fractions of the wave length of the light, the wave from the back of the film emerges in step with that reflected from the front, so they reinforced each other. For other thicknesses the two waves are out of step and cancel each other. The length of visible light waves ranges from about 16 millionths of an inch (red light) to about 31 millionths for violet light. Thus, a film thickness that will reflect one color will eliminate another, and as it changes we get the familiar play of color.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



New Ballast Design Is Announced As Gold Seal Development Project



Members of the Wilson Anniversary engineering committee for the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions are: (l. to r.) W. M. Sims, C. P. Hayes, C. W. Kronmiller, E. J. Thomas, W. C. Wichman, Manager of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions; J. F. Eltman, and C. A. Ellis.

An important redesign of single-lamp ballasts for the operation of 30, 32, and 40-watt fluorescent lamps has been disclosed in a report by the Ballast Engineering division at Fort Wayne to the Wilson Anniversary Engineering Committee of the Apparatus Department.

The engineering effort that made this improvement possible was one of several developments undertaken as Gold Seal Development Projects in connection with the current Wilson Anniversary Program.

The newly designed ballasts operate widely used lamps. The 30 and 40-watt lamps are common in commercial and industrial applications. The 32-watt lamp is the 12-inch Circline, which is used in domestic applications.

Two major advantages to the public have been developed. The first is the extremely quiet operation.

All electrical equipment utilizing ordinary a-c power has an inherent hum in operation. Ballasts are no exception. The vibrating sound generated by fluorescent fixtures when a number of them are operating in a quiet room is a good example. This sound is much more pronounced than the hum actually produced by the ballasts themselves, because the metal body of the fixture acts as a sounding board to amplify the noise. By means of a radical departure in internal construction, the new ballast design has drastically reduced this noise level.

The other major benefit is in price reduction to the Company's fixture-manufacturer customers. The simplified design and reduction in material makes possible an average price reduction of 20% over the equivalent ballasts in the old design. Since prices on ballasts in these ratings are especially competitive, this factor will improve the percentage of the available business which the Company can obtain. One manufacturer, who previously bought 32-watt Circline ballasts from our competitors, has placed an order for 100,000 of these new units from G-E.

Here again is an example of General Electric's effort to provide "more goods for more people at less cost"—not only to serve the public, but to strengthen the job security of its own people.



Greatly improved noise characteristics and reduced cost are all features of the new ballast, above, for operation of the 12-inch circline lamp.

The OLD PHILOSOPHER Says:



Want to brighten up your drab conversational life? Startle your friends and amaze your acquaintances? Are you tired of giving the same stupid answers all the time? Then bend your ear over this way.

For years I went along just like you, I'd meet casual friends on the street and invariably they'd greet me with: "What do you know?" It never failed.

What can you say to such a question? "Oh, not much." Or, "not a heck of a lot." Or, "not a thing." You can see there isn't much variety to such dialogue.

So one day recently I decided to sharpen up my conversational gambits. As I started to take my seat at a table in the plant restaurant, one of my friends asked, "Well, what do you know?"

"The most spectacular performance of the Pony Express to California," I shot back, "was the conveyance of Lincoln's inaugural address nearly 2,000 miles in little more than seven days."

He gasped, turned a dismal shade of purple, and went on eating. Probably he's still telling friends what's happened to me—but at least he'll never again ask me, "What do you know?"

I've been having a merry old time ever since. I have given out all these glittering nuggets of knowledge in the past few weeks to all my what-do-you-know questioners:

—During the 1893 World's Fair in Chicago, John Philip Sousa was presented with a huge brass horn, standing 6 feet high and weighing 90 pounds.

—A stroke of lightning produces enough electrical current to light a city of about 30,000 population.

—During the 17th and 18th century, kissing was a part of nearly all the dances in France and Italy.

—A hailstorm occurring in Dallas, Texas, on May 8, 1926, took a toll of $2,000,000 in damages within 20 minutes.

—A red squirrel can swim two miles without stopping, but a goby fish will drown if kept under water.

—Mercury solidifies at 37.94 degrees Fahrenheit, and alcohol is used as a registering agent in thermometers used to record very low temperatures.

In a couple of months, I figure, nobody will ever come up and ask me what I know. Of course, I won't have any friends left, either.

Foremen, Supervisors

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Board. He is also the author of several articles which have appeared in national magazines.

I. D. Rinehart, president of the Supervisors' Club, will act as chairman of the dinner meeting and will introduce the other officers of that organization. The officers of the Foremen's Association will be introduced by Everett Lindeman, president.

All members are requested to attend the dinner at the time indicated on their invitations. The dinner will be served in two shifts, as at former meetings.

Dinner music will be furnished by an instrumental trio and the group will be led in group singing by I. H. Freeman, Supervisor of Personnel.



BESSIE CHAPMAN RETIRES WITH LONGEST SERVICE RECORD OF ANY G-E WOMAN



Bessie R. Chapman

Bessie Chapman, Bldg. 26-4, retired yesterday after 44 years of service with the Company. At the time of her retirement, she claimed the honor of having the longest service of any woman in the General Electric Company.

When she first started here in 1905, Miss Chapman was a taper in a building located near the present Bldg. 4. She later became a winder in the Meter department. Back in those days, winding had to be done by hand. This was accomplished by holding the coil in one hand and guiding the wire in the other.

During 1929 she became a supervisor in Bldg. 26-1. In succeeding years she has been a group leader, winder and finisher in the Transformer division. At the time of her retirement she was an inspector in Bldg. 26-4.

During the time she has worked here, Miss Chapman has seen many changes. In 1905, there were only about 22 girls working in the factory.

Factory conditions in those days were a far cry from those of today. The hand-winders, in many cases, had to stand while working. They also got little instruction when starting on a new job.

Numerous parties were held this week in honor of Miss Chapman's retirement.

Apprentice Alumni

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Vice President
Walter L. Coolman, Bldg. 31-2
Wilson H. Garman, Bldg. 19-4
Melvin F. Kiessling, Bldg. 2-2

Financial Secretary
Henry P. Gollmer, Taylor St.
Freeman Rohlfing, Bldg. 26-1
Harmon E. Westrick, Bldg. 19-5

Recording Secretary
Robert L. Schuelke, Bldg. 17-2
Robert Smith, Bldg. 26-2
Lowell O. Welker, Bldg. 19-4

Treasurer
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Wilmer Wiebke, Bldg. 31-1
Matthew G. Wiegand, Bldg. 4-3

Directors
John M. Allen, Fort Wayne Tool & Die
Edward F. Bienz, Bldg. 17-2
Melvin D. Faust, Taylor St.
William H. Irwin, Taylor St.
Herbert Langer, Bldg. 17-2
Howard W. Morton, Bldg. 12-2
Robert M. Truelove, Bldg. 19-4
Donald D. Welbaum, Bowser

Safety Institute

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certificate, recognition is also given to employees under their supervision.

Mr. Sonday was selected on the basis of his personal efforts as a general foreman in helping to attain a no lost-time-accident record in Division 15 of nearly three consecutive years and 3,563,050 man hours.

Mr. Sonday is chairman of the safety committee in Division 15. Elmer Fretz is the safety leader.

The selection of Mr. Liddy was based on the ratings he has received on self-analysis safety inspection reports during the past two years. During this time, he was consistently rated highest of any manufacturing foreman in his division on all reports turned in.

Nearly 400 attended the banquet and program where awards were presented to 16 of the city's top foremen.

The certificates "to the foremen who have done the most to make Fort Wayne a safer place to work during 1949" were awarded by Lee Peplogle, a member of the program committee.

The meeting was addressed by F. G. Liffert, of the American Gas and Electric Company, New York. He spoke on "Safety—A Nuisance or Good Business."

The program also featured music by the Tokheim Glee Club and a film, "Miracle of Paradise Valley."

Herschel L. Smith, Fort Wayne Works Safety Engineer, is general chairman of the Chamber's Safety Council; and Loyd Bodenhamer, of the safety section, is co-chairman of the Council's Industrial Safety Committee.

ELEX CLUB TO CONDUCT CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

The Elex Club's annual G-E Christmas collection will be conducted next week, it was announced today by Elsie Fabian, Taylor St., chairman of the drive. Contact girls will collect the donations.

FHP Motor Divisions

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Bartling, Manager of Sales for the FHP Motor divisions, paid tribute to the extra effort, ingenuity, and imagination employed by Mr. Thompson and Mr. Kelly in securing this new business from the nation's largest supplier of domestic blowers.

General Electric supplied this customer before the war, but lost the business in 1946 when the Company was unable to meet the customer's requirements for motors. As a result of this new order, G-E has again been placed on the Lennox Furnace Company's list of approved suppliers, with an opportunity to obtain a large share of their business.

In addition to the Columbus factory, the Lennox Furnace Company also has factories in Marshalltown, Ia., and Syracuse, N. Y., and a subsidiary company, The Armstrong Furnace Company, with factories at Columbus and Des Moines; all of which are now logical prospects for General Electric motors.

The Gold Key order received from the Lennox Furnace Company is of great value because of the possibilities of obtaining repeat business, or becoming approved suppliers to the customer's other divisions, it was pointed out. It will be only by providing and maintaining the best of service and product quality to the customer that these possibilities will become realized.



SHIPPING—That sparkling lady of the ice, Sonja Henie, drew a few of our clan to Indianapolis last week-end to view the star and her company of expert performers. Some of our Elex members, namely Barbara Meyers, Betty Millhouse, and Beverly Springer will travel down Indianapolis way tomorrow with the Elex gals to see Miss Henie. . . .Congratulations to Xercie Sinish. She's an Aunt, again. . . . What a problem it's been for our bride-to-be Dorothy Fletter to get some furniture for her new place of residence. Chin up, Dorothy, it could be worse. . . . MAILING—Dick Howell, with a tan and butch hair cut, is back to work after a two weeks' cruise to Puerto Rico. Glad to see you back, Dick, even if you didn't bring any rum. . . . He did it! Yes sir, Keith Mast is an engaged man. He popped the question to his bride-to-be, Helen Barrand, last week. Congratulations, my boy. . . . Congratulations to all those sportsmen who went hunting over Thanksgiving and got something. Our deepest sympathy to those who went hunting over Thanksgiving—period. . . . RECEIVING—The gang in the receiving section had a pleasant surprise when two old timers (meaning Mart Mundt and George Elson) dropped in for a hearty hand shake and a good gab session. Seems Mart and George have been living the life of Riley lately and what's more it seems to be agreeing with them. Because they really looked good. Come again soon, boys. . . . Speaking of seeing old friends, how about you "Wag" out there on South Broadway, haven't seen hide nor hair of you for a long time. . . . REGIONAL—Best wishes to Gillie Plummer who has left Regional Warehouse to take up new duties in the Motor-Generator division. We will miss you, Gillie. . . . G. F. Bond (that lucky man) is enjoying a week's vacation. . . . Happy birthday to Jack Fox. Poor Jack, he insists he's 39 years old. Oh well maybe it's a coincidence (he and Jack Benny, that is). Jack was very delighted when he saw the big stack of cards on his desk the morning of his big day, but a very odd expression came over his face when card after card turned out to extend either "wishes for a speedy recovery," or "welcome to the new baby," etc. Oh well, it all turned out all right anyway. By the way, Jack, how do you cut a cake anyway? . . . If you have a very difficult problem confronting you, such as how to get a long ladder on a short elevator just get in touch with Jay Ramey. Jay solved his problem by merely cutting the ladder in three pieces. Now possibly there are other ways, but Jay thought this one seemed the simplest. . . . We want to shake the lucky hand of Clair Lieurance, cause he's the guy who walked off with the new Ford given away by Hatcher motors. All your co-workers wish to offer their congratulations, Clair. . . . What a break for the bunnies—it rained on Thanksgiving. Cecil McCall was all set to bag the limit, but instead he just went back to bed.

We are giving a gift of health when we buy Christmas Seals to support work of the National Tuberculosis Association and its 3,000 affiliates which are conducting year-round programs of education, case finding, rehabilitation, and medical research to stamp out tuberculosis.

Distribution Of Free Tickets For Xmas Party Starts Monday

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group featuring two marimba players, an organist, and an accordionist, has been booked as the second act on the program. More acts are being planned pending booking arrangements.

The following rules have been adopted this year by the G-E Club management to limit the attendance to children and provide for adequate seating facilities:

1. Tickets will be available only for the children of those employees who request them.
2. Only children under 13 years of age will be admitted.
3. For children too small to attend alone, one adult should be sufficient escort.

These rules were adopted because of criticism received in past years concerning many adults taking seats rightfully belonging to the children, according to Ralph Hemminger, chairman of the entertainment committee.

Members of the entertainment committee are:

John August, Bldg. 22; Art Brockmeyer, Bldg. 17-1; Belle Buchan, Bldg. 17-3; Buck Buchan, Bldg. 19-2; Mamie Allen, Bldg. 4-2; Bill Glenn, Bldg. 12-3; Gayle Griffith, Winter St.; Ken Michael, Bldg. 8-2; Glenn Seabold, Bldg. 4-6; Gordon Smith, Taylor St.; Joe Wyss, Taylor St.; Kenneth Redding, Bldg. 8-1; Catherine Gardt, Bldg. 4-6, and Joseph Gardt, Bldg. 4-6.



The Wade Quartette, above, will offer a diversified entertainment feature for the G-E Club's annual "Kiddies' Christmas Party" Saturday, Dec. 17.

Hofmann Named As Supervisor Of Procedures



R. R. Hofmann

R. R. Hofmann has been appointed Supervisor of Procedures, Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, it was announced last week by M. E. Lord, Manager of the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions.

The appointment became effective Monday, Nov. 28.

Mr. Hofmann started in 1934 with G-E in Bldg. 4-2. Later that same year he transferred to the Manufacturing Standards division in Bldg. 4-6, where he did operation planning for Bldg. 4-3.

In 1939, he became leader of operation planning for FHP Div. 13. Mr. Hofmann's next transfer was in 1941, when he was named leader of operation planning and paper making in the Order Service section. He then did time study work in FHP Div. 15, and the following year was made leader of the Order Service section.

Three years later he did FHP Motor office procedures work in Bldg. 4-6. Prior to his recent appointment, he was Supervisor of Procedures for the FHP Manufacturing division.

Mr. Hofmann is a member of the Supervisors' Club. He is married and has two children. The Hofmanns live at 2107 Paulding Rd.

It's the fruit of carelessness that often upsets your apple cart.

Information Clinic

QUESTION:

Why is it that there are so many more suggestion awards made to other divisions than are made to Motor-Generator?

ANSWER:

On an average, the number of suggestions submitted per 100 employees in Motor-Generator is not up to the average of the Works as a whole.

To give information as to why this condition prevails is difficult, but it may be for one or more of the following reasons:

1. The product of Motor-Generator consists of special units of one or a few to each order and with few if any repeat orders. There is no so-called mass production of units in the division.
2. In most cases, the cost of special purpose machines or equipment exceeds total savings which could be realized due to the small quantities and special nature of the work.
3. Due to the above conditions, it is possible that some of the employees in the division are not as suggestion conscious as they might be.

However, during the past few months, employees in Motor-Generator, along with all other employees of the Fort Wayne Works, have accelerated their suggestion activities.

JAN. 1 IS DEADLINE FOR G-E FELLOWSHIP FUND APPLICATIONS

Another reminder is being made for applications for the G-E Educational Fund Fellowships for the 1950-51 academic year, acceptance of which closes Jan. 1, 1950.

All applications received prior to that date will be submitted for recommendations to committee representatives from the National Academy of Sciences, the American Chemical Society, the American Physical Society, the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, the American Society of Engineering Education, and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Applications for these fellowships, as announced earlier by W. W. Trench, Secretary of the Company and chairman of its Educational Committee, are being accepted under provisions of foundations established to honor Charles A. Coffin, founder of the Company, and Gerard Swope, retired president.

Grants are to be made from the income on the $1,000,000 G-E Educational Fund, and will cover the fields of electricity, physics, physical chemistry, engineering, industrial management, the physical sciences, and other scientific and industrial fields.

Decatur G-E Club

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Jones' favorite "All I Want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth," and a skit in which Santa gets fooled by a tiny, impish mouse who gets more in a little boy's Christmas stocking than Santa can.

"The Toy Parade" will be presented by a piano duet as another musical highlight of the show.

A movie short, "A Tiny Child Dreams A Christmas Dream," will complete the program, which has been planned for the enjoyment of every age group.

GENERAL ELECTRIC

INFORMATION CLINIC

FORT WAYNE WORKS

C. H. MATSON, Works Manager

BLDG. 18-2

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Motor and Generator Static

DAFFYNITIONS—Miser: Person who lets the rest of the world go buy. Dirty looks: Moscowls. Colorful girl: One who likes men with blue eyes, brown hair and greenbacks. DDT: A mosquito's abbreviation for Darned Dirty Trick. Modern Play-suit: A pair of bandanas and a worried look. . . . MYSTERY MELODY—Here is the Mystery Melody submitted by Harry Price, Bldg. 6-1, "Lord Remember Me". . . . REMINISCING—By the time we get the left-over turkey cleaned up from Thanksgiving, it will be time to start again on the Christmas bird. A lot of us are getting tired of turkey hash. . . . WARNING—Only 20 more shopping days till Christmas! . . . EXTRAVAGANT ROAD-BUILDING—If you believe that highways cost too much money, you should drive the streets of Johannesburg, South Africa, which are paved with gold. When the city council of this mining metropolis decided to widen a busy street, old gutters were crushed for paving material. Assay revealed that the paving contained a *half ounce of gold per ton*—a heavier content of gold than found in much ore mined today! What no uranium?

Safety Raiser

When I was a kid (some years ago), I always had a desire to run a locomotive—who hasn't? A lot of you like myself would also like to run an industrial truck, just for fun, that is. But it is not always fun running an industrial truck. Our industrial truck drivers in the Motor and Generator division drive their trucks approximately 7500 miles per year with safety hazards always present. Our drivers have a commendable record and it is our job to help them maintain it. Help to keep the aisles clear, always look both ways and slow down to a walk when stepping out into an aisle or when coming through a door at the stairways or wash rooms. This will help to keep our drivers happy and there's nothing better than a happy truck driver.

LUBRICATION ENGINEERS TO HOLD DINNER, TOUR OF LOCAL I-H PLANT

The American Society of Lubrication Engineers will hold a dinner meeting at the Fort Wayne International Harvester Plant Thursday, Dec. 8, at 6:30 p.m.

The management of the International Harvester Plant will be hosts at this meeting and a plant tour following the meeting has been planned.

Anthony J. Zino, Jr., Lubrication Engineer of the Industrial Division of Swan-Finch Company, New York, will be the speaker. He will speak on the topic "Hydraulic Oil Operation." Mr. Zino is a former chairman of the ASLE and ASTM and has written many papers on various phases of lubrication.

The meeting is open to the public and all G-E planning men and division superintendents are invited, it was announced today by Bill Buckner, Bldg. 20-2. Mr. Buckner is vice president of the local ASLE chapter.

Harmonicats To Appear At Elex Club's Annual Christmas Party Dec. 15

The Harmonicats, recording and radio artists, will be featured at the Elex Club's Christmas party Thursday, Dec. 15.

The party will be held in two sections, the first at 8 p.m. for first shift members and 12 midnight for night shift members. Both parties will be presented in the G-E Club auditorium.

A reservation fee of 50 cents must be paid on or before Friday, Dec. 9. Reservations should be made with contact girls.

Employees Requested To Keep Bond Receipts In Safe Place

Some employees have lost the receipts issued to them for U. S. Savings Bonds deposited with the Company under the G-E Employees Savings and Stock Bonus Plan.

Considerable inconvenience and delay is caused the employee in obtaining replacement receipts for those lost. An affidavit regarding the loss of the missing receipt must be executed by the employee before a replacement receipt can be issued. Bonds cannot be withdrawn until a replacement receipt can be issued.

Preserve your receipts carefully.

All of us can help stamp out tuberculosis, a communcable disease which is killing at the rate of one person every 11 minutes, by buying and using Christmas Seals.

SMITH, GAMEC ARE APPOINTED ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS



C. B. Smith F. T. Gamec

Chester B. Smith has been appointed Assistant Superintendent of the Specialty Fractional Horsepower Motor Div. 1, Broadway, and Frank T. Gamec has been named Assistant Superintendent of Fractional Horsepower Motor Div. 15, Broadway, it was announced last week.

A graduate of Iowa State college, Mr. Smith took the test course in 1935. He then came to the Fort Wayne Works in 1937. The next year he worked on production methods, and was made Supervisor of Production Planning in 1943.

In 1946, Mr. Smith became Assistant to the Production Manager. He held this position until he was appointed Assistant to the Production Manager of the FHP Motor divisions. Prior to his recent appointment, he had been Supervisor of Procedures, FHP Motor divisions, since 1948.

Mr. Smith is a member of Squares Club, AIEE, Fort Wayne Engineers' Club, and the Supervisors' Club. He is married and has three children. He lives at 1145 Oakdale Dr.

Mr. Gamec began working for General Electric in 1928 as a rotor assembler in Bldg. 17-2. He later did clerical work, held a supervisory position on production, stock and data divisions in the FHP divisions, and was production supervisor of the Hermetic Motors division. In 1941, he became Supervisor of Production and Stock of the Power Drive division at Winter St.

The next year he was named Assistant Production Supervisor of the FHP Motor divisions. He then became coordinator of FHP Motor Production. In 1947, Mr. Gamec was appointed Production Manager of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions. Since last October, he has been Assistant to the Production Manager, FHP Motor divisions.

Mr. Gamec is a member of the Squares Club, Supervisors' Club, and the Orchard Ridge country club. He is married and resides at 603 W. Rudisill Blvd.

Jenne Completes 30 Years At G-E



Arthur Jenne, Assistant Supervisor of Planning in the General Tool division, completed 30 years' service with General Electric Saturday, Nov. 26. Friday he received the congratulations of his friends in the division. Left to right in the picture are: Gustav Mittermaier, Walter C. Vought, Supervisor of Planning; Mildred Wagoner, Delbert Rehm, Mr. Jenne, and Eric Bluhm.

HI-Spots

OF BUILDING 4-2

By now Mamie is enjoying the beauties of nature in lovely California. We hope that she had a good trip and that all is well. We miss her especially when tbis has to be written up. . . . A strange and unhappy tbing happened in Bldg. 4-2. Friday morning. George Seabold spent the morning leaning out the window waiting for Santa Claus to come to Fort Wayne on the Pennsylvania. Lo and behold he came in from the East, and George was left without getting in his early request. . . . Charles Reed, the coon hunter, came to work rather crippled up. He was trying to beat the coon into a culvert. Some of you will remember his disastrous hunting experience of last year. . . . Speaking of hunting—Clarence James was successful in trapping (or was it shooting) his deer in Northern Michigan. But Virgil Allmandinger who went farther north into Canada just got very tired in trying to beat his way out of the wilds. It seems that they had to break ice in order to get home. Sounds cold to us. . . . We offer our sympathies to Fred Baily on the death of his brotber. . . . Andy Nichter of the tool room is to be congratulated on becoming a grandfather again. Just pick up your cigars in person. . . . Well that is almost all for now, but we hope that in the forthcoming weeks while Mamie is gone that we receive a little more news. . . . Charles Curtis now has a new nickname, "Hercules." It seems that someone fixed him up with a motor for his eight inch saw, ¾ hp at that. Strange to relate, he can stop it with two fingers, maybe because it is 25 cycle? Not so good.

Members Of Elex To Attend Ice Revue In Indianapolis

Members of the Elex Club will journey to Indianapolis tomorrow to attend the Sonja Henie Ice Revue. Buses will leave the Greyhound bus station at 10 a.m., arriving in Indianapolis at 1:30 p.m.

At 7 p.m. the group will meet at the Indianapolis Greyhound bus station for transportation to the ice show. Buses will be ready for the return trip immediately after the revue. They will arrive in Fort Wayne about 2:30 a.m. Sunday.



To Iley Souder, When You Retire

After having worked, and done your best,
You have really earned a time for rest
And time to plan, and time to do
The many things you have wanted to.
No whistle to call you to your place,
No urge to strive for a faster pace,
The rush hour is over, and now instead
A calmer, easier way is ahead.
Face your change in routine with a smile
And you'll find it is good in a little while.

By Frances Eckrote

After being with us 20 years, Iley Souder put away her tools and bid us goodbye. Wednesday was a gala day—balloons and stuff—but underneath it all we were sad to have to bid our co-worker goodbye. We wish you the best of health and luck. . . . Last week everyone was ready for Thanksgiving (except Mr. Turkey). Don Draxier had his ears lowered (haircut to you). . . . Harold Bowker's kiddies came down with the chickenpox (just like kids). . . . Velma Seibt and Iva Stephan spent Thanksgiving in Wabash. . . . Dorothy Johnson was in Ohio. . . . Winter is officially here. Harold Kiel has his inner-spring mattress with sleeves out of the moth balls. . . . We missed Erv Lange last week, but found out he was a third week vacationer. . . . Next week Charlie Rice takes his third week. . . . Warning to all glove wearers: Johnny Williams takes his vacation Starting Dec. 16. Better buy gloves to last until after Christmas one of the next two Tuesdays. . . . When Walter Kryder has a blue Monday, it's really blue, even to a blue ear. Besides that he is in the doghouse. He was all the way out to Leo when he remembered he left his wife in Fort Wayne. . . . Having dental troubles? Herschel Case has solved the problem of taking out a tooth. He unwrapped a little wire from a spool, put a turn around the tooth, dropped the spool—no tooth. . . . Minnie McCague found out that it doesn't pay to run a stop sign. . . . Irene Blank is getting a special box seat, and the connectors are getting her a tall cap. . . . Ivah Grandstaff is trying to figure a way to make her chickens lay eggs. She wonders if squeezing would help. . . . Mary Shumm thought it was a short week. She tried to make Monday a Friday by putting her time card in the box. She had Friday on her mind because she wanted to go up and see Santa come in on the Pennsy. Now you know Santa comes in a sleigh. . . . We know now why some people don't like opera after hearing Harold Bowker give forth. It sounded like an operatic version of "Mule Train." . . . Our "We wish you happiness" mat is out for Gloria Zion who was married last week. . . . Edith Paxson was proudly displaying pictures of her two granddaughters. . . . Bob Walt was also showing pictures of his new boss with the three cornered pants. . . . The girls in the lead section wonder what football team Bill Martin represents. They heard that he made a touchdown. . . . Ann Kensill was really having a time getting on the bus the other night with all those big bundles. She must be doing her Christmas shopping early. . . . Lucy Alexander is in her new home. How about that chicken dinner now? . . . Sorry to hear the husbands of Lena Schaper and Jerry Snyder have been ill. Also the small daughter of Peggy Bahde is ill. . . . Leona Scott is also on the sick list. . . . Marcille Thomas hasn't been able to talk.

Alice Nichens Is Division Editor Of Column For Taylor St. Office



Alice Nichens, Taylor St., is the division editor for the new column, "Fractional Facts, Taylor St. Office."



TOP FLOOR TOPICS

BLDG. 26-5

by WALT POHLER

We recently lost one of our co-workers and good friends. Ron Koldeway, foreman of inspection and test, left the General Electric Company to make his home in or around Twin Falls, Idaho. Mr. Koldeway was presented a gold watch bracelet by test and inspection personnel of the first shift. The second shift held a potluck with Ron as the honored guest. He was presented a large bow-tie with the names of all the inspectors and testers printed thereon, a pair of ear muffs, a Ronson cigarette lighter and a pen and pencil set. Potatoes were used as place cards with the request that Ron plant one for each person present and then send each a bushel of potatoes next fall. We all wish Ron and his family much success in their new home. It has been mentioned that some of the boys who are familiar with those hills are just a little envious, including your reporter. . . . Second trick held a potluck last Wednesday consisting of turkey and all the trimmings. This potluck was to celebrate Thanksgiving and also the retirement of Florence Purdy. Florence was presented a lovely purse and a nice check by her co-workers. Mr. Peterson made the presentation. . . . The girls in the lead section had a potluck Nov. 7 celebrating Christine Burns' birthday. She was presented a nice handkerchief by each girl present. . . . Rita Zuber came to work the other day and mentioned that it was her birthday. The girls she works with took her out to lunch.

Frog or horse in your throat? . . . Luella Masson said she wished she was popular so she could have her name in the WORKS NEWS. . . . JoAnn Kemery's dog has added something new to his diet—raw noodles.

She first began working for the Company in 1936 in the office of Bldg. 4-3. Then later she worked in Bldg. 4-6, before transferring to the Chicago office.

Alice left the Company during the war and returned shortly after. She now works for R. A. Wefel, FHP Cost Supervisor.

Alice enjoys sailing, skiing, archery and canoeing. She and her husband have their own two-placer sailboat, and race it at Lake Wawasee. The Nichens also take their boat to regattas on various lakes in Indiana and Michigan and have won seven trophies.



We of Div. 1 extend our sympathy to O. J. Mettler in the death of his mother and also to Lucinda Pettit, whose sister-in-law was killed in an auto accident Thanksgiving evening. . . . We are glad to welcome the following people to our division and hope they all stay with us a long time: Amanda Longwell, Lois Kaufman, Lora (Thelma) Shroyer, Wava Aughenbaugh, Margaret Erickson, William Beyerlin, Marie Bruggencate, Benjamin Farrington, Wilborne Garton, Robert Markey, George Hill, Gerald Adams, Donald Ertel, Paul Arnold, Ruth Hine, Roger Williams, Eloise Gephart, Martin Vogel, Emma Black, Nora Williams, Mary Beaman, Marcele Oetting, Alverda Cox, Flora Stricot, Martha Bulleit, Emma Bultemeier, Ed Pranger, and C. B. Smith. . . . Mat Wiegand is welcomed back to the office. . . . Birthday greetings to O. J. Mettler and Dale Stalter. . . . Bonnie Wolf and Frances Fitch spent the past week-end in Chicago and said they came home just loaded! They were just shopping, of course! . . . Mildred Wahle is enjoying her third week's vacation. . . . Emily Nierman is on the sick list. We hope for a quick recovery. . . . That "long-beaked, long-legged" bird has been busy the past few weeks. Margaret Fuelling Kern welcomed a son, Lyle John, and Loveta Van-Horn welcomed another daughter, Carol Sue. Both the mothers are former co-workers. . . . Louie Scherer is back at work again. His ribs are very sore and he has a scar on his head. We only heard about the ribs, wonder where the scar came from? . . . Paul Hendricks had a change of luck this time. He got an eight-point buck on his last day of deer hunting. You know the old saying, "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again!" and that is just what he did. . . . Lucille Jolly, her son Jimmy, and her husband are leaving the first of January to make their home in South America. We wish you the best of luck in your new venture! Lucille is a former co-worker from 1x29. . . . Good wishes for a speedy recovery to Hope Hatfield who is in the hospital. . . . Say, Elmer Koehlinger, you want to watch that ice you got in the big black box! Someone is going to get it if you don't keep your eye on them. . . . We are wondering how Pondo is coming along as a bowling instructor. Better be up on your toes, Pondo, as you are having competition. Wendel Heckley is already undercutting the price of instruction and from all reports he is good! . . . We were surprised when we heard that Nora Duncan was so mean to that poor little mouse! That poor little thing just wanted to keep warm. Surely you have room for a little mouse in your coat sleeve too! . . . We overheard the following statement made by Floyd Steinbacher and he says that if his wife cooked like he did he'd kick her out! You know a man never appreciates good cooking or a good cook until they have to eat their own cooking!

CIGARETTE LIGHTERS ARE GIVEN TO 21 SUGGESTORS AS BONUSES

G-E monogramed cigarette lighters were presented this week to the following employees as bonus awards for submitting suggestions on which the regular awards were $10 or more:

Raymond Hakes, Clarence Rothgeb, Mary Jane Harrell, Donnabelle Wagner, Doyle Miller, John Sowers, Helen Miller, Myrtle Barfell, Robert Till, Russ Wiley, Harry Meineke, Art Bell, Donovan Garton, Joseph Juettner, Garnall Parkinson, Carl Junk, N. R. Behm, Robert Schuelke, Ruth Kite, Eugene Hutsell, and Octave Andre.

The cigarette lighters have been awarded each week since Sept. 1 as a part of the Suggestion System Contest. Although the contest is over, the lighters will continue to be presented to all those who submitted suggestions during the period from Sept. 1 to Nov. 15, on which the regular awards are $10 or more, as they are processed by the suggestion committees.

Voorhees Rounds Out 30 Years



Donald B. Voorhees, Bldg. 22, rounded out 30 years of service with General Electric Monday, Nov. 14. At that time he received the congratulations of his friends in the Motor and Generator division. In the above picture are: (l. to r.) R. M. Hartigan, Manager of Manufacturing for the Motor and Generator division; Charles Castle, Mr. Voorhees, Floyd Brown, Charles Nord, Adam Farrell, General Foreman; Al Mason, Foreman, and Clarence Miser.

Fractional Facts

TAYLOR ST. OFFICE

By Alice Nichens

So help me, dear reader (maybe der iss con, no?), never again will you have to struggle through any of my so called poetry. The typesetter or someone was ag'in me and —well, if you read the poem you will know what I mean. My spirit is broken—the hours that were spent trying to rhyme consume with something other than moon, June or croon. But then maybe all us great artists has gotta have a tragedy. . . . Should you see a girl in the hall turning to the right and then turning to the left and murmuring something about swinging a partner, that's Isabel Trovinger practicing for the square dance. She has heen known to take the arm of a perfect stranger and swing him around if he happens to pass her during one of these enthusiastic moments. . . . Dick Morgan is back with Ye Olde G-E, this time in Central Cost. Welcome back. . . . Miles Cameron is the father of a four year old celebrity. Marian broke her arm and is now the envy of all her little neighborhood friends. . . . When I say that Eloise Buhl almost took the bus home the other night, that's just what I mean. She tried to hook bumpers, but the bus managed to pull away. Now whenever this particular bus sees her it screams and pulls over to the curb until she is out of sight. . . . If the Accounting section's basketball team operates during a game the way they do during practice, the opposing team had better have the bandaids ready. Ev Meyers had his glasses broken, Bob Wildermuth sprained his ankle, not to mention floor burns and twisted arms of other players. They must be using a few football rules in their game. . . . Sue Seidel is looking quite chic with her new End Flight hairdo. . . . Bob Wefel is taking his wife's head scarf along when he gets his hair cut this week. He's afraid the sudden change might turn his cold into pneumonia. . . . Suppose you have all read or heard about the new drug, Anahist, for preventing and curing colds. If it works, it's going to be quite a blow because a cold has always been such a wonderful excuse when you didn't want to do something. Now when your wife wants you to take her to that formal dance you can't say if it weren't for the cold you're sure you must be getting there is nothing you would rather do (ha). All wives will have a bottle of pills in readiness and when you look as though you might try to pull such a trick, you will probably find you have a mouth full of Anahist, and with that look in her eye, brother, you had better swallow.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Herman Bertsch, George Danehy, Howard Naslund, Oliver Sawdon, Maurice Siples, R. G. Templeton, Virginia Johnson, Hope Hatfield, Elmer Hatfield, Eva Fisher, and John Weber.

Left the Hospital

Ernest Lowe, Eva Fisher, Glenn Billman, Anna Robinson, Perry Jefferies, and Merrill Patrick.

Returned to Work

Howard Orr, George Taylor, Merrill Patrick, Romney Wass, Jack Scott, Edna Peterson, Arthur Eizinger, Malinda Bradtmiller, Martin Vogel, Elmer Sauerwine, Archie Wright, Alfred Woenker, William Morton, Frederick Borton, Oliver Miller, Peggy Ruch, Ruth Fields, Helen Wyss, Stanley Stults, John Fuller, Jr., and Novella Pape.



"Up a Stump" or "I'm Stumped" are common everyday phrases, but leave it to Dort Schnepf to give us the real meaning of the phrase. Recently Dort backed her car into Ray Leitz's backyard. When she tried to go forward, the wheels only spun and spun. Upon investigation, Dort found the back of her car resting on a tree stump. Yes, Dort was stumped and the least bit irritated, but about 12 muscle men including Ray came to her rescue and helped Dort out of her dilemma. . . . Anyone interested in taking singing or dancing lessons see Lohnas McIntosh. We understand he does all right. . . . Did you know that Dave Embler's new car doesn't have flats? Time will tell! . . . A farewell dinner was given at Dort Schnepf's house for Joan Liechty, who is taking up full duties as a housewife. It also happened to be Joan's birthday and a lovely birthday cake was presented to her. She also received a lovely gift from the girls. Those attending the dinner were Ardella Heare, Harriett Haines, Cathryn Steele, Mary Fennig, Eloise Noll, Lydia Lehrman, Alice McBride, Mary Miller, Dorothy Schnepf, Joan Liechty, Genevieve August, Mary Ann Laurent, Fern Passwater, Earleen Steffen, Dorothy Schumm, Esther Meyer, Irene Holthouse, Wanda Bailey, Christine Andrews, Florence Schultz, Barbara Roop, and Mary Ellen Lengerich. . . . Mary Ellen Lengerich is taking Joan's place and we want to welcome her back in the office. Mary Ellen worked in the Planning section at one time. . . . James Stone is the new engineer and is from Birmingham, Ala. Hope you like our fair city, Jim. . . . Mary Fennig and Irene Holthouse were on the sick list. We hope by this time they are feeling much better.



Florence Knight entertained the Birthday Club with dinner at the English Terrace. At that time names were drawn for the Christmas exchange. The girls with birthdays this month were Jean Pappert and Dorothy Mills. Those present were: Dorothy Medsker, Dorothy Mills, Jean Pappert, Ann Lapadot, Dorothy Askren, Kate Scherrer, Norma Krall, Laurel Weaver, Luella Bixler and Florence Knight. . . . If Jack Welch ever comes in late he is sure to take a lot of ribbing. You see Jack just won a new clock. . . . Joan Toderoff is in the St. Joseph hospital as the result of a careless auto driver with faulty brakes. This ties right in with our safety program, WATCH THOSE BRAKES. Joan is getting along fine and hopes to be home soon. . . . Dorothy Askren had as her escort at the Elex dance a tall, but tall young man called Stretch and they were teamed up with Ann Lapadot and Dorothy's brother Charles. They all agreed that it was a swell dance. When they started home the car battery was dead and it was hours before they could get anyone to push them. It was in the wee small hours when they got home.

Speedy driving not only helps you to see this world, hut often the next.

Celebrates 30th Anniversary



Cecil D. Rose, Bldg. 8-1, celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric Tuesday, Nov. 15. He is shown at the right, above, being congratulated by E. J. O'Neill, while G. D. White looks on.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

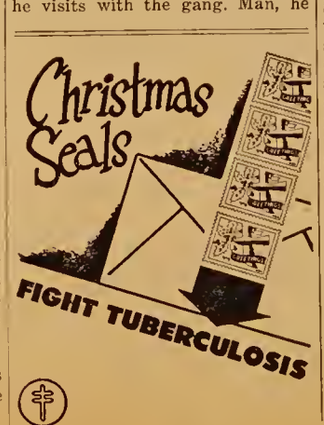
By Bob Bunyan

It seems that McConnehey and Zell still have water in their radiators. At least they are keeping the windows closed up tight now. . . . I hear Paul Noffze was able to obtain a G-E lighter for Roy Dierstein. It was somewhat different than the regular lighter given by the Suggestion Committee. It was the folding type. It never occurred to Roy that the same one was given to Paul by Johnny Hughes just a few moments before. . . . Some people like to do things the hard way. Jim Stauffer was seen driving his new Kaiser standing up. It seems he is having a little trouble shifting his gears. . . . Fred Wellinsick feels pretty good now that he finally got the Philco job done. . . . The 625 gave Gerald Crum a headache so Bob Mennewisch is helping him out. . . . Roe Ormiston got our new lead pad die working pretty good now. He is going on a vacation too. . . . John Laymon has decided on a neutral position. No rackets for him, he says. . . . We are wondering how Don Huffman will look in Paul's shoes this week. Don will be top man during Paul's vacation. . . . Ed Byers has been a working fool lately. That is he sees to it that Bill Shaffer has enough to do while he visits with the gang. Man, he sure can talk your leg off. . . . Don Edgar had some line about getting 17 rabbits last Thursday. . . . Bill Gepfert said his wife is about ready for a new car. She let him drive last Wednesday—she always will just before she gets a new one. . . . Gerald Aspy is feeling kind of chipper now that Hoagland has won five straight basketball games. He forgets they haven't played New Haven yet. . . . It seems a little warmer in the office this week. Maybe it's the new corduroy, huh, Mary? . . . Eddie Sauscher probably would like to take another vacation after putting up with Bunyan for a week. . . . Jerry Schaefer didn't feel too good after Thanksgiving. I understand he spent the day in Ohio and it wasn't the dinner that upset him. . . . Rupright is hoping he isn't forgotten at Christmas. He wants wider steel to shear. It seems he is growing tired of our narrow stock. . . . Funny how these married men like Freeman Rohlfing and Bill Conrad get those gold pencils given to them in November by an attractive lady. Couldn't be a Christmas gift yet? . . . Loren Prince doesn't need to go high hat on us just because he has a new Ford that will carry 80 pound air pressure.

Tool and Sample Shop News

We hear that Dean Lockwood went pheasant hunting and had very good luck. How about having a pheasant dinner on you, Dean? . . . We're sorry to hear that Bob Smith didn't get his deer this year while hunting in Canada, but he says he did have plenty of fish to eat and had a good time so that's all that counts. . . . Wayne Henderson has some good pop corn so you better put your order in if you want some for next year. He has sold his crop fast this season. I'll just bet that there were very few "old maids" (unpopped kernels) left in the bottom of the pan. . . . Glenn Hobbs lost his lunch pail last week but he found it at a downtown drug store, of all places. . . . Millie Strickler has a new square dance hold and you can't get away very easy.

Two boys arrested for swindling said their fathers had trained them. Gyps off the old block.



Christmas Decorations At Employees' Stores Are Reduced In Price

Christmas lights and decorations have been greatly reduced in price since last year, R. L. Fischbach, Supervisor of the Employees' Store, announced today.

An ample supply of Christmas decorations has been made available, but employees are urged to make their purchases early to avoid the rush.

The Christmas bulbs and decorations available at the Employees' stores and the new prices are as follows:

C-6 BULBS—15 volt, miniature base, series type.....$.04, plus tax

C-7½ BULBS—120 volt, candelabra base, for use in multiple burning outfits.....$.07, plus tax

C-9½ BULBS—120 volt, 10 watt, intermediate base. Inside color-coated to protect finish when used outdoors $.09, plus tax

420 BUBBLE-LITE BULBS—Series type, miniature base lamp. 15 volts. Includes metal clip for fastening lamp upright on tree. Sturdy glass candle-tube and plastic housing. Comes in assorted colors. May be used as replacement lamps in any 15 volt, series type, lighting outfit.....$.18, no tax

G-14 BULBS—120-volt candelabra base, for use with multiple burning sets.....$.12, plus tax

No. 32—10 inch, CHRISTMAS CANDLE—Plated candlestick base. Trimmed with silver leaves, pine spray and poinsettia. C-7½ lamp with Noma Halo device.....$1.15

No. 54—TWO LIGHT CANDOLIER WITH HOLLY SPRAY—Plated base with antique ivory candles. Silver leaves, pine spray, and poinsettia trimming. C-7½ lamps with Noma Halo device.....$2.35

No. 164—HALO CANDOLIER — Three tapered candles in wood base. C-7½ lamps with Noma Halos.....$2.75

No. 201—EIGHT LIGHT MULTIPLE CANDOLIER—Ivory drip candles with metal base. C-7½ lamps and Noma Halos.....$3.95

No. 171—EIGHT LIGHT CANDLE DISPLAY—Antique ivory finish. Realistic drip candles in wood base. C-6 lamps and Halos.....$3.95

No. 110—EIGHT LIGHT, SERIES TYPE OUTFIT—Tri-plug connection with open outlet for attaching additional sets. 15 volt, C-6 cone-shaped lamps in assorted colors.....$.90

No. 3010—SEVEN LIGHT, INDOOR, BERRY BEAD OUTFIT — Equipped with Add-on connector for attaching additional sets. Noma patented Berry Bead feature fastens lamp upright and secure to branch of tree. C-7½ lamps burn independently. Washers keep lamps tight in sockets preventing the possibility of short circuits. May be connected to series sets as well.....$1.55

No. 3415—15 LIGHT, INDOOR OUTFIT—Berry Beads make it easy to attach lamps to branches of tree. Add-on connector for attaching additional sets or lighting decorations. Assorted color C-7½ Candelabra base lamps. If one burns out, the others stay lighted.....$3.30

No. 509—BUBBLE LITE SET—Series type. Colorful glass candles alive with bubbling action. Special metal clips make it easy to fasten to branches of tree in upright position. Each lamp is five inches tall. May be used in conjunction with any type of Christmas tree lighting outfit. Tri-plug connector. 15 volt lamps. Assorted colors.....$2.30

No. 3005—SEVEN LIGHT, RED-CAP, OUTDOOR OUTFIT—Wired in multiple. Thoroughly weatherproofed. Spring contacts keep lamps tight in sockets. Rubber washers. 13½ foot, straight line construction. Inside coated C-9½ lamps. Add-on connector.....$2.30

No. 126—COLOR POINT STAR—Edges of plastic points give off bright red glow when illuminated. C-7½ lamp. Complete with cord and tri-plug connector.....$1.15

No. 700—ILLUMINATED TREE-TOP ANGEL—C-7½ lamp with Halo. Cardboard cylinder, hidden by dress, slips easily on to top of tree. Cord with tri-plug.....$1.40

No. 1115 — RED CELLOPHANE WREATH—12-inch diameter. Crisp bundled cellophane on wire frame. Silver leaves and poinsettia decoration. 3½-inch red candle. C-7½ lamp with Halo. Complete with extension cord with tri-plug.....$.70

No. 501G—18-INCH, GREEN BUBBLE-LITE TREE—Bright green visca. Nine assorted color candles. Metal frame construction. Bubbling action. Complete with cord.....$6.25

No. 502W—18-INCH, WHITE, BUBBLE-LITE TREE—Same as No. 501G, except is made of white visca.....$6.25

No. 503G—26-INCH, GREEN BUBBLE-LITE TREE—Bright green visca. Eighteen assorted Bubble-lites. Metal frame construction. Complete with cord.....$12.50

No. 504W—26-INCH, WHITE, BUBBLE-LITE TREE—Same as No. 503G, except is made of white visca.....$12.50

No. 2007—NOMA HALOS—To fit C-7½ lamps. Circles the lamp with a radiant glow. Plastic. Practically indestructible.....$.05

EMPLOYEES' STORE

BROADWAY STORE HOURS
12 noon to 4 p.m. daily
TAYLOR ST. STORE HOURS
1 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily

SPECIAL SALE
of
UTILITY MOTORS

⅓ hp—Split Phase—Sleeve Bearing $10.75*
⅓ hp—Capacitor Start—Sleeve Bearing $14.70*
⅓ hp—Capacitor Start—Ball Bearing $16.20*
*Plus State Tax

The following items are available for immediate sale* in the Employees' Store:

Heat Lamps $4.47
Room Heaters $11.25
Automatic Blankets $39.95
Kitchen Clocks .....$4 to $6.40
Alarm Clocks.....$3.70 to $14.50
Mantel Clocks .....$6.40 to $11.70
Chime Clocks ....$33.90 to $44.35
Circline Fixtures..$8.75 to $10.06
Lamp Diffusion Bowls .....$.52 to $1.27
Fluorescent Fixtures .....$2.31 to $14.50
Fluorescent Ballasts .....$.35 to $3.40
Heat Pads .....$4.45 to $5.80
Foot Warmers $3.35
Vacuum Cleaners .....$32.35 to $64.35
Cleaner Attachments $11.20
Travel Irons $5.50
4 lb. Irons $5.50
Steam Irons $12.40
Roasters $26.95
Non-automatic Waffle Irons $8.25
Twin Waffle Irons $11
Automatic Waffle Irons....$12.40
Clock Radios (Brown).....$28.70
Clock Radios (White).....$30.30
Radios (226) $26
Radios (115W) $26
Portable Radios (with batteries) .....$30.40 to $38.93
Kiddie Console Record Players $26
Kiddie Record Players.....$17.15
Coffee Makers .....$1.30 to $9
Battery Chargers .....$11.80 to $16.55
Utility Motors.....$9.15 to $36.40
Exposure Meters PR1.....$21.95
Stock Tank Deicers.....$6.75
Safety Shoes .....$6.50 to $9
Paints, Colors
Light Bulbs
Wiring Devices
Christmas Bulbs
Christmas Decorations
Radio Tubes
Iron Handles
Vacuum Cleaner throw-away bags

These prices are subject to change without notice.

Every year about this time many folks suddenly realize Christmas is no more than a whoop and a holler away . . . and that ringing noise in their ears is the approaching sound of sleigh bells. Just in case you're still spending your spare time thumbing through last summer's vacation pictures, we thought it might be wise to tip you off that the Yuletide is coming in. Now's the time to be smarter than a college-bred fox and get the jump on the rest of the shoppers.

Congratulated For Long Service



Paul G. Dannecker, Motor and Generator Accounting division, recently rounded out 30 years of service with the Company. On his anniversary, he received a congratulatory letter and was extended the best wishes of his co-workers. Left to right in the picture are: Everett Smith, E. C. Reese, R. H. Bender, A. C. White, Mr. Dannecker, Jack Newton, and L. O. Hildner.

Tales from Taylor

by Harry Parker

When it comes to getting an organist to play his request numbers Ralph Dunlap is a complete washout. Here sometime ago he and a number of associates made a special trip to Huntington to hear this famous musician. Asking for requests Ralph volunteered several which the maestro completely ignored. Evidently he considered Ralph's selections as being cellar type music. . . . Buck Kline is practicing the art of fast unloading. As you know he rides home in another fellow's car. He has been having this driver slow down and he unloads while the car is still in motion. Each day he tries it at a little increased speed, eventually accomplishing this feat while the car is going at full gallop. The other day though he came very close to colliding with a tree. Perhaps this will cool his enthusiasm for this sort of thing. . . . As all of you know Newton Poland had the misfortune of having his car badly wrecked one evening last week while on his way home from work. This is where that big dog of his had his just opportunity to pay for his board and keep. Calling up his wife Newt told her to bring the dog in post haste. Upon arriving at the scene of the disaster he hitched said pooch to the wrecked car and pulled it to a garage, saving him the expense of wrecker service. . . . Each year about this time we have to listen to Clarence Stove's long winded yarns about ice fishing. He is at it again and is making greater preparations than ever before. He believes this is going to be one of the coldest winters on record and that the ice will be extremely thick, requiring extra heavy gear. On the other hand we may have another open winter, and he may have to use a boat as he did all last winter.

Pensioner Parade

Fifty years ago Nov. 27, on Thanksgiving Day, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Leitz were married. To celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary, they were honored at a reception last Sunday for their friends and family. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Leitz. . . . We got a letter from George N. Prince in Eustis, Fla. He said that was the place where most of the G-E pensioners seem to land. The Kelloggs, Greiders, Bookers, and Princes are there "suffering with the flowers, fruit and sunshine." George says that he envies us here "sliding on the ice, wading through the slush and snow, firing the furnace, and carrying out the ashes."

Modern Robin Hood



No, that isn't an identification picture for a certain Michigan City institution. It's Sherman Stilwell posing with his license for deer hunting a la Robin Hood in the State of Michigan. Mr. Stilwell does all of his hunting with bow and arrow.

4-1 Floorage

by MARIE LANTZ

It Can Be Done

It can be done;
It was—not once
But through October's entire month;

It's a record won
And well worth praise,
One that we should keep always.

G-E employees, every one
In truth applied the safety test
And made our better badges best!

It can be done;
The zero frequency in L.T.A.
We've shared—together—let it stay!

Not only the safety committeemen, but the entire Fort Wayne Works should be proud of this record which proves that "It Can Be Done." . . . Frank Lawrence believes in the policy of "Live and Let Live." He and eight others were up in Canada on a big game hunt this past week. They came back with—yes, you guessed it—five deer. The alibi is that the weather closed in on them, and that they were ice-bound three days. Oh, well, a poor story is better than none, we'll always say. . . . Sweet sixteen was the number of rabbits four huntsmen got Thanksgiving Day. Paul LeCoque was one among those (the hunters—we mean) to share this profitable luck. . . . Fred Pyle must have been thankful for a good conscience. At least it didn't bother him too much, as he devoted most of the holiday to siestas with the sandman. . . . We don't know whether to credit John DeWald with having an extraordinary ambition of his own or whether he has a desire to steal the spotlight from Harris of Busco. He has the fever to drain Irish lake in pursuit of a turtle. But it seems as if this particular body of water is too large for a hand pump and too small to use a power-driven one. One possible solution to John's problem would be to overfeed the beast (the turtle, not John)—so that by rapid growth he'd be too big to be submerged in the lake's depth.

FOR SALE WANTED FOR RENT LOST & FOUND AD-LETS

Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office, Bldg. 8-2.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Monday Noon, December 5, 1949

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Isenberg bracelet. Lost at Elex Club's Thanksgiving dance at Prom Terrace. Reward offered. A-89015.

FOUND—One green cloth glove. Turned in at Bldg. 18 gate.

FOR SALE

TWO SNOW SUITS—Size 2, one never worn; Eton suit, size 4; high chair. A-35384.

BATHINETTE — Bassinette; taylor-tot; teeter-babe, very good condition. H-91074.

AIR COMPRESSOR—Portable, gas engine; spray gun, $75. A-77504.

RUG AND PAD—Rose with lighter rose design, Alexander-Smith, 9 x 12, one year old, cleaned and mothproofed. H-17243 after 5 p.m.

BOY'S LIGHT TAN FINGER TIP COAT—Top coat, like new, size 38. E-55541.

DINING ROOM TABLE—One bed and davenport combination. A-75515.

DOUBLE COIL BED SPRING—Royal carpet sweeper, good condition. 1128 Michigan.

BOY'S SHOE ICE SKATES—Size 8, like new; roller skates. E-2759.

SIX PIECE WALNUT DINING ROOM SUITE—$30. H-55525.

ELECTRIC TRAIN—Complete with cars, track and transformer, $5. H-74322.

E FLAT ALTO SAXOPHONE — Buescher, with case, excellent condition. E-5222.

WALNUT DINING ROOM SUITE—Seven piece, includes china cabinet, reasonable. H-57252.

COFFEE TABLE—A-78911.

SIX INCH ELECTRIC SKILL SAW—Mack-Saw, never used. A-3724.

GIRL'S COAT, HAT SET—Size 2; 3-piece snowsuit, size 3; boys clothes, shoes, size 5; child's lenther car seat; lady's housecoat; man's suit. H-39200.

SNOWSUIT—Size 3, like new. A-50471.

MAN'S BLUE OVERCOAT—Size 38-40, excellent condition, reasonable. A-57841.

McCOY "19" MODEL PLANE ENGINE—Never used, all accessories. A-80825 after 4:30 p.m.

9 x 12 AMERICAN-ORIENTAL RUG—Studio couch; overstuffed chair; two girls' pea coats size 12 and 14. 1448 Stophlet St.

COAL HEATING STOVE—50 gal. oil drum with faucet. E-36913.

LIVING ROOM SUITE—Two-piece blue mohair, reasonable. H-8950.

LADIES' MOUTON LAMB FUR TRIMMED COAT—(Fur collar and cuffs), size 14-16, like new, $7.50; also man's overcoat, size 42. H-54715.

TRAILER—H-40801.

DOLL HOUSE—And furniture, complete, $5. H-35043.

MAN'S $55 SUIT—Dark blue, pin stripe, size 40, short, worn once, $40. H-58834.

FOR RENT

LARGE COMFORTABLE ROOM—Near G-E, gentleman preferred. 823 W. DeWald St.

WANTED

BOY'S CUB SCOUT UNIFORM — H-74322.

GIRL'S 20" BICYCLE—In good condition. H-48751.

DRILL PRESS—Also pair 30" cabinet clamps. H-37055.

TWO COMPLETE TWIN BEDS—A-39824.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS RIDE—Mae Lacey, from 4440 Oliver to G-E Broadway. Works in Bldg. 4-4 for W. W. Dreyer, from 8-5:15. Extension 2291.

WANTS RIDE—Pauline Kaufman, from Dellwood drive, Sunnymede addition. Works for W. W. Dreyer, Bldg. 4-4, from 8-5:15. Extension 2291.

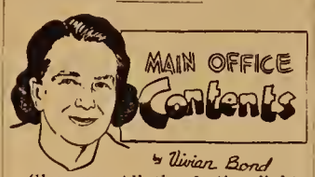
WANTS RIDE—Agnes Neideffer, from Harlan to Taylor St. Works Second Shift. Extension T-425.

THANK YOU

PERRY JEFFRIES, Bldg. 4-4, Repair and Return, second shift, wishes to thank his many friends and co-workers for their kindness and generosity during his illness.



Oral Emerick is back on days after working second shift for two weeks. He got a few rabbits hut no hird. . . . Congratulations to Herb Richter and Ruby Stoops on their recent election as Chairman and Secretary of MBA. . . . Pat Perry is buying geese these days. It seems they are all turning out to be ganders, and they say ganders don't lay eggs. . . . Charlie Englc and Herman Watters went rabbit hunting Saturday and shot two rabbits. One attacked Herman and he had to shoot it. . . . Crystal Boyd is back to work after being ill a few days. We are happy that she is feeling hetter. . . . Herb Richter went to see the ice show at Indianapolis last Friday. . . . Jackie Elder and Peggy Bandt went to Ohio for Thanksgiving and went hunting. They said they could have shot a lot of rabbits but just didn't have the heart to shoot them. . . . Maurice Roe was helping his wife get dinner Thanksgiving and cut his finger. That's a good way to get out of helping, just like when you have to help dry the dishes, after you drop a few they fire you out of the kitchen. . . . Johnny O'Neill did all right this Thanksgiving. He won a turkey, rabbit, ham and a slab of bacon. . . . Ed Fiedler came back from vacation last week and wasn't back to work more than an hour when he dropped a stator on his foot. He must have been thinking about another vacation real soon. Watch that stuff, Ed, did you ever hear of safety shoes? . . . If you run out of matches just see Ray Pickett. He will be delighted to give you a light since he wants to show off that new lighter he received for a suggestion. Ray doesn't smoke, but he's carrying the lighter for his friends. . . . Jackie Elder is the big wheel in the winding section this week, while her boss is taking his vacation. Glenn Miller is her assistant. We hope this combination won't be too disastrous that Ralph Keller won't have too much trouble getting the section back to normal. . . . We're so happy to bear our little underfed Ed Brockall won two turkeys last week. Now maybe he can put on some weight on that little skinny frame of his. . . . Little Georgie Ryan's son Jim was home over the holiday. He's in the Marines and is stationed in North Carolina. Jim and eight of his buddies decided to drive through as one lived in Dayton, four in Indianapolis and the driver in Chicago. Jim wrote his dad to meet him in Indianapolis last Wednesday at 10 a.m. George and his wife were there to meet him, hut instead of 10 it was four before they arrived. Jim was supposed to be back in Indianapolis and meet his buddies at 5 a.m. Sunday; George got him hack there in plenty of time, but it seemed the other fellows got their times mixed and shoved off without Jim. George started stewing around to find out how he could get his son back to the base. He tried every way and the only way he could get him back was hy putting him on a TWA, which George did. He said that was the first time he had 48 dollars in his pocket at one time and that was what the plane fare was, so you know the reason for those new grey hairs in George's head. . . . Louise Sinn is getting so heavy she can't walk through a narrow place anymore without tearing her clothes. . . . Congratulations to Andy Anderson. He and the Mrs. took first place in a mixed doubles bowling tournament last week-end. . . . Irene Shaffer says she has just started to live. She saw her first football game, and a couple of weeks ago her first basketball game. . . . Marguerite Stahl's daughter was married Thanksgiving day in Bluffton. From the writeup in the paper it was a big aflair. Any more information, see Ruhy Stoops as she attended the wedding. . . . Knute Melching is sporting a new pair of overalls. He's really proud of them.



Glamour: All the festive lights of the holiday season were completely outshown Wednesday night at the Prom Terrace when our Elex girls were "Queens for the Night." Being on vacation I missed the gala affair but the reports are many and varied, but good! Bldg. 18 was well represented, however, we understand that Jean Edwards of the Works Service Payroll group really bowled 'em over. Our secret reporter tells us she was "glamour personified" with her upsweep hair dress. . . . To George Waldschmidt we wish to express our sincere sympathy. We are sorry that an accident had to befall you and trust that you will soon be well on your way to recovery. . . . **Bldg. 18-4:** Dorothy Long went home last Wednesday evening and there was a really happy girl. Her address is 314 North Wayne Street, Columbia City, Ind. Don't forget her as she says it will be a long time before she is normal again. . . . Co-workers in Bldg. 18-4 wish to congratulate Carl Brandt and Virginia Worden on being elected officers of the MBA for the coming year. . . . **Bldg. 18-5:** Ed Hagadorn, traveled last week-end to a hockey game in Dctroit. What kind of weather are they having up there, Ed? . . . Hilda Hoeltje just returned from a marvelous vacation of traveling in California and Arizona. . . . Lillian Miller is vacationing this week at her home. . . . Goldia Archibold, please explain to the girls how you knock a man off his feet after meeting him for the first time. Must be your sparkling personality, humm? . . . The Pin Pals of Bldg. 18-5 bowling team are proud to report they won another game. I'm printing this because it really is news! . . . We always feel sorry for the prisoners, etc., who have to eat Thanksgiving turkey behind prison bars. Just that almost happened to H. B. Leach, not in prison, but in the Bldg. 18-1 vault. Late Wednesday he was forcefully detained in the vault. Imagine his surprise when R. J. Wiltshire calmly walked by with the retort, "Hope you enjoy your Thanksgiving dinner." Later, much later, a kindly soul from the Payroll group rescued Mr. Leach. (Mr. Wiltshire did not recognize Mr. Leach so his face was a little pink over it.)

Cottage Closing



The men, above, are shown at their annual "Cottage Closing" session, which was held recently at Herb Kammeyer's summer home. The photo of the distinguished group from the Accounting and Payroll section was taken by Ray Soughan. In the picture are: Edgar Waldschmidt, Robert Meyer, Al Berg, Phil Singleton, Bill Spahr, Dick Cullen, and Mr. Kammeyer.



BAD CONSCIENCE—Just to relieve the monotony of this humdrum life we lead, Frances Jailor decided she'd be different and pretend last Wednesday was our final work day for Thanksgiving week. Like the thorough little gal she is, she dropped her clock card in the box and proceeded homeward; but, alas and alack, up comes Friday, her conscience bothered her and she came back to work. Well, you all know the result. She had to break open the little black box, dig out her card—the only one there—and, start all over again. Life gets tedious, don't it? . . . FLIP FLOP—Irene Whelan really pulled a "turkey" last week. There she was flat on her back after a heautiful back flip in the hall and no audience. Ah, television. We could use it. . . . A BUNDLE FROM HEAVEN—Little Sir Eric Matthew, weight 7 lb. 2 oz., came to make his home with two very proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Pomering. Time and place of arrival: 12:30 p.m. Nov. 25, at the St. Joseph Hospital. What a wonderful Thanksgiving gift. . . . WHAT A MAN—Can you imagine anyone blessed with the stamina of eating a cold drumstick in front of his co-workers, the day after Thanksgiving. You have heard of that adage—no rest for the wicked. This superman is Glen Stapleton. Well, he has a super capacity at least. . . . TOO MUCH HUNTING—Everyone in the Engineering File Room enjoyed their Thanksgiving Day vacation including turkey and all the trimmings. With the exception of Mary Leitch. She went hunting Thursday morning and didn't feel like getting any dinner when she returned home. Maybe the real truth is she wasn't such a good hunter. But you never know, maybe she really was tired. . . . ALMOST LATE—Joan Walter just about missed the Elex Dance Wednesday night. Joan stayed home half the evening and hemmed her formal. . . . HAPPY BIRTHDAY—to Eldon Cunningham Dec. 2. . . . GLAD TO SEE YOU BACK—It is good to see Carl Leitch back to work. Hope you are feeling better now, Carl. . . . CONGRATULATIONS—to Bob Loveland of the DC division for passing the test for a professional engineer's license. . . . BYE BYE—We are sorry to see Betty Ross, of the AC division, leave us, but it is the Development division gain. Good luck on your new work, Betty. LUCKY—Bernice Frieburger received the surprise of her life last Friday. She won a set of aluminum on a punch board. It wasn't luck, she says, it's just her new name. If you remember she was wed recently. . . . A KNITTING WE WILL GO—Besides being able to run the mimeograph machines, the girls in that section sure can knit. Nadine Junk is the kind of girl to have. She's making her boy friend a necktie. Pauline Badman is saving on her husband's expense account hy making herself a sweater, and Mary Lietch must have to cook for she's knitting pot holders. Let's hope those are for Christmas gifts though, eh! Mary? . . . FOOTBALL THRILLS—Bernice Frieburger and her husband journeyed to South Bend a week ago to see Notre Dame whip Iowa. . . . BUZZER HAPPY—Hugh Folsom is another one of those boys who forgot to grow up. Can't they make a nuisance of themselves when it comes to that file room buzzer?

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE PASTIME?



HARRY BYALL

Taylor St.

"It is fixing up and remodeling our home. I say this due to the great interest I have taken in doing this line of work and the time I've spent planning each job to the finish."



EARLEEN STEFFEN

Decatur Plant

"My favorite pastime is reading and sewing. I like to read because it keeps me posted on things that happen every day. Next to reading, I prefer sewing inasmuch as it is a relaxation and accomplishment."



ALMA DARNALL

Bldg. 26-5

"Since everyone should have a favorite form of amusement or relaxation, the reading of autobiographies by famous world travelers is my favorite pastime."



GEORGE M. STONE

Works Lab

"I enjoy taking colored home movies, gardening, and keeping my Model A Ford 'dreamboat,' in running order. These, with square dancing and some church activities, just about fill my spare time."



EDWARD BRANNING

Bldg. 19-1

"My pastime is farming, raising hogs, etc. I enjoy this work very much."



We now have a new grandpa in the group, none other than Ernie Brown, who is rather proud of his new granddaughter. . . . I didn't hear much on the expedition of the "Three Must-Get-Theirs," Repine, Watt, and Boedeker, except that Repine couldn't decide on which side of the fence to hunt, either with Boedeker or Watt. If there hadn't been a barb wire on the top of the fence he would have straddled the fence. Anyway when he was on Boedeker's side, Watt did the shooting and when he was on Watt's side, Boedeker did the shooting. . . . Last week one cold morning there was a cloud of steam came rolling in the parking lot. When it finally cleared away there sat Jess Batchelder in ye old faithful jalopy with a big grin and remarking, "Well, I got here on time anyway." That was somewhat unusual. Jess also planned a fishing trip with his brother last week-end. When his brother called for him they decided they would go catch some minnows rather than pay 40 cents per dozen. Off they went with the nets to get their minnows. Arriving at a nice running stream they got along nicely until they came to a wide place in the stream, and Jess decided to walk on a small ledge. One step and Jess is now a member of the "Polar Bear Club." After a hurried trip home and a change to dry clothes they bought their minnows and headed for the lake. . . . Jess wasn't the only one to pick cold mornings to have trouble. Ozzie "Me Too" Nahrwold picked the coldest morning to have a flat tire. It's a good thing automobiles aren't here to stay, isn't it, Ozzie? . . . I want to report that Claude Gill had such success with that display case that he is now going to build another, but this time he has made arrangements to build it in his neighbor's garage. Claude is still looking for that pole to fit the curve in his car bumper. He almost found one, but it is for the waves in the side of his car now. . . . Jerry Knight has joined Jess Batchelder as a late arrival at work. . . . Paul Boedeker was on the receiving end of the streamlined kitty with the fluid-drive this week, and was he given a royal ride by the fellows.

Rodermund Dies

Joseph A. Rodermund, 50, died last Friday at his home, 2909 Lillie St. He had been ill since last March.

Mr. Rodermund had been an employee of the Winter St. Works since 1930. At the time of his death, he was the fire chief at the plant.

He was a member of the St. Peter's Catholic Church and the Holy Name Society. He also was a member of the G-E Bowling League and the old Crestos baseball club.

Survivors include his widow, Avis; a brother, Nicholas; 18 nieces and nephews, and eight grandnieces and nephews.

Services were held at 9:30 a.m. Monday at the Mungovan and Sons Mortuary, and at 10 a.m. in St. Peter's Church. The Very Rev. Msgr. John A. Bapst, officiated and burial was in the Catholic Cemetery.

Mastromarco Chalks Up 30 Years



Samuel Mastromarco, of the Power House in Bldg. 9, chalked up 30 years with General Electric Saturday, Nov. 26. Several of his friends joined in with their congratulations on his anniversary. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Lee Hess, Foreman; Gerald Schott, Mr. Mastromarco, Ralph Craig, Supervisor, and Pete Carpenter.



Now that the day set aside for Thanksgiving has come and gone let us all go in for a bit of reflection. Everyday should be a day of thanks for all Americans who enjoy the freedoms and take them for granted as we do. No other place in the world do people share so much of their country's goodness. Let us all pledge to preserve the ideals of democracy through our daily Thanksgiving to the God of all mankind. . . . Turkeyday played havoc with Us Second Shifters in as much as both groups that were to have been featured fizzled out at the last minute. Next week, however, we hope to get a line in Bldg. 26-3. Today it will be short. . . . We heard from Bldg. 4-5 that Mary Berger promised Deerburgers to the gang up there, but her better half didn't hold up his end of the bargain. He didn't get a deer. . . . Our good friend Al Kissinger, Bldg. 4-5, etc., is going out and do a little hunting during his third week's vacation. . . . Practical jokers had a field day at the expense of Bob Shoemaker, Bldg. 4-5. It seems that Bob had a ticket on a new Ford and got a telephone call. Nuff said. . . . We are very happy to report that Perry Jeffries, Bldg. 4-4, is on the road to recovery after being laid low by pneumonia. Perry will be confined around home for a week or so yet. . . . The softball award jackets arrived and it looked like half of the team's in Bldg. 17-4. Chuck Stone, Kenny Ford, Clarence Koepke, and this writer displayed the snazzy reversible jobs given by the club this year. . . . As yet we have to see the first group of people to see the Owl basketball league in action. You are missing a bet if you don't see this ball team play. The games are 9:30 and 10:30 every Tuesday morning at your G-E club gym.

Merrill Is Granted Patent For Improvement In Design



F. W. Merrill

A United States patent has been granted to F. W. Merrill on his invention of an improvement in the design of alternating current generators of the amplidyne type.

Mr. Merrill is a consulting engineer in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Engineering divisions, where he has been employed since 1922. His invention consists of the addition of a double interpole winding on the AC amplidyne generator, which effectively neutralizes the transformer action between the quadrature axis flux and the armature coils short-circuited by the brushes, without allowing the interpole flux to act as a control flux. Fifteen claims were allowed in connection with the invention.

This is Mr. Merrill's twenty-fifth patent.

Thieves stole an assortment of musical instruments from a music store. Instead of an all brass band, they could have an all steal.



A big thank you to Earl Stauffer for his window paintings. It helps bring the holiday season close and reminds us all to get our tickets for the big party on the 17th. There has been this one change. Tickets will sell for $1 each which is welcome news to all. Any one of the following people will be glad to see that you have all the tickets you need: Morrie Snyder, Ralph Hardy, Larry Reed, Norb Lose, Henry Roemke, Esther Hakes, Jim Smith, Clarence Nussel and Harold Moore. . . . Note to all former Bldg. 17-4 folks. Come join the fun and meet the old gang. Tickets will be available at the party, so see you there. . . . Folks, here is another announcement of importance to us all. Marion Williams, who worked with us as an assembler, is in the Methodist Hospital, a polio patient. He is very ill and many of the group would like to help him in some way, so next week a box will be circulated for him and anyone wishing to contribute to a worthwhile cause can do so then. . . . Ray Solga dialed the D. R. number instead of the telephone number and then wondered why he couldn't get the party he wanted. Carroll consoled him after he admitted what he had done. Guess the boss man had made the same mistake before and experienced that absent-minded professor feeling. . . . Visited with Harold Moore and he is rapidly getting back into condition. He wishes to express his thanks to all who had a part in the gift that was presented to him. . . . Rolland Miller and John Putman went rabbit hunting but a bull got them instead. "Nuff said." . . . Cy was seen giving Ray Jones a personal demonstration with his new electric shaver. Such service. . . . Bob Goers has been "eyeing" those new Fords. He even had the lucky ticket, he thought! . . . Here is a very hush-hush rumor. We heard it whispered that Cy's Lincoln is in the garage already. Is it possible? . . . Herb Buck is very unhappy about his Cleveland Indians. Should we cry with you? . . . Dick Seidel is having his troubles with his hunting dogs. He has only one left and even that one is disappointing him, oh well, the season is nearly over anyway.



WORKS NEWS: If you did not get a copy a week ago last Friday the reason was Ray Kierspe's picture. After Ray found out his picture made the NEWS he gathered up all the copies he could get his hands on. We surmise he took them to Sunday School to show all the boys and girls what a fine looking brat he was in his day. However, we interviewed Priscilla Thrasher and asked her this question, Don't you think, Pat, that Ray is a nice looking fellow? Pat's reply "He was." Your reply, Pat, was 100 per cent correct. Why is it that some people have to grow up so homely? Seems next to impossible. . . . CONGRATULATIONS: To Jean Phillips who had a birthday Tuesday. . . . WELCOME: Don Reed to our Cost section, hope you will like us, Don. Also congratulations on your new son, who we understand was born Sunday, Nov. 20. . . . HOSPITAL: Kermit Agler and John Bailey recently underwent operations. Hope to see you back soon, fellows. . . . TOBACCO—APPLE: Bill Rohe, who recently had his molars cleaned, now gives us another recipe to clean them after you have been chewing tobacco. Bill says, "Just eat an apple, but make sure you eat pealing and all." Tobacco chewers try it some time and let us know if it does the trick. . . . NOT THREE BUT TWO O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING: Wimpy Lemper called Bill Rohe on the phone to figure out his pension for him. Wimpy said he just rolled and tossed and could not get a wink of sleep worrying about his pension. Our Bill with every thought for his fellow man advised Wimpy to go to sleep and that he would take care of everything. After all he had 20 some years to figure it out. . . . OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY: To the family of Joseph Rodermund. Joe was fire chief at our Winter Street works and a schoolmate of ours. May God grant him eternal peace and happiness. . . . CHRISTMAS PARTY: Don't forget to get your tickets for the Children Christmas Party. It's always been a swell affair. So don't miss it this time. . . . SO MANY PACKAGES: Were floating around last week that Porky (Aaron) Schoenefeld was actually afraid to open up the one he got. He first dumped it in the waste basket. On second thought he opened it up and sure enough it was pieces of manila rope he had been looking for. Some of the packages and receivers were Al Swift, part of a horse (three times); Lou Maier, a small rat with a red ribbon around its little neck, and yours truly, a coon's foot. . . . WHAT NO G-E IRONERS (Hope.) . . . THAT OLD BUZZARD: Bill Glenn went to the Elex Dance at the Prom Terrace instead of showing up for bowling, and all the time we thought he was feeling bad. We got a way of finding things out, Bill, old boy.



B. Somers of the Trowels, Masonic League, remains in the groove. He came through with another 600 series Tuesday evening. He got a 602 on games of 213, 208 and 181.

Two hundred scores were rolled by: Ed Crahill, 234; Somerville, 215 and 211; Jones, 203; H. Smith, 226; Schaberg, 211; Archer, 205; Howard Hickman, 210; H. Somers, 201, and K. Moore, 201.

Doric took over the high single game from Composite, with a 966 count. Fellowcraft is in front of the pack by two full games.

Office League

The boys waxed hot Monday as Erv Aumann, Bill Piercy and Hal Fanning came through with 600 counts. Erv's 189, 257 and 183 for a 629 headed the list. Bill Piercy had 192, 221, and 198 for 611; and Hal Fanning, 211, 220, and 175 for a 606.

Two hundred scores were made by: Paul Perry, 216; Don Waldrop, 215; Bob Kallmeyer, 214; Wade Tyler, 213 and 204; Ife Holmes, 212; Orval Doherty, 202, and Frankie Schlink, 202.

Apprentice League

Joe Haas came up with the only 200 count of the evening, a 202 talley.

The Compasses are out in front in the league standings by five full games.

Interdivision League

Erv France of the Wire and Insulation team had the only 600 count of the evening, a 608 on games of 191, 194, and 223.

The Broadtails continue to lead the pack. They are out in front by two games over Brouwer Tire and Battery team.

Two hundred scores were kegled by: Paul Walker, 213 and 200; Leo Elward, 202; Forester, 212; Rudy Zelt, 204; Noah Kuntz, 209 and 204; E. Dickey, 211; Murry Johnson, 210 and 203; Frank Matthews, 211; Les Shroyer, 204; Frank Kopp, 203 and 214; W. Ort, 227; L. Putman, 230; Oscar Schelper, 205, and Bob Cuney, 205.

Decatur Bowling

G-E FRATERNAL LEAGUE: Laurent got a 612 series on games of 207, 202, and 203. Two hundred games were made by the following: McIntosh, 236; Faulkner, 214 and 203; G. Schultz, 205; Leonard, 215; A. Miller, 213; J. Murphy, 201; Schneider, 209; Gilliom, 205; L. Hoffman, 202, and P. Hoffman, 203.

Chet Kleinknight came up with the evening's oddity, a three-game series of 111, 111, and 111.

MONDAY NIGHT LEAGUE: The Office won three games from Stators, while Flanges took two from the Inspectors. K. Jackson had the only high game of the evening, a 205.

Bowling and Stuff

It isn't too late to enter the Mixed Doubles Tournament. Come down to the Club alleys Saturday. Squads will be howling at 3:30, 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. Entry fee is $4 per team and includes the price of bowling.

Anyone has a chance to win as I understand that the Leo Almandingers will be unable to make the tournament.

There are plenty of openings on all squads and entries will be accepted right up to starting time. Keghead will be looking for you Saturday. You can howl as many times as you wish, providing you change partners.

If there are no liberties left, perhaps it's because everybody is taking them.

Apprentice Machinists Score Three Victories In Volleyball League

The Apprentice Machinists defeated the Apprentice Draftsmen three games Wednesday, Nov. 28, to lead the Interdivision Volleyball League. Scores for the games were: 15-8, 15-4, and 15-11.

Taylor St. handed Winter St. a three-game defeat on games of 15-9, 15-4, and 15-12. The Main Office team beat General Tool for three games. The scores for this series were 15-2, 15-7, and 15-3.

The Small Motor team also won three games from the Squares. The scores for their match were: 15-4; 15-0, and 15-5.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

	W	L
Apprentice Machinists	16	2
Small Motor	15	3
Main Office	11	7
Taylor St.	11	7
Apprentice Draftsmen	9	9
Winter St.	6	12
Squares	2	16
Tool	2	16

G-E Club Wins Two Thrillers

The G-E Club Industrial Basketball team found the going rather rough in their first games of the season and dropped one, but came back to win two.

Unable to hit from the field with any consistency, the G-E Club lost their first league game to Indiana Rod and Wire, 27-31.

In a YMCA Industrial League game, Tuesday night, Nov. 22, the G-E Club shaded Worthman Builders in a 29-27 thriller.

Lew Goehring and Dick Bucher sparked the G-E Club attack with eight points each and Jim Walley played a good game at guard. Crist led Worthman Builders with eight points.

The G-E Club played a league game Tuesday night, Nov. 28, and won a 39-37 thriller over Magnavox. Dick Bucher hit a field goal in the last three seconds, putting the G-E Club out to win.

Magnavox took the lead early in the first quarter. Then the G-E Club came roaring back late in the second on two quick baskets by Walley and Trabel and were trailing 16-14 at the half.

G-E took the lead early in the third quarter, as Lew Goehring started to hit the next with consistency. Magnavox closed strong and had a 29-26 edge at the end of the period. The final stanza was a wild affair in which the lead changed hands nearly every basket.

Dick Bucher gave the Club a 36-35 lead with 50 seconds to play, but Arnold hit for Magnavox giving them the edge again. Bucher came through with a free throw and then a few seconds later hit a hook shot from the side to give the G-E Club the victory.

The G-E Club will play St. Joe AC Monday, Dec. 5, at the club gym at 8 p.m. They play Farnsworth Tuesday, Dec. 6, at New Haven gym at 8:15 p.m. in another YMCA League game.

Box scores:

Ind. R & W	G.	F.	T.
Washington	3	1	7
Sheets	1	0	2
Newby	1	0	2
Miller	1	0	2
Bulmahn E.	0	0	0
Bulmahn D.	2	5	9
Whitacre	0	0	0
Totals	14	9	37

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Trahel	2	1	5
Walley	0	0	0
Gettys	0	1	1
Goebring	3	4	10
Zimmerlee	0	0	0
Lindholm	0	1	1
Bucher	3	3	9
Lahrman	1	0	2
Baals	0	3	3
Totals	9	13	31

Half Score—Ind. Rod & Wire 24-17.
Officials L. Smith, McKenzie.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Bucher	3	2	8
Goehring	3	2	8
Zimmerlee	0	0	0
Gettys	2	0	4
Trabel	1	0	2
Baals	0	1	1
Wally	2	1	5
Lindholm	0	1	1
Totals	11	7	29

Worthman	G.	F.	T.
Crist	3	2	8
Beck	1	0	2
Baker P.	1	1	3
Briede	1	2	4
Subdza	1	0	2
Osborn	0	1	1
Baker G.	1	5	7
Chapman	0	0	0
Totals	8	11	27

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Bucher	5	5	15
Walley	2	0	4
Goehring	4	5	13
Gettys	2	0	4
Baals	0	1	1
Lindholm	0	0	0
Trabel	1	0	2
Totals	14	11	39

Magnavox	G.	F.	T.
Jackemeyer	1	2	4
Chambers	1	1	3
Voight	2	1	5
Arnold	6	3	15
Sterns	0	0	0
Canfield	0	0	0
Hilker	2	0	4
Ervin	3	0	6
Totals	15	7	37

STANDINGS

	W	L
I. H. A. A.	2	0
Wayne Pump	2	0
Gas Co.	1	0
I. R. & W.	1	0
Essex Wire	1	0
G-E Club	2	1
Magnavox	2	1
Worthman	1	1
Zollner	1	1
Inca	1	1
Farnsworth	1	1
Tokheim	1	2
Eckrich	0	1
I. & M. Electric	0	1
Joslyn	0	1
Rea	0	1
Salisbury	0	2
A. C. W. A.	0	2



"I'm Mr. Webb's brother-in-law. I believe he's expecting me"

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Monday evening the Firemen won their first game of the season by defeating Transformer, 38-25, in the Interdivision Basketball league.

Transformer led for the first half. At the end of three quarters, the Firemen had a two-point lead. In the last quarter, the winners took command and out-seored Transformer, 14-3. It was Transformer's first loss.

Winter St. beat the Apprentice School, 52-35, to bring their average up to .500. The Apprentice team, playing with only five men, gave them a battle all the way; but tired in the last quarter. Hanely, Winter St. forward, was the big man for the winners, getting 19 points.

The Traffic men downed the Test Engineers, 39-23, to take the league lead with two wins and no defeats. The TE's, playing the whole game with no substitutions, were out-manned and could not withstand the last-half drive of the victors.

Bob Dickson, Test Engineers manager, needs two or three more men to fill out his squad.

STANDINGS

	W	L
Traffic	2	0
Small Motors	1	0
Accounting	1	0
Transformer	2	1
Winter St.	1	1
Firemen	1	1
Squares	1	1
Apprentice School	0	2
Test Engineers	0	3

Box Scores:

Firemen	G.	F.	T.
Etter	3	2	8
Somers	1	3	5
Vance	0	2	2
Blauvelt	3	4	10
Boise	2	1	5
Buttes	1	0	2
Runyon	1	0	2
Meyers	1	2	4
Angel	0	0	0
Totals	12	14	38

Transformer	G.	F.	T.
Taylor	0	2	2
Woodward	2	0	4
Wehrle	3	2	8
Jamison	0	2	2
Felger	0	1	1
Krasienko	2	0	4
Bradmiller	2	0	4
King	0	0	0
Totals	9	7	25

App. School	G.	F.	T.
Auer	2	4	8
Bieber	2	0	4
Allen	4	1	9
Gottschalk	5	0	10
Konow	1	2	4
Totals	14	7	35

Winter St.	G.	F.	T.
Lewandowski	4	1	9
Nehrman	2	0	4
Kent	0	0	0
Hanley	9	1	19
Rahe	0	0	0
Fisher	3	0	6
Lester	1	0	2
Gallmeier	1	0	2
Tremion	1	0	2
Frazer	3	2	8
Totals	24	4	52

Traffic	G.	F.	T.
Wilson	5	0	10
Lenz	1	1	3
Betley	7	3	17
Schrader	1	0	2
Hall	1	0	2
Saunders	2	1	5
Totals	17	5	39

Test Eng.	G.	F.	T.
Dickson	3	1	7
Killian	2	1	5
Bartlemay	3	2	8
Meyer	1	0	2
Amstutz	0	1	1
Totals	9	5	23

G-E Owls Down Eckrich, 55-25 To Head League

The G-E Club of the YMCA Owl basketball league racked up its third victory Tuesday morning by beating Eckrich, 55-25. The Zollner Pistons won the second game from Indiana Rod and Wire by the score of 32-24.

Warren Wickliffe led the way for the G-E Club by canning six baskets and a free throw for 13 points. Bob McKeeman and Arle Anders shared high-point honors for Eckrich with seven points apiece. Harry Schrimp returned to the Zollner lineup and led his team with 14 points. Dick Sowers and Junior DeLong had seven each to lead Indiana Rod and Wire.

STANDINGS

	W	L
G-E Club	3	0
Zollner	2	1
Ind. Rod & Wire	1	2
Eckrich	0	3

SUMMARIES:

G-E CLUB	G.	F.	T.
Schrer	4	0	8
Anspach	4	1	9
Lambroff	1	0	2
Rietdorf	0	1	1
Greeno	0	0	0
Berrier	1	0	2
Phillips	1	2	4
Marke	2	0	4
Schble	3	0	6
Baker	0	0	0
Crosley	2	0	4
Wickliffe	6	1	13
Waikel	1	0	2
Totals	25	5	55

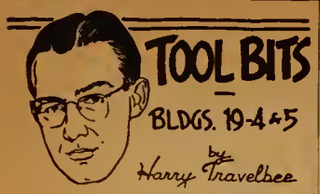
ECKRICH	G.	F.	T.
Arend	1	1	3
Wynn	2	0	4
Anders	2	3	7
McKeeman	3	1	7
Stellborn	0	0	0
Shinbeckler	1	0	2
Kurtz	1	0	2
Kroemer	0	0	0
Totals	10	5	26

ZOLLNER	G.	F.	T.
Ducheteau	2	0	4
Wakz	2	0	4
Salge	0	0	0
Schrimp	6	2	14
Hockemeyer	1	0	2
Brandtmiller	0	3	0
Clay	3	0	6
Harsch	0	1	1
Monteith	0	1	1
Totals	14	4	32

IND. R & W	G.	F.	T.
Feasby	1	0	2
Coffee	0	1	1
Lortie	3	0	6
Beard	0	1	1
Goldner	0	0	0
Sowers	2	3	7
DeLong	3	1	7
Totals	9	6	24

Officials: Wilson, Melton.

OPEN BOWLING
3 to 11 P.M.
SATURDAYS
At the
G-E CLUB



We welcome back to work one of our fellows who thought the only way to prove he wasn't getting old was to have the measles. This fellow is none other than Elmer Sauerwein. . . . We all extend our deepest sympathy to Joe Mettler in the death of his mother. . . . We heard that Art Dicke was mashing potatoes that were still boiling while hanging from a chandelier. Art says he was climbing down a ladder by the kitchen stove and accidently stepped in a pot of boiling potatoes. . . . Helma Conrad is seen at the Zollner basketball games every week. However, this person notices everytime they call for women to shoot fouls at the half time, Helma seems to take a firmer grip on her seat. What's the matter, Helma, ya afraid you'd outplay them? . . . When Julian Franke walks down the aisle you hear all sorts of Indian war hoops. Could anyone be casting reflections on the City Council duties? . . . Mrs. Hoffman wonders how Frank gets all those wrinkles in the fenders of his car. . . . If there is anything more confusing than those new wait and walk signs uptown, Russel Sage would like to know just what it could be. Russel said the other day the lights had him so befuddled, that he was ready to climb a pole and call for help. . . . One of the flashiest winter jackets that has been sported thus far is that of Steward Bohrer. Sure makes you look younger, especially with that Sherlock Holmes' pipe. . . . Ray Mutton charged out a crescent wrench at the tool crib the other day, started to use it when he saw sometbing on his hand that looked like blood. Just when he was ready to rush to the doctor's office, he discovered that it was red paint off the handle. . . . Here's what the fellows did on their vacations: Cliff Clapesattle went bird hunting down by the Ohio River. Karl Zurcher spent his resting at home —'cept fer a few odd jobs. One that nearly got him down was patching his roof. The disgusting thing about it is that is still leaks —must have patched the wrong spot. John Ebert and Al Nehbur did a lot of rabbit hunting on their vacations. . . . Is Bill Jones going to take up flying next as a hobby? We are not too sure but we were told that he made a perfect three point landing on his stairs a week ago. And not only that, but he has the marks to prove it. . . . Here is one for the books and to think that we had to wait two whole weeks for it. John Hensler was walking slowly through the park after work to meet the boys at the parking lot, when he saw a large squirrel coming his way, but John figured that it would run past him. The squirrel, however, started up John's leg to get to his dinner pail which contained some limburger cheese. I thought squirrels had better judgment than that. So he pushed Mr. Squirrel down, but up he came again. John went home that night and told his wife to send a handful of nuts along the next day. Now he is playing the part of a Good Samaritan and feeds the squirrel every morning and night.

Every woman always gets just what she wanted for her birthday —and can hardly wait to get downtown and exchange it.

Party Is Held For Florence Purdy



Florence Z. Purdy, Bldg. 26-5, second shift, retired recently after six years' service with General Electric. On her last day at work, Wednesday, Nov. 23, her friends in the Transformer division gave her a going-away party and gift. In the picture above are: (l. to r.) Mary Schmenk, Alma Berger, Ritz Zuber, Blondie Frankart, Paul Peterson, Dorothy Meyer, Mrs. Purdy, Christina Burns, and W. E. Blalock.

Pick-Ups

Bldg. 26-3

By Elvira Romary

A horse can't pull while kicking
This fact I merely mention:
And he can't kick while pulling
Which is my chief contention.
Let's imitate the good old horse
And lead a life that's fitting
Just pull an honest load, and then
There'll be no time for kicking.

Have you heard Frenchie Chilicote's rendition of "Mule Train?" Believe me at 6:30 in the morning it is ear-splitting. . . . Les Redding has once again walked out with Ed Bangert's top coat. Come, come, Les, not when it is so cold outside. . . . What's this about Linda Werling having a round with a chair? It must have been a great fight, because Linda ended up on the floor. . . . It seems the "little old bug" got hold of Kenny Saalfrank and now he's engaged. Will the wedding bells be in the near future, Kenny? . . . We believe Dorothy McGowen needs something for nerves. She pours coffee and then spills it. For shame, Dorothy, and the price of coffee now. . . . Ruth Schmidt has her troubles. She brings foods rich in iron for her lunch only to have the jars break when heated. Wouldn't it be easier to take iron tablets, Ruth? . . . Second trick winding section wishes to welcome Carol Telschow and Lora Summers, and also Vilora Schnepp who returned from sick leave. . . . Levi Carpenter and Harry Bratton just returned from their third week's vacation. . . . Lola Brunner and Vera Hoover are studying home decorating. They can be seen pouring over ideas at most any time. . . . As the conversation got around to Chinese checkers, Lena Forker proceeded to explain that she still has all her marbles. . . . We wonder if Ernie Clark has been racing his motor. He reported a dead battery last week. . . . Any excess weight on John Collins is from the chicken he won. . . . Peggy Reynolds is practicing up on her housekeeping.

P. C. CHENOWETH RETIRES WITH 37 YEARS' SERVICE



P. C. Chenoweth

Pearl C. Chenoweth, FHP Div. 14, left yesterday for retirement after 37 years of service with General Electric.

Mr. Chenoweth first began his G-E career in 1912 as a punch press operator. Since that time he has been a shear operator, metal maker, and a set-up man. At the time of his retirement, he was a set-up man on punch presses at Taylor St.

We wanna know why. . . . Whitey Lieberenz bought an erector set for his little boy, but who has used it more than Whitey? . . . "Lucky" Earl Bartling won the football pool on Saturday's Army-Navy game. The rest of us get so tired of "just donatin' our money." . . . Carmella Raucci has been voted the fashion-plate of Bldg. 26-3. Everyday it's a different outfit.

About half of the men are flatterers, says a writer. The other half must he husbands

Corn S'talks

TAYLOR ST. SHIPPING

·Greetings from Ya Houdies. . . . Our little news-gatherer, Gloria Geesaman, has left our ranks to enter a new career over in Bldg. 4-6. We certainly miss her. Her last request was for someone to take over the column, sooo several of we girls are offering our services in keeping the column alive. . . . Sorry to say we have lots of bad news this week. First off Katy Richter and her husband were called home Wednesday as Katy's mother was quite ill. They arrived back Sunday with the good news her mother is greatly improved. . . . Next we are concerned over the continued illness of Mary Caruso. Hope to see her back shortly. . . . Mother of Hillis Colby was admitted to the St. Joseph Hospital for treatment. She is feeling much better and hopes to come home soon. . . . Glad to hear Mary Nelson's father is home again and well on the road to recovery. . . . Judy Connin, daughter of Delores, came home Sunday from the hospital. She's much better. . . . Seems all the bad news is like the old saying "every cloud has a silver lining" which is quite true in the above cases. . . . So perhaps 'tweren't so bad after all. . . . Please take note. Visit our section for canasta lessons. Alice Uffelman, Helen Reisscr, and Clarence Schaeffer are the experts. Every noon finds them engrossed in this new rage. . . . We are proud to have in our midst Maurice Petgen, who has recently been elected chairman of the MBA for the coming year for the Taylor St. offices. . . . Gregory Peck has certainly made himself a hero in the eyes of "Pearl" Waterman (nickname for Pat Waterman) ever since seeing the movie "The Great Sinner" Gregory is her main topic. . . . Bonnie Swain looks quite charming with her new look haircut. Hated to see those curly locks cut off tho'. . . . Little Helen Tarlton is leaving us this Friday. Hope she can be back soon. . . . You know the old saying "A good foundation is a good beginning"? Well Marge Gordon is thrilled. Work has commenced on the foundation of her new home. . . . What can be the cause of the sparkle in Barbara Reeb's eyes? We wonder Hmmm? . . . The scales out in the Packing section really takes a beating. Three little gals who worry about their weight are Jean Carroll, Barbara Reeb and Gladys Cleland. They get weighed both before and after lunch. That's watching it pretty closely don't you agree? . . . Gladys Cleland is leaving us for another division. Sure sorry to see her go as she is really loads of fun.

Courses Offered By Purdue Tech Are Announced

Winter term offerings of the Purdue Technical Institute beginning Dec. 12 were announced today by Dr. R. M. Bateman, district manager, with opening of pre-registration for the coming term. Continuing on an afternoon and evening schedule, the Technical Institute will offer certain courses of particular interest to industry and commercial businesses, as well as the regular required curriculum courses.

Four two-year programs of study are available in the Purdue University Center Technical Institute. These include: Building Construction Technology, Electrical Technology, Industrial Technology and Drafting and Mechanical Technology. Students can complete these courses on a part-time or full-time afternoon or evening program. Three 12-week terms are available during the school year.

Afternoon courses to be offered during the winter term are: Technical Drawing, Machine Drawing, Graphical Computations, Tool Design, Introductory Chemistry, Algebra, Review of English Grammar, English Composition, Psychology Applied to Industry, Building Materials, Quantity Survey, and Fundamentals of Industrial Production.

Evening courses are scheduled to include: Plan Reading, Architectural Drawing, Architectural Details, Specifications, Machine Drawing, Tool Design, Advanced Machine Drawing, Fundamentals of Mechanics, Dynamics, Industrial Materials and Processes, Math: Arithmetic, Algebra and Geometry, Trigonometry, Quality Control by Statistical Methods, Physics: Heat, Physics, Electricity, English Composition, Fundamentals of Practical Speaking, Personal Adjustment, Psychology Applied to Industry, Principles of Organization and Management, Operation Planning, Production Cost Analysis, Human Relations for Supervisors, Job Evaluation, D.C. Circuits and Machinery, Motion and Time Study, and Successful Salesmanship.

Additional information concerning registration procedures may be obtained by calling or writing Purdue University Center, Jefferson at Barr, Anthony 3171.

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Stamp Out TB



Buy Christmas Seals

Human Relations Is Topic Of Speaker At G-E Dinner For Foremen, Supervisors

"The only original contribution America has made to the world is mass production," stated Fred Smith, Vice President of the William Powell Valve Co., Cincinnati, O., in his address to members of the Foremen's Association and Supervisors' Club at their semi-annual dinner Wednesday evening in the G-E Club auditorium.

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G-E Squares Club To Hold Christmas Party Dec. 21

The G-E Squares Club will hold its annual Christmas party for children at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21, at the club rooms. The program will include comic movies, singing, and an appearance by Santa Claus.

Capacity Crowds Are Expected At Children's Christmas Party



Members of the G-E Club's entertainment committee are shown, above, attempting to mail a giant invitation to Santa Claus so that he will not forget to attend their "Kiddies' Christmas Party" Saturday, Dec. 17, in the G-E Club auditorium. Members of the committee are: (l. to r.) Gayle Griffith, Bill Glenn, Art Brockmeyer, Ken Michael, Joseph Gardt (kneeling), Glenn Seabold (kneeling), Ralph Heminger, chairman; Kenneth Redding, Buck Buchan (kneeling), Gordon Smith, Catherine Gardt, Belle Buchan, and John August. Joe Wyss and Mamie Allen were not present when this picture was taken.

Early ticket requests indicate capacity crowds again this year at the G-E Club's annual "Kiddies' Christmas Party" Saturday, Dec. 17.

The free tickets are available in the G-E Club basement, at the Taylor St. employment office, and from members of the entertainment committee.

A professional talent show is being booked for the party, which is staged each year for all G-E employees' children under 13 years of age. Performances will be given at 10 a.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 5 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

A limited number of tickets are available for each of the five performances. Adults do not require tickets for themselves, but are requested to attend only if they have children too small to attend alone. Because of the great demand, extra tickets should be returned and employees are urged to ask for tickets only for their own children.

Two acrobats, The Jumping Jupiters, have been booked for the show, which will also include a clown and a musical quartette

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Company Suspends Proposal

Willing To Resume Negotiations After NLRB Issues Ruling

In a recent statement to supervisors, the Company has outlined its position with respect to the conflicting claims of the UE and IUE-CIO as to which is the proper bargaining agent for employees covered by the UE-CIO contract.

Quoting from a letter sent by George H. Pfeif, Manager of Union Relations, to Joseph Dermody, of the UE, the statement said:

"As indicated in our meeting today, further study since the November 17 meeting of the legal problems involved has only confirmed the previous opinion of our counsel that the Company would

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VACATIONS, 1950

Salaried And Hourly Rated Employees

The Broadway and Taylor St. Plants will close Saturday, July 29, 1950, for two weeks for vacation purposes, reopening for usual operations on Monday, Aug. 14, 1950.

It is expected that this vacation shutdown will be as near 100 percent as possible.

Some employees will be required to work during the shutdown period as follows:

1. It will be necessary for some few employees to work in order to protect the plant.
2. It may be necessary for some operating divisions to maintain a small skeleton force.
3. It also may be found practical to utilize this shutdown period for the completion of some physical rearrangement of facilities or the accomplishment of some essential maintenance work that cannot be done effectively in the usual working periods.

In all cases, Division Heads will arrange for this work and will notify those employees who are needed to be present during the shutdown period as far in advance as possible.

In accordance with the vacation plan, employees entitled to a third week of vacation will schedule this week immediately before or after the shutdown period; however, by mutual agreement, the third week may be scheduled at some other time.

Those becoming eligible for vacation allowances after the shutdown period and who were absent during the shutdown will not be required to take additional time off but will receive full payment when they qualify.

C. S. Matson
Works Manager

Note: The above also applies to the Decatur Plant.

Members Of Plant Protection To Hear Talk By Inspector Of Detroit's Arson Squad

Roderick K. Goeriz, detective inspector of the Detroit Arson Squad, will speak at the Plant Protection division's winter banquet Tuesday night, Dec. 13 at 6 p.m. in Bldg. 16-2 cafeteria. The announcement was made today by E. M. Hanauer, G-E Fire Chief.

Annual Christmas Party At Decatur To Be Held Sunday

A program designed to delight every age group has been planned by the Decatur G-E Club for its annual Christmas party Sunday afternoon, Dec. 11.

The program, featuring Christmas music, plays and a movie, will be held in the Junior-Senior high school auditorium. The hour-long party will start at 3 p.m.

The Aeolian Choir and a piano duet will provide the musical portion of the program. The plays will include the story of the "Three Wise Men" and their visit to the manger-crib and a skit in which Santa Claus gets fooled by an impish mouse, who gets more in a little boy's Christmas stocking than Santa can.

A movie short, "A Tiny Child Dreams A Christmas Dream," will complete the program.

Company's First Drafting Class Commemorates 30th Anniversary

Ten members of the original General Electric drafting class gathered Saturday evening at the Hotel Van Orman to celebrate its 30th anniversary.

In attendance at the banquet were: Philip Current, E. F. Ginder, V. L. Gingher, Leroy Haifley, Harry B. Keller, O. L. Mensch, Paul Sutter, Charles P. Thompson, Walter Whonsettler, and Glenn McNutt. Mr. and Mrs. William J. Hockett were honored guests.

Harry Keller was elected president and Vern Gingher, secretary, during a short business session. Then the meeting was opened to a reviewing of old acquaintances and general reminiscing.

The class was started in December, 1919, just after World War I,

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TODAY IS DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS TO ELEX CLUB PARTY

Reservations for the Elex Club's annual Christmas party must be made today with contact girls. The party, which will feature the Harmonicats, will be held Thursday, Dec. 15, in two sections. The day girls will attend the program at 8 p.m., while the night girls' program will be at 12 midnight.

FORT WAYNE WORKS NEWS

Don Campbell ..... Editor

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Let The Suggestion Committee Be Your Year-Round Santa Claus

Throughout the year all of us get all kinds of demands to be something of a Santa Claus, with the pressure greater as Christmas approaches. We even look to outside sources to supplement our budgeted funds for Yuletide buying.

And yet our failure to "cash-in" on day-to-day ideas we have for suggestions on improving Company operations has us passing up a year-round Santa Claus—The General Electric Suggestion Committee. For turning in a suggestion, which might result in savings to the Company, could earn a check award from the committee. Last year eighteen thousand employees of the Company earned checks for their adopted suggestions.

There is no limit on the number of suggestions you can submit. Make yourself suggestion-conscious all through the year and be one of the many to get a slice of that Suggestion System pie.

TODAY is the day to turn in YOUR latest suggestion.



American Bible Society Seeks More Readers Of 'Best Seller'

While the Bible has long held place as "best seller," there is some question as to whether it is read with the frequency and regularity it deserves.

These few weeks preceding Christmas have been designated for world-wide encouragement of Bible reading, under national sponsorship of a laymen's committee, in cooperation with the American Bible Society and state and local societies.

This movement, now in its sixth year, was started as the result of an incident in World War II. A lonely Marine on Guadalcanal wrote to his mother, asking if she would send him a list of daily Bible readings, so that he might be reading the same verses each day that were being read back home. She told a Bible society secretary about the request—and as a result the idea grew rapidly.

The American Bible Society, founded in 1816, issues approximately 10,000,000 volumes annually, of which more than half go overseas. Through the years more than 385,000,000 copies of the Bible, in more than 275 languages and to more than 40 countries, have been distributed directly by the society.

Sunday, Dec. 11, has been fixed as "Universal Bible Sunday," marking the peak of encouragement of Bible reading, with many churches participating.

Here Is An Opportunity For You To Help Make Christmas Last

There is a little girl in the neighborhood who every Christmas begs her mother to let her stay up late so she can "hold on to Christmas."

All of us want to hold on to the good things of life, to make Christmas last.

And we can make Christmas last—not by holding back the clock but by doing a deed that will serve a good purpose the year round.

We perform such a deed when we buy and use Christmas Seals, the Seals which are sold once a year by the Tuberculosis Association of Allen County to raise funds to support its year-round program of tuberculosis prevention and control.

Christmas Seal funds make possible many worth-while projects in the county.

When we buy Christmas Seals we are performing a service for our neighbors and for ourselves, for we are helping to protect our community from tuberculosis. We are doing what the little girl tried to do. We are "holding on to Christmas."



TOOL BITS

BLDGS. 19-4&5

by Harry Travelbee

Lloyd Welbaum is the newly elected secretary-treasurer of the Wayne Rose Society. . . . Marion More is having difficulties locating his news boy. He's been without his Sunday paper three weeks in a row. We suggest contacting the bureau of missing persons if your paper boy doesn't show up next week. . . . Ren Getty and Red Doster have decided to leave the well drilling business to someone who doesn't have to drive four or five times or break off the pipe half way out. . . . Bill Jones left us last week to return to the Apprentice School. While in Bldg. 19-5, he acquired that proverbial habit of coming in the west Broadway gate every morning. So sure enough, Monday morning he walked in the gate toward Bldg. 19 with John Hensler, but as John asked him why he was coming back to Bldg. 19-5, Jones turned a lovely Christmas hue (red, that is) and made a reverse turn to Bldg. 12. Nice to have you back, Bill. . . . If Don Alcott doesn't stop bringing those combination onion and braunsweiger sandwiches to work, the boys are going to call him Little Ramsey. Maybe Don thinks those sandwiches will give him strength to crawl out from under his house where he has been working. . . . By the way, John Hensler, what has happened to your friendly pet squirrel that always met you in the park? We just wondered as we saw you giving away a handful of nuts to one of the boys in the lathe section. . . . We believe that Herb Thiele has missed his calling. He should be a salesman because he had John Roemer believing that Ren Getty, another party and himself got 14 rabbits last Saturday. However, Ren gave forth with the truth cuz he was unaware of the tall story. . . . The boys in the Bridgeport mill section think that Herb Thiele has Bing Crosby topped as a singer on at least his "Mule Train" rendition.

Information Clinic

QUESTION:

Why can't we purchase parallel circuit (110 volt) Christmas tree bubble-lites and strands at the Employees' Store? They are available at local dealers.

ANSWER:

Because of the very small demand that there has been for this type of bubble-lite, the store has not carried them in stock. However, these strands are available at discount to all employees and can be secured in a few days after the order is placed with the store clerk.

Human Relations

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Mr. Smith explained that in spite of the rapid development in this country of material wealth, "management became so involved in the things which they were creating that they had little time for the millions of creators—the workmen." Thus, he added, "the art of living began to lose pace with the standard of living."

The speaker attributed the industrial unrest as it is currently developing to the lessening of personal contract, personal knowledge, individual pride in the finished product, and personal security.

To combat these detriments to employee morale, he suggested that "the same management that has developed ways of eliminating the natural friction in high-speed machines must also learn to eliminate the friction of the human machine."

Mr. Smith then stated, "Industry must be the development of people, and the development of people depends upon accenting the individual."

In surveying the heights to which American industry and the American people can move together, Mr. Smith stated:

"We (in management) must come to the realization that while industry in the past may have been regarded as the 'management of things,' it must now be the development of people. Industry can best be built by the development of better people and in turn these better people will build better industry. We in management may dream and plan for bigger and better industry, but the realization of this dream and plan depends upon our making the employee believe that we earnestly and consistently practice good human relations, which is simply the art of togetherness."

Mr. Smith was introduced by L. C. Swager, Assistant to the Works Manager.

Ivan Rinehart, president of the Supervisors' Club, acted as chairman of the meeting and introduced Everett Lindeman, president of the Foremen's Association, and C. H. Matson, Fort Wayne Works Manager. Mr. Matson briefly reviewed business conditions of the past and presented an optimistic outlook for the coming year.

Apprentice BROADCAST

by MILDRED ELLIS



The fellows have decided that Bob Barnes and Jim Pugh missed their calling when they didn't become politicians. The way they present their arguments to each other is truly an art that shouldn't be wasted. . . . Some people get tired of eating the same kind of sandwiches week after week—but not John Clendenen because his wife likes to break the monotony by fixing little surprises for her husband. One day last week it was a bread sandwich! . . . Fremion and Bergman are feuding again. This time Wayne was kind enough to clean Harold's lighter—by dunking it in a glass of water, naturally Harold had to return the good deed. He fixed Wayne a very special mixture for his pipe by adding very small pieces of rubber bands to his tobacco. I wonder how they would treat each other if they weren't such good friends? . . . Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rowan had an exceptional wedding reception. The very fact that Joe decided to go double permanently is, in itself, an exception according to some of his friends. Everyone who attended had a very enjoyable time. It was like a reunion insofar as meeting friends one hadn't seen for some time. The wedding cake was indeed worthy of mention not because it was as big as a wash tub, or as tall as a man, but because of an exceptional design. It was made in the shape of a big cross with the chapel, Priest, bride and groom and candles in the center. The long way of the cross was representative of the church aisle with the bride and attendants in true fabric and colors coming up the aisle. The golden colors of the fall season really gave it a closing touch. An orchestra provided music and Skeets Lahrman got so carried away by the hypnotizing rhythm that he cleared the floor and with the guests forming a circle of silent amazement, he went into the traditional high dance of the Lahrman clan. The dance consists mainly of skipping and bobbing with plenty of high forward kicks. Since Skeets is getting older, he didn't climax the dance with the unusual trick of kicking both feet above his head at the same time as it is too hard on his back. Joe and Joan went to the Smoky Mountains on their honeymoon.

FHP Divisions Announce Three New Appointments



E. J. Vosburgh



R. J. Duras



J. B. Margerum

Eldon J. Voshurgh has been appointed Assistant Superintendent of FHP Div. 14, Taylor St., F. H. Campbell, Superintendent, announced recently. The appointment became effective Monday, Dec. 5.

A 1929 graduate of Tri-State College, Mr. Vosburgh has a BS degree in electrical engineering. He began his General Electric career in 1929 as an operations planner. He later became a methods tool planner.

In 1938, Mr. Vosburgh was appointed Supervisor of Planning and Wage Rates for FHP Motor Div. 15 and held that position until 1948. At that time he became Assistant Supervisor of Planning for the FHP Motor divisions, coordinating all manufacturing activities on the armament program.

Mr. Voshurgh is a member of the Squares and Supervisors' clubs. He is married, has one daughter, and they reside at 4721 Beaver Ave.

Robert J. Duras has been named Assistant Supervisor of General Planning with specific responsibility for Manufacturing Development projects, it was announced recently by W. K. Williams, FHP Manufacturing Engineer.

Mr. Duras is a 1941 graduate of Pennsylvania State College, with a BS in electrical engineering degree. He entered the Company's test and sales courses at Schenectady and then came to Fort Wayne in September of that year. In April, 1942, he was assigned to the FHP Motor Sales division, and several months later transferred to Kokomo as Supervisor of Test in the Motor and Generator division.

Returning to Fort Wayne in 1944, Mr. Duras then held the position of Assistant to the Supervisor of Inspection, FHP Motor divisions. On April 19, 1945, he became Supervisor of FHP Inspection. His next appointment, Supervisor of FHP Cost Reduction, was made in March, 1948. The following October he was made Supervisor of Cost Reduction and Expense Control, the position he held before his recent appointment.

He is a Professional Engineer, practising in the State of Indiana; a member of the AIEE, Fort Wayne G-E Engineers, Squares and Supervisors' clubs. Mr. Duras lives at 108 W. Masterson Ave.

Effective Monday, Dec. 5, John B. Margerum was appointed Supervisor of Cost Reduction and Expense Control for the Fractional Horsepower Motor Manufacturing divisions, it was announced by L. W. Kuttner, Assistant Manager of the Fractional Horsepower Motor Manufacturing divisions.

Mr. Margerum came to General Electric in 1942, following his graduation from Pennsylvania State College with a BS degree in industrial engineering. He was first assigned to the River Works on the test course, coming to Kokomo on test in 1943.

In December of that year, Mr. Margerum became head of test in the Motor-Generator division at the Kokomo plant. The following April he held a similar position in the FHP Motor division at Fort Wayne. He became Assistant to the Supervisor of FHP Test in January, 1945, and the next April went to Kokomo as Supervisor of FHP Test at that plant. He returned to Fort Wayne in November as Supervisor of FHP Test. Prior to his recent appointment, he was Assistant Supervisor of Inspection and Test, FHP Motor divisions.

Mr. Margerum is a Professional Engineer in the State of Indiana, a member of the Squares and Supervisors' clubs. He is married and has two boys. The Margerums reside at 1436 Taylor St.

War Films To Be Shown At DMM Meeting Dec. 19

The regular meeting of the Decimal Minute Men will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 19, in the Chamber of Commerce building. Uncensored war films will be shown as a part of the program.

Christmas Party

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featuring two marimba players, an organist, and an accordionist. Plans were being made this week to acquire two additional acts, which will be announced later.



THE JUMPING JUPITERS

G-E Men To Teach Classes At Purdue Tech Institute

Keith Ross, FHP Quality Control, Robert O. Brown, Supervisor of Accounting at the Winter St. Works, Claude M. Summers, Engineer, Works Laboratory, and Robert Bangert, Works Laboratory, will act as part time instructors in the Technical Institute at Purdue Center, during the winter semester starting Monday, Dec. 12.

Mr. Ross will teach Quality Control by Statistical Methods; Mr. Brown will teach Production Cost Analysis; Mr. Summers, Electronics, and Mr. Bangert, the study of Operation Planning.

Registration for the Technical Institute is being held this week at The Purdue Center, Jefferson and Barr.

12 SUGGESTORS ARE GIVEN LIGHTERS AS BONUS AWARDS

The following 12 employees were presented G-E monogramed cigarette lighters this week as bonus awards for submitting suggestions on which the regular awards were $10 or more:

Hugh Holthouse, Fred Engle, Charles Anderson, Cleon Oyer, Richard Graham, Gerald Kummer, Joseph Howard, Velma Sitcler, William Mills, Jesse Batchelder, Otto Borkenstein, and William Moltham.

The cigarette lighters have been awarded each week since Sept. 1 as a part of the Suggestion System Contest. Although the contest is over the lighters will continue to be presented to all those who submitted suggestions during the period from Sept. 1 to Nov. 15, on which the regular awards are $10 or more.

Engineering Conference Is Planned

Managers Of Engineering, Works Engineers To Hold Quarterly Meeting Here

A conference for Managers of Engineering and Works Engineers of the Apparatus Department will be held here next week under the direction of E. E. Johnson, Manager of Engineering, Large Apparatus divisions, and B. A. Case, Manager of Engineering, Small Apparatus divisions, both of the Apparatus Department.

The first session will be held Thursday, Dec. 15, at the Van Orman hotel. The day will be spent in conducting the regular business of the group and in discussing new engineering developments.

The meeting Friday will be devoted to a presentation of engineering developments by members of the Fort Wayne engineering divisions. This session will be held in the private dining room of Bldg. 16-2.

The two-day meeting is one of a series held every three months at various works in the Apparatus Department.

Christmas Seal funds are aiding 22 scientific research projects on tuberculosis.

Chamber Of Commerce Safety Committee Presents Ace Awards To Sonday, Liddy



Earl S. Ward, Executive Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, is shown, above, presenting Safety Ace Awards on behalf of the Chamber's Industrial Safety Committee to Edward F. Sonday, General Foreman in FHP Div. 15, and Loyal L. Liddy, Foreman in FHP Div. 13. The Safety Ace Awards are given each year by the committee in recognition of distinguished service to safety. The awards were made last week to 17 foremen from industrial plants in the city at the ninth annual Foremen's Safety Institute and banquet.

Production Supervisors, Assistants Attend Training Course Meeting Here



Members of the Apparatus Department's Production Supervisors and Assistants Training Course are shown, above, during one of their meetings here this week. Seated: (l. to r.) G. H. Metcalf, Schenectady; E. T. Dahlin, Fort Wayne; Robert Dewing, Lynn River, and G. K. Spannbauer, Schenectady. Standing: (l. to r.) P. C. Sevoian, Lynn River; M. A. Sorgen, Fort Wayne; T. R. Owens and Michael Cerwinka, both of Philadelphia; G. L. Glatz and J. G. Riechenberg, both of Schenectady.

The Fort Wayne Works was host this week at a meeting for members of the Apparatus Department's Production Supervisors and Assistants Training Course.

The conference opened Tuesday morning in the conference room of Bldg. 8-2 with a short welcoming talk by A. E. Leider, Production Manager of the Works Service division. A talk on stockkeeping by L. D. Platt completed the morning session.

Hartigan Addresses Group

R. M. Hartigan, Manager of the Fort Wayne Large Motor and Generator Manufacturing division, was the luncheon speaker.

The afternoon was spent in touring the Taylor St. plant, following a talk on inventory control by M. A. Sorgen.

The Wednesday session opened with a talk on billing by K. D. Strong, Production Manager of the Large Motor and Generator Manufacturing division. T. R. Dent then spoke on the subject of billing.

Matson Is Speaker

C. H. Matson, Manager of the Fort Wayne Works, was the speaker at the luncheon meeting.

G. D. White and F. E. West spoke during the afternoon session on the subject of ordering. The conference then closed following a tour of the Large Motor and Generator division.

E. T. Dahlin and M. A. Sorgen acted as co-chairman of the conference.

Fort Wayne Engineers, Guests To Hear Address By Dr. Neil Carothers

Members of the Fort Wayne Engineers' Club and their guests will hear a lecture by Dr. Neil Carothers, noted economist, at 8 p.m. Thursday night, Dec. 15, in the Civic Theatre.

The program is being presented as Ladies' Night and reservations are being made by mail.

On leave of absence as dean of the College of Business Administration at Lehigh University, Dr. Carothers has been conducting a series of lectures at various works throughout the General Electric Company during the past year. The lectures were presented here from November through January last year.

Dr. Carothers is a graduate of the University of Arkansas, Oxford University in England, and Princeton University, where he received his Ph.D. degree. He also was a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University. During the First World War, he was a captain in the U. S. Army attached to the General Staff.

A MacFarlane Professor of Economics, the dean has been an economic expert for the U. S. State Department, professor of economics at the University of Arkansas and Princeton University. He has written three books on finance and more than 40 articles on economic questions for national magazines.

Drafting Class

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when there was an acute shortage of draftsmen. Credited with the idea for starting the class are W. J. Hockett and H. A. Hartman, both now retired, and the late W. H. Crighton. These three men formed a committee, which interviewed over 200 applicants and selected 23 to start the class. Sixteen completed the course and were assigned to the different drafting sections within the Fort Wayne Works.

The following nine members of the graduating class are still employed by the Company:

Mr. Gingher and Mr. Mensch, Winter St. Works; Mr. Ginder and Mr. Thompson, Motor and Generator division; Ralph Valentine, Wendell Miller, and Mr. Keller, Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions; Mr. Whonsettler, Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, and Rufus Klopfenstein, Erie Works.

The seven, who are no longer with the Company, are:

Mr. Haifley, Tokheim; Mr. Sutter, New York Life; Mr. Current, Fort Wayne Tailoring Co.; Mr. McNutt, engineer of the Wabash Railroad, Peru; William Steinbacher, Briggs Beauty Ware, Detroit; Paul Hoffman, Western Electric, Chicago, and Col. Paul Wilson, U. S. Army Engineers, Albuquerque, N. M.

Puel Smith, now living in Cuyahoga Falls, O., and Louis Hyde, of the Westinghouse Co. in New Jersey were instructors of the class.

The next meeting of the group will be held in December, 1954.

Purdue Line Coach To Address Meeting Of Apprentice Alumni



JACK MOLLENKOPF
Purdue

Jack Mollenkopf, varsity line coach at Purdue University, will be the speaker at a banquet of the Apprentice Alumni Association Wednesday night, Dec. 14, in the Bldg. 16-2 cafeteria. The group will also hold its election of new officers.

Mr. Mollenkopf will show a motion picture film of one of the Purdue football games.

Mr. Mollenkopf compiled an outstanding record as head coach at Waite high school, Toledo, O., for the 11 years prior to joining the Boilermaker staff in 1947.

He graduated from Bowling Green University in 1931, after winning letters on the football squad as an end and on the baseball team as a catcher. He launched his coaching career at Rossford, O., high school, where he remained for four years, and then went to Waite high school as assistant coach in 1935.

After a year as assistant coach, he was named head coach and during his 11 year tenure compiled a record that won national recognition. In six out of his 11 years at Waite, his teams won the city championship, while three times they were recognized as the mythical state champions.

Tuberculosis kills at the rate of one person every 11 minutes.

Company Suspends

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be committing an unfair labor practice if, with this representation question pending before N.L.R.B., we consummated an agreement in accordance with our October 20 offer. Accordingly, we stated today that our firm position is that we must continue further suspension of the offer which, in accordance with our discussion at the last meeting, was placed in abeyance.

"We, of course, remain ready and willing to try to come to a final agreement, following further appropriate negotiations as to the subject matter of our offer, as soon as we have a clear determination by the proper authority as to those with whom we may properly enter into such an agreement."

The statement to supervisors continued, "We will—as we must—continue to recognize and deal with UE as the currently certified representative of our employees on matters which may properly be negotiated at this time, including the interpretation and administration of the present contract.

"When the new IUE wired 1,200 employers demanding recognition following the CIO convention, it was immediately evident that no such change could legally be made in most present collective bargaining arrangements unless and until the IUE could establish its claim—which normally requires certification by the N.L.R.B. Meanwhile, employers were obliged under the law to continue to deal under their existing contracts with UE.

"IUE then filed petitions with the National Labor Relations Board seeking company-wide elections at eight large electrical companies.

"The primary question—that as to representation at all locations—has now for some time been before the N.L.R.B. by reason of the petition filed by IUE. The question is simply one of choice by employees between IUE and UE, and then fresh certification to us as to who is the legal bargaining representative for each location.

"However, at some locations there is the additional question of two disputing groups. In some cases, each claims to be the elected UE representative with the rights under the UE contract.

"In other cases, it is reported or claimed that old UE officers have gone over to IUE and continue to claim representation rights as opposed to new UE officers.

"Under our contract and the law, we must continue to deal with the presently legally certified representative until and unless a new certification is received from N.L.R.B.

"To say that this gets a little complicated in a few places is putting it mildly. But the best information we can get, for our further guidance in the light of the newest developments, will be going out periodically to all managers so we can be sure we are fair and doing right to the greatest degree possible.

"Meanwhile, as employees, government and the two unions try to untangle the legal problems, let's all try to keep employees aware of the fact that things are apparently proceeding as fast as the law allows and that it's a good idea to keep calmly and productively at work in order to keep drawing pay."

Tales from Taylor

by Harry Porter

Willard Hull was invited to eat Thanksgiving dinner with the Joe Turleys. He was informed by Joe that he had better bring a clean apron along as he was expected to help with the preparation of the meal and also to help wash up the dishes afterward. Joe said that he was not going to tolerate anyone coming out to his place and eat his dog food without doing a little work. To make it strong he placed a can of dog food and a can opener on Bill's plate. . . . Kenny Applegate reports that he won another turkey so now he has two of them to eat. As you all know the first one he won was one that he himself was raffling off, but Kenny tells us that the second one was won fair and square as someone else held the stakes this time. Nevertheless all of the boys are still looking at him with sidelong glances, giving him the mule eye accompanied by a horse laugh. . . . Knowing that Mable Miller is very fond of the neck of any fowl, Frank Phillips brought her in one the day after Thanksgiving. Her son also brought in one for her, then she was presented with two chicken necks and two pieces of mince pie by some of her co-workers. She did not have much chance to chew the rag that day as she was too busy gnawing on fowl necks and gulping mince pie. Now, folks, please remember that if you have any necks from any kind of fowl left over from your Christmas feast and do not want them, just sack them up and deliver them to Mable.

Motor and Generator Static



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "Poverty is no disgrace, but it is confoundedly inconvenient."—Sydney Smith. . . . DAFFYNITIONS: Ventriloquism: Double talk. . . . Deceptionist: Gal who makes you like to hear that her boss isn't in. . . . Dime: Chip off the old buck. . . . Gentleman: Wolf with patience. . . . Bachelor: Man who never Mrs. . . . Biggest post-war let-down: Women's skirts. . . . Budget: Method of planned worrying. . . . Fur Coats: Things that keep women warm—and quiet. . . . SPECIAL INTEREST TO VETERANS: By a vote of 333 yeas to 14 nays, the House passed H. R. 6000, the Social Security Expansion Bill. Of particular importance to all veterans of World War II was a provision in the bill recommended by The American Legion to grant a wage credit to veterans of World War II of $160 per month for time spent in military service. . . . HORSEPLAY: The works bulletin boards now carry a safety poster advising that "horseplay sometimes backfires." Blair Bushong, hero of this tale, has playful moments when he gives vent to his energies with all the grace and finese of an overworked draft horse. Hence the term "horseplay." The other evening Betty Eisenacker drove into Brouwer's filling station to purchase some gas. "Bush" was standing on the corner and the sight of the rear bumper on Betty's car gave him an idea for horsing. He climbed on the bumper and began bouncing up and down rocking the car from radiator cap to tail light, meanwhile laughing at Betty's discomfort. Here is where the backfire began. Bush has a trick knee that folds on occasion and it chose that time as the occasion. Feeling it go, Mr. Bushong hopped off attempting to balance himself on the other foot and failing this ended up flat on his back with both feet up in the air. He called to Bud Fisher "Hey, Bud, come and pull my leg." After a considerable exchange of questions and answers that we are unable to print due to lack of space, Bud grasped the meaning of Bushong's request and gave the offending member a tug, restoring it to the proper alignment and then helped Blair to his feet. Mr. Bushong dusted himself, discovered that only his feelings and dignity were hurt and began to realize that horseplay like crime does not pay. . . . CHRISTMAS IS COMING: Since Burt Spencer's last trip to the dentist his favorite song is "All I Want for Christmas is My Two Front Teeth." . . . WHAT? Roscoe Markley the Czar of Roanoke, spent his third week of vacation putting the town in order for winter. "Yep" sez Mr. Markley, "got everything lined up, even got the fire plug repaired that our assistant chief broke off." "What, oh what," he continued, "would the town of Roanoke be without me?" . . . DON'T: This week might be called Homecoming Week, honoring James Mitchell, sage of Blue Lake who returned to work much improved in health after a three month leave of absence. He also returned with a story about Art Druce and Frank Rathert, Damon and Pythias of Motor Generator. According to Jim, neither of these boys will stand for the other getting the best of a deal. So it was only natural when Frank slipped ahead of Art and got a seat on the bus that Art should attempt to enter the doorway just as the operator was closing the door. According to Jim the door caught Art around the neck. Sez Mr. Mitchell, "This story has a moral — never stick out your neck for Frank Rathert." . . . WHY: W. R. David, one of the New York boys, has recently been seen eating breakfast at Clem's. Come on let us know the reason why?

Ramblings Bldg. 31-2

Homer Carson and Carl Hubartt, who recently graduated from Apprentice School, are now working in our M-G drafting room. . . . Bob Hickman is now reclining in a hospital after undergoing a major operation. Bob is getting along fine and is now on the road to recovery. . . . Whitney Moore, too, has been missing because of illness. We hope Whitney will soon be well enough to return to work. . . . Announcing the arrival of a 7 lb. 13 oz. baby girl at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bryan. The Bryans now have three girls. . . . Nyra Ruckman was recently chosen the best woman athlete at the YWCA. Congratulations to a "good sport." . . . Christmas is coming! This week-end the M-G girls from Bldg. 31-2 will be entertained at Christmas parties at the home of Gerry Schmidt. . . . Big plans are under way for a Christmas dinner and party for all in the AC and DC Engineering divisions. The dinner party will be held at the Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, Dec. 13. The committee in charge includes Minnie Ferguson for decorations, Ed Cwiklo for music, Ed DeCrappeo for entertainment, Dug Johnson for gifts, Bob Gillum for finances, Phil Potts for Master of Ceremonies, and Gerry Schmidt for dancing.

Safety Raiser

Ladies, do you have an electric mixer? It's a great little utensil for mixing cake dough, whipping cream, and fluffing potatoes (the old boy may use it sometimes for mixing drinks too). Do you realize that it can cause you a lot of grief if not handled safely. Don't use metal objects such as knives, forks, or spoons to work the mixture into the beaters. Use a rubber spatula. If the beaters do catch it, you at least won't wreck the works. Keep your fingers away from the rotating beaters. They can and have caused some pretty badly cut fingers and hands. Use your hand as a brake on the bowl as it revolves. A bowl can really get to turning if left to turn free and your bowl may fly all over the kitchen as my wife's did a few weeks ago. Besides buying a new bowl, we lost the potatoes.

Although tuberculosis kills more young people between 15 and 34 years of age than any other disease, it may strike at any age.

Honored At Retirement Party



lley L. Souder, Bldg. 17-3, retired last week after 20 years of service with General Electric. On her last day at work, her friends and co-workers honored her with a party and presented her several going-away gifts. Left to right in the picture are: Walter Kryder, Charles Rice, Bruce Rohn, Nellie Bellamy, Mrs. Souder, Laura Starner, Rosella Heche, and Margaret Swain.

Kathryn Landis Retires



Kathryn Landis, FHP Div. 17 at Taylor St., is shown making her final test before retiring last week. She has been an employee of General Electric since 1944.

Pick-Ups

Bldg. 26-3

By Elvira Romary

Hi gang: Here is a passing thought for the week: "Trifles make perfection, but perfection is no trifle." . . . A sad note to begin our news this week is the death of Warren Antoine's father. Our deepest sympathies to you, Warren. . . . A personal note to Max Kimble: Believe me, Max it would be cheaper to pay to park in a lot than to pay parking fines. . . . It seems Dick Kimball invited his father for Thanksgiving dinner which was a very nice gesture on Dick's part. Of course, when his father arrived he not only brought his appetite but also the storm windows for Dick's new house. Method in your madness, isn't there, Dick? . . . Peggy Reynolds is the little girl with the little curls. . . . Lola Brunner and Wanda Grimm are going on second trick. We will miss you, girls. . . . The girls are happy since Danny Ruielle came back to Bldg. 26-3. . . . Anyone wishing instructions on how to wind in your sleep see Lonnie Rockstroh. . . . Favorite Theme Songs: Garnett Currie, whose husband is leaving town is partial to "After You've Gone," and Betty Gates wishing she was in Florida is singing, "I Can Dream Can't I?" . . . Dorothy Donahue's husband had a serious operation and we all wish him a speedy recovery. . . . Bethal Heersche just celebrated her birthday and now claims it will be her last one. Now, we all think that is as good as admitting you're getting old. How about it, Bethal? . . . Doris Rinehold is part time "boss lady" again, and the title has Lavonna Porter shaking in her boots. . . . Has anyone noticed Carolyne White's dreamier than dream eyes? That lucky girl. . . . John Collins' downstairs neighbors have been complaining about John's heavy shoes making so much noise, so John bought a pair of house slippers so the neighbors could go on snoozing in the morning. . . . We wonder what the rest of the details are on Whitey Lieberenz's proposed Sadie Hawkins' Day race for Bldg. 26-3 single girls. We are still waiting for the rules, Whitey. . . . Don Sheperd returned from vacation last Monday looking sooo rested while Frenchie Chilicote looks sooo tired. (He is waiting to go on vacation.) Have a good time, Frenchie. . . . Anyone desiring lessons on how to hula see Lonnie Rockstroh. Last Saturday Elex made a tour to Indianapolis to Sonja Henie and during Miss Henie's hula number Lonnie was dancing as hard as anyone of the ice show cast. Got it down pat now, Lonnie? . . . The second trick is falling below par on their contributions for the column or may be nothing ever happens on second trick. How about it? . . . See you all next week.

Partizan Chapter To Hold Christmas Party Dec. 20

The Partizan Chapter of the Elex Club will hold its annual Christmas party Tuesday, Dec. 20, at the Gas Institute Kitchen at 1:30 p.m. There will be a 50-cent gift exchange.

Martha Kruse, Nual McVay, Hilda Martin, and Bertha Mattes have charge of arrangements for the program.



ALL RIGHT IF THAT'S THE WAY YOU WANT IT: Just keep the news to yourself and you won't have to bother or take time out reading it. After all it's your WORKS NEWS. The last couple of months you were doing swell but last week everyone must have been eating alum or something you were all puckered up like a pumpkin. Come on now let's all get together on this thing and pass the good word along, won't you? We are asking you with a great big please and all that their kind of stuff. . . . WANTS TO BE A REFEREE: Robert (Fatty) Morris, says he has been watching Virgil Howell and all he has to do as referee is to lie down on tbe floor and see that both ends are touching at tbe same time. For this he gets five dollars an hour. Fatty says he can do it just as good as Virgil. What we want to know Bob is can you take it when they throw you out into the middle row somewhere? . . . ROW D AND E: Wimpy Lemper, why do you insist on parking that Drof (Ford) in the "D" row when you belong in the "C" row? Don't you know when you get a new car you move up a notch. . . . ABSENT EMPLOYEES: Due to illness or operations are Walter Englebrecht, Fred Ramsier, Lloyd Cowell, Amel Beck, Kermit Aglar and John Bailey. Hope to see you all back very soon, fellows. . . . DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS: David Bastian, Romie Baumgartner, Donald Eaton, Richard Hensler, Carl Junk, William Leimenstoll, Dewey Parkison, John Powner, Frank Woodward, Lawrence Walters, Carl Williams, Gertrude Edwards. And do not forget folks it's also the "Christ Child's" please give Him your heart, full of love, won't you? . . . THAT BENNY GUY: Jack, that is, got a G-E blanket just for doing the same thing we did about a G-E ironer. How do you like that? We'll do it like our boss says. Put it in the follow up file and see what bappens. . . . BELATED BIRTHDAY GREETINGS: To Al Swift who celebrated his birthday Monday. Al's birthday is in June. The custom in the Wire Production Office is to give out candy on your born day. This Al has been promising to do ever since June. Finally Friday be won another check pool. Just to make Al's promise good we decided to help him. We used this money to buy candy, boy, was it ever good. After waiting all tbat time it should be.

Insulation News

There are lots of new faces around the Mica and Insulation Section these days. Alma Vorndran and Walter Gallmeir are welcome additions to Bldg. 12-B. . . . Joe Taylor, who is a newcomer to Bldg. 12, is the same Joe Taylor wbo leads the Indiana Redbirds in those Friday night square dances at the G-E Club. . . . Vera Pontius, Robert Mosshammer and Vern Davis are also on our welcome list. . . . We all hope Agnes Ryan is recovering quickly from her accident and we're looking forward to seeing her back with us soon. . . . Josephine Balsamo lost a bet to Bill Glenn to the tune of 50 cents. That'll teach you to underestimate Bill's social achievements, eh Jo? . . . I've got great news for the gals in Bldg. 12-3. Dorotby Baumgartner finally polished off the last of tbat 36 lb. Thanksgiving turkey last week. Sbe says it was a tough fight, but sbe won. Better cross your fingers, though, girls. Dorothy says they sometimes have turkey for Christmas, too. If you let us know in time, Dot, the rest of us won't have to buy one for Christmas. We'll just help you eat yours. . . . Here's a tip to you people selling Christmas dance tickets. For a quick sale—just see Bill Glenn. . . . Bill Hattendorf is back again after being off with a serious eye infection. Most fellows don't have any excuse for winking at girls, but Bill has a foolproof one. He claims it's good exercise for his eye. Sounds good, anyhow. . . . You should hear Russell Flaugh give his imitation of a hunting trip. You just don't know whether to recommend him to a talent scout or a psychiatrist.

Receives Retirement Gifts



A group of friends and co-workers assembled recently to pay their respects to Johannah B. Braun, who retired Monday, Dec. 1. She was presented with a purse from her fellow workers in Div. 20, and an electric mantel clock and a bottle of cologne from her friends in Bldg. 4-6. Mrs. Braun was a matron at the time of her retirement. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Golda Rodich, Carl Stienbacker, her foreman; Elva Shaffer, Mrs. Braun, Elmer Hart, Ophelia Thornhill, Minnie Cashion, and Edna Mowery.

Corn S'talks

TAYLOR ST. SHIPPING

Yippee—another Friday has arrived, the best day of the week—so sit back in your easy chair and read the latest dope on your colleagues. . . . We welcome Phylis Clifton back into our little circle. Upon her arrival Monday morning she was informed by Mr. Blackburn that one of the new jobs of HIS secretary was to bring in cake every Monday morning. . . . If people don't call a halt to having birthdays and leaving, the whole office force will be on diets for the candy is being passed every day. . . . Three of our gals, Hillis Colby, Paula Howard and Jo Franklin, went traipsing down to Indianapolis over last week-end. Naturally soon as they arrived they had to eat. (Boy what money we mortals could save without the expensive habit of eating.) After gorging themselves they went Christmas shopping, all this exercise made them hungry so they indulged again then went to see the Sonja Henie show and found it "Sooooo lovely." Early Sunday morning found them stumbling into Fort Wayne glad to be home. . . . Fred Wheeler returned from his well earned vacation at Mt. Carmel, Ill., full of pep and excited about his many activities. He enjoyed quail and rabbit hunting and best of all helping his brother-in-law train six fine horses for racing. So don't get horsey with Fred for he knows how to handle nags. . . . Take notice of these popular men!!! First Fred Wheeler gets candy bars and now Mr. Kruekeberg finds a big red apple on his desk. . . . Wonder who the mystery person is? ? ?

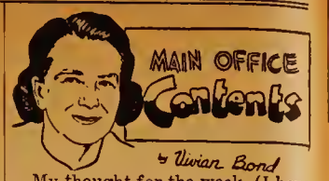
Casanova touch!!!
You know a spot here and tbere
Is Russ Carpenter's bair. . . .

His barber was so excited over the Notre Dame game Saturday he chopped Russ' hair so badly he now is nigh sporting a crew-cut. . . . Monday is prayer meeting time for Edith Robertson. Monday noon we found her in front of the Cafeteria on her knees—slipped in grease. Then upon her return to the office she knocked Mr. Kruekeberg's telephone on the floor. "Fer hevven's sake." . . . Poor Jo Franklin had a misfortune also. She started to sit down and her chair took a notion to move—alas! Jo found herself sitting on the floor with a dumbfounded look on her face wondering what hoppened. . . . Several girls (Grace Taylor, Jean Carroll, Gloria Geesaman, Mary Nelson, Marge Gordon and Sally Ford) feted Helen Tarlton's departure with a delicious dinner at the English Terrace. Helen wore a lovely corsage of pink carnations. She received many gifts from the office. Her "Thank You" is sent to all. . . . Glad to see Mary Caruso back once more and all excited about her new niece. . . . We have three gamblers and all are lucky. Jack Angel and Al Meyer really played their hearts out in last week's basketball game with the Accounting team. Seems they bet and won after a valiant struggle. . . . Our other man of chance is Doc Potter. Every week-end finds him pondering over his many football tickets. A week ago he nearly won $100 but as you guessed he didn't play his hunches and won only $9 instead. What a let down.

The late Emily P. Sissell, founder of the Christmas Seal Sale in this country, was honored in 1942 by the National Tuberculosis Association with the award of the Trudeau Medal for distinguished service to the anti-tuberculosis movement.



Wilbur Jones borrowed a tap from Ralph Solt last week but didn't specify whether he wanted a right hand tap. Naturally he had some difficulty getting the left hand tap started in the piece he was trying to tap. . . . Dewey Erne has joined the late arrivals club of which Jess Batchelder is president due to his consistancy. Jess usually fails to make it on the morning after the "Jolly Boys" meet. Last week he arrived on time, but in his rushing to make it on time he forgot his keys and couldn't get in his tool box all day. . . . Bill Johnson gets in the absentminded class this week by ringing his clock card one noon, putting it in the box and starting for the cloak room when someone yelled at him and asked where he was going. . . . When "Look" magazine ran that article about Fort Wayne being two years behind in styles they were not talking about John Leiendecker because he came in to work the other day with one of those plaid flannel shirts with the distinct colors of the rainbow. Very flashy, John. . . . Arnold Engle was bemoaning the fact that he missed out on some delightful ham sandwiches the other night. All the fellows were sorry he was so interested in his work that he failed to get in on the free lunch. . . . Ozzie Nahrwold was in a phone conversation the other day and several of the fellows started watching him measure with his fingers several different sizes. Maybe you should tell us about the new television attachments on the phone so we can all use them. . . . Anyone wishing to purchase a midget racer can get first hand information from Gurney Lindley about a capable driver after his recent trip to Kokomo as a passenger in his own car. . . . Cris Delagrange has been off due to illness for several days, but we hope he will be okay by the time you read this.



My thought for the week, (I hope you will find time in your hustle and bustle over your shopping worry to read it)—

IF YOU WERE BUSY

If you were busy being kind,
Before you knew it, you would find
You'd soon forget to think 'twas true
That someone was unkind to you.
If you were busy being glad,
And cheering people who were sad,
Although your heart might acbe a bit,
You'd soon forget to notice it.
If you were busy being good,
And doing just the best you could,
You'd be so busy you'd forget
The blunders of the folks you've met.
If you were busy being right,
You'd find yourself too busy quite
To criticize your neighbor long
Because he's busy being wrong.

Isn't it so? I hope that I will be able to remember this thought—for I am sure life would be better for us all if we did. By the bye—Mary Occleston, who recently retired, gave me this poem before she left, and I like it! . . . Many G-E employees enjoyed the Sonja Henie Ice Revue in Indianapolis—this past week-end, along with a good many Elex members, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Fritz and Mildred Whitmer with her party, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Whitmer, Mrs. Robert Bell and son Jimmy and Mrs. Clarence Schafer were the ones who have reported a wonderful show and trip. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wylie accompanied the latter's father, Rev. Dutcher, to Chicago where he left for Clearwater, Fla. to spend the winter. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Clark enjoyed a very pleasant vacation in the Smoky Mountains.

Peter Speelman Visits Bldg. 18-1

Peter Speelman, who formerly served as a G-E guard and retired 10 years ago, visited in Bldg. 18-1 on Monday. In his conversation he told that he has a monitor top refrigerator which has been in continuous use for 19 years and he has not even had to replace the rubber gasket. Right now a little adjustment is needed—nothing serious. That may not be the record but Commercial division please note! It was nice to see Mr. Speelman again. . . . Lena Provine recently left for St. Petersburg, Fla. to spend the winter. Word has been received that she had a very pleasant drive down. . . . Wanted! An engagement book for P. O. Noble who recently retired. He was just one week early for a luncheon last Monday. Oh well, the restaurant is a good place to eat and meet old friends. . . . Chester Kowalski's little daughter is much improved from her recent illness and is home from the hospital. . . . Isn't it a blessing that this shopping frenzie only comes but once a year?

Canadian Bounty



Ralph VanOsdale, Bldg. 18, and a party of friends recently completed a successful hunting trip to Canada. The hunters shot two deer and one bear during the expedition. The men are shown, above, with their catch of the year. Left to right are: Wilfred Valentine, Clifford Lawrence (kneeling), and Mr. VanOsdale.

Local Divisions Present Exhibit At Exposition In Atlantic City



The G-E exhibit is shown above at the All-Industry Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Exposition in Convention Hall at Atlantic City, N. J.

The Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions, the Small and Medium Motor divisions, and the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions presented an exhibit at the sixth All-Industry Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Exposition.

Approximately 12,000 persons attended the exposition, which was held during the week of Nov. 14 at Convention Hall in Atlantic City, N. J.

The G-E exhibit was designed to stress the Company's commercial theme of standardization, complete line, and engineering service. The Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions' display included standard general-purpose KC motors, unit-bearing motors, and motors for hermetically-scaled refrigerators.

The new FHP unit-bearing motor was featured in a unique octagon shaped island display. A chrome-plated motor revolved vertically and horizontally on a chrome-plated shaft under a plastic bubble. This display was effective as an attention-getter. It received favorable comments from many visitors to the exhibit, including President Charles E. Wilson.

The Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions exhibited a line of special refrigerator transformers. These make it possible to use standard refrigerators on 50 cycle and odd voltage circuits, such as those encountered in foreign countries and various parts of our nation. These transformers are popular because they provide an easy and economical solution to the problem of adapting standard equipment to special voltage and frequency conditions.

The exhibit enabled refrigeration and air conditioning manufacturers to inspect the G-E products applicable to their needs. The bulletin bar was very popular with many prospective customers requesting additional printed information regarding the units displayed.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Bob Bunyan

Rudy Jackson is also known now as a lone ranger of the west. . . . That new cap that Fred Menncwisch is wearing seems to have brought some poor service with it. The boys request you wear the old one, Fred. . . . Charlie Kaiser is getting pretty mad at some of the fellows. It seems they are taking him for a quarter every time the Pistons play. Charlie thinks they should draw different numbers. . . . Shorty Gratts was in the past week to see the fellows. He said he was trying to get that cheap chisler Nick Penick to come across with those bottles. What do you say, Nick? Going to pay up, huh? . . . We all wonder why Don George doesn't take a WORKS NEWS home anymore. Guess we will have to put him on the mailing list. . . . Some of the fellows wish Jim Stauffer would wear a red shirt instead of that tan sweater. It seems to blend in with the scenery so well that you can't see him coming. . . . A group of boys from the west end held a little bowling party Saturday which consisted of Quinn, Frantz, Akers, Burkamp, odd man Benzinger, Woberking, Knuth and Farrel. It wasn't such a bad idea either to get away from all this Christmas shopping with their wives. . . . The only complaint I heard from Paul Noffze after returning from his week of vacation was that his shoes just didn't fit after Don Huffman had worn them for a week. . . . I understand John Laymon took last Monday off to take a refresher course of the law. Some of John's close friends had offered him the tools to handle the situation but he didn't feel a saw or file would be necessary. . . . It must be getting noisy in here. Sam Rhoads has been wearing cotton in his ears for about three weeks. . . . Freeman Rohlfing got quite a surprise the other day when he found a list of household furnishings on his desk. It seems one of the girls had listed all her needs to furnish her home and had left the list on Freeman's desk. Christmas being so near, his first thought probably was his wife had telephoned them in. . . . Footsie Crum might take that new dog of his out to Fred Wellingsick's for some first class dog training. I hear Fred has taught his to bring in the paper. Maybe one of these days he will bring in the bacon, you hope. . . . Fred Theime was quite worried Monday about an unusual explosion-like sound he heard Sunday night. I'll bet he never thought to look at those tires on his Ford.

Keegan Dies

Edwin A. Keegan, 76, 509 W. Washington Blvd., died at 5:20 p.m. Tuesday after being struck by a pickup truck at Wayne and Ewing Sts.

Mr. Keegan was first employed at General Electric in 1916 as Assistant Supervisor of Order and Stocks. He retired on April 29, 1938.



By Marie LaMons

Everything happens to Florence Casey, especially last Friday morning. First she overslept, so she called a cab so as not to be too late for work. Next she couldn't find her billfold and had to call the office for someone to bring money out to the gatehouse to pay the cab driver when she arrived. Finally she made it at nine o'clock. . . . Doyal White and A. E. Leider along with Mrs. Gfell and the General Stores gang were on hand last week to bid fond adieu to Ed Gfell who retired after 23 years with the Company. Mr. Leider, on behalf of the gang, presented Mrs. Gfell with a gardenia corsage and to Ed a power saw, electric razor and a midget sander. Drop around once in awhile, Ed, and say hello to the gang—the welcome mat is always out. . . . Our congratulations to Cecil Rose who recently celebrated his 30th anniversary with the Company. . . . Lloyd Platt, Kenneth Redding and, of all people "Butch" Vegalues have joined the gang that plays Canasta every noon hour in the Library. Don Campbell is beginning to wonder whether it's a library or a dispensary for persons having been bitten by the Canasta bug. . . . They say you learn something new every day. Last week a few others and myself learned what a live oyster in the shell looks like. When Faye Jordan returned from a recent trip to Baltimore she brought a bushel of oysters home with her. Herb Jesse showed us the fine art of eating raw oysters. He says they're fine, but as for me—well, I'm not so sure. . . . Have you all noticed that "fire engine" red car that Al McCullough has been driving? Maybe I'm speaking out of turn, but we'd like to know why he tried to keep his new car a secret for four months. Al, you should know by this time that you just can't keep a secret from that grinding room gang. . . . Problem of the week: How many inches in a gross yard? For the correct answer, ask Chris Reiz. Chris figured it out the hard way. When Herb Jesse couldn't get the answer by calling the public library, Chris took matters into his own hands and went out to the warehouse and measured a roll of tape which contained a gross yard and found the answer to be 5,184 inches. He says he knows everything or else where and how to find the answer. It isn't every office which has a genius. Aren't we the lucky ones?



Birthday greetings for the week go to Lawrence Chesterman, Bob Morris, and Dorothy Jensen. . . . Charles Faulstick has a new hobby. It is making wagons for Christmas and keys for a pastime. He spent hours making a garage key. After he got home, he found his regular key where he always keeps it. . . . As Henry Vance, our fireman, went to use a fire extinquisher recently for some reason he couldn't. Could it have been the fireman or maybe the extinguisher was broken. . . . Welcome, Jan Crismore to the floor from Bldg. 4-1. . . . Wanted a grafter, to put the tail feathers back in Daisy Balyeat's bird. As she was cleaning the cage, the bird flew out of her hand and then she had a tail-less bird. . . . Ralph McCain is on the road to recovery. The co-workers wish you a speedy recovery, Ralph.

Tuberculosis takes the lives of more young adults than any other disease.

Wife Is Guest Of G-E At Retirement



Edward J. Gfell (left) shows his wife one of the duties he has performed during the time he has worked with the Company in the Oil House. Mrs. Gfell visited him at his work during the retirement party which was given for him last week. Mr. Gfell retired Thursday, Dec. 1, after 23 years of service. In the picture, watching him fill the oil drum are: (l. to r.) A. E. Leider, Mrs. Gfell, and G. D. White.



From the looks of the downtown streets last Saturday, a lot of us are in the same boat. We didn't start our shopping early enough. . . . We have had all kinds of tales and stories, but did you hear about the one told by George Soule and the thick fog of last week? The fog was so thick, the rabbits held hands across the road so that they wouldn't get lost. . . . Of course, Harold Kiel had to come up with one better. He and his pappy started the roof on the barn. When the fog lifted they had the roof extending 10 feet beyond the barn. (I give up and so do the tall story guys.) . . . Did you notice Walter Kryder's new footsies savers? He's not taking any chances of getting his feet hurt in the final stretch of the "no accident year," so he got some new safety shoes. . . . Luella Masson can't keep track of her husband these days. He has been on three different shifts in one week. . . . Leona Hollis dropped a bucket on her dog's toes, so she picked him up and sang, "Don't Cry, Joe." Latest reports are that Joe feels better. . . . Thelma Oswald was really having a time getting a dozen of eggs home. They were all cracked by the time she got home, so she made noodles. . . . It seems as though Fred Gruntz's feet would get cold. He was seen downtown Saturday with his hat and overcoat on, but no shoes. Be sure and keep your socks on, Freddie. . . . Our "We Wish You Happiness" mat is out for Martha Rice, who says "I do" tomorrow. . . . It's a happy birthday to Thelma Oswald and Velma Seibt. . . . Some of the girls went to see Erma Landes and report that she is improving. Also that Pauline Gnau is coming right along. Hope you're back soon. . . . LaVern Ferguson and Gertrude Martin have been paying the dentist a visit, so all they want for Christmas is "My Two Front Teeth." . . . Lilly Shock was lucky at winning. She bought Leona Hollis a Hershey bar to keep her from getting hungry. . . . Alice Brockmeyer's husband was shopping for Santa Claus faces. He thought he had purchased two, but when he got home one was an empty box. . . . We were glad to see Lola McCague, Fern Wagner and Floetta Zartman last week. They came in for the farewell potluck for Iley Souder. Floetta still has her finger well bandaged. Hope she too can report back to work real soon. . . . Violet Brower was really busy the day of the potluck. She was seen carrying a clean fork, not having time to make use of it. . . . Marcille Thomas is busy getting her doghouse ready. She is getting a black cocker spaniel puppy. . . . Mary Foster still thinks it gets early in the morning. The other day she needed toothpicks to keep her peepers open. . . . Gloria Woodland is a proud auntie. She has a new nephew. . . . Our sincerest sympathy to Stella Kempf in the death of her brother, also to Heddy Harrison in the death of her aunt.

The 1949 Christmas Seal, designed by Herbert Meyers, young art student of Leonia, N. J., won first prize in a contest sponsored by the Society of Illustrators in art schools throughout the country.

Retires With 44 Years' Service



Bessie Chapman is shown, above, receiving several retirement gifts from her co-workers in Bldg. 26-4. She was presented the gifts, a ring, purse and a U. S. savings bond, at one of the farewell parties given in her honor. Miss Chapman left the Company Monday, Dec. 1, after 44 years of service, estimated to be the longest of any other woman employee in the General Electric Company. Left to right in the photograph are: (front row) Carrie Green, Nora Corburn, Miss Chapman, Emil Schurenberg, and Bernice Kratzsch; (back row) Paul Koogle, Paul Peterson, and Walter T. McDougall.



We hear that Harry Berry had a good time over the week-end. He moved into his new home. If you want any more help, Harry, just say the word. We also hear that he is a good painter too. . . . Say, Ed Boedeker, why don't you brush up on your 500 game and stop that hard work you do over the week-end? . . . Pondo says he had a good week-end of bowling. That boy Pondo just doesn't give up! . . . Anyone having a card party from now on better serve a lunch or Martha Scherzinger won't patronize it. It seems the lunch at a recent card party she attended—consisted of two pieces of hard candy for four people. Kathryn Hepker didn't have her pocket knife along so they couldn't even split it. Since they all had so much manners they all starved. Lorinda Byerlein won the table prize, a pin. I forgot to ask her if it was a safety or straight one! . . . Speaking of the absent-minded professor, Esther Pape may soon have that title. She drank a coke in an uptown drug store the other day but instead of taking her check up to the cashier she handed her the coke bottle. . . . Esther has a friend who did her one better though. She was standing in front of the elevator at one of the downtown stores with an umbrella up waiting for a streetcar! . . . We all envy Eleanor Whitehousc. She certainly is tops in bowling. She has been rolling around 500 or better for three games. . . . Boy how I would love to have a dress knit by Bea Davis. She is a beautiful knitter and she loves to do it too! . . . Merle Keesler has been trying to get his wife to put a fifth of rum in her Christmas fruit cake. What is the matter Merle can't you take it straight? . . . In about a year Harold Dalman expects to be known as the "big hog-man". He says he expects to have bigger and better hogs than Ralph Hare ever raised. . . . We think Carl Metker is doing a fine job as garbage collector. . . . Wonder who will get the first ride on Rudy Zelt's sled this year? . . . Things were calm and quiet while Louie Barrows was on nights last week. He has caught up on his sleep so he is back on days again! . . . A speedy recovery to Cora Rice who has been a patient at the Lutheran Hospital but will be at her home near Yoder when you read this. We also hope that Beulah Briner will soon be off our sick list. . . . We also want to welcome the following people to Div. 1. Some are new and some have worked with us before—anyway we wish you all stay a long time—Richard Horn, Robert Frederick, Robert Donahue, Calvin Listenberger, Dorothy Hoffman, Dorothy Duff, Lorena Hahn, Joseph Adam, Wayne Dibert, James Monroe, Edward Green, William Bray, Hollis Mee, Geneva Moody, Midlred Clevenger, Lillian Kidder, Orlena Shaw, and Wayne Boester. . . . Jay Michal could sing the song "All I want for Christmas is a new set of teeth" and really mean it! . . . Birthday greetings to Wilma Pfierman. . . . It seems there was a mix-up on "hats" the other day—I guess we will have to start labeling them. Ed Robbin was in such a hurry to get home the other night that he just grabbed a hat and out he went. When Andy Borduer got ready to go home, after working the second shift, he couldn't find his hat but there was one there but it wasn't his. Here Ed had taken Andy's by mistake and didn't know it until he got back the next morning! . . . Willard Smith is on his third week's tion this week. He is fishing for "cisco"! I never heard of that brand of fish before, did you? It seems that they live in very deep water and only come out the first part of December and they are caught off the top of the water with nets. It is a white fish and very rich eating. There, if you already knew about cisco fish you didn't learn anything new but if you didn't—you know now!

Big Game Hunters



Ceneva Worden, Bldg. 4-3, and her husband, Kenneth, shot this bear and eight-point buck during their recent hunting trip to Massey, Canada. Mr. Worden killed the deer when they were out in the woods without a guide. The Wordens plan to make a rug from the bearskin, and gloves and billfolds out of the deerskin.

Metals Group To Hear Talk By Machining Expert Dec. 19

Dr. M. Eugene Merchant, Senior Research Physicist for the Cincinnati Milling Machine Co., will address the local chapter of the American Society for Metals Monday evening, Dec. 19, at the Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce.

The speaker will discuss "The Physics of Machining," with emphasis on the happening during the process of chip formation with respect to tool materials, work materials, and cutting fluids. The effects of tool form and tool material, the role played by the various physical properties of the work material, and the action of cutting fluids will be explained.

Dr. Merchant completed his undergraduate work in mechanical engineering at the University of Vermont and received his Doctor of Science degree from the University of Cincinnati in 1941, under a cooperative fellowship sponsored by the Cincinnati Milling Machine Co. He has been employed by the sponsoring Company in conducting basic research on metal cutting, cutting fluids, friction, and lubrication.

All persons interested in machinability are invited to attend this session, which will begin at 8 p.m.



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LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Fountain pen with a silver top and name J. B. Creer on it.

FOR SALE

MAN'S OVERCOAT—Dark blue, size 38-40, very good condition. H-26094.

DRESSER—Genuine walnut dining room suite; Horton washer, 3 years old; Model T front axle; make offer. A-7194 between 8-5.

TRAL-LAR THREE-WAY PORTABLE RADIO—With batteries, $19.96; Taylor Tot, $5; Men's tubular Ice skates, size 9, $4; men's figure Ice skates, size 10½, $12. 802 Grace Ave. or H-66466.

CHILD'S MEDIUM SIZE SOLID OAK ROLL-TOP DESK—And chair. 3221 Dinnen or H-24513.

ZENITH CONSOLE RADIO — Push-button, tone control. H-76703.

C-E SAFETY SHOES—Size 10; high-top laced hunting boots, size 12; Army officers short coat size 38-40. H-37649.

WOOD LATHE—Dunlap, 38" with 9" swing and Craftsman cutting tools, like new. Six ft. cross-cut saw. 3108 S. Calhoun.

HICH-CHAIR—Child's table and chair set; doll bed; Admiral automatic record changer. A-69974.

MAN'S ROLLER SHOE SKATES—Size 9, $7; Gym Shoes, Keds, size 8, $3, good condition. A-70122.

CHRISTMAS TREES—75 cents to $2. 1729 Howell St.

TWENTY STEEL TRAPS—A-58622.

SIZE 6 ROLLER SKATE SHOES—And case. E-37691.

THREE-LAMP INCANDESCENT KITCHEN FIXTURE—Columbia City 260J.

STEELCRAFT PEDAL AUTO—39" long, two sleds; side arm gas water heater and 30 gal. tank; boy's three piece coat set, size 4-6. H-68952.

BOY'S LIGHT BLUE SUIT—Also tan short coat, both size 16, like new, both $8. 3616 S. Lafayette St. or H-70322.

GIRL'S WHITE ICE SKATES—Like new, size 6, were $18 new, will sell for $8. 10111½ Hanna or A-26901.

KRANICH & BACH PLAYER PIANO—And about 100 rolls, reasonable; 1940 15-tube RCA Victor radio-phonograph. 3102 Taylor or E-36762 after 4 p.m. or all day Sat. and Sun.

GIRL'S BICYCLE—Schwinn, full size; ice skates, black shoe, size 3. H-8996.

SILVER FOX FUR COAT—Size 12, ¾ length, very good condition, $40. H-79603.

LADIES' BICYCLE—$10; Belbert Baby buggy with pad, $5; portable electric phonograph, $20. 3629 Plaza Dr. H-01962.

C-E SWEEPER—$5. H-35872.

WANTED

G-E FAMILY WITH TWO SMALL CHILDREN—Not over 6 years of age, and home with large fireplace, for a picture to be used in the Christmas issue of the WORKS NEWS. Phone Extension 441.

GOOD HOME FOR SPAYED FEMALE COLLIE—2511½ Fox.

USED TOY CASH REGISTER—Also large doll buggy. A-76442.

BOY'S ICE SKATES—Size 7½, must be in good condition. H-17585.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS TWO RIDERS—Dale Grigsby, coming from Columbia City on routes 9 and 14 or 30. Works in Bldg. 26-2 from 8-5:15. Extension 342.

WANTS RIDE—Dorothy McCoy, from Lincolndale Ave., route 30, west. Works for Lloyd Platt, Bldg. 8-I, from 8-5:15. Ext. 389.

WANTS RIDE—Ruth Hine, from ¼ mi. west of route 24 and 1 mi. north of route 114. Works for T. F. Bain, Bldg. 4-3, from 7-3:30. Extension 428.

WANTS RIDE—Harold Robbins, from 11 mi. south of Columbia City on state road 9. Works at Broadway from 7-3:30 for Ed Glusenkamp, Bldg. 4-2. Extension 2272.

WANTS RIDE—Mildred Hartman, from Tillman and Wayne Trace roads. Works in Bldg. 18-6 from 8-6:16. Ext. 2221.

Letting someone else do your thinking is just thoughtlessness.



Even though Ross Strodel's bi-focals are new, we think he should get them checked just one more time. The other day during a conversation with Ross, Hugh Neely flicked the ashes off his cigar. Ross thinking he was looking out the window said "My gosh, look at it snow." (The sun had just gone behind a cloud.) . . . Louise Sinn had her chance of a lifetime to get a man last week. The story goes she was out in the barn helping her brother-in-law and it was about 6 p.m. so he told her to go to the house and see if supper was ready. As Louise was going to the house she passed a man as he was going into the garage. She thought it was her nephew but when she walked to the house she saw her nephew, so it couldn't have been him going into the garage. Louise ran back to the barn to tell about the strange man roaming around but when they went to look for him he was gone. Don't give up so easy, Louise, maybe he'll come back and remember, men are hard to find. . . . Kathryn Chilcote was disappointed one day last week. She wore a new blouse to work and it was noon before anyone noticed it. . . . If you want to know why Janice Sollberger takes her own tooth picks into the cafeteria, ask her. I'm going to start carrying my own too. . . . Kenny Brown went to town last Friday on some very urgent business and wanted to go back on Monday but stayed here at work and sweated it out. . . . Everything is almost back to normal in the winding section as Ralph Keller has returned from his vacation and Jackie is in a better mood. In fact she's all smiles and very natural too. . . . Laura Gerber went to bed early one night. After sleeping what she thought was all night she woke up and looked at the clock. The hands were straight up and down, so she got out of bed, got ready for work, went down to the kitchen to cook breakfast when she looked at the clock and it was only 11:30, so back to a cold bed she went. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Dick Graham, they have a new boss at their house—a boy—born the first day of December, and Dick was so sure it would be in November. . . . Walter Colchin has taken up a new hobby. He is the Chief Engineer on the train displayed in a local shoe store window. The train belongs to his son, but as he is in college he is unable to see that the train keeps running, so he turned the job over to his dad. Walt says his evenings are tied up from now until Christmas. . . . Ruth Cavender went to Indianapolis to attend the Ice Revue last week-end—no comments. . . . What is Sarah Moore doing riding in trucks? She was telling Clarabelle Castle and Gladys Mosshammer Pannazin that you sure can see a lot of sights when the cars go by. Clarabelle is a little worried as we hear she does quite a bit of traveling between here and Columbia City. . . . Last Monday Dale Ross was in such a hurry to ring out and go to dinner that she lost her shoe. . . . Clyde Boyce went hunting last Saturday for the first time in 15 years. Monday morning his arm was black and blue. He did OK though. Clyde and two of his buddies got 14 rabbits and almost a pheasant. . . . Red Yant brought his wife home from the hospital and she is doing fine. . . . What happened to Bob Hull last Monday morning or does he come to work at noon. . . . Cliff Balyeat is back on days again, says his bowling team needs him and can't work nights. . . . Herb Kurtz drives to Everett Lake every evening to see if the bay has frozen over and is solid enough to do a little ice fishing. . . . Welcome to the new punch press gang from Bldg. 17-1. Eric, this makes your family a little larger. . . . We're glad to see Pat Perry back to work after her recent illness. . . . Congratulations to Kathryn Landis, who retired last week. . . . Welcome to Helen Lantz, who was transferred from Bldg. 16. Hope you'll like it here. . . . Richard Templeton has been confined to the St. Joe hospital and from the latest reports he is getting along fine. . . . Don Niles is back to work after his recent illness. . . . Charlie Penn and Ducky Drake had a real workout while trying to fill Don's shoes.



Betty Ulrich, who formerly worked at G-E, has a new son, named James Edward. Dr. and Mrs. H. W. Garton are the proud grandparents. . . . Imo Jean Schwartz had a big day Dec. 2. It was her birthday, and celebrated with presents, candles, n'everything. Best wishes for many more happy birthdays. . . . At the recent "Harvest of Champions" Barber Shop quartet program at the Civic Theater, there were quite a few members of the medical section who enjoyed the show. . . . Veda Orff was visiting in Fort Wayne last week. She has made fine progress in her recovery. Now she is beginning to talk seriously about reporting back on duty. . . . Have you noticed amidst the decorations and shoppers a strange excitement that seems to be universal at this season of the year? Is it contagious? Will I, too be a victim?

Epidemic

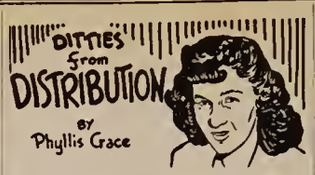
There's a microbe most infectious
There's contagion in the air
That with the speed of lightning
Is spreading everywhere.
Men and women—children
All in a single day
To the ravage of that onslaught
Fall a helpless prey.
A smiling lip transmits it.
A handclasp brings it on.
It's in the evening sunset
And in the star-lit dawn.
The whole world's fallen victim
To this malady most dear
For there is no immunization
'Gainst the germ of Christmas Cheer.

(Mary D. Hudgins)

HI-Spots

OF BUILDING 4-2

We wish to welcome to Bldg. 4-2 from Div. 19 the following people. Barbara Yingling, Miriam Valentine, Mary Gerhard, Betty Sue Morris and last but not least is E. P. Tickel. All are associated with the cost section. Hope they like their new home. Of course, the problem of getting settled and the troubles of moving will soon be over. . . . Birthdays—yes we have some—Guyla Davison, Carl Stadleman; the girls gave him a cake with some candles on it and then proceeded to eat most of it themselves, very delicious (Oh yes! I got my share). Helen Hardy celebrates her birthday during the entire month of December—guess it must pay off. . . . Ray Lepper in the tool room really has his troubles since he moved out into the country. Even though he has been around here a long time it would appear that the Lindley Ave. parking lot is a total mystery to him. Hope he doesn't get lost trying to find Fort Wayne when journeying to and from LaOtto. . . . Joe Trentadue is taking his vacation next week so he can practice the gentle art of baby sitting. . . . We wish that if you have any news for the paper that you would give it to your foreman so that we can get it into print, surely there is something going on in the factory besides hard work. Don't let us down, get into print, it doesn't cost anything.



SHIPPING: The big CRASH hit shipping on Monday morning! No it wasn't another stock market crash. This time it was Barbara Meyers making a lovely three point landing under her desk. These new fangled chairs are sure hard to manipulate. . . . Ah Yuletide! Gee the way some of our people come back from down town at lunch time, all loaded down with packages one can hardly recognize them behind those gay wrappings. We did discover Rose Mary Flener peeking out from behind a huge box containing a huge dolly for her little daughter. . . . TELEGRAPH: Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Blake announce the arrival of a brand new kitten at the Blake residence. Congratulations. . . . We're still waiting for the peanut butter fudge that Gladys Hadley has promised us. Come, come, Gladys. . . . What will Kitty Cooper do Saturdays now that the Notre Dame football games are over. Dolores Widner is having the same trouble deciding what to do about Saturday afternoons now that the Purdue games are over. Chin up, gals, basketball is here. . . . Telegraph girls can hardly wait till that first big snow, cause they are going caroling and sleigh riding and best of all Helene Schlund is going to treat them all to a nice pipin' hot bowl of chili after the ride. Now all the gals need is a good contact with the weatherman so he can swing a little influence their way, or should we say swing a little snow their way. . . . Belated birthday wishes to Lloyd Stevens. The cake was delicious. . . . MAILING: The old wedding bells will be ringing merrily Saturday, Dec. 10, for Ray Schribner and his bride-to-be Doris Brunson. Best of luck to both you and Doris, Ray. . . . The most popular sport in mailing section is flying. Frank Hopper, Carl Click, Kenny Beck, and Ruth Roth took a flight to South Bend Saturday. Frank was pilot, Carl was navigator, and Kenny and Ruth were back seat drivers. They left Fort Wayne at 8:30 a.m. ate breakfast in South Bend at 9:15 a.m., and landed in Fort Wayne about 10:30 a.m. Wow what a trip, they all enjoyed it though. Official report read as follows: Damage—none. Comments to the pilot—KEEP THE LANDING GEAR DOWN WHILE LANDING. . . . RECEIVING, Bldg. 6-1—Some people have the strangest hobbies. Now some people collect guns, pipes, stamps, or old coins, but not Bill Degitz. Bill collects old tin cans or old oil drums. If you're interested in buying one the price is 50 cents for very old and very rusty drums, all other cans are priced according to size and age. Well, like we said some people have strange hobbies. . . . Charley Strong, the pride of Churubusco, is boiling mad. Yep, his blamed well went dry, and Charley says it's all on account of that pumping going on in Fulks lake in pursuit of that elusive monster, Oscar. Now you all know Oscar, Charley thinks he has a good case against that there turtle.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT IN YOUR NORMAL DAILY LIFE BRINGS YOU THE MOST ENJOYMENT?



CORA ASIES
Bldg. 19-2

"In my normal daily life I get the most enjoyment from my home, family, and three-year-old grandson. There is never a dull moment."



CLELLAH CHRISTMAN
Bldg. 26-4

"I enjoy the friendship of the people I work around and meeting new friends."



GEORGE M. ENGLAND
Taylor St.

"Our evening devotions when we can call our family around us; and after reading from the Bible, to bow and thank God for His past blessings and petition Him for future care."



JEANNE GRANT
Bldg. 18-4

"The most enjoyment that I get out of my daily life is to appreciate and understand music. Every evening the one thing that is most relaxing is to listen to soft music or to play music to fit the mood. It helps a lot."



BOB BOLINGER
Decatur Plant

"The most enjoyment of my daily life is coming home after work and relaxing with my wife and two boys, and also a night out now and then."



SICK, SICK AND THEN REALLY SICK—H. P. Love was very sick last week when he had to put anti-freeze in his radiator. Why? Because his radiator is of a 28 quart capacity and it cost almost a fortune. That isn't all though, when he heard that Harvey Von Gunten had a radiator of 22 quart capacity and C. M. Leitch a 15-quart radiator, he was really sick. He gave up and almost cried when he heard that Roby had only a 6-quart radiator. Why don't you buy a 12 cylinder with a radiator of 32 quarts capacity, Hank? It wouldn't make you any **sicker.** . . . GOOD TRICK IF YOU CAN DO IT—Why has Bill Manecke got a half gallon fruit jar under the hood of his car? He says it is to catch the overflowing anti-freeze. Why don't you tell Ernie Hicks about it, Bill? He is losing his anti-freeze like mad and doesn't even know where it is going. . . . WHAT EXCUSE WILL WE HEAR NEXT?—Shorty Poyser told us that the only reason he hasn't hit any rabbits this year is because someone (who, he didn't say) bent the barrel on his 20 gauge shotgun. That tops them all, Shorty. . . . MYSTERIOUS PUZZLE — Bob Knepple is still puzzled how, after taking five shots at a rabbit, hitting it five times (he says) the rabbit didn't die. What did you do, Bob? Outrun it and club it to death? . . . CHANCE OF A LIFETIME—Now's your chance to get even with that suspected character, Walter Jeremia Brake. Within the past year, various people have been receiving (shall we say clever) birthday cards from "strangely-named" women, and Walter has been suspected every time. Let's all get even with him. Happy birthday to Walter Brake next Friday, Dec. 16. . . . GOOD AND BAD NEWS—Jerry Jehender's youngest boy had an appendectomy operation Tuesday, Nov. 29, and is recovering quickly. The only bad thing about it is that Jerry forgot that it also was his own wedding anniversary. . . . CONGRATS—Happy birthday to Hugh Stevenson and Marge Murphy Dec. 5 and to Jim Capps, Dec. 11. Also to Joan Cormany Dec. 5. . . . WELCOME—We welcome Harry Nevert, a new test engineer in the DC division. He will be working with Bob Loveland's group. Also welcome to Ozzie Lacerte in the DC division. Ozzie will join Ted Ross's group. We hope you both will like us. We are just one big happy family. . . . FAREWELL TO A SWELL GAL—A dinner party was held Thursday Dec. 8 at the Works Restaurant in honor of Phyllis Faulkner, who is leaving to take up her duties as a full time housewife. . . . SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY—What's this we hear about Tony Schneble motoring to Buffalo, N. Y. over the week-end to see this certain gal. Was it to renew old memories? . . . TRAVELING THREESOME—Phil Hines, Ramona Ireland and Jean Pappert (formerly of Bldg. 4-6) were among those who attended the Sonja Henie Ice Revue. Also Dorthy Brubaker, of the AC division, Jackie Bowers, and Gloria Openlander and Marge Murphy. . . . KNITTEN NICKERSON—If anyone gets wrapped up in their work, just call on Art Nickerson. He was seen helping Nadeen Junk untangle her knitting yarn and seemed to be very good at it. . . . FLASH!—Last Tuesday afternoon Lois Tritch, of Payroll, came back to work looking very happy. It didn't take too long until someone noticed the beautiful diamond on her hand. The lucky man is Wilbur Wilson, a student at Indiana University. . . . BOWLERS SUBERB—Two "hot" bowlers were still wondering why they didn't make a 200 count. Thelma Barbeau made a score of 190 and Betty Garber a total of 195 for one game. Why didn't you try a little harder, girls? . . .

Witham Completes 30 Years With G-E



Clifford M. Witham, FHP Div. 14 at Taylor St., completed 30 years' service with General Electric Thursday, Dec. 1. In the picture, Mr. Witham is shown receiving a congratulatory letter from Superintendent F. H. Campbell, of FHP Div. 14. Left to right are: L. D. Hodel, Manager of FHP Manufacturing; Mr. Witham, Carl Reiter, Mr. Campbell, and William Skevington.



How are you and the battle of the Christmas shopping coming along? We're hoping you are winning for time is slipping away fast and before you know it that wonderful day will be here so, better hurry. . . . Jackie Bowers says dogs make the best calendar subjects but Steve Kelker says girls are much prettier. To date no decision has been reached but Mr. Hartman brought Jackie a "pin-up-man" to put on the wall beside her desk. Now she won't comment. . . . Howard "Lucky" Brooks taught a few of the boys the rugged art of poker playing to win last Friday night. Some people have all the luck but word has it, Mike Lowe sure doesn't. . . . Since Dick Seidel's dog is doing a little better, he can't decide whether to get a new dog or not. Hold out a little longer, Dick, maybe Santa will be good to you. . . . Santa stopped early at Mel Allen's house and left a new Pontiac. Wish Santa was as generous to the rest of us. . . . The Rembrandt of the dinner pail, namely Kenny Gillenwater says that he is no painter. Everyone heartily agrees with that statement. However, if he would have lived during the days of the Revolution, he would have made Paul Revere look like he was standing still when it come to spreading the news. The Associated Press has missed a good bet. . . . The bowling team from Bldg. 17-4 is still in second position in their league. They still aren't good enough to go around the girls' team, which is in first position. Last Friday the boys lost two games to a low average team. There are good excuses for the losses, however. Roger Crabill, the lead-off man, was heckled to death by his old pal, Berghoff. Ralph Thomas was bothered by pins in the gutters. Don Kruse was getting splits from bad pin spotting. Al Middaugh was always saving for the next game and Ned Neuman was up to usual form (bad). The team bowls the girls next week and they all claim they are saving up for them. . . . Frank Magers didn't tackle a lion. He got those scratches on his legs hunting! . . . Don't forget, Gang, there is only a short time left before Christmas and even a shorter time before our Christmas party. Be sure and get your tickets early. We're hoping to see the whole gang there to have a wonderful holiday get-together.

Fractional Facts

TAYLOR ST. OFFICE

By Alice Nichens

If you want a hot tip on any of the football games, see Jack Langdon—that boy can't lose. He has won all bets so far, but some haven't been too easy to collect. Ted Hicks came through with a dinner, but Joe Hartman is sometimes a little reluctant to release that currency. Jack finds it necessary to send Martha Zuber as his personal representative to gently remind him that he is carrying around money that no longer belongs to him and there is no point in wearing himself out with all that extra weight in his pockets and to pay up or else! . . . In a few weeks if Ed Martin's luck holds, he'll be a wealthy man. He has won the check pool for the fourth week now. The rest are just donatin' their dime. . . . If Earl Mills knew what he was doing when he asks Evelyn Arnold to bring him a Tango bar, he probably would change his brand. When Evelyn hears that word, the rhythm of the tango grips her and tango she does all the way to the candy wagon and back. Couldn't you please ask her to bring you something that didn't require such strenuous exercise? — Kathryn Pfister thought she would have to carry home one shoe the other day, but Dick Morgan came to her rescue and stapled her shoe back together. Why take your shoes to a repair shop, just bring them to Dick, he will be only too happy to make minor repairs. . . . Marie Drewett was presented with a gift at a farewell dinner Wednesday. She and her husband are moving to Chicago. Whenever you feel lonesome, Marie, don't hesitate to ask us all up. . . . Welcome back to Mildred Quackenbush. It's nice having you around again. . . . We'll miss Phyllis Cliffton who has transferred to the Shipping Section. . . . It looks as though Guy Chambers has decided to settle down for awhile. His assignment is now in Central Planning. . . . Saw this in the December issue of the Ladies Home Journal—"December 1899—A flat of five rooms may be furnished comfortably for $250. This allows $25 for dining room furnishing, $35 for the living room." At today's prices we might be a little uncomfortable in five rooms furnished with $250.



Chuck Campbell's conservative nature got the best of him one day last week. A local service station called up to remind him that he forgot to sign the check that he had cashed there. . . . We wonder how it feels to be awakened from a perfect slumber just to be asked for permission to hunt on your property? We may be able to find out by asking (Steve) Stephens if he'll tell us, that is. . . . Erven Huth doesn't hunt with a gun like most people do. He runs the poor little animals down with that Kaiser of his. By the way, if you see any squirrels lying along the highway, just bring them in to Erv. He has a big freezer to keep them in. . . . We'd like to congratulate Gilbert Hilt on his good fortune. He struck oil last week. . . . Congratulations to Slim Fuller on the arrival of a new son, Tim. . . . Al Hans and a fellow from the Shipping Section went out to Charlie Hartman's to coon hunt. After waiting about an hour for Charlie to dress and decide whetber to take his dog or his horse on the hunt, he finally decided to take the dog. Al drove to a cross road and let the other fellows out and then went on for about eight miles to wait for them. About 3 a.m., with Al asleep on a bale of hay in the truck, the hunters finally came. This is the story they tell. The dog picked up a scent and took the boys a merry chase through water and weeds and they became separated and both got lost. When they finally did find the dog the tables had turned completely cuz the coon had the dog treed. Say, Charlie, maybe it would have been a better idea to have taken the horse instead of the dog. . . . For short cuts in the finer arts of housekeeping, see Slim Fuller. . . . Whitie Van Auken was on a vacation last week and says he was sick from Tuesday on. He thinks he should get another week and really have a vacation. . . . We hope to see all of you at the office Christmas party tomorrow night.

G-E Club Scores 44-23 Victory Over Farnsworth

The G-E Industrial Basketball team racked up its third win Tuesday with a 44-23 victory over Farnsworth.

The defensive play of the G-E Club, led by Bob Baals and Jim Walley, held Farnsworth to four points in the first half while the Club's sharpshooters gathered 23. Dick Bucher and Lou Goehring took scoring honors with 11 and nine points, respectively.

The G-E Club now has a record of three wins and one defeat in league play.

Monday night, Dec. 5, the Industrials defeated the St. Joe AC five, 41-36, in a close game at the G-E Club gym. Lou Gochring led the scoring attack, with 16 points, while the St. Joe scoring was well divided.

The G-E Club will play the First Methodist Church team Monday, Dec. 12, at the Club gym, starting at 8 p.m. They will play two league games at the Central high school gym next week. The first will be Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 8:15 p.m. against Salisbury Axle; and they will face Inca Thursday, Dec. 15, at 7:30 p.m.

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Bucher	5	1	11
Walley	3	1	7
Goehring	4	1	9
Gettys	2	1	5
Baals	2	0	4
Trabel	0	1	1
Lindholm	0	0	0
Zimmerlee	2	1	5
Hower	1	0	2
Totals	19	6	44

Farnsworth	G.	F.	T.
Springer	0	0	0
Giesman	2	4	8
Wehrer	0	0	0
Stirnkorb	4	1	9
Clark	1	2	4
Mechan	0	0	0
DeVille	0	0	0
Barille	0	0	0
Savio	0	0	0
Dasher	1	0	2
Totals	8	7	23

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Walley	1	1	3
Zimmerlee	0	1	1
Bucher	4	2	10
Trabel	1	0	2
Goehring	7	2	16
Lindholm	0	0	0
Baals	1	1	3
Lahrman	1	0	2
Gettys	1	2	4
Hower	0	0	0
Total	16	9	41

St. Joe	G.	F.	T.
Spitler	3	0	6
Voirol	2	2	6
George	0	1	1
Blackborn	1	0	2
Harshberger	3	0	6
Knuth	2	0	4
Lano	1	0	2
Hartman	0	0	0
Dentzer	1	2	4
Pierce	1	0	2
Farrell	1	1	3
Totals	15	6	36



The Broadtails, of the Interdivision League, continue to lead the league and are now out in front by three full games. Bill Ort, of the Broadtails, had the evening's only 600, a 613 on games of 213, 214, and 186.

Two hundred scores were few and far between. Sam Baumgartner got 242; Adam Farrell, 203; Murry Johnson, 216; Erv France, 209; Vic Rump, 200; Bill Nickerson, 209; Hal Fanning, 203; Erv Haugk, 203; Clarence Rump, 203 and Noah Kuntz, 207.

G-E Masonic League

The Fellowcraft team remains the leader by three games.

Two hundred scores of the evening were rolled by: May, 203 and 203; Martz, 202; Braden, 207; Hinrichs, 211, and Cox, 222.

Mixed Doubles Tournament

Ceal Romary and Don Pappert, getting plenty of wood, won the first Mixed Doubles Tournament of the year. Ceal got a three game series of 571 and Don, a series of 594 total. Both got 200 games of 209 for Ceal and 217 for Don. Their scores handicap or actual would probably win nine out of 10 tournaments.

Having only 21 entries in the tournament, we were plenty disappointed in the tournout. We hope to hold another before the season is over.

The prize list is as follows:

	Actual	Handi.	Total	Prize
Ceal Romary—Don Pappert	1165	150	1315	$13.00
V. Crowell—Lee Crowell	1051	210	1261	8.00
R. Suelzer—Whitey Suelzer	1079	165	1244	6.50
Liz Shearer—Paul Perry	1088	156	1244	6.50
Mary Hyman—John Stark	1016	201	1217	5.00
Betty Puff—Carl Brandt	1026	189	1215	5.00
Vivian Fleckenstein & R. Fleckenstein	1061	147	1208	1.00

High series of the tournament were rolled by Whitey Suelzer, a 612 for the men, and Ceal Romary, 571, to lead the women. Bill Miller got a 238 to lead the men in the single games. V. Crowell led the women with a 219 single game.

Keghead won no money. He had the right partner but he gave her no help, as she beat him out on three games total. Here's hoping we have a better turnout for the next mixed doubles tournament.

Pick up your prize money at the G-E Club alleys.

Transformer League

Teams M and Watts are tied for first place in the League standings with 16 wins and 8 losses. Bells are close behind with a 14 and 10 talley.

Lieberenz led the 200 games with a 216. Meeker got 205 and Smith, 212.

Monday Night Ladies' League

Vivian Fleckstein howled the high series Monday night on games of 179, 170, and 151 for a total of an even 500.

Bertha McCague waxed hot with a 211 game. Other high games were kegled by Ruth Koeneman, 195; Dorothy Fuhs, 182; Mary Weidman; 181, and Esther Muzzillo, 172.

Office League

Erv Aumann with games of 242, 226 and 235 shot the high series of the year at the G-E Club alleys, a rousing 703 total. Erv's 703 beat out Don Waldrop's previous high of 674. Don also rolls in the Office League.

Erv's games helped the Standardizing crew subdue the Designers and boost their league lead to four full games.

Other 200 scores were rolled by Forrie Carlson, 225; Ife Holmes, 218; Don Waldrop, 217; John Root, 212; Bill Piercy, 206 and 210; Warren "Brownie" Brown, 202, and Paul Perry, 201.

Dope by Dopey

Erv Aumann's 703 now heads the men's high three game total. Bess Potts' 580 head the women, with Don Waldrop, 268, and Ethel Koontz, 232, leading the high single game division.

Paul Perry, after Saturday night's debacle, a 98, had plenty of fans in his gallery Monday night. Maybe a better word would be hecklers.

Decatur Bowling

G-E FRATERNAL LEAGUE: Prebles AC's won two from the league-leading Teeple Truck team and now trail the leaders by only two games. Moose No. 7 jumped into third place by winning all three from the Elks. K of C won two from G-E Club to keep the club in the cellar.

C. Leonard rolled a 626 series. Two hundred games were made by Bultemeier, 235; L. Hoffman, 226; Shackley, 217; Laurent, 202; Schneider, 200; Belt, 201; and Macklin, 209.

MONDAY NIGHT LEAGUE: Office took two from the Flanges, who still lead the league by three full games. Stators copped three from the Inspectors.

Two hundred scores were kegled by Koos, 212; Shoaf, 207; August, 232, and Laurent, 200.

CEAL ROMARY, DON PAPPERT ARE CHAMPS OF MIXED DOUBLES BOWLING TOURNAMENT



Ceal Romary, Bldg. 8-2, and Don Pappert, Bldg. 6-2, are shown, above, recapitulating their winning scores for the G-E Club's Mixed Doubles Bowling Tournament, held Saturday, Dec. 3, at the G-E Club alleys. They walked off with the first place on games of 181, 181, and 209 for a 571 for Miss Romary, and games of 217, 187 and 190 to gain a 594 total for Mr. Pappert. With handicap, their total pins were 1,315.

Aumann Bowls 703 Series To Take Lead



Erv Aumann, Bldg. 31-2, bowled a 703 series to take the lead in the high series division at the G-E Club. A member of the Standardizing team in the Office League, Mr. Aumann kegled games of 242, 226, and 235 to get the first 700 series at the G-E Club alleys in several years.



Last Thursday evening, Dec. 1, the Firemen defeated the Accounting basketball team, 28-23. The winners jumped out to a substantial lead in the first quarter and never lost ground.

Small Motors had a tough time, but finally beat down a stubborn Squares team to win 23-20. Transformer had just a little too much for the Traffic men and trouneed them, 53-26, in an Interdivision League game Monday, Dec. 5.

Tuesday night, Dec. 6, the Firemen topped the Squares, 37 to 29. The Accounting team bounced back after their last week's loss and topped Winter St., 34-25. C. Raney led the scoring with 14 points.

STANDINGS

	W	L
Small Motors	2	0
Transformer	3	1
Firemen	3	1
Traffic	2	1
Accounting	2	1
Winter St.	1	2
Squares	1	3
Apprentice School	0	2
Test Engineers	0	3

Accounting	G.	F.	T.
Kuttner	1	0	2
N. Raney	0	0	0
Harris	2	3	7
Edington	2	3	7
Mossberg	0	1	1
Meyers	1	0	2
Grimmer	0	0	0
S. Raney	1	0	2
Fry	0	0	0
Girod	1	0	2
Total	8	7	23

Firemen	G.	F.	T.
Somers	1	0	2
Penkel	2	1	5
Blauvelt	3	3	9
Morkoetter	2	2	6
Etter	0	6	6
Angel	0	0	0
Holmes	0	2	2
Boise	0	0	0
Meyers	3	2	8
Total	11	16	38

Sm. Motors	G.	F.	T.
Richardson	0	0	0
Keister	1	0	2
Voors	2	1	5
Wickliffe	1	0	2
Slack	2	0	4
Schinbeckler	1	1	3
Rosswurm	2	1	5
Neu	0	2	2
Total	9	5	23

Squares	G.	F.	T.
Antalis	1	0	2
Reynolds	1	0	2
Brattne	2	0	4
Emling	5	2	12
Johnson	0	0	0
Hamilton	0	0	0
Totals	9	2	20

Transformer	G.	F.	T.
Wehrle	4	0	8
Jamison	1	2	4
Woodward	4	3	11
Taylor	6	1	13
King	5	1	11
Bradmiller	2	0	4
Felger	1	0	2
Total	23	7	53

Traffic	G.	F.	T.
Rice	1	0	2
Lenz	4	0	8
Saunders	2	0	4
Hall	1	0	2
Betley	1	0	2
Howell	0	0	0
Wilson	4	0	8
Schrader	0	0	0
Total	13	0	26

Squares	G.	F.	T.
Antalis	3	0	6
Blattne	0	0	0
Emling	5	3	13
Johnson	0	0	0
Hamilton	0	1	1
Finkbeiner	0	0	0
Warren	1	0	2
Beltz	3	1	7
Total	12	5	29

Firemen	G.	F.	T.
Blauvelt	2	6	10
Morkoetter	6	1	13
Vance	4	0	8
Etter	0	1	1
Meyers	2	1	5
Angel	0	0	0
Holmes	0	0	0
Buttes	0	0	0
Total	14	9	37

Winter St.	G.	F.	T.
Nehrman	3	1	7
Kent	1	2	4
Hanley	1	4	6
Fisher	0	0	0
Lester	0	0	0
Gallmeier	3	1	7
Fremion	0	0	0
Frayer	0	1	1
Total	8	9	25

Accounting	G.	F.	T.
Wildermuth	0	0	0
N. Raney	0	0	0
Harris	2	0	4
Edington	2	1	0
Mossberg	1	0	2
Meyers	1	0	2
Grimmer	0	0	0
C. Rancy	7	0	14
Fry	2	0	4
Girod	1	1	3
Total	16	2	34

All Star League

The boys will be back at the G-E Club alleys again this week. Ed Kraft will be seeking to wrap up the first half championship. With a five game bulge going in, he is certain of at least a tie.

The Ramsey-Kraft and Scott-Lester matches on Alleys 5-6 and 7-8 look to be the best matches of the evening.

Apprentice League

Compasses have a strangle hold on the league lead, having a five game margin. Don Dimke had the league's high three game total last Tuesday evening. A 221 was included in his scores.

Joe Haas had the only other 200 score of the evening, a 202.

G-E Owls Trounce Rod & Wire, 49-24

ZOLLNER NIPS ECKRICH

The Owl basketball league was featured by a close win by Zollner over Eckrich. The score was 41-40. The G-E Club mauled Indiana Rod and Wire, 49-25.

Zollner led at the half, 25-15, and it looked like they had the ball game all wrapped up. Then Eckrich caught fire and knotted the count with one minute to go in the third quarter. The final stanza was a see-saw affair, with Paul Waltz, of the Pistons, and Bob McKeeman having a scoring duel. Dale Wynn, missed two free throws in the last 10 seconds and the game went to Zollner. Waltz, with 17, led the winners; while McKeeman led the losers, with 16.

The well-halanced attack and reserve strength of the G-E Club was just too much for the Indiana Rod and Wire squad, which played the whole game without subs. Paul Boyer used every man on the bench. Bob Markey dumped in six baskets to lead the scoring. Dick Sowers and Bob Feasby made all of their team's points between them. Dick was hitting from all angles. His total was 18 points.

STANDINGS

	W	L
G-E Club	4	0
Zollner	3	1
Ind. Rod & Wire	1	3
Eckrich	0	4

Eckrich	G.	F.	T.
Wynn	1	0	2
Kroemer	0	0	0
Anders	3	2	8
Gable	0	0	0
McKeeman	6	4	16
Hill	1	1	3
Shinbeckler	3	0	6
Stellborn	0	0	0
Arend	1	1	3
Kurtz	1	0	2
Totals	16	8	40

Zollner	G.	F.	T.
Waltz	6	5	17
Clay	4	0	8
Schrimp	5	1	11
Ducheteau	2	1	5
Filler	0	0	0
Bradtmiller	0	0	0
Hockemeyer	0	0	0
Totals	17	7	41

Ind. R&W	G.	F.	T.
Feasby	3	0	6
Lortie	0	0	0
Beard	0	0	0
Sowers	8	2	18
Helmke	0	0	0
Totals	11	2	24

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Anspach	3	0	6
Berrier	0	0	0
Greeno	0	0	0
Baker	3	1	7
Lambroff	0	0	0
Shible	3	0	6
Markey	6	0	12
Phillips	3	0	6
Scherer	4	0	8
Waikel	1	0	2
Wickliffe	1	0	2
Totals	24	1	49

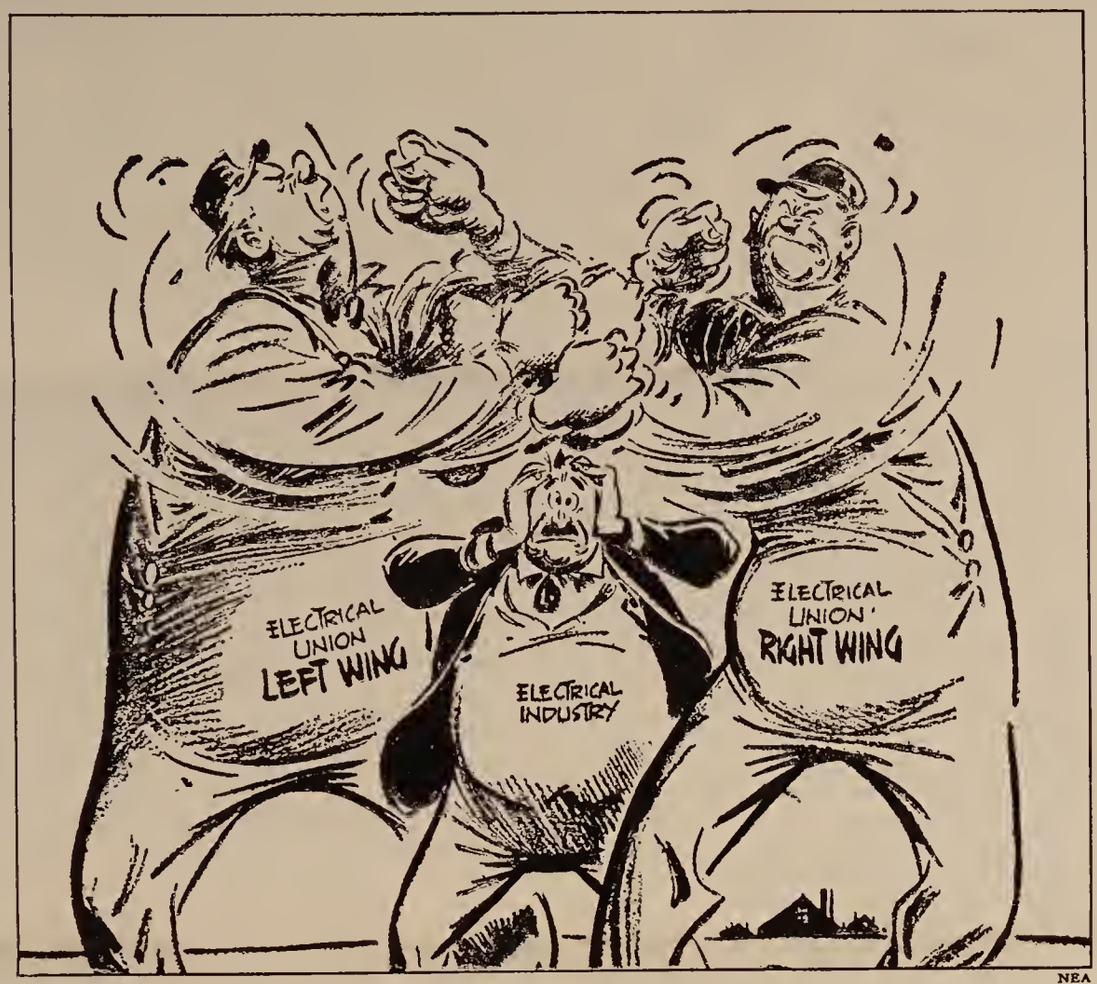
Officials: Koepke, Waldrop.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Ethel Hullinger, Frank Elder, Harrison Van Diver, D. Jay Brown, Joe Robinson, John Zimmerman, Harold Boles, Ralph Klaren, Sarah Meagher, Agnes Ryan, Cora Rice, Frank Armstrong, Mervin Marquart, Beulah Briner, Ray Hoelle, Robert Hickman, Romney Wass, George Waldschmidt, Charles Saurbaugh, Carl Rietdorf, John Hall, and Emma Black.

Left the Hospital

Hope Hatfield, Maurice Siples, Aldine Bell, Mabel Odel, and Ralph McCain.



IN THE MIDDLE

THERE was fresh evidence on all sides this week that many of our employees—as well as the general public—find the situation about union representation at General Electric very confusing. Here are the facts:

1. UE is at present the legally certified bargaining agent for a great many of our employees. The new IUE-CIO has asked the National Labor Relations Board to certify it as the bargaining representative of the employees at the places covered by the UE contract and apparently at some other places. It is expected that the Board will, after hearings, order secret ballot elections to determine which union, if any, should be the collective bargaining agent at the various locations.

2. On October 20—before any of these questions as to representation had arisen—we had offered UE a *new* contract which was an extension and improvement of the present contract. But when IUE-CIO petitioned the National Labor Relations Board we were advised by our legal counsel that it would be an unfair labor practice to make a new contract with the UE while the representation question was pending before the Board. Accordingly, on December 1 we notified UE that we must suspend the offer and not come to a new contract until the representation issue had been settled. We have informed UE that we will continue bargaining about matters within the area of our obligations and operations under the existing contract.

3. The representation question is now in the hands of the National Labor Relations Board, as indicated above, and we believe that any question about representation of our employees will be settled in the near future by NLRB elections. Meanwhile, we are cooperating with the National Labor Relations Board in order to expedite in every way possible the resolving of the issue.

4. UE's contract with the Company runs until April 1, 1950. We believe we are obligated to carry out the terms and conditions of that contract and to continue negotiating with UE so long as its authority to represent our employees continues in force. This of course we plan to do, despite any confused reports to the contrary. In some locations, however, questions have arisen as to who are the proper officers of the local, and at these locations local union negotiations have had to be postponed until these questions could be settled.

Throughout this whole difficulty we have sought to take no sides but to be absolutely fair and neutral as indeed we are required to be under law. We can assure all concerned that we are doing everything in our power not only to do right but to do as much as we properly can in cooperating with the National Labor Relations Board so that our employees can make their wishes known in the orderly manner provided by law. As we have said so often before, the choice must be that of our employees.

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

L. R. Sulzbach

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QUARTER CENTURY CLUB ELECTS NEW OFFICERS



New officers of the G-E Quater Century Club are shown, above, in a meeting held following the announcement of their election this week. They are: (l. to r.) Walter W. Dreyer, treasurer; Herschel L. Smith, secretary; James V. Johnson, president; Delbert C. Rehm, vice president, and Elmer J. Wagner, director.

Annual Christmas Party For Children Expected To Attract Over 9,000

SANTA CLAUS TO APPEAR AT G-E CLUB SATURDAY

Jingle bells, Santa Claus, and a fun-crammed, five-act show has been planned for the G-E Club's annual "Kiddies' Christmas Party" tomorrow in the G-E Club auditorium. More than 9,000 children are expected to attend the party.

Youngsters, ranging in age up to 13 years, will he the guests of the club at the gala entertainment which is scheduled for five performances throughout the day. First show will start promptly at 10 a.m. and will be followed by another at 1 p.m. The third performance will take place at 3 p.m., another at 5 p.m., and the final show will be held at 7:30 p.m.

The acts will include a clown, acrobats, musicians, and other entertainers.

The final act booked for the show was Ray Conlin, ventriloquist, and his dummy, Sparks O'Connor.

Sparks was a ventriloquist's dummy when Charlie McCarthy was still a limb on a tree. Conlin and Sparks have played in theaters and night cluhs all over the United States. During World War II, they spent four years overseas enter-

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BULLETIN

Company Files Representation Petitions With National Labor Relations Board

(See story on back page)

Elex To Present Life Membership For Retirements

Members of the Elex Club will be given a special life membership when they retire, it was announced today by Mary Leiter, president.

The only prerequisite is that the person be a member of the club three or more years previous to her retirement.

Presentation of the life membership will be made on the day the member retires from the Company. The membership card will be engraved and contained in a leather folder.

G-E CALENDARS ARE BEING SENT TO PENSIONERS

General Electric calendars are being mailed this week to all pensioners. All who do not receive a calendar by the end of next week are requested to notify the WORKS NEWS office, Ext. 441.

Santa Claus To Appear At G-E Squares' Party

Santa Claus will make an appearance at the G-E Squares' annual Christmas party for children Wednesday evening, Dec. 21, it was announced today. The party will be held at the club rooms, 219 E. Berry St., starting at 7:30 p.m. The program will include comic movies and group singing.

Decatur G-E Club Holds Annual Christmas Party

Approximately 1,200 persons attended the Decatur G-E Club's annual Christmas party last Sunday afternoon in the Junior-Senior high school auditorium.

The program opened with the singing of "Jingle Bells" and "Holly and the Ivy" by the Aeolian Choir, under the direction of David Embler.

A poem, "Winds Through the Olive Trees," was then presented by Katherine Steele. This was followed by another Christmas carol, "While the Shepherds Watch," rendered by the choir.

"All I Want For Christmas," a novelty number featuring the vocals by Charles Cook and Vernon Hebble on the drums, then took to the footlights.

The girls choir, under the direction of Evangeline Embler, pre-

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Christmas, New Year's Day HOLIDAYS

The Broadway and Taylor St. Plants, in general, will be closed on Monday, Dec. 26, in observance of the Christmas Holiday, and on Monday, Jan. 2, in observance of New Year's Day.

C. S. Matson
Works Manager

Note: The above also applies to the Decatur Plant.

151 Employees Receive Suggestion Awards



Herbert Koch, FHP Motor Div. 16, received the week's top suggestion award. He was awarded $50 for his idea to combine set-up slips used in the division. The above picture was taken when he was presented his award check. Left to right are: Howard Schultz, Mr. Koch, William Eisennacher, and Bruce Rohn.

The Suggestion System acted as Santa Claus to 151 employees during the past few weeks to refill their Yuletide-depleted pocketbooks with a total of $1,600 in awards.

Herbert Koch, FHP Motor Div. 16, received $50, the highest award during the period, for his suggestion to combine the set-up slips.

Joseph C. Juettner, FHP Motor Div. 13, was given $40 for recommending a change to forming dies. Another $40 award was made to Juanita Brown, Danville plant, for her suggestion of a wedge before stacking.

For his suggestion pertaining to a Carboloy feed bar on a Heald grinder, John F. Driver, FHP Motor Div. 13, received $35.

Twenty-five dollar awards were presented to John Wood, FHP Motor Div. 13; Gerald Kummer, Wire and Insulation division; Clifford H. Geller, General Service division, and Betty Jane Puff, Bldg. 4-6.

Winners of G-E monogramed cigarette lighters during the week

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Play Safe To Help Keep Christmas The Merry Holiday It Should Be

Trimming the Yule tree is an annual family pleasure; it just wouldn't be Christmas without it, for a gaily decorated tree, carefully lighted, adds to the enjoyment of the season.

Keep Christmas merry, and remember that the ordinary Christmas tree is one of the most flammable objects known, and that each year, fire turns the Yuletide, the most joyful time of the year, into one of tragedy in hundreds of American homes. A Christmas tree fire is very difficult to extinguish. The tree is filled with pitch and resin, and tests at Underwriters' Laboratories show that an average size tree takes less than two minutes to burn up. Such a tree can easily start a roaring blaze in your home before the arrival of the fire department.

The following rules will help you keep your home free from the misfortune of a fire at this happy season:

Don't attach too many light strings to one outlet, and be sure that insulation is not worn or sockets loose.

When hanging the decorations, stand on a stepladder or a sturdy stool, not on a box or flimsy chair.

Women should wear low-heeled shoes while helping to trim the Yule tree.

Don't under any circumstances, use cotton or paper for decoration on the tree or around the tree.

Keep your tree in water from the time you bring it home.

Make a fresh saw cut across the base of the trunk before you set it up.

Place the tree in a water-containing holder, and fill it daily.

For added safety, use only ornaments and decorations that are not easily set afire. Suggested are illuminated ornaments similar to those sold in the Employees' Store. They are approved by Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc.

Turn the lights off before you leave home.

From time to time, inspect the tree, to see if the needles near the lights have begun to turn brown. If so, change the location of the lights.

Don't allow burning cigarettes or candles near your tree, and don't forget to take the tree down when the needles begin to fall.

Ever Stop To Think That The Newsboy's Bike Is His Capital?

The newsboy starts a route, on foot. He can deliver 35 papers, he makes $3.15 a week, on bad days some customers have to wait.

He spends some money for movies but saves some to buy a bicycle. Now he can deliver 70 papers, make $6.30 a week, and his customers get their papers more promptly.

Now he can save more (profit) but he is wise and so puts some away in a special fund to replace the bike when it wears out. That's depreciation reserve.

If he's very ambitious he buys two bikes, takes on another route and hires another boy (wages) to cover it. Now he needs twice as much depreciation reserve, or when the second bike breaks down he will have no money to replace it, and so the second boy would be out of a job or would have to deliver on foot at half the wages.

That's all there is to business.

Is the first newsboy wicked because he makes a profit? Should he be prevented from accumulating bicycle replacement money? Is he oppressing the second boy by supplying a bicycle so he, too, can deliver more and so earn more?

No? Yet many people in high places say older business men are, when they do identical things. Think of the newsboy's bike when you listen to your next speech.

—Warner & Swasey Company

We Have The Cars!

America is the only nation in which the average man can own and operate an automobile. Not only that, but the annual operating cost of an automobile to an average American family—making adequate allowance for depreciation, repairs, insurance and so forth—probably exceeds the average total income, per family, of any other nation in the world.



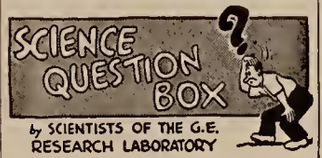
Q-C Club Secretary To Supply Addresses Of Retired Members

Anyone desiring to obtain the addresses of retired members of the Quarter Century Club may do so by contacting A. C. Hartman, secretary of the club, in Bldg. 8-2, Extension 363. The importance of having the correct address on Christmas mail cannot be overemphasized, Mr. Hartman points out, so the list is being supplied of all those who retired for those desiring to send Christmas cards to them.



Last week Ralph Dennison left a check at home for his wife to do some grocery shopping with. But for some reason he didn't sign it. Either he wanted to be sure she didn't spend it all or his memory is getting short. It's all right to be economical, Ralph, and if you want to go on a diet that is a good way to do it. . . . At last Kenny Sheehan got a real buck (deer, that is). He and Al Olson made a second try at deer hunting in Pennsylvania last week-end and this time they were really successful. They each got their deer and only were hunting two hours. . . . Thelma Stapleton has told everyone that she sprained her ankle getting off a bus, but we understand the true story is that she was in such a hurry to catch up with a young man that she fell over her own feet. If you must chase someone, Thelma, please be more careful. . . . Have you ever heard any one carry on a conversation on the telephone with a eight-month-old baby? If not you should hear Gene Foster when he is talking to Mike. He keeps telling us that Mike talks back, but no one has heard him so, of course, we have our doubts. . . . Last week Gordon Smith was having trouble with his tractor. After working on it for some time and finally calling in the neighbors and finally taking it to the service station to see why it wouldn't run they discovered that Gordon had put kerosene in the tank instead of gasoline. Gordon, don't you know that those things won't run on anything but gas, and that is no way to save money.

Christmas Seals are sold in 29 countries to raise money to fight tuberculosis.



Q: What has been the population of the Earth in 1800, 1850, 1900 and 1940?

A: Since there are no accurate data concerning world population, and the statistics are quite unreliable in the Orient, where a large proportion of the total population lives, it is impossible to give a precise answer. However, Mr. Harold F. Dorn, secretary of the Population Association of America, gives the following as probably the best available estimates: 1800—919,000,000; 1850—1,091,000,000; 1900 — 1,527,000,000; 1940 — 2,100,000,000.

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Q. How do electric fly screens work?

A. Some of the wires are connected to one side of an electrical circuit and the rest to the other the two sets being insulated but when the fly steps on them he causes a short circuit through his body, with serious results to the fly.



An optimist is a man who double parks while his wife runs into a store to make a small purchase.—Richard Armour. . . . Reporters do things too. Marie (Behind the Cracker Barrel in General Stores) LaMons was all set to get up early. She set the alarm, also the time hands, but failed to plug in the clock. It just doesn't run without that vital element—electricity. . . . By the way Edith Beaty has a new alarm clock that gets her up early enough to take a taxi to work. . . . Thelma Oswald is also an early riser. The other morning she got up at 2:45 to come to work. . . . Delores Wonderly is sure of making it home after dark. She has a new neon sign on the mailbox. . . . Santa visited at Ann Kensill's early. He brought a new Mercury. What big socks you have! Now all Ann needs is a filling station. . . . Dogs are the main subjects on Line 562. Luella Masson held her dog up to a mirror and it scratched her on the neck. . . . Clara Dixon gives her dog a bath every week. . . . Hedy Harrison's dog has a very special rug. . . . Marcille Thomas has a new doghouse. Her dog's name is even on it. . . . JoAnn Kemery pampers her dog by cooking special food for it. . . . Happy birthday to Betty Collier and Hedy Harrison. . . . Well, whadda know. Fay Stockberger is a brand new grandma. It's a good thing her dress has a zipper because the buttons would have popped. . . . Virgie Mayer has gone to Georgia for a visit. . . . Need a little minor surgery? Doris (Doc) Ryan is very helpful. . . . Vera Ramsey and Genevieve Ayres were visitors last Friday. Genevieve was a former leading operator and Vera, a former co-worker. . . . It's a small world so think Hedy Harrison and Marcille Thomas. They both went to Indianapolis (not together) and saw each other in a restaurant. . . . Ivah Grandstaff had a big surprise the other night. When she got home from work, the house was filled with flowers and supper was ready. It wasn't an anniversary or birthday, just good friends.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS



151 Employees Receive Suggestion Awards



John Driver, FHP 13, (right) is pointing out the various features of his recent suggestion to Ewald Stinsmuehlen, Foreman. Mr. Driver received $35 for his suggestion to change the feed bar on the Heald grinder to Carboloy.

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ending Friday, Dec. 9, included:

Clarence DeArmand, Harold Blauvelt, Harry Ribel, William West, Fred Bressler, Neil Anderson, William Jones, Harold Harrington, William Suelzer, Betty Ann Carsten, Ruth Gehfert, John Hinrichs, and Claude Gill.

Those receiving awards ranging from $5 to $20 during the past two weeks are listed below:

FHP Motor Div. 1: William G. Tennison and Herbert C. Braun.

FHP Motor Div. 13: Augusta B. Wynn, Donovan Garton, and Charles K. Winans.

FHP Motor Div. 14: Robert J. Till, Esther E. Watson, Myrtle Barfell, Clarence C. Rothgeb, Earl E. Mossburg, and Helen Lucille Miller.

FHP Motor Div. 15: Richard J. Young, Earl W. Souers, Paul W. Arnold, Francis F. Fann, Dale B. Peden (two awards), Leola R. Carrier, Faye I. Christie, E. James Battrick (two awards), Richard L. Anderson, Wilbur E. Tibbitts (two awards), Oliver H. Bowman, Merl E. Bryie, Richard J. Young, and Gilbert D. Brookhart.

FHP Motor Div. 16: Eunice Zehr (two awards), Herschel E. Odier Victor Bareus, Eugene Hutsell Daniel Barnhart (two awards) Melvin F. Kiessling, Maude Goodrich, Max Fielitz (two awards), Walter H. Buesking, Art Maske, Stephen A. Sallot, Jr., Frank A. Brohman, and H. K. Beam.

FHP Motor Div. 17: Harry L. Byall, Eugene G. Foster, Harold H. Fletter, Lloyd Garrison, George N. Miller, Eldon R. Lewis, Ruth Leverton, Raymond A. Pickett, Fred Young, Norman W. Wolf, and Clifford J. Balyeat.

FHP Motor Div. 19: John R. Miles, Raymond N. Hakes, Claude L. Gill, and Harold George.

FHP Motor Div. 10: Robert L. Schuelke, Rose E. Johnson, Helen C. Burnam, and Ruth K. Hite.

Decatur Plant: Jason Moser and William Hunt.

DeKalb Plant: Clifford V. Smith William Sipavich, J. Donald Ramsey (two awards), Harold Pippin (two awards), Art Bell, Harry Meineke, Russ Wiley, Earnest Freeman, George Cavanaugh, Ralph Carey, Myrtle Burchard, Paul Judah, Walter Hartwig, and Walter Gibson.

Specialty Transformer Div. 91: Glenn R. Kaylor (two awards), Robert Bunyan, Merle E. Byers, Donald C. Ford (three awards), Mary J. Horrell, Donnabelle Wagner, George W. Schafer, LaVern V. Schultz, Gerald Crum, Grover F. Rhodes, Robert M. Bultemeier, John S. Sowers, Doyle D. Miller, and Glenn Robinett.

Specialty Transformer Div. 94: Grace V. Bolyard, Donald E. Waldrop (two awards), Billie Tucker, John Lea (two awards), Albert E. Miller, Eugene F. Mettler, Lee Mohr, Edward M. Lullaghan, Howard Shipman, Lester Baker, Alfred A. Arlic, Edward J. Murchland (two awards), Ned D. Greulach, Clifford P. Thompson, and Lester L. Baker.

Danville Plant: Earl D. Miller, Ted Henderson (two awards), Owen Bedard, Margery Hines, Ray Adams, Elma A. Wynn, Cleo Woodard, Kenneth Prater, Nellie Embree, Octave Andre (two awards), Roy Tarpley (five awards), Ray Hinriehs, and Peter Szollosi.

Motor and Generator Division: Helen M. Stahl, Amos Schladenhauffen, George L. Santon, William H. Molthan, Herman J. Krock, Arthur Keller, Lloyd C. Brown (four awards), Otto Brokenstein, Richard K. Hobson, Ralph E. Jacobs (two awards), Mabel Stovall, Betty R. Eisenacher, and Joseph Miller.

Wire and Insulation Division: Carl M. Junk (five awards), Delmas W. Detter, Garnell Parkison, Alfred J. Rudasky, Burl D. Teboe, Gerald Kummer, and Harold Barriek.

Tool Division: Glenn Kline, Leslie C. Hines, and Richard Burns.

General Service Division: Alva R. Johnlos, Russell J. Maxson, and George F. Ely.

Distribution Division: Anthony J. Koorsen.

Miscellaneous: Edna Mowery.



Joseph C. Juettner, FHP Div. 13, received $40 for his suggestion to change forming dies.

Pick-Ups

Bldg. 26-3

By Elvira Romary

I once had money and a friend;
Of either, thought I store.
I lent my money to my friend
And took his word therefore.
I sought my money from my friend,
Which I had wanted long.
I lost my money and my friend;
Now was that not a wrong?

The stork has certainly been as busy as a bee (to coin a phrase) with all the new arrivals coming along. The Gene Mettlers have a boy weighing 7 lbs. 1 oz. named Thomas. The Eldon Stanleys have a boy weighing 7 lbs. 9 oz. and named Brian Lane. Do you all remember Maxine Patterson? She has a girl weighing 7 lbs. 13 oz. and named Cynthia Jane. Congratulations to all of you. . . . Jerry Miller came to work last Friday with his T-shirt on inside out. So much embarrassment can be saved by getting up three minutes earlier in the morning. Why don't you try it, Jerry? . . . A very happy birthday to Edna Boland. . . . Gene Scherer and Herman Curry have given up smoking. We think there must be an easier way to save money. . . . Why has Farold Schuemann been so dressed up the last couple of days? . . . We think a fine Christmas gift for Gene Scherer would he a pencil with a string attached to the end so he could hang it around his neck. . . . We would also like to know where Phil Robertson gets all his bright (and I really mean loud) sweaters? . . . Maxine Mertz should hang a "do not disturb" sign on her when she concentrates on standards. She usually forgets where she is going to get them. Cheer up, Maxine, better days are just around the corner. . . . Jackie Trier has a method of elimination. If your boss gets in your way, which is what Harry Keller did, just tap him lightly on the head with a window pole. Believe me Harry is now giving Jackie a wide berth. . . . If you have noticed how haggard Donna Bailey is looking it's because she is in the process of moving into her new home, and it's sooo much work. . . . When gifts were presented to Gene Mettler and Eldon Stanley you never saw two people more nervous than they were. Their hands shook so badly they could hardly get through the paper to the box. After the gifts were opened Rose Smead exclaimed, "Oh, how tiny." Were you expecting full grown men, Rosie?

Two G-E Men Are Elected Officers Of Professional Engineers' Chapter

Two G-E engineers were elected as officers of the Anthony Wayne Chapter of the Indiana Society of Professional Engineers at a meeting Monday night at the YMCA. L. W. Wightman, Bldg. 4-6, was elected state director, and R. P. Cheesman, Bldg. 16-3, secretary-treasurer. The other new officers are Richard J. Erh, state president, and Robert E. McKibbin, vice president. K. K. Cooper, Winter St. plant, was the president last year.

Orders Being Taken For Kindling

Kindling orders are now being taken at the Employees' stores, it was announced today.

G-E Foremen, Supervisors Hear Talk By Fred Smith At Semi-Annual Dinner



Fred Smith, Vice President of the William Powell Valve Co., Cincinnati, O., addressed members of the Foremen's Association and Supervisors' Club at their semi-annual dinner last week in the G-E Club auditorium. Mr. Smith was introduced by L. C. Swager, Assistant to the Works Manager. Shown above are: l. to r.) Everett Lindeman, president of the Foremen's Association; Mr. Smith, Mr. Swager, and Ivan Rinehart, p esident of the Supervisors' Club.

How do husbands always know that the night they offer to take the wife to the movies will be the one she wants to stay home?

Dr. Zay Jeffries, Vice President, To Retire Dec. 31

Dr. Zay Jeffries, of Pittsfield, Mass., Vice President of the Company in charge of the Chemical Department, will retire Saturday, Dec. 31, Charles E. Wilson, G-E president, has announced.

Long a pioneer and leader in the fields of chemistry and metallurgy, Dr. Jeffries was vice chairman of the War Metallurgy Committee and chairman of two of its subcommittees during the war. As a part of the Manhattan Project for research and development work on the atomic bomb, he also served as a consultant for the University of Chicago metallurgical laboratory. He has been a member of G-E's four-man committee which administers the Nucleonics Project, the work on atomic energy being conducted by the Company for the government.

Dr. Jeffries is a native of Willow Lake, S.D., and received his B.S. degree at South Dakota State School of Mines, as well as the degree of metallurgical engineer and the honorary doctor of engineering degree. He earned his doctor of science degree at Harvard University. He is a member of the National Academy of Sciences, the most renowned organization of scientists in America.

In 1911 Dr. Jeffries became a member of the faculty of the Case School of Applied Science at Cleveland, O., and four years later was made director of research for the Aluminum Castings Company. Subsequently, he became consulting metallurgical engineer for the Aluminum Company of America.

Dr. Jeffries began his G-E service in 1914 as a consultant to the National Lamp Works. He served as president of the Carboloy Co., Inc., G-E affiliate, and as a member of the board. Later he was technical director of the G-E Lamp Department. In January, 1945, the G-E Board of Directors elected Dr. Jeffries a vice president and placed him in charge of the newly-formed Chemical Department, which has taken the responsibility for operations pertaining to resins, insulating materials, plastics, silicones, and other products.

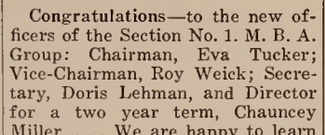
For his work of achievement and leadership, Dr. Jeffries has earned numerous honors and medals during the period from 1927 to 1948, among which was the Gold Medal of the American Society for Metals. He also received from the government in June, 1948, the nation's highest civilian honor, the Medal of Merit for services with the War Metallurgy Committee.

In addition to his membership in the National Academy of Sciences, Dr. Jeffries is a member of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, American Institute of Physics, American Society for Metals, American Association for Advancement of Science, Cleveland Engineering Society, Franklin Institute, Institute of Metals of Great Britain, American Chemical Society, American Philosophical Society, and Newman Society.

Santa Claus Is Center Of Attraction At Decatur's Annual Christmas Party



Santa Claus was the favorite of all the children at the Decatur G-E Club's annual Christmas party last Sunday afternoon.



Congratulations—to the new officers of the Section No. 1. M. B. A. Group: Chairman, Eva Tucker; Vice-Chairman, Roy Weick; Secretary, Doris Lehman, and Director for a two year term, Chauncey Miller. . . . We are happy to learn that Jean Ehringer, a former Accounting division employee, has presented the world with a very beautiful five pound daughter. . . . Mildred Whitmer has returned to work following a few days illness. . . . Doris Lehman, Bldg. 18-2, was absent last week due to a severe attack of tonsilitis. . . . It is disheartening to see a very lovely convertible, mentioning no names, parked, in the restricted Company parking area, with a slightly deformed bumper!

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sented "Shepherds Shake Off Your Drowsy Sleep" and "The Sleigh."

The story of the "Three Wise Men" and their visit to the mangercrib was then enacted by the following: Wanda Foor, as Mary; Jerry Ross, Joseph; Jack Eady and Waymon Patrick, shepherds; Kenny Gaunt, king with gold; Jason Moser, king with incense, and Charles Omlor, king with myrrh.

A verse, "Santa and the Mouse," narrated by Katherine Steele, was then enacted by Freddie and Mickey McDougal.

A piano duet, Evangeline Embler and Eileen Bierberich, then presented "March of the Toys," while a group of children marched on stage. The toy trumpet player was Freddie McDougal, Jerry Laurent was the drummer, and the toy soldiers were portrayed by Theresa Laurent, Diane and Janet Baker.

Santa Claus then made his entrance amid a flurry of snowflakes and the program was concluded with the singing of "Silent Night" by the choir and audience.

J. J. Baker acted as master of ceremonies for the program.

Arrangements for the party were handled by the following:

Verena Meyer, decorations; Mary Ann Laurent, tickets; Hilda Staley, distribution of gifts, and Charles Cook, Ardella Heare and Rosemary Miller, stage managers.

Two Join Q-C Club



Karl C. Hofacker
Bldg. 10-1



Lewis W. Lothammer
Taylor St.

General Foreman Receives Praise For His Assistance In Providing Blood Donors

Ralph McCain, Bldg. 4-5, will return to work a healthy man next week due greatly to the efforts of his general foreman, W. L. O'Brien, and his other fellow workers.

Mr. O'Brien gathered a sufficient number of blood donors, both from the division and from outside the Company, to keep Mr. McCain supplied with blood during his recent illness.

The task of finding donors was complicated by the fact that earlier many on the floor had already contributed their limit of blood for that period to help Forest Bunner, another member of the division who was recuperating from an operation.

The cooperation given by Mr. O'Brien is typical of the many acts that supervisory personnel are in a position to do in the interest of their employees.

Fruechte Dies

Arthur C. Fruechte, 47, of 305 McKinnie Ave., died at 1:15 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9, at Methodist Hospital. He had been ill six months.

Mr. Fruechte was a 1926 graduate of the Apprentice School, being employed in 1923. He first worked in the Meter department and since 1937 was a draftsman in the Motor and Generator division.

Corn S'talks

TAYLOR ST. SHIPPING

By Sally Ford

Straighten up and fly right, folks, for Santa Claus is coming to town and we must be on our best behavior. . . . *Caution*—if any candy is missing don't blame a mouse. We have a two-legged one, Kate Richter. While playing a joke on her girlfriend she nearly ended up with a tummyache. . . . Yours truly was all smiles last week. Reason — a newspaper clipping from my mother-in-law in Boston. The news—A picture of Ted Williams entitled, The Most Valuable Baseball Player of the Year." . . . *Thoughtful* is the word for Jean Carrol's husband. He came home with two beautiful blouses for her. A very nice surprise. . . . *Question of the week?* Who were the two gorgeous blondes at the Fireman's basketball game last week? Ask Al Meyer. . . . I've seen everything now. Marge Gordon now comes to work in a dairy wagon. Her milkman took pity on her and gave her a lift. How was the ride, Marge? . . . We are happy to announce the approaching marriage of Barbara Reeb and her fiance Robert Cleland. CONGRATULATIONS! . . . Monday mornings may be blue for the majority but Gloria Beverforden is the exception. She came in singing "Accentuate the Positive". Wonder if the reason is her learning to drive a car last week-end with her boyfriend as instructor? . . . Bob Walters celebrated his birthday a couple of weeks back. These men are so secretive about their birthdays that we never know until several weeks later. So we are now wishing him a belated happy birthday and hope you have many more, Bob. . . . Due to Maurice Petgen's untiring effort, a special bus has been added at Taylor Street for passengers catching the specials at Broadway. We wish to thank him for his good work. . . . Alice Uffelman is undergoing a tonsilectomy this week. Hope she doesn't lose her voice. Hurry back, Alice, for we miss you. . . . Wonder what these women do on their lunch hour? My reason for asking is—Dolores Connin swears she saw real live elephants going down Calhoun Street last Monday at noon. Are you sure they weren't pink elephants, Dolores? Guess her shopping spree in Chicago is giving her hallucinations. . . . Time to say cheerio. . . . See you next week.

Christmas Party

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taining the armed forces. Conlin has five citations from the government.



SPARKS & CONLIN



Since this seems to be the time of season for hunting stories, it would not be complete if Kenny Gillenwater was not mentioned. Kenny started after a rabbit Tony Miller had crippled and after chasing it for 10 minutes, the rabbit looked around to see who was chasing it. After seeing Kenny it dropped over dead, and he hadn't even barked yet. Later Kenny kicked up a rabbit, aimed, fired and kept firing till the rabbit was out of sight; all before Kenny found out the gun wasn't loaded! Better take a salt shaker along the next time, Kenny. . . . The bowling team lost two games to the girls team Friday night. Same old story. Too little—too late. Everyone was just about his usual form, except Roger Crabill. He was having the same old trouble. Loyalty is a wonderful thing. Too bad more of us don't think of it. . . . Speaking of loyalty, Al Middaugh and Frank Magers really go all out for it. Neither of them will come to work until both are ready, even if it means they'll both be a half hour late. . . . Ed Klomp is vacationing this week. Not much of a vacation though if he doesn't succeed in getting rid of that cold he has. . . . Next Saturday is the party, so get your tickets and be ready to join in the fun. Let's see all of you guys and gals out there. . . . Frank Surface spent a fortune and a lot of time and labor to put in a gas water heater. Now he doesn't know if the gas company will hook it up for him. Why not use some of that gas you manufacture, Frank? . . . The boys nearly got to go ice fishing last week, but the ice didn't get ready as quickly as the ice fishermen. . . . After seeing Dick (Junior) Wagner with a big lollipop in his mouth, we were all longing to be a child again. He was really giving it a massage, and looked like a trumpet player sounding "A". . . . We had a couple of surprises Monday morning. First of all Harold Moore was back with us. Welcome back, Harold, and stay away from the ditches. . . . Oh yes, the second surprise, Ray Solga appeared on the scene with a fresh hair cut. That will take care of him 'till Easter. . . . Norb Lose has promised to take Tony Miller and Don Kruse rabbit hunting but it seems as though he has an excuse for every Saturday, and so far has not taken them. . . . "All I want for Christmas is my two front teeth," says Walter Fritze. Maybe Santa will hear you. . . . That glow Virginia Harris is wearing isn't all Christmas spirit showing—her husband is due home from school tomorrow. Life can be beautiful—huh, Virginia? . . . Congratulations to Ruby Lydy who has a new daughter, Linda Kay. (Many of you folks will remember Ruby who worked in the Winding section.) We hear Mamma and Papa and Baby are fine. . . . Carl Cochren stopped in to say hello to the gang. So glad to see you and come again soon. Say by the way, we are looking for you and all the pensioners Saturday at the party. Don't forget. . . . That Christmas tree certainly adds holiday spirit to our floor and to our people too. All we can say is—it's wonderful. . . . Santa must have read Maxine's plea for a new car in last week's column 'cause the Bakers are sporting a new Ford. . . . After some little ribbing Frank Magers was presented with his membership card in the Southwest Conservation Club. That sure was a funny expression on his face when he first opened that rejection letter though. . . . We're all very happy to hear that Charlie Schild is feeling much better. Hope to see you up and around real soon, Charlie. . . . If Kruse doesn't get any closer to a rabbit than he did Saturday, he won't need to worry about rabbit fever. Kruse lost the rabbit which escaped through a tile, although his rabbit nose was working. Lose says he shouldn't feel bad cause he still has the ears.

It's easy to laugh at misfortune when you're the one it misses.

Chenoweth Is Honored At Retirement



Pearl C. Chenoweth was honored by his friends in FHP Div. 14 when he retired Thursday, Dec. 1, after 37 years of service with the General Electric Company. He is being congratulated on his retirement by his foreman, R. E. Bobay, while several of his friends are looking on. Left to right in the photograph are: John Heine, Joe Roebuck, Eldon Burns, Mr. Chenoweth, Joe Monahan, Jesse Devaux, Mr. Bobay, and William Kiser.



Ed (Twinkle Toes) Brockhall had quite an exciting week-end. Last Saturday he went fishing and when he arrived at the lake he was so excited about going fishing he forgot to pull off the highway. After he had caught his limit in bluegills he went back to his car and there on the windshield was a sticker for parking on the highway. After Ed paid his fine ($44.15) he said those are the most expensive bluegills he ever caught. Ed being a brave man went fishing again Sunday. We didn't hear how many he caught but we did hear that the ice melted pretty fast when he started for shore. For a man weighing 255 pounds, Ed said he knew when he started for the bank he only weighed about 20 pounds. He was really light on his feet and just when he stepped on shore the ice broke behind him. That explains the name of Twinkle Toes. . . . Have you noticed the haircut and the new hairdo Pearl Everly is wearing this week. Very pretty, Pearl. . . . Jackie Elder and Peggy Bandt won't have to take any days off this Christmas as they already have their Christmas cards addressed. . . . Anyone see Gus Harrison having his V8 pushed last Sunday by a Chevrolet? What's the matter, Gus, aren't they teaching you enough at Central on how to keep a V8 in running condition. . . . Ray Pickett enjoyed a long week-end. He was off Friday and came in late Monday morning. . . . Selma Voight is back in the lead section again after her recent journey over to fan motor. . . . We asked Ruby Stoops where Marg Stahl was last Monday, and Ruby said she must be taking in too many basketball games. . . . Oral Emrick has found a new way to wash his face without water. He just ducks his head in compound. We have been wondering where he got that fair complexion. . . . Minnie Lung got up late one morning last week and didn't have time to eat breakfast. We hear when she got to work some kind person gave her a cup of coffee. . . . Every time Alice George is late she claims the alarm clock didn't go off. Now is a good time to tell Santa Claus about it, Alice. . . . Glen Miller brought Knute Melching two little kittens to work in a paper sack. We're wondering how Knute got them out. You can bet Knute gave him a tall story. . . . Welcome to Charlotte Blauvelt, who has been transferred into final test. . . . Gladys Mosshammer Panazin won't give us any more news. She claims everything she does she gets into trouble.



Our annual Christmas party was held last Saturday evening in the G-E Squares Hall. The Emcee, Bill Schible, seemed to have a little trouble getting the program started due to Andy Frank's baby (Tez Trump). Andy couldn't find a baby sitter, so he brought "it" with him in an oversized baby buggy. We'll believe Stella Trumbower when she tells about the carpentry she does, since she won the wood drilling contest. Boodles Bendel says he'll never be able to look at another marshmallow. Eight in one mouthful could turn you against them. Jay Greer should consider himself lucky, his wife having saved him from the "hot seat" or was it merely charged? Some people really seemed to get a charge out of it. Have any of you heard of the three "M's"? Mary, Mesing, and Mistletoe? After a buffet luncheon, everyone round and square danced to the tunes of the Dogpatch Dodgers. . . . Who is Pete Hillman? . . . If anyone has noticed a fragrant aroma among your fellow workers, just look for Virgil Kline. It seems he bought his wife some honeysuckle bath foam and sampled it for her.



Birthday greetings of the week go to Clarence LaGras. . . . Congratulations to Charles Kirkpatrick who was married last Friday. . . . Welcome, Forrest Bunner to first shift. . . . Our aircraft production man, Robert Shuster, has a new theme for the week, "Motors, motors, motors, and more motors."

Crummit Completes 30 Years Today



Herbert G. Crummitt, Accounting division at Taylor St., celebrates his 30th anniversary with General Electric today. Last week he was presented a congratulatory letter and the best wishes of his co-workers. Left to right in the picture are: Ann Jacobs, Robert Wildermuth, H. C. Brudi, Lura Wyatt, Paul Gellert, Mr. Crummitt, C. M. Schnieders, and L. I. Asher.

Thisa and Thata "SPECIALTY MOTOR"



By Helen Engle

It seems that some people by the name of Smith who live on the Getz Road had a duck. The duck was very tame and roamed the neighborhood but once it got into the wrong yard and now is no more. The dog that the Don Greenlier family thought was just a mutt has turned out to be a bird dog. Too bad you didn't find it out sooner—you might have had some luck during the pheasant season or the duck season, Don! By the way, Don, do you have a duck stamp on your hunting license? . . . Hilda Seiler got a letter from a former coworker, Billie Diaz, who is now living in Bogota, Columbia, South America. She really likes it down there, and says that the flowers are just beautiful! . . . Pat Buchold left to make her home in Jackson, Mich. Lots of luck, Pat, and hope you and your husband like it in Jackson! . . . Olive Elliott is grandmother again—a grandson this time named Gary Lee. Congratulations, Olive! . . . Anna Ruth Clements had her initials put on her pen the other day and was proudly showing it off to several people who were standing just outside the office door. They all exclaimed about it and she walked on to the office and sat down at her desk. She reached for her pen to sign something and imagine her surprise when she couldn't find it. She had it a minute before just outside the door, and now she didn't have it. Where could it be? She asked several people but not one had seen it! Later in the afternoon someone found it stuck in one of the cubby holes in Frank Laier's desk. Someone had found it and had tossed it there! . . . We are going to take up a collection for Alva Foulks for a pair of suspenders. We are sure he won't lose them then. . . . Birthday greetings to Velma Hetrick. . . . We welcome the following people to Div. 1. . . . Howard Colby, Robert Markey, Clarence Weimer, Mary Sitko, Charlotte Clover, Faye Christie, June Hines, Betty Baker, Emma Tschannen, Caroline Becker, Glenn Miller, Alice Snyder and Robert Kerr. . . . Willard said he had fair luck with his cisco fishing. . . . Hope Hatfield, who is recovering from an operation, wishes to thank all the folks who have remembered her. She is doing as well as can be expected. . . . Boy! Can Martha Scherzinger bake the cookies, so can Florence Rekeweg. We know cause we sampled some. . . . Our sympathy is extended to Clarence Renschler in the death of his father-in-law. . . . Reggie Eggeman bought a little mechanical dog which the man demonstrated out in front of the G-E the other day. It wiggled its tail and head and also barked when you wound it up. But Reggie couldn't get her dog to bark so she took it back and was told she was supposed to make the noise. Could we sell you a book on ventriloquism, Reggie? . . . We would like to find a way that Clarence Nahrwold could get a little more hair on his head as it has started to get cold outside. Please, someone give us some help! . . . We wonder if Wendell Heckley's car can get him back and forth to bowl on Tuesday nights since it is so cold. We always thought it was a warm weather car. Better watch out and keep the motor running while you bowl, Wendell, as it is a long walk from Fort Wayne to Ossian. . . . Harry Berry, you had better change you way or Santa will not come this year. What say, Harry, are you going to be a good boy? . . . Elmer Koehlinger, why are you so quiet? Are you afraid if you get too loud that Santa won't come? Go ahead and talk, Elmer, he will be there, you have been a nice boy—almost all year!

Don't worry about your hands getting cold this winter. Prices will keep them in your pockets most of the time.

Idea Brings $25 Award



John Wood, FHP Div. 13, was awarded $25 recently for his idea to make changes on the automatic welder.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Bob Bunyan

Our Christmas exchange got into full swing this week. There are 30 employees taking part. A number wonder just why George Horner won't trade his ticket. Maybe it's a new friend. . . . Does anyone have a spare fender that would fit Joe Collis' Kaiser? It seems Joe misplaced one on a telephone pole in his own driveway. . . . Why does Ad Ragan always wiggle his ears when someone mentions Mule Train? . . . Those shoes of Paul Noffze must have been a terrible misfit after Don Huffman wore them that week. Anyhow we noticed a new pair on Paul this morning. . . . Eddie Daucher was presented a new G-E pipe lighter by Paul this morning. This one is even personalized. . . . You can be sure winter is here now; Bill Conrad put on a shirt. . . . A potluck dinner was given for Evelyn Schnepp who left last Friday and Joan Foltz, who leaves this Friday. Both are leaving to keep house. The dinner consisted of chicken and noodles with a number of tasty sides, dessert and coffee. Both girls were presented a present. Those attending were Dorothy Fett, Eula Black, Donnabelle Wagner, Helen Deloff, Mary Keiler, Luella Allen, Mildred Sadler, and Dorothy Curry. We hope you girls won't forget us, but come in to see us. . . . Roe Ormiston is complaining again about the boys overloading the buggy press with that end shield die. . . . John Laymon returned to work Monday after finishing his post graduate course on law. He said he was glad to hear those presses again. . . . If Jim Stauffer really wants one of those flashy red shirts, he should see Herman Gebert. I understand his display of colors has attracted so many admirers he is now taking their orders. I wonder where the sale is?



ICE FISHING WITH AUGER AND SAW: Orville Doherty has made another bid for the tall story teller of the year. Orville tells us that when he goes ice fishing he uses an auger to start the hole then a saw to complete it. Then after fishing through this hole all day and night he puts the piece he cut out back into the hole. What are the elements of the weather doing all this time, Orville? After you have been pulling and splashing water out of this hole all day and night doesn't it freeze and make the hole smaller or melt and make it larger? It must either fit very snug or very loose, or doesn't it? Anyway Wimpy Lemper tells us you do it the hard way. He always cuts his ice holes before he leaves home. . . . SANTA CLAUS: Aaron (Porky) Schoenefeld is a very good mechanic, but from what we have seen we believe that the mechanical Santa Claus in Murphy's window must have him stumped. Porky spent over three hours the other night watching it in operation. Was the hand quicker than the eye, Porky? . . . OYSTER TOE: Herb Thompson is limping again; this time he claims he dropped an oyster on his toe and it's all black and blue. In fact it required medical attention. Pardon us did we say oyster, we meant to say a quart of oysters. Just how do you manage to get enough money ahead to buy a quart, Herb, old boy. Let us in on it. We like those slippery things too. . . . BUBBLE BATH CHANGES COLOR AND GIVES IT THAT DULL LOOK: It's that Thompson boy again. He decided to wash his car over the week-end but was out of the washing powder he usually uses. His little helpmate the Missus came up with a grand idea (At least that's what they thought). Why not use bubble bath powder if it doesn't take off the color and skin of a human it certainly would not hurt to use it on a car or should we say a green Ford, which is now white with a very dull look. Experience is again the best teacher folks and there's no doubt it is a very easy and cheap way to change colors quickly. May come in handy some day when you rob a bank to get more money to buy more oysters. . . . CIDER PRESS: Harry Perl just purchased a brand new cider press. We wonder why. Couldn't be he is going into the cleaning and pressing business. Whatever it is, Harry, your assets should be liquid. . . . HUSBANDS, WIVES AND SWEETHEARTS: If you have not as yet purchased that Christmas gift and have in mind a good looking purse, billfold or belt made of real leather at a very reasonable price may we suggest you contact Charles Bilskie, a young man who has the misfortune of being blind. He uses this means of making a livelihood. He is also a singer. No doubt, you have heard him at the G-E club some time or other. His address is on Columbia Ave. Thanks, folks.

Personnel-ities

By Ceal Romary

We have a new member on the floor in the person of Dale Amstutz. Welcome to the Personnel division, Dale. . . . Ruth Shull is tired of everything going out and nothing coming in. The other day, while hurrying back to play Canasta, she fell up the steps. P.S. It didn't work. The stair rail saved her. . . . Veora and Herbie Habig, and Sue and Art Seidel motored to the Windy City to see the Chicago Bear-Cardinal game. A good time was had by all. . . . We understand from very good authority that Evanel Holman's husband is thinking about changing jobs. The new one—interior decorating along with color scheming as a side line. . . . Congratulations are in order for Irene Meyers who celebrated her birthday Monday. . . . George Waldschmidt returned to work Monday. It's nice to see you back, George. . . . Anyone interested in playing Canasta in Bldg. 8-2 during noon hour is cordially invited to sit in, however, you are required to buy your lunch at the Works Cafeteria between 12 and 12:30 p.m. I. D. Rinehart will screen all applicants to the game to see that this rule is enforced. . . . Marie Alleger has been suffering from "step-itis" this past week. She moved into her new home and the steps were too much for her. At the time she moved she thought it wasn't worth it. Now, she has changed her mind. . . . Now that the football season is over, we understand that Al Hartman and Don Campbell are friends again. The only way we could settle their dispute would be to have Notre Dame and Northwestern schedule a game. . . . Celebrities are a dime a dozen in Bldg. 8-2, what with Marian Davies, K. W. Michael and Loyd Bodenhamer's pictures all appearing in the local newspaper. . . . Last but not least the great H. L. Smith of the Safety section, was elected president of the Mental Hygiene Society. Congratulations, Herschel, we knew you were physically fit.

Roebke Chalks Up 30 Years



Fred W. Roebke, FHP Div. 17, chalked up 30 years' service with General Electric Friday, Dec. 2. At that time he received the best wishes from his co-workers at Taylor St. Pictured above are: (l. to r.) Leaman Huffman, Mr. Roebke, Edwin Sliger, Eric Hellwig, B. B. Gausepohl, and Leonard Sordelet.

Friends Honor Sroufe On Anniversary



Saturday, Dec. 3, marked Samuel J. Sroufe's 30th anniversary at General Electric. On the preceding day he received the best wishes from his co-workers in FHP Div. 15. He is shown above being congratulated by his foreman, Adam Flager. In the above picture are: (l. to r.) H. G. Siebold, Mr. Flager, E. F. Sonday, L. D. Hodell, Henry Doehing, Mr. Sroufe, Jess Moore, Kurt Trapp, and J. W. LaVine.

Pensioner Parade

We got a letter from Curtis F. Martin saying that he wishes everyone a "Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and may God bless you all." . . . George Davis has moved to 45 E. Bay St. in Charleston, S. C. His new home is about 150 yards from the Cooper river, which is a fine fishing ground. He says that he has been out only a few times and didn't do too bad for a fresh water fisherman. George states that he can watch the boats come and go while looking out of his window. . . . E. A. Barnes, former General Superintendent, sent us an interesting item and picture of an old electric railway at Brighton, England. Mr. Barnes did some of the installation work on this railway. To tell the story in his own words, it is: "Before I got in with the Edison interests I roamed around in several of the electrical companies in and near London. One was Patterson and Cooper Dalton, East London, who built the generator and motor for the Volk's folks in Brighton a South England resort, and it still is. It was, as I remember, 44 in eight copper brushes . . . picked 250-300 volts current up off the main rails, which were more or less insulated from the earth and the wheels were insulated from the axles. Without feeling, one could get an unpleasant jolt if you straddled the rails. This railway was about a quarter mile long. The V-E. R., as I remember, was Volk's Electric Railway, also Victoria Empress-Rex (King). Two of the budding youths of the engineering force were sent down to Brighton to adjust the brushes-switches and resistance boxes (called rheostats now). It was quite an experience for me. Magners Volk who was a naturalized Britisher was an old gent with white 'spinach' and stove pipe hat, quite the rage in those days, as were the gallways and loose chewing on the face. Quite an advance from those days that one sees on our streets today. I thought some day you might want to get a laugh from the sober minded folks here. Cheerio."

Medical Memos.....

by Mary Heymann

Even the air seems to be full of Christmas plans. You are liable to overhear remarks like these any time: "Whose name did you get in the drawing?" or "What kind of cookies are you planning to bake?" All of the many preparations help to make the simple everyday activities seem full of mysterious secrets. . . . Dr. H. W. Garton spent several days in Schenectady. According to him the weather there was grand. . . . We are happy to have Thelma Harrison back with us again. At present she is on days in Bldg. 21, but will leave for Taylor Street second shift to take the place of Mrs. Martin, who after tonight, will again be a full-time housewife. The people on second trick at Taylor Street will miss her pleasant disposition and ready smile. . . . Elex members enjoyed the annual Christmas party. The Harmonicats were featured on the program. Of course, they shared the spotlight with another prominent individual at this season, Santa Claus. It was a lovely party. . . . When buying your Christmas seals this year, do remember that you are helping to wage an unceasing war against tuberculosis. This year alone, more than 22 separate yet coordinated studies are being aided by the National Tuberculosis Association and its affiliates. Since 1904, the over-all TB program has helped cut the death rate by 85 per cent—yet this disease kills more people between 15 and 34 years of age than any other.

M. B. A. Sick List

Ernest Allmandinger, Betty Sapp, Mary Blanchard, Leonard Floyd, Maurice Cook, Edward Farrell, Clarence Schooley, Johanna Alles, Edmund DeWeese, Clarence Hartman, Beulah Briner, Marguerite Dasher, George Earl, Donald Ertel, Alta Franklin, Ionena Foster, Robert Hickman, Sarah Meagher, Agnes Ryan, Joseph Schlotterer, Henry Tucker, Carl Mosser, John Redmerski, and Grace Hall.

What the little kids would like to save for a rainy day is school.

Tool Bits — Bldgs. 19-4 & 5

by Harry Travelbee

Until now, nobody knew we had a genius in the pattern shop in Bldg. 19-5. Ed Gruber discovered perpetual motion—well almost. It was an interesting experiment, wasn't it? . . . George Luker's mind must have been on milking his cows while he was riding the elevator Thursday morning, because he got off in Bldg. 19-4 and tried to punch his clock card there instead of Bldg. 19-5. . . It looked like an invasion last week when several of our friends on retirement paid us a visit. Among them were Charlie Klepper, Bill Jeffries, Johnny Roebel and Loren Boxel. We're sure glad to see you fellows and please drop in whenever you can. . . . Lowell Welker finally broke down and bought a car. At least it was called a car in 1934. Now it's only $45 worth of negotiable scrap steel. Lowell says he gets good gas mileage on it and Hoop Suelzer says he should with his wife pushing most of the way. . . . Woody Hursh was in a play at Leo where he was cast as Tarzan chasing Dorothy Lamour through the aisles. Woody almost resigned from the part when he couldn't locate a leopard skin. Finally, a neighbor took a feed sack and cut holes for Woody's legs and spotted it with brown paint. . . . Milo Rauner is sure of getting at least one Christmas present as his wife called him aside and gave him a classy looking cigarette lighter. She told Milo that he was getting him something else to put under the Christmas tree. How do you rate all the attention, Mike? . . . Thanks for the cigars, Frank, and congratulations on the new baby boy. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lebrecht. . . . We hope that Don Clark and Del Stickler get the six inch hook scale to its proper owner. Time will tell. . . . Don Alcott told John Neukam that he would gladly buy his wife an automatic toaster if she would just give him the money with which to buy it. Believe me, you have something there, Don. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Bohrer had a very pleasant surprise as their son who is in the Navy came home Dec. 5 to spend 10 days with them. . . . Herb Meyers wanted a table saw for his birthday, but for some reason he didn't get it. So now he is going to buy his wife a table saw for Christmas. . . . The boys in the Bridgeport mill section knew Carl Bearman was upset about something, but they didn't know if it was his new shoes hurting his feet or if he was just too proud to talk to them. . . . Scott Click says that at least someone admires his hair do and that admirer is his two year old granddaughter. . . . Gus Wiedelman spent his third week's vacation at home. We are told that he is becoming an expert with the saw and hammer. We may need you some time, Gus, so keep in practice.

2-2 Tales

by BELLE BUCHAN

Charles Rice is on vacation this week. That is if you can call butchering a vacation. . . . We are having our share of illness in this office. Harold Boles, who has been ill for several weeks, is reported on the mend and we hope he will be back very soon. Paul Traub is quite sick and has been in the hospital for observation. We all hope it is not serious. . . . Joan Toderoff is back at her desk after being off because of an accident. . . . It was a real pleasure to have Genevieve Ayres Cleland stop off to say hello to us. She was on her way to her home in Florida. . . . There is one fellow in the office who is almost sure that he is going to get his Christmas wish. It goes like this, "All I Want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth." We are talking of Vern Castle who says that Santa has promised him a full set of new choppers. . . . We are happy to spread the welcome mat for Bob Dent who is taking charge of our production section. On the other hand we will be saying good-bye to Jack Bendure who will take up new duties at Taylor Street. Good luck, Jack.

Congratulated For Long Service



Joseph R. Troendly, Bldg. 26-4, is shown above being congratulated by Frank Schlotter on Mr. Troendly's 30th anniversary with General Electric. Mr. Troendly completed this milestone in his G-E career Friday, Dec. 2. Others who joined in with their congratulations include: (l. to r.) A. D. Hellwig, Ralph Smith, Mr. Schlotter, Melvin France, Arthur Gallogly, Mr. Troendly, W. H. Crouse, and P. A. Peterson.

MOTOR and GENERATOR Static



Thought For The Week: "Some people smoke too much because they are nervous and others are nervous because they smoke too much." Ted Cook.

The new mystery melody is "The National Emblem March." . . . OH BROTHER: One of the downtown stores has a clever display of scenes from Christmas stories in their Calhoun and Washington streets windows. Scene No. 1 is in the north window and the subsequent scenes are continued in the windows south on Calhoun and then around on Washington. It was only natural when Ed Foley took his little granddaughter downtown to see the decorations that these windows were on their lists of "musts." Ed started at Window No. 1, read the story, described the scene in detail and then continued to the other windows where he repeated his performance. Mr. Foley related that as he talked a crowd of women and children gathered and followed from window to window. Sez Ed, "Suddenly I noticed that no one was saying a word, just listening to me talk. This made me realize that I had them enthralled by my magnetic personality, my fluent English and my outstanding ability to eloquently interpret the scenes. However, it bothered me a little. I felt like I was conducting a Cook's Tour and you know I am by nature both modest and retiring. Yak, yak, yak." To which we replied, "Oh, brother." . . . WE WANT: Frank Rathert has us guessing. We met him in the factory recently and he immediately began threatening us because we were as he expressed it, "putting something in this week's news about his adventures with a cat." We would have been only too glad to print a story about Mr. Rathert had we known, but to date are completely in the dark about the whole affair. May we suggest to his pals, that they ask him about it and if the story is told, inform us, that we may rectify a grevious oversight. We want everyone to be happy. . . . COURAGEOUS: It seems our Broadway Greeks are courageous men. Alex recently routed an intruder in the Broadway Lunch. Now "Irish" John Gianolus, president of the "American Greeks" drove a prowler from the doughnut shop down the street.

Safety Raiser

Did you ever drive down the road at night and have a car approach you with bright lights on? You dim but he doesn't. You can't see very well but he can. You get madder than all get out and your first impulse is to turn 'em on and let him have it. Don't do it. It is better that one of you can see where you are going than if you both are blinded. If you want to vent your wrath get yourself a Kigmy and kick the living bejupiters out of it. They like it and it will make you feel better. Be Courteous—Drive Safely.

Ramblings, Bldg. 31-2

Margaret Norman is still in a dither from seeing the Shah of Iran in Detroit. . . . Sam Stilwell, retired from drafting, paid us a visit recently. . . . This is a month of blessed events. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Elwonger on the birth of their 9 pound baby boy, Leslie Craig. Congrats also to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Stout for the birth of a son. . . . William L. Warner has been transferred from Air Conditioning department to the M-G drafting. William started working with us Dec. 5. . . . M-G engineering played "up-set the fruit basket" again this week. Due to the changes made in engineering to make the AC and DC divisions, it was necessary to move the partitions. So if you are looking for someone in the Engineering divisions, please remember we have been scrambled. . . . We of Bldg. 31-2 deeply regret the death of our friend and co-worker Arthur Fruechte.

Hambrock Celebrates 30th Anniversary

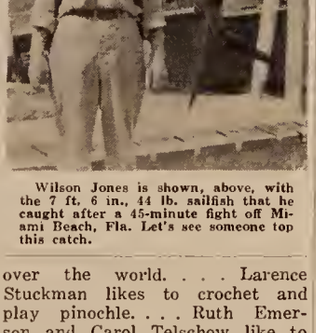


Clarence F. Hambrock, Bldg. 26-2, celebrated his 30th anniversary with General Electric Monday, Dec. 5. At that time he was congratulated by his friends in the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Purchasing division. Left to right above are: A. J. Lange, H. F. Briggeman, Mr. Hambrock, and G. H. Knoll.



Praises be, this week we lift the lid on a floor on the west side of Broadway. Herewith is the lowdown on the second shift of the Specialty Transformer and Ballast Div. 94 located in Bldg. 26-3. Likable George Brehm is the foreman in charge of this floor. George has been with the Company for 10 years and has been an Owl for a year. He tells us that he was born a long time ago on a farm. His pride and joy is his new Nash with all of the built-in comforts. Euchre, euchre and more euchre is his bill of fare for passing his extra time. . . . The credit for this missive goes to Lois Shaw, a gal who is always all smiles. Lois likes basketball, crossword puzzles and can also bake a good cake. . . . Wade Bowman, the second Izaak Walton, is a real hunter and fisher. He keeps his eyes on all sports also. . . . Jerry Kramer is a fisherman too, but likes gardening and pretty flowers. . . . Quite a mechanic is Ray Loveless. He built his own motorcycle. . . . Betty Burnett has a hobby of crocheting and likes all kinds of sports. . . . Shows and walking take care of the spare time for Linda Werling. . . . Another gal handy with the crocheting needle is Nancy Hawkensmith. . . . Besides having a cottage at Lake George where she fishes a lot, Vilora Schnepp raises tropical fish. (She should get together with Henry Koch, Bldg. 17-4, who hobbies tropicals too.) . . . Ruth Schmidt likes to pull out the big ones at Hamilton lake where her cottage is located. . . . Collecting antique coins is a hobby with Laurene Kraus. If you are interested in making a swap see Laurene. . . . We thought that gals were supposed to be afraid of mice but they are the hobby of Evelyn Armstrong who keeps them in her shoe at work. She also is a good bowler. . . . John Plummer who can blush beautifully is a radio ham. He has contacted fellow hams all over the world. . . . Larence Stuckman likes to crochet and play pinochle. . . . Ruth Emerson and Carol Telschow like to spend their extra time reading. . . . After cooking Billie Tucker likes all kinds of sports. . . . Carmel Grabowski likes the two b's, baking and bowling. . . . Estella Thompson is an ardent fisherman. . . . Cooking and baking take up the extra time for Lora Summers. . . . Thelma Loveless does a lot of reading and also likes to dance. . . . A crossword puzzle bug is Agnes Lopshire. She also likes to read. . . . Celeste Farrell likes to travel and also fish. . . . An equestrienne of note is Virginia Smith. (That's right, Bud, she likes to ride horses.) . . . Eulalia Zuber is another fancy needle worker. She embroiders and crochets but finds time to work crossword puzzles. . . . Myrtle Swager doubles with fishing and reading. . . . Sewing takes the extra time for Aldyth Cottner. . . . Celia Rebber likes fishing. . . . A piano player of repute is Helen Bracht. . . . The culinary arts take the time of Mildred Steffey. . . . Maxine Gaff—the diamond! . . . B. Frances Gerardot doubles with reading and crocheting. . . . Collecting recipes is the hobby of Edna Mapes. They say that she recently ran from a rubber lizard that somehow got in her lunch. . . . What is this about the cage on Thanksgiving eve, Dorothy Beasley? . . . Howard Colby is leaving for Bldg. 4-3 on the third shift. . . . Mary Irvin likes to putter around outside. . . . They say that Cora Charleston drives where she's looking in the cabbage patch. . . . A few have been left out because we didn't get the lowdown. Hope this is the start of a long series on the west side. . . . RAMBLING NOTES—The men and boys in Bldg. 26-4 wish to thank the gals in Bldg. 26-3 for inviting them down to help eat the big feast. We still can't figure out how Everett Hamilton made it back upstairs with that big drum stick. The little guy ate the whole thing. . . . Also from Bldg. 26-4 we learn that Ted Lauterberg has his basement finished and covered for the winter, now he is ready for the ice fishing season. . . . The boys are wondering if Sparkey Adams will get permission from the bass at home to let him go along this winter. His work makes him quite tired I'm told. . . . Jim Battrick, Bldg. 4-5, was displaying his gams (legs to you, Buster) to the gals and they all agree that they would make a good model for fine hosiery. . . . Us Second Shifters were glad to see Wilma Garringer when she paid the visit to her old haunts last week.

Can You Top This?



Wilson Jones is shown, above, with the 7 ft. 6 in., 44 lb. sailfish that he caught after a 45-minute fight off Miami Beach, Fla. Let's see someone top this catch.



Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office Bldg. 8-2.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE

Monday Noon, December 19, 1949

FOR SALE

GIRL'S GREEN SATIN FORMAL—Size 14, worn only once. Huntertown 2911.

BOY'S JACKET AND RAINCOAT—Size 9-10, good, both for $2. H-66332.

PAIR OF LOVE BIRDS—And cage. 2814 S. Hanna, or H-50697.

GIRL'S WHITE FIGURE ICE SKATES—Size 6, $5.50. A-36812 or 1429 Pemberton.

HORTON PORTABLE IRONER—Used only few times. $30. A-2681.

GIRL'S WHITE FIGURE ICE SKATES—Size 8; boy's snowsuit, size 1; both in very good condition. E-3417 mornings.

GIRL'S WHITE ICE SKATES—Size 3, $4; babyguard high chair, $5. 816 Huestis Ave.

PLAYER PIANO—Electric, needs small repairs, $50; double door wardrobe with mirror and drawers, $20. A-39267.

RAZOR — Electric, Remington, foursome, like new, $10; Kerosene heater, white porcelain, 12x18x18, used one year, $7; Navy pea coat, size 42. H-77691.

SHELLED AND CLEANED GOLDEN QUEEN POP CORN—4300 Bluffton Road or H-79386.

22 CALIBER RIFLE—Mossberg automatic with Weaver G-4 telescopic sight and sling, like new. 3108 S. Calhoun St. after 4 p.m.

GIRL'S BICYCLE—Good condition, $15. H-50533.

LADIES' BROWN TUXEDO COAT—Black Chesterfield, brown suit, dresses, skirts, very reasonable, sizes 12-14. H-81665.

GIRL'S 26" BICYCLE—Like new, $25. H-69782.

1937 DODGE COUPE—Good condition, $175. H-37866 or 927 E. Creighton Ave. up.

NEW MATTRESS FOR REGULAR SIZE BABY BED—Waterproof, innerspring, $5; also Toidey Seat, $1. H-19132.

MODEL AIRPLANE—24" wing spread, with Olson engine. H-58213.

CREMONA VIOLIN—$26. H-78282.

ELECTRIC TRAINS—Accessories, single cars and engines; also repaired. E-6204.

BREAKFAST TABLE — And benches; tricycle with side car. H-60025.

SMITH-CORUNNA PORTABLE TYPEWRITER—Touch control, used about 30 days, sacrifice for quick sale. 2018 S. Webster St.

BLACK COCKER SPANIEL FEMALE PUPPY—10 weeks old, registered, reasonable. H-67643.

MAPLE BABY GUARD HIGH CHAIR—Good condition. H-50002.

FOR RENT

COMFORTABLE ROOM — Near G-E, lady preferred. H-40391.

LARGE NICELY FURNISHED ROOM—Ground floor, separate entrance, refined girl preferred, no smoking or drinking. 1145 Nuttman Ave.

NICE FRONT ROOM — Innersprings, walking distance to Broadway G-E, meals if desired, gentleman preferred. A-60175.

TWO HOUSES—Mile west of Yoder and ½ mi. north. Everett Pace, R. R. 1, Yoder, Ind.

WANTED

COMBINATION OR PLAIN SCREEN DOOR—Approximately 30x80. A-75442.

TRANSPORTATION

WANTS TWO RIDERS—Dale Grigsby, coming from Columbia City on routes 9 and 14 or 30. Works in Bldg. 26-2, from 8-5:15. Extension 342.

WANTS RIDERS — Russell Golliver, coming through Payne, O., on 30 or 14. Works in Bldg. 26-B from 7-3:30. Extension 437.

WANTS RIDE — Ann Swisher, from Bluffton. Works for Jack Fox, Bldg. 6-2, from 8-5:15. Extension 602.

WANTS RIDE — Mildred Schoenlein, from Huntington. Works for Frank Shidler, Bldg. 17-3, from 7-3:30. Extension 754.

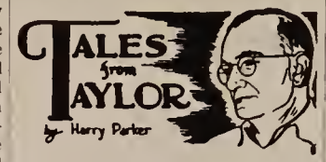
WANTS RIDE—Marie Alleger, from 2712 Sherman. Works in Bldg. 8-2 from 8-5:15. Extension 363.

THANK YOU NOTE

I WISH TO THANK—In this manner the many G-E friends, relatives and 901 union members for the contributions and cards I have received during my sickness at the hospital and at home. Many thanks. Nobert Hans and family.



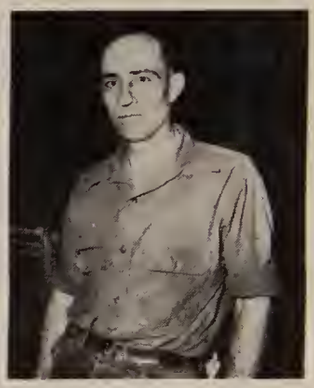
It is nearly Christmas and now is the time to buy that best gal a present. Say that reminds me Merrill Weaver has already started as of last week when he set the boys up to a coke. Yeah, "On The House Weaver." . . . Remember Miriam Exline who used to be a winder for McDougal? Yes sir, she has acquired a husband. The lucky lad was none other than Paul Whitmore from Rockford. The ceremonial took place in the blue grass country, Kentucky. Congratulations, Miriam, to a long and prosperous wedded life. . . . John Adelblue is back on the job again. Hi, John. Leah Parr also came back to us as a winder. Clo Harkless is now on the second shift replacing Nyla Railing, who went on days. . . . What's this we hear Iola Hamrick taking her pet cow out for a walk along the highway? Funny place to take a cow walking, huh? . . . Cliff Pond is still off due to the infection caused from yanking too hard on some horse weeds. He oughta know he can't handle those things . . . . Charlie Zimmerman and his wife are now in business. Yep, they will make you any kind of a fur dog that you want including all the accessories for a very nominal fee. . . . Ralph Ross can explain to you just how a torpedo works in operation if you ask him and he will show you. . . . Ruth Tinkham is a lucky gal. She won a turkey at the Sportsman Club in Willshire, and she says she will have the bird for Christmas. Ralph Cauble was also lucky when he drew one of those GeCode Club turkeys. . . . Iola Hamrick is now fully qualified to be called grandma. Yes she acquired two more grandchildren. Hi, grandma, and congratulations. We hope you get many more. . . . We don't want to forget to tell you that another prominent second shifter, Wilbur Fuelling, middle-aisled it recently. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Fuelling. . . . Birthdays may come and go but the past week or two there have been some interesting ones. For instance Revia Stauffer celebrated hers the same day our vice-president the "veep" did. Anyway Revia received very nice gifts. Annabelle Gehrig celebrated her occasion two weeks ago. Did your husband remember you with a gift or did you remind him? . . . A double celebration was held at the Noonan house. Eddie celebrated his birthday and Ceceila her wedding. By the way, the bride is back to work. She has a lot of new items for starting housekeeping. A lesson to brides from Celia—be sure and get a can opener on starting housekeeping. You just can't open those beans without an opener. . . . For those dainty hands Emma Goldner has a solution. No not Jergens lotion, but a nice pair of hot pad mitts to remove those tasty roasts and baked stuff from the oven. She has been sewing them in different colors, there right pretty snazzy. . . . Several weeks ago guests at George Womack's residence were Barney and Glen Hensley from around down south of Indianapolis. . . . A third week vacationer last week was Mike Kimble. No known details as to how the week was spent. Mike, we'll be looking for a summary on return. . . . Our grease and oil man on the winding machines sure must have a real romance or just a springtime spell. Johnny! Oh, Johnny! . . . Last week's most embarrassing moment goes to Joe Craig. Riley, you'll have to quit grinning—your day may come. . . . Hi ho and away she goes. We probably won't be able to see Hermenia High for a cloud of dust as she goes down the road in that new Chevie. . . . Jason Moser was all smiles, being the recipient of an award and cigarette lighter. . . . Jerry Kohne decided to enjoy a few hours of relaxation and try his luck at hunting. Somehow Lady Luck was not with him and everytime Jerry fired at the bunny, luck failed him and all you could hear him say was "Look at those rascals run!" . . . Leonard Meyer has returned from his third week's vacation. . . . Wedding bells will soon ring for Junior Hoffman. . . . Henry Krueckebery is confined to our local hospital due to an operation. Best of luck, Henry. . . . Violet Steffen and her sister Mildred left for Miami, Florida and Key West. They plan to be gone 10 or 12 days in the sunny south. . . . Harvey Koos is back after a long seige of illness. . . . Is it a new personality with Ray Schott or a new barber? . . . "Chuck" Cook is the proud father of a baby boy. Congratulations, Chuck. . . . Can you imagine a gal going on a diet just before Christmas? It is none other than Norma Poorman. Not saying she doesn't need it but why doesn't she wait till after Christmas? Of course, she makes several trips to the cage and just gets a candy bar, a few potato chips, and maybe a bucket of ice cream, but what is that to a poor working gal. . . . Yes sir, Ethel Schlickman is now Aunt Ethel. Her brother, the one and only Chuck Cook, the dispatcher general, is the proud father of a baby boy. Hooray for good old Chuck and many congrats. . . . Glenn Hurless was rather indisposed one day last week. The old Christmas cheer got him down. He says he had a cold. . . . Bones Brunnegraff, the mule driver, is sorta under the weather lately and was off one day last week. . . . Eddie Shaffer is back on the job after being absent for over a year. . . . We thought there was a funeral last week when Maggie Fruchte wore that black suit, but I guess she was in mourning just because she has not been proposed to yet, and I can't understand why because she is such a beautiful gal. . . . If you want to raise chickens and make them pay just ask that Teeple boy on the hi-freq. He sure has the formula. . . . Merrill Weaver has a special on hickory nuts for Christmas if you care for them. . . . The winding gals would like to get a bowling team to bowl some evening after work. What do you say, fellows? . . . And if you want those photos touched up with high class oil painting finish just see Harry Stults as he is the best you can get. I mean his pictures are the best. . . . In a little over a week each and everyone will celebrate Christmas. Don't forget to hang your stockings by the chimney to fill. . . . We all had hopes in sampling venison after Jerry Coffee's hunting expedition in the mountains of Pennsylvania. All he says, "Yes, we got a deer, but I didn't get any." . . . Only two days old and Johnny Baumann had the misfortune of getting his new Olds banged up. It was a beautiful job, Johnny. . . . Evelyn Thurston is leaving the Company today. She was the recipient of a shower to be given by Revia Stauffer! We hope you come back and see us again Evelyn. . . . Rumors are flying around about Junior Huffman's approaching marriage. On inquiring they say the six footer has a very nice little sweetie. Congratulations, my boy. . . . It's nothing like being prepared. Eddie Hesher is sprouting a cookie duster. He may be expecting a lot of holiday cookie specials. . . . When it comes to hiding things Vida Lammert takes the cake. We can't see how she can confine two squirrels and a teddy bear in such a lot of waste paper. . . . The G-E employees wish Fred Engle a speedy recovery. He had been seriously injured while helping to fight a fire. . . . Julius Baker deserves a big hand for the time and effort he put forth to make the Christmas party a huge success. With Santa and his toys and all the fun making by Chuck Cook in his version of Spike Jones' "Two Front Teeth" and Santa and the mouse, topped with songs by the Aeolian Choir was all in the making long before Christmas. Then the scene played by our local employees gave the party a religious touch which is the real Christmas, poverty, humility, and love towards mankind. So we hand it to you, Julius, for the grand time had by all. . . . Just a reminder that GeCode has on sale jello, in 12 different flavors, sachet in three lovely scents, birthday cards, and get well cards of pretty designs, all occasion cards, and wrappings—just the thing for that fussy shopper. Also Christmas cards and wrappings an assortment of very good taste.



Ed Murphy has purchased an electric train to be presented to his young son at Christmas time. He has all the accessories that go with an outfit like this and has been busily engaged in tuning it up every evening after the boy goes to bed. He wants it in shipshape when the eventful day arrives. This morning he was late for work. His explanation was that he was so busy playing with this toy after breakfast that the time slipped by before he knew it. We venture a bet that the boy will not have much opportunity to play with his train as Ed will do most of the playing after he arrives home from work. . . . Elmer Harshman is now the proud possessor of a brand new Nash. It is one of those kind that if you get tired of driving sitting up you can, by a simple operation, make a bed out of it, then drive while laying down. So enthused is he over this car that he took a group of his co-workers out to see it the other day during lunch period and gave them a demonstration of the various driving positions. . . . Darce Campbell, who is very much interested in boxing and owns a set of boxing gloves, has a son who shares this interest and is forever after his dad to put the gloves on with him. To pacify him. Darce promised his son that on his 16th birthday he would put them on with him. This birthday happens to be Dec. 21, so get ready, folks, for the battle of the century. We are fully expecting Darce to report for work with two black eyes and hobbling along on crutches. as this lad is of goodly size and mighty handy with his dukes. . . . As writer of this column and very interested in civic affairs, it was with great pleasure and interest that I attended the grand Christmas opening of the East State Blvd. merchants, and who should I happen upon but my old friend Charles (Pat) Monroe who was doing his stuff as Santa Claus. He was being followed by a bunch of kids and dogs. He presented me with a handful of candy canes along with the rest of the kids. Charlie said that he has always wanted to give me something, and this was it.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH THE MONEY, IF YOU WON A $1,000 SUGGESTION AWARD?



PHILIP A. HILL

Bldg. 19-1

"I'd use it to finish my home, such as installing bath tub, hot water heater and cement cellar floor; also buy an automatic washer."



RUTH M. SCHMIDT

Bldg. 26-3

"I would get a G-E television set, and also go to Florida for the winter."



RALPH ROSENBERRY

Bldg. 4-5

"First, I would give Uncle Sam approximately $200. With the balance, since it would be money I normally would not have, I would divide it equally among my two children to set up a trust fund for their education in later years or whatever emergency they might need."



HARRY E. HAWTHORN

Bldg. 20-1

"I would use it for some improvements on my home."



MINA LAMPY

Decatur Plant

"If I was lucky enough to receive a $1,000 suggestion award, I think I would do a little fishing in Alaska."



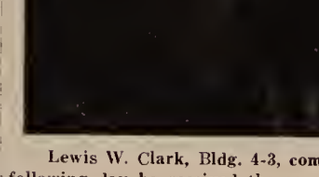
SHIPPING: With the coal strike over seems getting coal would be a minor task, but for Eileen Fitch it has become quite a problem. Eileen and hubby spent quite some time Saturday getting all ready for the arrival of the coal. However, after the entire day had gone by and still no coal Eileen's patience was exhausted. The next few hours were spent in running down the coal company, when suddenly, like an exploding atom bomb. It came to our heroine that she had forgotten to call the coal company and inform them that it was OK to bring out the coal. What a re-voltin' development. . . . The big day of the week was Thursday for all the Elex girls, because it was their annual Christmas party, starring the Harmonicats and Santa Claus. . . . Have you noticed the pretty ties Bob Gebert wears? Are you interested in purchasing a few for Christmas gifts? If so see Bob cause he can order them for you, pronto. . . . Happy birthday to Ray Quinn next Wednesday. . . . MAILING: Is anyone in the market for a good used bowling ball? Don Pappert says he will sell his if his score doesn't go up soon. However, Don just recently made the paper by having a high score in a mixed doubles tournament. . . . The Mailing section will hold its annual potluck Christmas party and exchange Thursday noon, Dec. 22. . . . Frank Goetz seems to be having trouble keeping himself in cigars lately, and the law of averages doesn't seem to help him much. Birthdays are sure crowding us next week. Ruth Roth celebrates her birthday Monday and Kenny Beck celebrates Tuesday. Frank Goetz has a birthday too. Since he doesn't want the date known we'll just not mention the exact date, but for a slight hint we will say it's only one day before Ruth's. . . . We are wondering why Earl Covault is in such good spirits when he comes to work and now we know. It's because he exchanges lovely little notes with his girl friend. . . . Congratulations to Bruce Hapner. He's engaged. The bride to be is Ruth Ann Ryan. . . . REGIONAL: The Canasta bug has stung a few people in the Regional Warehouse. The scene of the latest battle was at Edith Cayot's home. It really turned out to be a contest to see who could eat the most instead of who could play Canasta best. The next "Food-Canasta Contest" will be at the home of Genevieve Manecke. . . . A word to the wise, in this case the word is to Mary Cline, "never go down stairs in the dark." Mary tried this little trick and as a result she's very sore in places. . . . Betty Zieg would like to know how to spell "Quimby". She's sure it's not spelled with a "G" because she looked all through the "G's" in the phone book trying to find it. . . . We've been meaning to ask Carmen Sordelet if she's been wearing her curlers lately, since we haven't noticed them around. . . . Melvin Schroeder was the center of attraction, of a group of young ladies the other day. We are wondering if it was because of Melvin's beautiful blue eyes or if it was his new contact lenses.

A Nebraska man tried to kill himself three times in one week and failed. He probably was never successful at anything.

Clark Completes 30 Years At G-E



Lewis W. Clark, Bldg. 4-3, completed 30 years of employment at General Electric Sunday, Dec. 4. The following day he received the congratulations of his friends in Specialty FHP Motor Div. 1. Mr. Clark is shown above reading the congratulatory letter he received on his anniversary. Left to right in the photograph are: William Wickliffe, Paul Ginder, Hilda Seiler, O. J. Mettler, Mr. Clark, George Prince, Serena Slatter, Florian Korte, and Charles Hendrickson.



STORY OF THE WEEK—Walter Hahn and Wilbur Boltz's dog have things in common. Here is the story. Walt was complaining the other day of his gall bladder (whatever that is) saying it was bothering him. He guessed he would have to get some pills. Wilbur hearing this turned to Walt saying, "My dog has the same trouble and I've got some of his pills. Would you care to try them?" This—Walt didn't think much of. The moral of the story is Wilbur's dog is recovering but poor Walt still has his trouble. So, why not try the dog pills, Walt? It helped the dog, it may help you. . . . CHRISTMAS PARTY—The girls from the production section had their Christmas party December 8. It was a potluck dinner and gift exchange. To receive their gifts the girls either had to put on a stunt or sing a song. Too bad there were no talent scouts present. The party was held at Irene Whelan's home. . . . RECIPE TIME—Anyone need cookie recipes? See Joe Jamison, whose wife bakes a special oatmeal variety, which keeps Joe's "hunger pangs" from twitching mid-morning and afternoon. They're really good. . . . SORRY TO SEE YOU GO—Last Friday we bid farewell to June Munson, Renewal Parts Sales, who has taken a secretarial job in Bluffton, her home town. We all wish her lots of success. The girls in Sales had a luncheon for June and presented her with a very lovely gift. . . . NATURE BOY—The Commercial division enjoyed a pleasant surprise last week with a visit from our own nature boy, Ray O'Keefe, now of our Chicago Office. . . . CONGRATULATIONS—To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Neuert, (test engineer in the DC div.) who are the very proud parents of Terry Wayne, 8 lb. 6 oz. son born Friday, Dec. 9, at 1:30 p.m. Santa came a little early but what a wonderful Christmas gift! Also Herb Osborne, father of Dale Frederich, 7 lb. 12 oz. born Dec. 6. Father and son doing all right. . . . OFF WITH A BANG—By the way, Walter Brake, why did you need a match to light your cigarette—the way your face lit up with that rosy hue after you struck the explosive match, was fire enough to light a dozen cigarettes. Wonder who the culprit was. One consolation though is that you weren't the only victim in the DC division. . . . FLASH—Anybody wanting to gain weight see Bernice Frieburger. Her husband has gained 20 pounds since their marriage Oct. 22. Is it her cooking or those vitamins you find done up in tin cans? . . . CONGRATULATIONS—If anyone is wondering why Joan Walter had such a big smile on her face Monday, here is the answer. It was the diamond on the third finger of her left hand. Congratulations, Joan and Gil Baker. The wedding will take place Jan. 7, 1950. . . . VACATION TIME—Mary Smoak starts her third week of vacation tonight at 5:15. . . . SPEEDY RECOVERY — We were very sorry to hear about Pauline Meehan's accident last Saturday in Alabama on her way to Florida. We hope she will recover soon, and he back to work. . . . BLANK CALL—Lew Nelson was called clear across the room to answer a phone. When he reached the other side the phone was dead. Then he was told it was Frankie Laine wanting another mule for his mule train. Boy! Did he bite. . . . LEGITIMATE GRIPE—Barbara Rider has a good gripe. She claims that everyone else gets their names in the paper, but she never does. Well, we wish to announce that she and her husband attended the Notre Dame-Iowa football game several weeks ago while in South Bend visiting her sister. What do you think of Notre Dame's football team, Barbara?

Salisbury Axle Ends G-E Club's Record Of Wins

Salisbury Axle ended the G-E Club Industrial Basketball team's winning streak at five games Tuesday, Dec. 13, by turning back the club, 45-37.

After trailing 29-28 at the end of the first half, the club came roaring back and held a 37-26 lead midway in the last quarter. Salisbury regained the lead on two quick baskets by Miller and went on to win. Jim Walley and Dick Bucher led the club's attack with 10 points each.

Monday night, Dec. 12, the G-E Club defeated First Methodist Church, 52-47. The club jumped off to an early lead and was leading 26-20 at the half. With Jim Walley scoring 11 points in the second half, the club went on to win.

R. Green led the visitors, with 14 points; while Walley, with 17, and Lou Goehring, with 11, paced the club's scoring.

The G-E Cluh will play the Sandpoint Merchants Monday, Dec. 19.

Box scores:

Salishury	G.	F.	T.	G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Miller	7	4	18	Bucher	4	2	10
Grant	0	0	0	Gettya	2	4	8
Follis	1	1	3	Trabel	0	0	0
Saylor	0	0	0	Goehring	0	0	0
Bryson	7	3	17	Lindholm	0	0	0
Rothsong	0	3	3	Walley	4	2	10
Heintzelman	1	2	4	Hower	0	0	0
				Baals	4	1	9
				Zimmerlee	0	0	0
Totals	16	13	45	Totals	14	9	37

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	First Meth.	G.	F.	T.
Bucher	4	0	8	Stein	1	0	2
Lindholm	0	0	0	Green	6	2	14
Goehring	4	3	11	McGraw	0	1	1
Gettys	3	0	6	McAlexander	2	8	12
Baals	2	1	5	Griffith	4	0	8
Trabel	0	0	0	Wass	0	0	0
Lahrman	0	0	0	Chester	5	0	10
Zimmerlee	2	1	5				
Hower	0	0	0				
Walley	8	1	17				
Totals	23	6	52	Totals	18	11	47

G-E Owls Score 49-24 Victory Over Zollner, Packers Win First Game

Earl D. Stauffer

The up and coming Eckrich Packers won their first game of the season at the expense of Indiana Rod & Wire. The score was 30-21. The powerful G-E Club Owls rolled over the Zollner Pistons for their fifth straight win by the score of 49-24.

Eckrich led all the way in their game with Rod & Wire, but they were never more than two points separating the two teams until the last quarter. Bob McKeeman got hot and made four quick baskets to put the game on ice. Arle Anders did a stellar job of holding down Dick Sowers, of the Rod & Wire boys, to four points. Bob McKeeman, with 10 points, led the winner; while Dom Lortie paced the losers with seven.

Once again balance and reserve strength were too much for the G-E Club's opponents. Bebe Blauvelt broke into the lineup and did all right for himself by scoring 12 points. Zollner, after a slow start, held the club scoreless during the second period and almost closed the gap. The score at the half stood 15-12 in favor of G-E. Then with a flurry of baskets, the club forged to a lead of 33-20 at the end of the third session. Two buckets by Frank Ducheteau ended the scoring in the last quarter by Zollner.

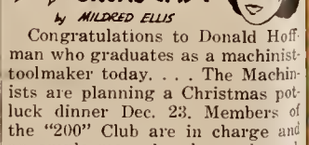
Bebe Blauvelt led G-E with 12 points, while Frank Ducheteau had nine for Zollner.

Box scores:

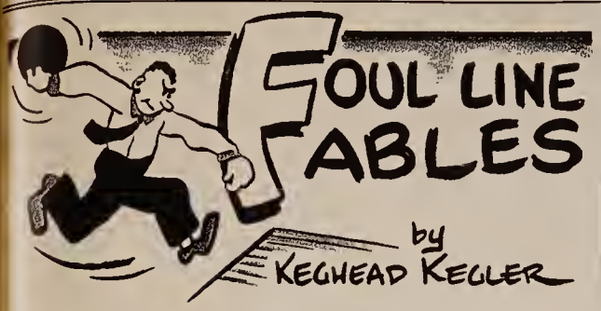
G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Zollner	G.	F.	T.
Baker	3	2	8	Waltz	1	0	2
Scherer	0	0	0	Filler	0	0	0
Blauvelt	4	4	12	Clay	1	0	2
Schible	1	0	2	Montieth	0	0	0
Greeno	0	0	0	Lang	0	0	0
Markey	4	0	8	Schrimp	3	2	8
Phillips	0	0	0	Ducheteau	4	1	9
Berrier	2	1	5	Salge	0	0	0
Wickliffe	2	1	5	Hockemeyer	0	0	0
Waikel	0	0	0	Harsch	0	0	0
Lambroff	0	0	0	Bradtmiller	1	0	2
Anspach	4	1	9				
Totals	20	9	49	Totals	10	4	24

Eckrich	G.	F.	T.	Ind. R&W	G.	F.	T.
Brend	1	3	5	Peasby	1	0	2
Anders	4	1	9	DeLong	1	0	2
McKeeman	5	0	10	Lortie	2	3	7
Kurtz	1	0	2	Beard	3	0	6
Shinbeckler	0	0	0	Sowers	1	2	4
Hill	0	0	0	Helmke	0	0	0
Stellhorn	0	0	0				
Wynn	1	2	4				
Totals	12	6	30	Totals	8	5	21

Officials—Wilson-Koepke.



Congratulations to Donald Hoffman who graduates as a machinist-toolmaker today. . . . The Machinists are planning a Christmas potluck dinner Dec. 23. Members of the "200" Club are in charge and an ample menu has been planned. With those chefs in charge we should have plenty of food and laughs. . . . A red smudge was noticed on the shoulder of Bill Smith's shirt. His explanation: Oil.(?) Oh, the oil was red hot! His excuse was original if unbelievable. . . . At the basketball game last week James Pugh shot at the wrong basket. He was determined to make a couple of points for one of the teams. . . . On the final exams there was one group of multiple choice questions that were to be answered with a 1, 2, or 3. Leave it to Ward Staley to come up with a 5 for an answer. . . . Congratulations to the Machinist Volleyball team who won the first-half championship.



Erv Aumann, of the Office League, had a very bad night this week, a 616 on games of 181, 217 and 218. Frankie Schlink, of the Designer team, walked off with chicken on his 605 total and games of 177, 191 and 237.

Two hundred scores were made by: Myron Cole, 246; Bob Kallmeyer, 236; Rex Oberlin, 233; Clarence Rump, 221; John Root, 210; Walt Nitz, 209; Dick Hanson, 207; Paul Perry, 202; Wendell Miller, 200, and Warren Brown, 200.

Chicken winners were: Frank Schlink, Walter Nitz, Blair Bushong, and Myron Cole.

Apparatus League

Having missed the boys last week, the following scores will be for the last two weeks:

Six hundred counts were tallied by Blomker, 226, 191 and 201—618; Vic Rump, 200, 214, and 180—614; and George Horner, 212, 183, and 208—603.

Two hundred scores were rolled by: R. Arnett, 208; Roy Lawrence, 203 and 201; Jimmy James, 210; A. Bienz, 206; R. Greenler, 201; E. Bienz, 214; Bob Blomker, 203; Vic Rump, 245; William Wright, 231; W. Stute, 211, and Andy Anderson, 204.

Blomker and Horner got their first 600 counts of the year, while William Spahr rolled a rousing 81.

Friday Night Girls

Virginia Bowman, having her best season this year, paced the girls on their 500 assault. Virginia won her 520 pin on games of 193, 176, and 180 for a big 549 total.

Other 500 totals were made by Bess Potts, 182, 170, and 167—519; Ginnie Mollet (that's my doubles partner) 137, 189, and 180—506; Charlotte Stanford, 149, 160, and 194—503; Helen Miller, 197, 170, and 134—501, and Betty Puff, 179, 181, and 140—500.

Ethel Koontz made the 6-7-10 split and also a 177 game. Other high games were kegled by Bonnie Workman, 181; Betty Millhouse, 178; Helen Manis, 175, and Mary Wells, 170.

Masonic League

B. Somers continues to wax warm, shooting a big 651 on scores of 269, 225, and 157. Some of the other boys also did all right with the following 600 counts: R. Crabill, 232, 203, and 186—621; J. Smith 211, 204, and 197—607; Dale, 218, 213, and 173—604, and Martz, 216, 208, and 180—604.

A. Altevogt was the only other bowler getting a 200 score that failed to negotiate a 600 series.

Interdivision League

Pierres' team rally waxed warm Wednesday evening, shooting an actual pin count of 2921 on games of 1022, 969, and 930. Their 2921 was just two pins short of the actual pin high at the club this year. Leland Putman, with 630, and Andy Anderson, with 609, paced the team to their big total. They had games of 214, 233, 183, and 236, 161, 212 respectively.

Other 600 counts were rolled by Paul Billman, 177, 193, and 234—604; Bob Buck, 194, 199, and 222—615; and Richard Tobias, 178, 233, and 198—609.

Two hundred scores were rolled by Forrester, 202; Russell Rose, 200; Whitey Ponsot, 213; Frank Gitter, 203; Paul Walker, 213 and 222; Walt Seidel, 201; Noah Kuntz, 208 and 204; Murray Johnson, 202; Wayne Weimer, 213; Bill Glenn, 225; Erv France, 234; Frank Iannelly, 210; Hal Fanning, 201; Oscar Schelper, 238, and Herb Habig, 225.

All Star League

Ed Kraft won the first half title by four games over Roger Vaughn. The boys got plenty of wood at the G-E Club alleys with the following 1000 counts, Cec Huffman, 1053; Bob Ramsey, 1017; Everett Scott, Jr., 1033; Ernie Lester, 1095; Herm Muesing, 1087; and Roger Vaughn, 1085.

Decatur Bowling

G-E FRATERNAL LEAGUE: Al Schneider with 632 and A. Appelman with 610 proved to be too tough as Moose No. 7 took 2 of 3 from the league leading Teeple Truck Line. G. Schultz rolled 617 in a losing cause for the leaders.

The second place Preble AC's failed to gain ground when they dropped two to G-E Club. K or C remained in thiek of the race by winning three from the Elks.

Two Hundred Scores: A. Schneider 243-226, A. Appelman 200-223, G. Schultz 231, Stump 242, H. Murphy 213, McIntosh 203, Wolpert 204, Briede 214.

MONDAY NITE LEAGUE: Two Hundred Scores: G. Schultz 210, L. Hoffman, 203, Plasterer 205, Laurent 212.

Seven G-E Men Elected Officers Of Southwest Conservation Club

Seven G-E men have heen elected officers of the Southwest Conservation Club. They include: Dee Hamilton, Bldg. 27, vice president; Don Kruse, Bldg. 17-4, secretary; Fay Russell, Bldg. 26-4, council delegate, and George Scott, Winter St., Ben Fleek, Mike Brayer, and Al Olson, all of Taylor St., were elected as members of the board.



Thursday night, Dec. 8, the Test Engineers won their first game of the year in the Interdivision Basketball League. They defeated the Apprentice School, 39-28.

Amstutz did most of the seoring for the Test men. He got 15 points. Gene Werling tossed in 13 points for the Apprentice boys.

In the second game of the evening, the Traffic section team took a drubbing from the front-running Small Motors, 53-24.

Monday evening Transformer, playing one of their best games, topped the Small Motor team, 36-26. It was the first loss of the year for Small Motors, which was leading the league three wins and no defeats.

Tuesday evening the Aceounting team beat the Traffic team in a good game which was close all the way. The winners, a new entry in the league this year, have a well-balanced attack and have given a good aecount of themselves in all their games. Traffic played a good game, with Saunders doing some very effective rebounding under the basket, and it was a tough one for them to lose.

In the only other game, the Apprentice School forfeited to the Firemen.

Box scores:

Test Eng.	G.	F.	T.
Dickson	3	1	7
Killion	2	0	4
Bartlemay	4	0	8
Meyer	2	1	5
Amstutz	7	1	15
Berghoff	0	0	0
Totals	18	3	39

App. School	G.	F.	T.
Gottschalk	0	1	1
Bieber	0	1	1
Konow	0	1	1
Pugh	1	0	2
Werling	6	1	13
Allen	3	0	6
Auchinbaugh	1	0	2
Smith	0	0	0
Mowery	1	0	2
Totals	12	4	28

Traffic	G.	F.	T.
Wilson	2	1	5
Betley	4	1	9
Howell	1	0	2
Schraeder	2	0	4
Rice	2	0	4
Totals	11	2	24

Small Motor	G.	F.	T.
Richardson	5	0	10
Rosswurm	6	3	15
Wickliffe	0	0	0
Slack	4	0	8
Keister	2	1	5
Neu	2	3	7
Voors	3	2	8
Totals	22	9	53

Transformer	G.	F.	T.
Wehrle	2	0	4
King	2	1	5
Taylor	2	3	7
Woodward	1	2	4
Jamison	1	0	2
Felger	2	0	4
Bratmiller	1	0	2
Kraesienko	3	2	8
Totals	14	8	36

Small Motor	G.	F.	T.
Voors	1	1	3
Rosswurm	0	0	0
Slack	0	1	1
Richardson	3	1	7
Wickliffe	3	1	7
Keister	2	0	4
Neu	1	2	4
Totals	10	6	26

Accounting	G.	F.	T.
Kuttner	0	1	1
Raney	0	0	0
Mossberg	1	1	3
Y. Raney	0	1	1
Harris	3	0	6
Wildermuth	0	0	0
Edington	1	5	7
Giord	2	3	7
Fry	1	0	2
Myers	2	0	4
Totals	10	11	31

Traffic	G.	F.	T.
Wilson	0	2	2
Betley	1	3	5
Howell	2	2	6
Schraeder	0	0	0
Rice	0	0	0
Saunders	2	2	6
Lenz	2	4	8
Hall	0	0	0
Totals	7	13	27

STANDINGS

	W	L
Transformer	4	1
Firemen	4	1
Small Motors	3	1
Accounting	3	1
Traffic	2	3
Winter St.	1	2
Test Engineers	1	3
Squares	1	3
Apprentice School	0	4

Apprentice Machinists Win Over First Half Of Volleyball League

The Apprentice Machinists won the first half of the Interdivision Volleyball League. They took 19 games out of 21 played.

Second place went to the Small Motor team, with 15 wins and six defeats.

In the first match of the second half, Taylor St. won two games from Winter St. The scoring for the match was 15-13, 4-15, and 15-12. The first half leaders defeated the Apprentice Draftsmen in all three games. The scores were 15-5, 15-4, and 15-6.

Main Office walked away with three games won from General Tool on scores of 15-10, 15-4, and 15-6. A three-game victory was made by the Small Motor team over Test Engineers. The scores were 15-7, 15-13, and 16-14.

The first half league standings are as follows:

	W	L
Apprentice Machinists	19	2
Small Motor	15	6
Main Office	14	7
Taylor St.	14	7
Apprentice Draftsmen	9	12
Winter St.	9	12
Test Engineers	2	19
Tool Division	2	19

Bucher, Goehring Lead Basketball Team's Scoring

The G-E Club Industrial Basketball team's individual scoring totals show a balanced scoring attack, with Dick Bucher and Lou Goehring leading the way. Dick has a total of 118 points in 11 games, for an average of 10.7 points per game, and Lou has a total of 98 points.

Bob Baals is leading the team at the free-throw line with a .636 percentage, hitting 14 of 22 attempts.

Individual scoring:

	G	FG	FTM	FTA	PCT	TP	AVG
Bucher	11	46	26	43	.604	118	10.7
Goehring	10	38	22	40	.550	98	9.8
Walley	8	22	7	12	.583	51	6.4
Gettys	11	19	13	25	.510	51	4.6
Trabel	11	14	14	25	.560	42	3.8
Baals	11	13	14	22	.636	40	3.6
Lindholm	11	10	4	12	.333	24	2.2
Zimmerlee	10	5	8	22	.364	18	1.8
Lahrman	8	3	3	10	.300	9	1.1
Hower	6	2	0	0	.000	4	

G—Games played
FG—Field Goals
FTM—Free throws made
FTA—Free throws attempted
PCT—Free throw percentage
TP—Total points
AVG—Average points per game

Henninger Rounds Out 30 Years



William E. Henninger, Bldg. 4-5, reecntly rounded out 30 years of serviee with General Electric. Friday, Dee. 2, a number of his friends in FHP Div. 15 joined with their congratulations on his long service. In the picture are: (l. to r.) Lawrence Chesterman, E. F. Sonday, H. G. Siebold, A. R. Hall, James Oman, L. D. Hodell, Mr. Henninger, Jess Haffner, and Arthur Bottoms.

Company Files Representation Petitions—NLRB

As outlined in a letter addressed to Robert Denham, general counsel of the National Labor Relations Board, the Company filed individual representation petitions with the N.L.R.B. yesterday (Thursday) in the hope that this will be of further aid to employees in affording the earliest opportunity for the expression of their wishes as to representation. The letter is as follows:

December 15, 1949

Mr. Robert Denham, General Counsel
National Labor Relations Board
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

We have been hoping that the conflicting claims of UE and IUE-CIO as to representation could be settled promptly through the N.L.R.B. acting to give our employees an early opportunity to express their choice.

However, it appears that various legal, procedural and investigative difficulties are delaying the procedures by which N.L.R.B. could determine the one or more bargaining agents to certify to us for the units covered in our present UE contract.

As we have publicly made clear, we have been maintaining a completely neutral position as between the contending parties, while according the N.L.R.B. all the cooperation we were called on to give, or knew how to give, in connection with its investigation of the petition filed last month by the IUE-CIO.

The continued delay in determination is meanwhile, however, permitting a number of perplexing problems to grow to serious proportions. These are coming more and more to interfere with the day-to-day operations of our plants, the relationships with our employees, and the paramount interest of the public.

Accordingly, in addition to continuing our efforts to be properly neutral in this conflict, we are today taking two further actions by way of attempting to exhaust any remaining possibilities of assisting the board in the early resolving of the dispute.

First, we are filing, concurrently with this letter, individual representation petitions covering all locations where the Company has received conflicting demands for recognition of the UE and the IUE-CIO. We are doing this, for what it is worth in an effort to be of all possible aid in reducing any remaining administrative obstructions, and we hope it will contribute towards holding N.L.R.B. elections at a substantially earlier date to settle any representation questions found by the Board to warrant those elections.

Second, and in further effort to promote the resolving of any questions of representation at the earliest possible moment, we are hereby proposing to the N.L.R.B. that two agreements be sought:

1. That the parties meet and, to the greatest extent possible, agree to stipulate as to the appropriate bargaining units—these units to conform in a general pattern to the local units already found by the Board to be appropriate.
2. That the parties agree to waive formal hearings and consent to the holding of N.L.R.B. elections at some mutually agreeable early date and pursuant to mutually agreeable procedures, to be followed by Board certifications.

We wish to state our willingness to meet, under N.L.R.B. auspices, jointly with N.L.R.B. representatives and representatives of all the unions involved in an attempt to do anything we can to contribute to common agreement on this suggestion. Through copies of this letter we are advising the contending parties of this proposal we are making to you.

We desire to emphasize again that the suggestion is being made purely in the hope that it may be of some further aid in affording our employees the earliest possible opportunity for the expression of their wishes.

We will be grateful for your advice as to how we can be of any further aid in expediting the settlement of the present controversy.

Yours very truly,
L. R. Boulware

CC—James B. Carey
Albert Fitzgerald

DECIMAL MINUTE MEN TO VIEW WAR FILMS

War films will be shown at a meeting of the Decimal Minute Men at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 19, in the Chamber of Commerce building.

Grush Receives Congratulations



Willard E. Grush, chauffeur in the General Service division, rounded out 30 years with General Electric Thursday, Dec. 8. During the day he received congratulations from his various G-E friends. Left to right in the picture are: William Altekruse, Oscar Beaty, John Lare, and Mr. Grush.

A Message From a Friend of Labor

"The employees should strive to make the earnings of any business as large as possible. There can be no greater mistake for the workingman than to restrict the output of the individual. You must make the total earnings of the business in which you are engaged the largest possible. By earnings in this connection I mean the aggregate fund available for paying workingmen, capitalists, and managers. Make that aggregate large and there will be plenty for all among whom it is to be divided.

"The most potent factor in securing large profits is the avoidance of waste, and the greatest source of waste in the industrial world is unused, undeveloped, or misdirected human effort. To the correction of the evil, trade unions should direct their attention.

"Any restriction upon the output of the individual reduces the fund of profits available for distribution, besides demoralizing the man who is so restricted.

"It follows also that differences in efficiency between different individuals must be recognized and rewarded; and that those who can work faster and better than the others must not be retarded by the less efficient. The industrial superiority of America is largely due to the absence of restriction upon individual effort; to the encouragement of the individual by giving him the fruits of his efforts.

"A limitation of the production of the individual is pure waste. The business is merely rendered less profitable, and the man whose production is restricted is injured also. Nor does the restriction of the output make more work for others. The amount of work to be done is, in a country like ours, in no sense fixed; for the amount of goods or service men buy is not fixed. The amount bought is, as a rule, limited only by the ability to buy.

"If you waste human effort you make the product cost more. If you raise prices without increasing incomes you have simply limited the amount that will be bought. You have not made more work for more people. You have merely given people less for their money."

The above is quoted from a speech made in 1905 before the Boston Central Labor Union by Mr. Justice Louis D. Brandeis who, during his long and distinguished career as the "liberal" member of the United States Supreme Court, was revered as a friend of labor. The message is reprinted by permission from the November 1949 issue of The Em Kayan, publication of the Morrison-Knudsen Company of Boise, Idaho.

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

L. R. Boulware

VICE PRESIDENT—EMPLOYEE RELATIONS


Season's Greetings



FORT WAYNE WORKS
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Winners Of Suggestion Contest Announced

G-E DEPOSITS UNION DUES MONEY WITH FEDERAL COURT

Action Taken In Attempt To Speed Decision Of Representation Dispute

Simultaneous with the filing of union representation petitions with the National Labor Relations Board by General Electric, the Company deposited with the Federal District Court of New York $141,000 of union dues money for which two unions, UE and IUE-CIO, are contesting.

The Company had this money in its possession and did not know to whom it should be paid.

Explaining the Company's move, L. R. Boulware, Viee-President in charge of Employee Relations, said:

"After attempts to find other

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SQUARES' CLUB TO HOLD NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

The G-E Squares' Club will hold its annual New Year's Eve Danee Saturday night, Dee. 31. The semi-formal dance will start at 9:30 p.m.

In The Photographs

The Nativity tableau shown on page 2 features a group of Decatur employees. Included are: Wanda Foor, as the Blessed Virgin Mary; Jerry Ross, St. Joseph; Jack Eady and Waymon Patrick, shepherds; Kenny Gaunt, king with gold; Jason Moser, king with incense, and Charles Omlor, king with myrrh.

The carolers at the top of this page are the daughters of Wilbur brown, Bldg. 26-1. They are: (l. to r.) Judy, 6; Kathy, 2, and Penny, 9.

The two boys on page 4 are Steve, 9, and Stanley, 6, sons of Herbert Koch, Bldg. 26-3; and, the boys on page 11 are Raymond, 3, and Robert, 5, sons of Gordon Bartel, Works Lab.

11 Employees Given $50 Bonuses In Addition To Regular Awards

Announcement was made today of the 11 winners in the Suggestion System Contest conducted at the Broadway, Taylor St., and Decatur plants during the period extending from Sept. 1 through Nov. 15.

The list ineludes the following:

Avenel Stanton, Bldg. 26-2; Amos Sehlaudenhauffen, Bldg. 19-1; C. F. Buchanan, Bldg. 6-2; Jesse Batehelder, Taylor St.; John Driver, Taylor St.; Lewis R. Ormiston, Bldg. 26-1; Homer Markley, Taylor St.; Elden Lewis, Taylor St.; Herbert Seherer, Taylor St.; Otto Aumiller, Bldg. 17-2, and William Hunt, Decatur.

Awards were made as bonuses for the best suggestions contributed by employees of the Fort

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Employees' Stores To Close Next Week For Inventory

The Employees' stores at the Broadway and Taylor St. plants will be elosed Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Dec. 28, 29 and 30, for inventory.

This will mean that the stores will be open only one day next week.

The stores will be open for business as usual Tuesday, Jan. 3.

Christmas Greetings

from President C. E. Wilson

TO ALL EMPLOYEES OF GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY:

This Christmas of 1949, as we approach the great half-century mark, provides one of the signal occasions in our lifetime for rejoicing, as free Americans.

On the world horizon there are many troubles, to be sure, and we must not forget them, nor the important extent to which our own country is involved in their solution. I believe that our own society now requires more personal attention and understanding from us than ever before. In this season of giving, let us consider making a gift of our own efforts and a tender of our own sense of responsibility for the well-being of this republic of which we are so proud.



During the year we have again come just a little further along the road towards stability and good-will which we so deeply desire. In that there is cause for joy.

Never before in history have the citizens of a single country been presented with an opportunity to achieve more progress, more lasting peace, and more happiness for more people — than is offered Americans today. In this we will not fail; in this there is cause for joy.

The problems we face are greater and more complex, but the means by which we can solve them have not changed. Patience, tolerance, honesty, and kindliness remain the determining factors in world peace and in building the confidence and faith of others.

To everyone of you I extend my most sincere wish for the best Christmas you have ever had.

C. E. Wilson

President

from C. H. Matson, Works Manager

TO ALL FORT WAYNE WORKS EMPLOYEES:

Christmas!—what a host of fond memories surround us at the approach of this—one of the most wonderful occasions of the year.

Since earliest childhood we have traditionally learned to associate Christmas with all that is good and beautiful—love, charity, hope and happiness.



Of all the days, this is the one on which we become most conscious that our individual worlds are worlds of many people not worlds of aloneness. We are more aware than ever of the importance of family and friends. During this brief holiday period, there is a new warmth in our contacts with those about us and though we are often wished a "Merry Christmas" by many whom we do not know personally, the spirit of the greeting is recognized and treasured.

In wishing you a "Merry Christmas," I am also expressing my sineere gratitude for the progress that we have made during the past year in working together towards our common goals as a large industrial family. I cannot help but feel that we have made outstanding accomplishments in the name of better human relations based on mutual understanding. This would not be possible without the cooperation of each of us.

May yours be a happy and prosperous New Year filled with all the blessings of which we are all so mindful at Christmas-time.

C. H. Matson

Works Manager

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Is There A Santa Claus?

Editor's Note: One of the finest things ever written about Christmas is the following editorial printed in 1897 by the NEW YORK SUN in answer to the earnest appeal of a little New York girl to be told whether Santa Claus really exists. Its author, Frank P. Church, was an accomplished journalist, and wrote on many subjects, but his fame will rest chiefly on this beautiful setting forth of an eternal truth. With Dr. Clement Moore's "A Visit from St. Nicholas," it is one of the great classics of the Christmas season.

"We take pleasure in answering at once, and thus prominently, the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of the SUN.

> "Dear Editor—I am eight years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, 'If you see it in the SUN it's so.' Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?"
>
> Virginia O'Hanlan, 115 W. 95th St.

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible to their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little. In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to our life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance, to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies. You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, or even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus? Thank God! He lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."

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AND it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

(And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)

And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem (because he was of the house and lineage of David).

To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you great tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord:

And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another: Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

—*Luke 2.*



For Those Who Have No Christmas

Christ of All the Christmases there have been, hear our prayer for those who have no Christmas.

For the darkened millions who go to bed hungry tonight, and all the nights.

For the children in whose homes the candles have been put out by pestilence, war, and fear.

For boys and girls whose hands press against store windows while their eyes devour the glories they can never touch.

For those of us who think we are having a Christmas, but have none because our hearts are torn by hate, twisted by prejudice, crippled by narrowness and pride.

For those who have no Christmas this day, Christ of deathless love, let thy presence come with joy and healing in its wings. AMEN.



TO ALL FRACTIONAL HORSEPOWER MOTOR DIVISIONS EMPLOYEES:

To each of us the cheery Christmas Season hrings a warm personal feeling of peace and good will.

But Christmas would be only another day in the year if we did not, on that day, reflect the many hlessings which are ours.

For it is these blessings—the good will, joy, and happiness, shared with our loved ones, friends, and neighhors—which leads us all to sincerely appreciate that one special day—Christmas.



As you and I pause in the festive spirit of the holiday season, I am grateful for this opportunity to extend to you my heartiest greetings and hest wishes.—MERRY CHRISTMAS.

W. E. Lee

Manager, Fractional HP Motor Divisions

TO ALL SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER AND BALLAST DIVISIONS EMPLOYEES:

The glad Christmas season approaches and again we prepare to celehrate the anniversary of our Saviour's birth. It seems to me appropriate that we think back upon the events of this year, the first since 1938 to bring severc employment sethacks and short schedules to our Apparatus business here at Fort Wayne.

As we facc thc year end, I think we can all he sincerely grateful that practically all of thc normal schedules have been restored, and a great many of those laid off are back on our rolls. We can take a certain measure of pride, I feel, in the fact that through teamwork and goodwill we are well prepared to face the stern challenge of the future.



Let us, therefore, thank our Father in Heaven for all the many benefits which we enjoy here in this free country, and remember in thought, word, and deed those less fortunate than we, because only in this way, it seems to me, can we appropriately celebrate the anniversary of our blessed Saviour's birth.

To you and your families, may I now extend by heartiest wish for a merry Christmas, a bright and cheerful holiday season, and a fruitful and happy New Year.

William C. Stuchman

Manager, Specialty Transformer, Ballast Divisions

TO ALL EMPLOYEES OF THE LARGE MOTOR AND GENERATOR DIVISIONS:

It is especially gratifying at the Yuletide Season to have this opportunity to express my appreciation for the fine job you have done throughout the year in the Fort Wayne Large Motor and Generator divisions. You can all he proud of the high quality of your work, and of the good spirit of teamwork you havc displayed.

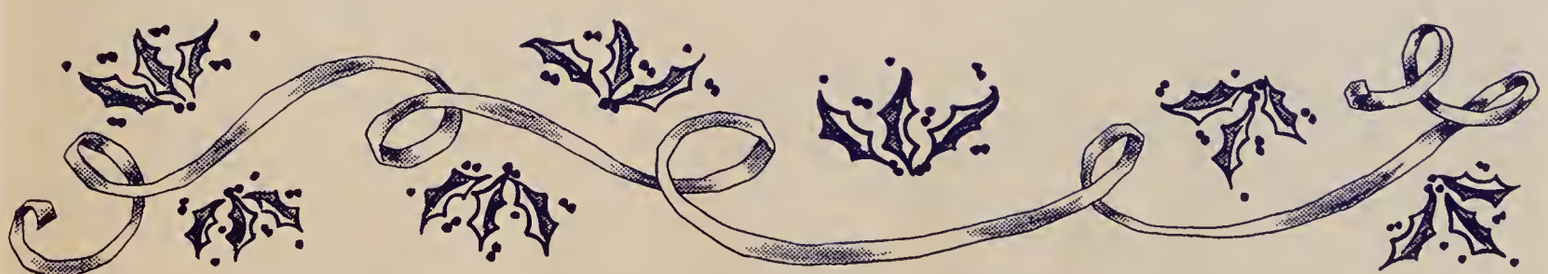
The Christmas Season always affords the opportunity for us to review the accomplishments of the year just ending, and to look forward to extending wishes for joy and peace to our fellowmen. So it is in deep



appreciation for your loyalty and good work that I wish for all of you and for all the members of your families a very Merry Christmas Season and a Happy New Year.

J. M. Crawford

Manager, Large Motor-Generator Divisions



Suggestion Contest

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Wayne Works during the period of the contest. A total of 2,131 suggestions were submitted and G-E monogramed cigarette lighters were presented to everyone who submitted one or more suggestions on which the regular award was $10 or more.

The certificates, each redeemable at the Employees' stores for $50 worth of merchandise at employee prices, were allocated so that two would be presented in the Fractional Horsepower Motor divisions; one each to the Specialty Transformer and Ballast divisions, Motor and Generator divisions, Works Service divisions, and Decatur plant. Employees in all divisions competed for the remaining five certificates.

Eligibility rules which have governed the submission of suggestions in the past were followed in this contest.

The Central Suggestion Committee of the Fort Wayne Works, after careful review of suggestions submitted during the contest, issued the following report of its selection:

Specialty Transformer and Ballast Divisions: Avenel Stanton, pricing and statistic clerk, suggested that the routine established to determine credits on lots of transformers be changed.

Motor and Generator Divisions: Amos Schlaudenhauffen, welder, was selected because, during the contest period, he submitted four suggestions, all of which were adopted. Mr. Schlaudenhauffen is consistently turning in suggestions and his past records show that 29 suggestions have been submitted on which 14 awards were made.

Works Service Divisions: C. F. Buchanan, shipping clerk in the Distribution division, suggested that the Danville plant order wire on a single requisition on a quarterly basis.

Fractional Horsepower Motor Divisions: Jesse Batchelder, machinist, was given the award for his suggestion to salvage small bore die cast sleeves. He has submitted 23 suggestions, of which seven were adopted.

John Driver, machine maintenance man, received the other bonus award for the FHP Motor divisions. His suggestion covers a method of fastening Veeder Root counters on Bliss and other presses. This suggestion, along with a large number of other good suggestions rendered by Mr. Driver, is the basis for his award. His past record indicated that he has submitted 30 suggestions, 18 of which were adopted.

Decatur Plant: William Hunt, plating operator, received the award in consideration of the number of suggestions he submitted and had adopted during the contest.

Five Awards At Large

Lewis R. Ormiston, set-up man in Specialty Transformer Div. 91, has developed and put into use a method that is eliminating the gaulding or scoring of the guide pins and guide pin bushings on punch and dies. This suggestion will not only be used in the Transformer division, but throughout all divisions of the Fort Wayne Works.

Homer Markley, power house operator in the General Service division, pointed out that the small turbine feed water pump at the Taylor St. powerhouse requires about 10 gallons of bearing cooling water per minute. This water is flowing to the sewer after leaving the bearings and he suggested that this water be reclaimed and returned to the cooling tower. Mr. Markley has turned in 12 suggestions, of which nine were adopted.

Elden Lewis, repair operator in the rotor section of Div. 17, received a bonus award for his suggestion to salvage steel quill from scrap rotors. He has been very active in submitting suggestions. His record shows that he has submitted 131 suggestions, of which 35 were adopted.

Herbert Scherer, wire insulator in the wire mill, was the recipient of another bonus award. The method of insulating nylon-covered wire sizes up to .0179 produced a nylon cover which is always near the maximum. Mr. Scherer suggested that the number of ends be reduced.

Otto Aumiller, annealing operator, reported that they were having jams in the annealing oven, due to the fact that the oven trays were constantly catching on the corners of the bearing blocks. Mr. Aumiller suggested that these bearing blocks be redesigned with a radii on the corners to prevent the oven trays from catching.

Apprentice Alumni Elect New Officers



The Apprentice Alumni Association held its annual banquet and election of officers Wednesday, Dec. 14, in the cafeteria, Bldg. 16-2. The following were chosen to serve during 1950: (seated, l. to r.) Henry Gollmer, Taylor St., financial secretary; Robert Branning, Bldg. 19-4, president; Wilson Garman, Bldg. 19-4; vice president; and Robert Schuelke, Bldg. 17-2, recording secretary. Standing are: (l. to r.) David Bartle, Bldg. 19-5; Howard Morton, Bldg. 12-2; and Robert Truelove, Bldg. 19-4, directors. Absent when the photograph was taken were: Matthew Wiegand, Bldg. 4-3, treasurer; Edward Bienz, Bldg. 17-2, and John Allen, Fort Wayne Tool and Die Co., both directors.

Two Volunteer Firemen Are Honored At Banquet For 10 Years' Service



Ernie Hanauer, G-E Fire Chief, is shown, above, pinning a service badge on Orval Haver, Taylor St., after presenting another pin for 10 years of service to Fred Crickmore, Bldg. 17-1, at the right. The badges were awarded at the annual banquet of the G-E Volunteer Firemen Tuesday night, Dec. 13, in Bldg. 16-2 cafeteria. Roderick K. Goeriz, detective inspector of the Detroit Arson Squad, was the main speaker.



Merry Christmas, folks! All the best wishes for health, wealth and happiness in the new year. We want to thank all the party helpers for a wonderful evening. If you didn't make it this year, try next year—you don't know what you missed. . . . Otto Proehl is celebrating 30 years with G-E today. Congratulations and many more years with the gang. . . . Marian Leiter thanks you for your generous contributions to the Elex Christmas Fund. . . . Some of the boys have expressed what they would like to have for Christmas. Here are some of the wishes made known to Santa Claus. Ray Solga wants a pair of electric hair clippers with a detachable gallon crock; Jay Hensler wants two packs of cigarettes (one at a time) or a fresh roll of pennies; Carroll Elder would like a nice full scrap bin with some good antique test equipment; Norb Lose would like a Rand McNally map of Adams county, or a supply of hot coffee piped to his test bench; Joe Brossard wants a couple more white shirts; Les Stauch wants an instruction book on how to test amplidynes; Bill Mills wants some good fish baits; Kenny Gillenwater wants a gallon of assorted paints and some brushes; Ned Neuman wants a bowling team that gets more pins; Louis Devoe and Henry Roemke both want the book "What to do When Your Car Won't Start" by Ford.



Don Stoneman's bowling team beat "Boodles" Bendel's team two consecutive times. If it had been vice versa, I wonder if Don would have told us. . . . Myron Cole, are you going to hang that chicken that you won bowling on your Christmas tree? . . . Our ole friend, Katie Steinman, dropped in to see us last week for a little chat. Married life certainly agrees with her. . . . It doesn't look like it will be a white Christmas, but that old spirit is there just the same. We have our own Christmas tree in the office. . . . General Service wishes you all a Very Merry Chirstmas.

Fractional Facts

TAYLOR ST. OFFICE

By Alice Nichens

Have you noticed the change in Lowell Mason? He doesn't walk with that brisk step, but goes furtively about looking at no one. He's had a brush with the law. It wouldn't be so bad if he were the only one involved but his wife and a stranger had to suffer too. He jay-walked and did a fine job of it. The squad car had to slow down to avoid hitting him. While Lowell and the uniformed gentlemen were exchanging a few choice words, his wife noticing the trouble rushed over to see what was wrong so she was presented a ticket. Then the nice little old man who offered to carry their Christmas tree to the car was requested to make his donation. So when you enter a life of crime you not only hurt yourself, but others. . . . Bob Wefel has been transferred to be replaced by Paul Deal. He will be missed in Central Cost and his new group will find that they have a friend as well as a boss. . . . We must bid adieu to Eldon Vosburgh who is taking another step on that well known ladder. His place was taken by Bob Duras. We welcome John Margerum who replaces Bob Duras. . . . The Accounting section's basketball team suffered only two casualties last week and they were minor—floor burns. That one layer of skin removed doesn't feel too comfortable. We don't want them to get conceited, but so far they lost only one game so they must be pretty good. . . . How to get your husband to an auction and have him like it. First bid on a large box of cookies, next a few books, then find a comfortable spot for said husband and you're off. At least that was the routine Martha Hallett used and everyone seemed to be happy. . . . My word when are these changes going to end. Wayne Edington transferred to Broadway. Can't someone stop this flood of changes?

G-E Deposits

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ways of solving the perplexing question of who is entitled to the union dues checked-off by the Company, it was decided that the only fair and sure way of reaching the right result was to ask the U. S. Court to decide. The Company has no ownership interest in these funds and only wants to be sure it pays the money to those entitled to it."

In its effort to give further aid in the early settlement of the union dispute, the Company filed a total of 99 petitions for N.L.R.B. elections to be held at various G-E plants where UE and IUE each claim to represent a majority of the workers. Among these were petitions covering the Broadway, Taylor St., Fairfield, Winter St., Decatur, Ind., Tiffin, O., Danville, Ill., and DeKalb, Ill., plants.

Mr. Boulware, in a letter to the N.L.R.B., pointed out that G-E has maintained a completely neutral position between the contending parties and at the same time has given the N.L.R.B. all the cooperation called upon in connection with the investigation of the situation. He also stated that because of the delay in reaching a solution of the problem a number of perplexing situations are growing to serious proportions which interfere more and more with the operations of our plants, the relationships with our employees, and the paramount interests of the public.



SHIPPING: Santa Claus, please bring some band-aides to C. D. Uncapher who fell down stairs at home last week. He's slightly bruised and battered but otherwise OK, and could use the gift. . . . Christmas came a wee bit early for Buck Buchanan with a check for his suggestion. Being a bit of a Santa himself, Buck treated us to candy. . . . Several years ago, on the day before Christmas, a terrific race occurred between Kris Kringle and Mr. Stork. Who would arrive first that was the big question? For those of you who don't know the answer, Mr. Stork arrived first with a boy for Mr. and Mrs. Ebel. So, here's a great big Happy Birthday to Herman Ebel who was almost but not quite a Christmas package. . . . MAILING: Who is Puddles? That was one question that stumped the Mailing section. Don Pappert finally came to the rescue with the answer. Seems Don and Duane Cole attended a hypnotist show at one of our local theatres. Duane somehow became a subject and before you knew it he was barking like a dog, hence the name Puddles.



"Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth, good will toward men."
Luke 2:14

Ed Bienz is monopolizing the space—as far as the tool room is concerned. He was elected on the board of directors for the G-E Apprentice Alumni Association. He purchased a new automobile. So proud is he that he wouldn't think of stopping in a hurry just because the traffic light was red. What he couldn't figure out was how that light kept following him. The boys in blue gave him a pink souvenir.



GLORY BE TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST AND ON EARTH PEACE TO MEN OF GOOD WILL. . . . In a few hours we will again celebrate the birthday of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ who was born in a stahle, laid in a manger, wrapped in swaddling clothes, became man and then laid down His life, so that all mankind might be saved and attain his eternal destiny, "Heaven," for which we were all created. So, folks, come to Him this Christmas and give Him your whole heart full of love and Thanksgiving for all He has sacrificed for you and me. What greater sacrifice could any man give than lay down his life for his fellowmen. You and I are His fellowmen. The only difference is we are either with Him or against Him. So let's celebrate His birthday this year as it was originally intended to be celebrated hy our forefathers and the church. . . . It's not what or how much you give in worldly goods but how you give it. It will either be with a free and willing heart or just a commercial practice. So why not give Him and yours all your Heart and Love and whatever of this worldly goods your charitable self can give to the poor, the orphans and the less unfortunates until it hurts. We wish you and yours all a very MERRY AND HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

"Adventures Ahead" Offers Outlet For Teenagers' Hobbies



"Adventures Ahead" offers a source of entertainment to Ronnie Ruple, above, a patient at the Lutheran Hospital.

The G-E magazine, "Adventures Ahead," has been a source of entertainment for many employees' children and often it has afforded an outlet for the development of hobbies and skills which may pay off to the young men and women in later years.

Ronnie Ruple offers a good example of the pleasure afforded by the magazine to young men who are engineer-minded.

Through his reading in "Adventures Ahead," Ronnie became interested in building several projects described in the teen-agers' magazine.

Ronnie first erected a crystal set with the aid of a friend. After building his first set, he has improved on the design and construction of his future sets. He now has built a set that contains only the crystal, earphones, aerial, and ground wire.

Then he went on to larger projects. With his father, Charles Ruple, who works in FHP Div. 14 at Taylor St., he built a power lawn mower. They cut down the blades of an ordinary lawn mower and connected the blades with a pulley and belt to a gasoline engine.

Ronne's next try will be a one tube amplifier, but for the time being it will have to be a future project. About two months ago, Ronnie contacted polio and has been a patient at the Lutheran Hospital.

The doctors have promised him, however, that he may go home for Christmas, then in a few months Ronnie will be able to set to work again on other engineering projects described in the magazine; and, who knows, he may some day be one of General Electric's foremost engineers.



Speaking of vanity, Lorinda Byerlein, who swore she wouldn't be found dead carrying a shopping bag, was forced to buy one for all her Christmas packages last Monday night. She was so embarrassed she walked all the way home instead of boarding a bus. Incidentally, Lorinda, where did you find such a huge bag? . . . Edna Houser had some beautiful plastic tablecovers at work the other noon. Ironically, all the women wanted the same cover. . . . We are terribly sorry we missed Irma Hanny's birthday Dec. 4. Could we just wish you a Happy New Year, instead? . . . Goldie Duff bought a very nice iron cord at the G-E store the other day. She really didn't need it, but a friend of the family said that it was just the kind of cord his wife wanted and that was all he was buying her for Christmas! So Goldie hurried to get one beeause she didn't want Russell to buy her one for Christmas! . . . Now I know there is a Santa! We heard that Oscar Bobay was dressed for the part. Bet the kiddies thought so too.

Harmonicats Entertain At Elex Party



The Harmonicats, recording and radio artists, were featured at the Elex Club's Christmas party Thursday, Dec. 15. They paused long enough between the two shows to give a few pointers on the intricacies of harmonica playing to Mary Leiter, Elex president, and Alice Dahman, second vice president. Left to right are: Al, Mary, Jerry, Alice, and Don.



Nora Coburn thanks all her friends for the beautiful cards and hankies she received on her birthday. . . . Was Bertha Wollert's face red when she went down town to do some Christmas shopping and found out she had taken someone else's purse. . . . Agnes Reinking was walking across the street with Mike Dunscombe and didn't he let her fall down right on Broadway. . . . Eddie Murchland bought a new Chevy. . . . Dutch Narwald doesn't have a Plymouth, he has a "Rolls Royce." . . . Everyone is glad to see Tom Hildebrand back. . . . Wonder what Dutch Narwald and Ralph Braden were doing in New Haven? . . . Olen Lehman has left the green room and is on second shift. . . . Bessie Chapman thanks her friends for the lovely gifts and parties given her in her honor. . . . If there is a soap shortage, see Nora Coburn.

TOOL BITS
19-4 & 19-5

By Don Clark

The General Tool division and their reporters welcome Don Clark as their new editor. . . . Also, they join in wishing good luck to Harry Travelbee, who is leaving to take an advanee production course. The offiee presented him luggage as a farewell gift. All the best to you, Harry. . . . Any division can have a Christmas tree, but not like the one in Bldg. 19-5. The additional atmosphere is added by Louie Brunner's red eorduroy hat. What the girls wonder is how Louis will look wearing a Christmas tree. What he doesn't know is that it is fastened to the tree with wire. . . . Speaking of getting your money's worth from the bus company, Mildred Wagoner knows the answer. Any bus driver on the No. 4 line could easily recognize her, as she spent one noon hour last week taking a complete round-trip ride of the line—by mistake, however. . . . Lowell Welker rates his 1934 car highly. He was seen putting it in a paid parking lot. . . . Ed Steward came up with a dandy ice fishing story. A 14 inch hass swallowed his depth finder when he was in the act of checking the depth of water.

Pick-Ups
Bldg. 26-3

By Elvira Romary

TIME FOR SANTA CLAUS

When the snow is on the ground
This jolly time of year,
Then news goes buzzing 'round
"It is most time he was here."
Someone dressed in red and white
With a bell upon his cap,
Someone who takes great delight
Holding kiddies on his lap.
Now the boys and girls obey
So much better than before
Now they put their toys away
And they never slam a door.
What goes on? Is there a reason
They're so good? Ah, it is because
This is Christmas stocking season
And they're fooling Santa Claus.

Now you take Lois DeBolt, when a car stuck she'd rather push the car than work the controls. If you ever need a good pusher, call Lois. . . . Congratulations to the newlyweds, Lavonna Porter and Ernie Clark. They were married Dec. 21, and honeymooned in Florida. We hope you both will be very happy. . . . I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all the very Merriest of Christmases.



Lloyd Bird, is an ambitious chap—he spends his spare time studying radio and television. He is equipping his shop until it will be a modern first class place. Lots of luck to you, Lloyd, in your new studies. . . . Nina Brown recently underwent an operation. She is now released and doing fine. . . . Effie McGill says her mother is getting stronger daily since her accident. . . . Rita Wellman thanks Santa for her gifts of anklets and more anklets.



Now that the rush and fuss of Christmas shopping is nearly over, everyone is ready to settle down and just enjoy a nice long week-end. . . . Everyone has been really in the Christmas spirit. It was very evident last Monday when Charlie Gable wouldn't argue with Gordon Smith. When those two aren't at each other's throat, you know there is something wrong. You know, Charlie, we still wonder as to just what the right story is on what you did to your lip. . . . The girls in the office had their annual Christmas party and gift exchange at the Coral Room this week. All were very much pleased with their gifts. The dinner was very good, so a good time was had by all. . . . We were all sorry to see Louis Shattuck leave Div. 17, but since he had to leave, we know of no one we would like to welcome back more than Bob Wefel. Welcome home, Bob. . . . A Very Merry Christmas from Div. 17 to all Fort Wayne Works and an extra one from your reporter.

Corn S'talks

TAYLOR ST. SHIPPING

By Sally Ford

With Christmas coming
Just once a year
Reminds us that
It's darn near here
So with Yuletide Greetings
Of Health and Cheer
We wish everyone a
Merry Xmas and Happy New Year.



A Merry Christmas to Everybody. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. O'Brien who will celebrate their 34th wedding anniversary Christmas. Also to Herbert Cook who was married last Saturday to Gerna Camhill. . . . Happy birthday to Velva Smith. . . . We are glad to see Clarence LaGras back. He had been ill. . . . Rudy Becker, who is retired, reports via Christmas card from New Braunfels, Texas, that he is living the life of Riley. He claims it is hot, (90 degrees) last Sunday, there and also the flowers are in bloom. . . . Charley Trey reports he is doing fine.

G-E PENSIONER DEVOTES TIME TO HOBBY OF BREEDING BIRDS



Mr. Trinen is shown, above, holding one of the "red factor" birds in his hand.

John Trinen has a hobby that has been both interesting and exciting to him since his retirement. Mr. Trinen began his hobby of breeding birds in 1936, when he purchased a siskin bird from South America.

When he received this bird, he bred it with a common canary. This resulted in a type of bird called "color-bred," which he has raised for the last five years. These birds have varigated plummage. They usually are spotted and have no true color. The dark spots that appear in the first five generations of the color-bred birds are inherited from the siskin parent, which has a red body and a black head.

According to Mr. Trinen, after this period of breeding comes the "red factor" bird, which is uniform in color and has a brilliant red-orange plummage. Mr. Trinen's goal is to some day obtain a clear-red bird. He estimates that this may be accomplished in a few more years. At the present time he has no knowledge of the existence of such a bird.

Mr. Trinen has shown his birds in several national shows. He has entered his "red factors" at exhibitions in Chicago, Muncie, and Dayton. He has one Great Champion and numerous other ribbons and trophies for his prize-winning birds.

Since his retirement, he has made many friends through his hobby of raising these rare birds. Mr. Trinen has invited anyone who would be interested in seeing his birds to come to his home at 4330 Drury Lane.

Mr. Trinen retired in November of 1946, after having worked as a punch press operator in the Transformer division. He was with the Company 30 years.



The world is keeping Christmas
Hearts grow tender once again,
And across the earth comes sounding
That sweet "Peace, good will to men."
May all the meaning of the Day
Rejoice your heart anew.
And be a world of Peace, Good Will
And Happiness for you.
MERRY CHRISTMAS, EVERYBODY

George Soule got up full of vim and vigor, and dashed to the refrigerator—fried head cheese for breakfast. His wife quickly put a damper on that. She said that was Fido's food. . . . Another fog story. Bill Martin knows we have been having dense fogs. In fact, it broke the bumper on his car. He has the evidence. The bumper still has fog on it. . . . Santa must have paid Helen Huhn an early visit—all the pretty jewelry. . . . Rose Fuhrman was tripping along to work when she bit the dust. I mean mud because it was wet dust. . . . Ruth Lemert, Violet Brower and Bertha Witham are third week vacationers. Next week Lela Doehrman and Laura Starner will be the lucky ones. . . . The next time Verna Bullerman eats out she will probably order hash, could be she would get a steak. The other night she ordered steak and got hash. . . . When Perry Esterline puts pepper on food he really uses it—a whole shaker full. . . . Happy birthday to Lilly Schock and Clara Dixon. . . . We thought Ross Domey was angry and wouldn't speak. We learned he had lost his voice. . . . Ivah Grandstaff and husband couldn't wait for Christmas. They showed each other their presents and hid them again. . . . Our sympathy to Marie Bowers Chandler in her sister's death.



There can't be any Christmas
Unless the heart is there,
For gifts, however costly,
Can none of them compare
With tiny Christmas greetings
Sent with a thought of love,
Like that first Christmas Gift to us
Sent down from God above.
You can't make Christmas merry
Unless the heart is there
So warm with love for all mankind
With whom you want to share
For God gave us His only Son
That all of us might know
That Christmas is for giving
And not for pomp and show.
For giving joy and kindness;
For spreading peace and love;
For laying down our grievances,
And praising God above
So put your heart in every gift,
In carols and in prayer.
For there can be no Christmas
Unless the heart is there.
—Karin Ashbrand

When some men do their Christmas shopping for ladies they take their favorite mail order catalog and behind locked doors they order the dainty items. Garland Roby apparently isn't of this bashful type, because it is reported that he was seen staring in a daze at some delicate pinks on a store counter. When he suddenly awakened to the circumstances of his whereabouts he registered only slight embarrassment. . . . With the coming cold weather and frozen lakes, ice fishing parties will replace those rabbit hunting parties. I wonder what technique Bergman has for calling back fish that missed his hook? This week's fishermen were: Dick White who caught 22 (minnows) and Richard Wagner who caught foot-long and foot-wide red-ears out of a four inch hole at Rome City. . . . James Hoppel is the new president of the "200" Club—but it hasn't been decided if its official because he didn't gain to get in the lead. Myron (Chubs) Auer is now on a diet. . . . For a list of the many things that can go wrong on a car all at once just see Donald Konow. MERRY CHRISTMAS and A HAPPY NEW YEAR to all.



I thought it was in the spring that a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love, but I guess love knows no season as noted by the sparkler on the third finger, left hand, of Vera Kruge. Yes, Vic Housel is the lucky man. Vera, they say a husband is one who stands by you in trouble you wouldn't be in if you hadn't married him. They also say marriage is the most certain method for determining who you can't live with. Please don't quote me on the above, as marriage is grand and I'm all for it. Congratulations to you both. . . . A familiar face belonging to Mary Lou Somers made its appearance here last week. Being in town for the day, she just couldn't resist coming in and wishing us all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

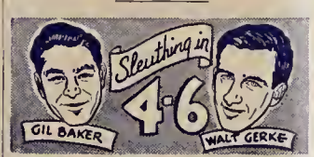


CALL TO CHRISTMAS

The hour has come now to receive
The long-awaited Christmas Eve;
Holiday shopping is all done,
Parcels wrapped, clean curtains hung
And, after endless tasks of cleaning,
Homes take on a festive meaning.
Hours were spent, like busy bees,
Making sweets and delicacies.
The sparkling Yuletide trees now glow
O'er holly wreath and mistletoe.
When, lo, the joyous Church bells ring
To call us all to Christ, our King—
That we may find Christmas complete
With Christ, our Lord, our Savior sweet.

BELLS OF CHRISTMAS

Bells of Christmas softly ringing
O'er our town, morn, noon and evening.
Pealing softly, sweet and low
Beloved carols we all know;
Carols in the sky, they say,
To honor Christ on His birthday.
Bells of Christmas softly ringing
Peace and joy, His message bringing
Love and light to us on earth
Who exalt His lowly birth.
Lo, Bells of Christmas, help impart
Love of God in every heart.



JUST HOW GOOFY CAN YOU GET! The File Room Girls sure know how to decorate for Christmas, but who ever heard of pink and blue for Christmas colors? . . . ICE FISHING—Billie Frain and her hubby went ice fishing last week-end. The story goes, she caught one bluegill to equal her hubby's seven small ones. Who says the weaker sex can't keep up with the man mountain dean of today? . . . KING FOR A DAY—Toby Tyler reigned supreme last Monday in the Southeast end of the DC Division. Adolph Strasser and Glen Stapleton were on vacation and Paul Lang ill. . . . THREE QUEENS IN ONE DAY—Delores Giltz, Betty Puff and Judy Clark added their beauty to that of our motors for the Apparatus Department Engineering Managers meeting last week-end. . . . ON THE BALL—Last Monday morning the clocks were 15 minutes fast but during the morning Millie Blievernicht completely forgot about this and at 11:40 Millie was standing out at the clock with her coat on ready to go. . . . AC DIVISION—This Division is holding their news for next week. They say it will be the column to read. . . . Your Editors, Gil Baker and Walt Gerke, take this time to wish you all a very merry Christmas. Have a wonderful holiday, kids.



IT FINALLY HAPPENED: The little fellow, who went around with the pouter pigeon chest and with the chip on his shoulder saying that the fellows wouldn't live long enough to skunk him, got it. It all came home to roost on Louie Watt's doorstep last week, and there will be no retraction on this one as Louie didn't even make one little point. Louie took some consolation in the fact that Bill Johnson went along with him. . . . From all reports we heard only good of the Children's Christmas party. Everyone seemed to be very pleased. . . . We were telling of Ozzie and his television telephone. It seems that John Bastian found the combination as he too was giving a hand demonstration on the phone. . . . We were recently visited by Gene Werling, Apprentice School, and are all wondering if Gene is trying to outdo Gov. Schricker in the line of hat style. . . . Jess Batchelder recently made a purchase of a large selection of light bulbs and when he went to lay them in his shelf several rolled out on the floor. Jess had to make another trip for replacements. . . . Lyle Claphan is so proud of that new car that he took Louie Watt, Paul Boedeker and Bill Johnson to Loon Lake via Columbia City, Warsaw, Syracuse, Albion and other points of interest and all the time the fellows kept telling him he was on the wrong road. . . . We have a number of new people in the group: Jay Gaff, grinding section; Victor Beers, lathe section; Forest Gee, welding; Richard Gotschall, molds, and John Cline and Walter Reynolds, tool crib. . . . The fellows who ride with Bob Henderickson tell how they have to catch Bob occasionally to keep him from falling out when the door flies open. Maybe the old bus is getting dried out. Better give it another dunking in Big Lake. . . . We have no more information from Justin Heaston except that they hope to be home sometime this week. . . . TO ALL A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS.

HI-Spots

OF BUILDING 4-2

With the holiday season rapidly approaching we must also offer our congratulations to those having birthdays: Harold Anspach, Mable Booker, Willis Mertens, Paul Brenner and last but not least our absent reporter Mamie Allen. Evidently Mamie got to California because there has been at least one card, hope she is enjoying her stay there. . . . Joe Trentadue complete with dishwater hands and housemaid's knee returned to work from his vacation and his new 7 lb. 2 oz. baby boy. Congratulations Joe and glad to hear all is well. . . . There is a rumor in the tool room to the effect that Ray Lepper ran foul of the law. I wonder if we have a jaywalker amongst us? . . . During his vacation Charlie Reed decided to go coon hunting. Following the dog across the field on the hot trail of a coon Charlie had the bright idea that the best way to head off his prey was to beat it to a culvert. Charlie entered the culvert, so did the coon. Calls for help and a slight skirmish finished off the duel. Guess who won. . . . We wish to welcome V. E. Hall to the Bldg. 4-2 tool room. . . . Andy Nichter went from nights to days in the tool room. They immediately repaired the fluorescent lights over his bench so that he is no longer in the dark.



Paul Clendenen is walking on air these days. All of his children will be home for Christmas, including the son and daughter-in-law who are coming all the way from Okinawa. This makes the Clendenen circle complete for the first time in several years. . . . Even if he doesn't get his new, two front teeth, Vern Castle is still going to be very happy. The little, air-minded, Glamour Gal is flying in all the way from Idaho to spend Christmas with grandpa and grandma. Of course, tucked away in her luggage are mother and father, just to make it a happy Yuletide at the Castle home. . . . Also on our welcome list is Bob Taylor of the Planning section. Bob was formerly located in Bldg. 17-1. . . . Being a good listener may not be such a good idea after all. While Perry Esterline was paying strict attention to some of the fellows talk at lunch the other day, the rest of the playboys proceeded to season up Perry's lunch with black pepper, "hot ziggity."



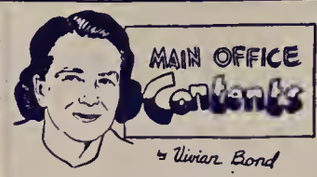
It behooves us, of the Christian World, to stop and look around as we enter into the greatest period of celebration known. Never before has the caption of "Peace On Earth, Good Will To Men" been so necessary in our world. In order to deal with our fellow men, peace through tolerance, humility and understanding is essential. On the other hand, if we build our own world around us and forget all else, spirit of Christmas is just a pretty phrase used by someone else. I am firmly convinced that if the spirit of Christmas is practised first in our great country, then we can in turn point out the goodness to other nations with whom we deal for peace. What we need in this great country is less diplomats and more statesmen who put America first.

I wish to send the very best Christmas Wishes to all who have made US SECOND SHIFTERS a success.



Not what we give, but what we share,
For the gift without the giver is bare; who
gives himself with his alms feeds three—
himself, his hungering neighbor, and me.
—James Russell Lowell

At this time we would like to send Christmas wishes to Anne Murtaugh, Veda Orff, and Alta Mayle. We hope that they continue to improve. . . . The annual Christmas party of the NE District Industrial Nurses Association was held recently at the Chamber of Commerce. Olive Walters, Lyle Rupert, Mabel Wilson, and Mae Mulvane were present and reported it was a lovely party. . . . Florence Martin, who has been on second shift duty at Taylor St. Dispensary, bid farewell to her co-workers last Friday, and we shall all miss her.



We have read the stories of
Scrooge and Little Nell
And about Poor Tiny Tim
Whom we know so well.
NOW, I can't write and my
Name ain't CHARLES
BUT, I can wish like the DICKENS.

So, in addition to a very Merry Christmas wish to you all, let me hope that the thoughts of your good deeds during the year will help you know the real meaning of Christmas. Good deeds to others are returned to you a thousand fold—in peace of mind. If you have been unkind to others in word or deed—let's take this Christmas time to make amends. It will not take long and the dividends will be high. . . . Happy birthday to C. H. Matson, C. R. Olson, Bldg. 18-2; Nila Hanson, Margaret Tennison, William Spahr, Bldg. 18-1, and Emily Guth, Bldg. 18-3. . . . The Payroll bowling team enjoyed a Christmas party at the Van Orman Coral Room. . . . There are many Christmas trees in Bldg. 18, Accounting Bldg. 18-1, Specialty Transformer Billing section, Bldg. 18-3, etc. . . . There were more than a thousand girls of G-E who enjoyed the Elex Christmas Party Thursday evening. The entertainment, decorations and gifts were all very lovely. Girls, girls just everywhere and were they all dressed up! A talent scout should have been present to both see and hear our little song bird, Deloris Patterson. I would like to say "thank you" to the committee members who worked so hard to make the two Elex parties a success—while it is difficult to fully realize the extent of the work required, we know it was not all fun. . . . Former WORKS NEWS Editor, Leona Nelson, visited friends here during the week. . . . Maxine Merrickle is back in Bldg. 18-3, with FHP Motor Billing. There are Christmas parties everywhere today and during the week. They all sounded so nice—sorry we can not give a detailed account. This should be a wonderful Christmas for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wylie. Their granddaughter of Cleveland will spend her first Christmas with them. . . . Vivian Zelt, Bldg. 18-3, will have turkey for Christmas, at least she won one. She has lots of offers to help her dispose of it.



Merry Christmas To All of You From All of Us.

CHRISTMAS

Last night we put our old tree up
And, it took a lot of work;
With lights, and snow and ornaments,
But never did we shirk.
We got the many boxes out
That keeps things year by year.
The bells, the wreaths, and candles,
That add to Christmas cheer.
And when our task was finished,
We stood off to admire.
It's great how just one little tree
Can Christmas cheer inspire.
It was a gaudy little tree
The lights and tinsel glistened.
I'm sure we could have heard St. Nick
If we had only listened.
As I looked at all the trimmings
The thought occurred to me—
Here is just a part of living
Which, but once a year, we see.
I just couldn't keep from thinking,
And I think it's pretty true;
That the story of the tinsel
Is the same for me and you.
We madly live the hectic days,
We rave, we cave, and pout;
Then late in each December
Bring our Christmas Spirit out.
—By James E. Mitchell

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT DOES THE CHRISTMAS SEASON MEAN TO YOU?



MARIE RENZ

Bldg. 6-1

"To me, Christmas will always mean the anniversary of the birth of Christ. The practice of Christmas exchanges is nice, but should be secondary."



WILLIAM HODGE

Bldg. 4-1

"Christmas is a religious holiday for it portrays the birth of Christ. Many people think that Christmas is merely a time to give and to receive gifts, but to me it is the uniting of family and friends; and of worshiping and sharing with each other. And a kind, spiritual heart understanding."



RICHARD HOOPINGARNER

Bldg. 26-4

"The Christmas season means more than just exchanging presents. It's the spirit of giving, which we should have in us every day in some small way or other. To live in peace and good will toward my fellowmen."



HELEN C. HUHN

Bldg. 17-3

"Celebrating the birth of the Christ Child by attending Midnight Mass with my family; giving generously to the orphans. I'm also thrilled with having our daughter home from school for Christmas vacation and the family Christmas dinner party and gift exchange held each year at a different member's home."



MERLIN DODANE

Bldg. 31-1

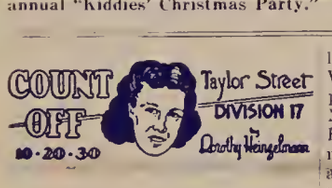
"Christmas, I believe, is the most important feast day of the year. It is enjoyed by adults, as well as children. It is a season in which everyone tries to spread cheer and happiness to our fellowmen."

9,000 Children Are All Agog At G-E Club Party

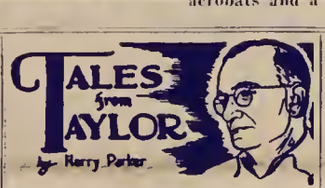


The wide-eyed children, shown in the pictures above, are a few of the nearly 9,000 who packed the G-E Club auditorium during five shows last Saturday at the annual "Kiddies' Christmas Party."

Santa Claus arrived to present each child a candy bar, orange, apple, candy kisses, and a toy truck. The entertainment included a roller skating act, ventriloquist, acrobats and a musical quartette.



Everyone is in the Christmas spirit this week. The girls decorated a tree. Ralph Keller has a tree in front of his desk. He says he saw Santa last Saturday and told him what a good boy he had been. We guess Ralph forgot about the time he went fishing in Wisconsin and borrowed a table that wasn't his and got caught. . . . Clarabelle Castle is leaving the U. S. A. over Christmas. She is leaving tomorrow morning for Havana, Cuba. Tomorrow night she will be there and will stay for a week. On the way home, she is stopping in New Orleans to take in the night life. Peggy Bandt and Jackie Elder have been giving her some pointers on "conduct aboard an airplane." . . . Pat Perry was off ill for a few days, so she had a little helper who inspected rotors. When Pat returned she didn't appreciate her little helper's help. . . . Newt Melching is in the Bluffton Hospital recovering from pneumonia. Ralph Keller, Doyle Sheets and Fred Young visited him and took some flowers and a gift from his many co-workers. Get out of bed, Newt, and get back to work, we all miss you. . . . Marguerite Stahl must be getting in the habit for the holidays. This makes two Mondays in a row she has been off. With the two holidays before us, that makes four Mondays straight. . . . Andy Anderson is hoping that it gets cold this week, as he started his vacation and wants to do a lot of ice fishing. . . . If you have been missing Maurice Roe this week, just look over in the fan motor section and there you'll see Maurie doing a fancy job of packing. . . . The Merriest Christmas to eaeh and everyone is wished by your writer, Dorothy Heinzelmann, and her substitutes, Alma Witte and Moe.



As the year of our Lord 1949 draws to a close and the time draws near to that day of days, the birthday of Christ, our Saviour, it is again my privilege to deliver our Christmas message.

It is with grave concern that we view the situation that exists, not only in our own country but also in those of the world in general. We should not fear the un-Christian like hordes that seem to have a strangle hold on Europe today, but be firm in our belief and have faith in the Almighty. Then, and then only, will the threat of totalitarianism vanish. Much has been said and printed on the subject, but if mankind would heed the teachings of our Lord and Master throughout the year instead of merely on Christmas day, then it would he possible to have a glorious peace on earth, good will to all mankind.

But, no, man is inclined to think of Christ only on this one day, then proceed to totally disregard His philosophy the rest of the year. Of all that is said and written about these things, mankind is prone to revert to selfish interest, greed, graft and corruption.

What must the Lord think as He sits upon His throne on high and looks over the situation that exists on earth today. Is it any wonder that we have to struggle for an existence? The wonder of it all is why He does not destroy the earth and its erring people. If mankind would take heed of His teachings, then and then only could we have a glorious world in which to abide. So on this, His day of birth, let us bow our heads and on bended knee beg of Him to lead us in the pathways of righteousness for His namesake and in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, begging of Him to restore to this weary old earth peace and harmony.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Bob Bunyan

Two days before Christmas and all through the shop not a creature was stirring not even a mouse, John Hughes, Ed Byers, or Bill Gepfert. This is the first time I've ever seen the boys on good behavior. Must be the Christmas exchange. . . . Seriously, speaking, be good and be careful over the holidays and a very Merry Christmas to all.—Ed Haas.

Tool and Sample Shop, Bldg. 26-2

We are sorry to hear that Al Colbert is not up to par as he had his tonsils taken out. We hope your throat heals soon, Al, so you can eat turkey Christmas. . . . Gladys Suter spent her vacation in Minnesota last week. . . . The Sample Shop had their Christmas potluck yesterday with a gift exchange. . . . Millie Strickler is making reindeers out of pipe cleaners.

Santa will soon be here !




Wishing You
A Merry Christmas

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I am wondering what would happen to me by now if fifty years ago some fluent talker had converted me to the theory that it was not fair to my fellow workers to put forth my best efforts in my work. I am glad that the eight-hour day had not been invented when I was a young man. If my life had been made up of eight-hour days I do not believe I could have accomplished a great deal.

—Thomas A. Edison



In the role of Baby 1950, Tommy Budecki, above, celebrates the passing of the first half of the 20th century. He is the son of Ted Budecki, foreman in FHP Motor Div. 17 at Taylor St.

Social Security Deductions To Be Increased Jan. 1

The payroll deduction for Social Security, which has been one per cent on the first $3,000 of annual earnings since 1936, will be increased to one and one-half per cent on the first $3,000 of annual earnings starting Jan. 1, 1950.

The Company also will be required to increase its contribution from one per cent to one and one-half per cent in order to match the increased amount being paid by employees. The benefits payable under the Social Security Act remain the same—there is no increase in benefits corresponding to this increase in the Social Security tax rate.

According to the original provisions of the Social Security Act, the tax was scheduled to rise eventually to six per cent on the first $3,000 of annual earnings—three per cent to be paid by the em-

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Supervisors Conduct Elections For Officers, Administrators



The newly-elected officers of the Supervisors' Club are shown above: (l. to r.) Hubert Myers was re-elected secretary; former treasurer, A. S. Johnson, was elected president; K. W. Michael will take office as vice president, and Robert Wefel was named as treasurer.

New officers for the Supervisors' Club were elected by the Board of Administrators Thursday, Dec. 22, at the board's first meeting following its election of new administrators.

The new officers, who will be installed at the club's annual meeting Monday, Jan. 9, are as follows:

President—A. S. Johnson, Bldg. 18-1.

Vice President—K. W. Michael, Bldg. 8-2.

Secretary—Hubert Myers, Taylor St.

Treasurer—Robert Wefel, Taylor St.

Six members of the Board of Administrators were elected Friday, Dec. 16, from the territorial groups for two-year terms.

Robert Wefel was elected to re-

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G-E Foremen's Association To Hold Meeting Jan. 11

The Foremen's Association will hold a meeting Wednesday evening, Jan. 11, at Kreis Stolzenau hall. Judge William H. Schannen will be the speaker.

Withholding Tax Statements Will Be Distributed Jan. 12

Employees' Withholding Tax Statements (Forms W-2) will be distributed Thursday, Jan. 12, it was announced today.

Employees who have received more than one Form W-2 statement during the year must add the amounts together in order to arrive at the total earnings for 1949.

On the duplicate copy of the Form W-2 distributed Thursday, Jan. 12, will appear a red stamp, which will show total earnings for the last six months of 1949. This total is necessary in order to calculate Indiana Gross Income Tax, as the per cent was increased from 1 per cent to 1¼ per cent, effective July 1, 1949.

Suggestions Kept On File Six Years Before Destroying

Fort Wayne Works suggestions are kept on file for a period of six years after which time they are removed from the files and destroyed, it was pointed out today by A. C. Hartman, Chairman and Secretary of the Suggestion Committee.

After Feb. 1, the committee will only be able to re-open for consideration those suggestions closed after 1943. This is in accordance with past practice.

Suggestion Contest Winners Receive $50 Bonus Awards



The 11 winners in the Suggestion System Contest at the Broadway, Taylor St., and Decatur plants are shown, above, following the announcement of their awards by the Central Suggestion Committee last week. They are: (standing, l. to r.) Jesse Batchelder, Taylor St.; Otto Aumiller, Bldg. 17-2; Charles Buchanan, Bldg. 6-2; Elden Lewis, Taylor St.; Lewis Ormiston, Bldg. 26-1; John Driver, Taylor St.; William Hunt, Decatur; Homer Markley, Taylor St.; Avenel Stanton, Bldg. 26-2; Amos Schlaudenhauffen, Bldg. 19-1, and Herbert Scherer, Taylor St. Seated, above, are the members of the suggestion committee: Howard Miller, A. C. Hartman, chairman, and G. C. Michael. F. L. Schafenacker was absent when this picture was taken. The committee reviewed the suggestions and made the final selection. Certificates, each redeemable at the Employees' stores for $50 worth of merchandise at employee prices, were awarded to the 11 winners as bonuses for submitting the best suggestions contributed by employees of the Fort Wayne Works during the period extending from Sept. 1 through Nov. 15.

Changes Announced In Bus Schedules

The Fort Wayne Transit Co. announced today the following changes in its bus schedules, which will become effective Tuesday, Jan. 3:

The Special bus will leave Third St. and Franklin Ave. at 6:20 a.m., instead of 6:28 a.m.

The Calhoun and Lakeside Specials will be discontinued on the 5:15 p.m. trip. There will, however, be a Calhoun bus from the Taylor St. plant.

Those desiring to go to Paulding road may now ride a Special, which goes out Broadway, across Sherwood Terrace and out to Paulding Road as far east as Anthony Blvd. It then turns north on Anthony to Oxford St.

The new schedules can be obtained from the supervisor's booth at Main and Calhoun Sts. Those desiring to have their name placed on the mailing list for a particular schedule may do so by mailing a postal card to the Fort Wayne Transit Co., 220 E. Jefferson St., and indicating which schedule is wanted.

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Cheerful Economic, Personal Outlook Seen For New Year

If the forecasters are right, 1950 will be quite a year. *U. S. News and World Report* has summed up the consensus. According to it, the people as a whole "will be better fed, better clothed, better housed, better supplied with the goods and services they want. Jobs promise to be rather plentiful. Pay will be better than ever before. Taxes will not be higher. Prices are likely to be fairly stable."

The figures are extremely impressive, even in an era when we are accustomed to talking glibly in terms of tens of billions. In 1950, our total spending—which includes everything spent by individuals, business, and government—is expected to be nearly $267,000,000,000. That is $7,000,000,000 more than the estimated figure for this year, and $5,000,000,000 over the 1948 total.

The biggest gain is expected in spending by individuals. One reason for this is the $2,500,000,000 which veterans will receive in refunds on their government life insurance. Payments will begin shortly after the first of the year and will be completed in a relatively short time. It is believed that a very large part of the money will be spent in a hurry for consumer goods of all kinds.

Total individual earnings, the magazine continues, are forecast at $216,500,000,000. Personal taxes and anticipated savings will amount for about $34,000,000,000 of it. So, if the crystal ball is telling the truth, individuals will send $182,500,000,000 flowing through the channels of trade and commerce.

Spending by government will increase by some $2,400,000,000. Private investment, on the other hand, will probably be not much greater than this year, and substantially below the $45,000,000,000 figure which was chalked up in 1948.

Some of the experts are convinced that economic troubles lie ahead—but few expect them in 1950 or soon thereafter.

Whatever the New Year may be in other respects, however, we can, by profiting from experience, make it for our personal selves the happiest ever. Kind thoughts, a cheerful heart and feelings of fellowship have made our brightest moments for us in the past—and can make more such moments for us in 1950. Doing more things that we shall be glad to remember, saying more things that will make us gladly remembered, thinking more things that keep warmth in the spirit—the happiness of the New Year is ours thus to mold and to fashion.

Miracles Of A Free Nation Flourish During Half Century

Among the things that were practically unknown in American life 50 years ago are automobiles, motion pictures, radio, telephones, television, airplanes, electric refrigerators, vacuum cleaners, bubble gum and income taxes. If you think that any of these things were sadly missed, just ask anyone in his sixties if he had any fun growing up.

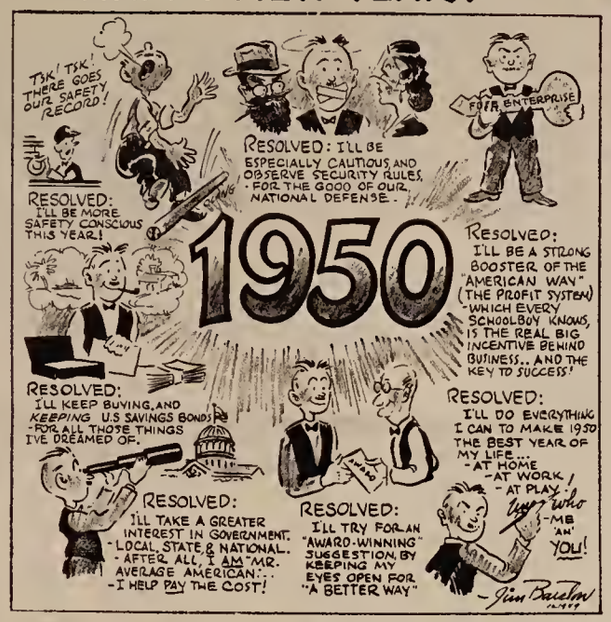
Life in the United States has been good from the beginning—because it has been free. Good things have come out of it, and there are no doubt more good things to come. At the turn of the century folks were not looking ahead to such miracles as traveling 50 miles an hour on the highways and 300 miles an hour in the air, talking across the continent and across the oceans, listening to an orchestra play a thousand miles away and doing their housework with pint-sized motors. They were only trying to get the best out of life, developing a habit of pressing on with every new discovery—to make it serve more people.

When this nation was founded, it was little realized how well men would work together without compulsion under freedom. They did work together so well as to evoke this comment in *The Iron Age* 50 years ago:

"The manufacturers of this country, as a rule, are inclined to impart information freely concerning methods and processes which they use. Our tremendous progress has undoubtedly been accelerated by the willingness with which experiences have been exchanged and the freedom with which faulty methods have been criticized when found in use."

Yes, long before we had any of the glamorous luxuries which we now like to regard as necessities, we had a spirit of mutual helpfulness at work in the world of commerce and industry that we destined to put these things within our grasp, and on a scale that almost challenges belief. This voluntary, gratuitous sharing of knowledge by such industrial pioneers as the General Electric Company goes on and on. It is a splendid example of man's inborn good will, and how it flourishes in a land of free people.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!





Christmas is over and we are now on the brink of a new year and when it rolls around I hope it will be the happiest ever and one that will be remembered by us all. Remember the best way to happiness is to "keep your heart free from hate; your mind from worry. Live simply; expect little; give much; fill your life with love; scatter sunshine; forget self. Think of others and do as you would be done by." . . . When Tom Dent returned from his third week's vacation he found himself really behind the "eight-ball." As you all know there has been an Eight-Ball Good Housekeeping Campaign on in the General Stores, Shipping and Receiving sections for the past three months with a large eightball going each week to the poorest housekeeper. This was the case with Tom—he thought. Someone had placed the eight-ball on his desk with the hope that Tom would "blow his stack" when he saw it (yes, it happened before) but Tom fooled them all and laughed it off. It was all a joke as Tom was really commended by the committee, consisting of Ed David, Herb Grueb, and Lloyd Platt, for his fine housekeeping and in appreciation they presented him with an eight ball cigarette lighter with his name engraved on it. This came as a great surprise to Tom and he would like to take this opportunity to thank the committee for their gift. By the way, the real recipient of the eight-ball this week was Paul Merkert. . . . One day last week the office gang enjoyed a delightful luncheon at the Belmont Restaurant and in memory of the day Chris Riez wrote the following poem:

DECEMBER 22, 1949

'Tis the twenty-second of December
As we are gathered here today
And a day we should all remember
When we are old and gray.
It's a day we should be grateful
For the many things we've had
As much of the world is hateful
And another part is sad.
So let's all be friendly
Greet each other with a smile
Speak of others gently
Our stay is just a little while.
And when we ring the clock again
This afternoon—I hope
I'll be razzed all over again
By, you know who I mean—the dope.

We're not sure to whom he was referring when he wrote the last line but his gaze centered on Herb Jesse when he was reading it. Could be. . . . Herb Jesse is enjoying his third week's vacation this week. By the way, gang, don't forget tonight's the night we go to Herb Jesse's at Ossian—Farm No. 7. See you all there. . . . Hunting stories have been rather scarce this year. Maybe Byron Simmons is the only hunter (or should I say trapper) in our midst. When hunting for rabbits, he says he always gets his limit even though sometimes he has to shoot them in a trap. . . . We welcome to our midst Richard Graber, John Cline, Walter Reynolds, and Milo Clark. . . . We're glad to hear that John Hall is home from the hospital and well on the road to recovery. . . . It's common knowledge around here that when one makes a mistake on his tools there's another boat anchor. We are all wondering now what Charlie Florent plans to do with 24 so-called boat anchors and in the middle of winter, too.

WHAT'S NEW IN GE PLANTS & LABS

SCHENECTADY — Army tanks out on test may be trailing bicycle wheels this year, according to G-E engineers here.

Engineers of the G-E General Engineering and Consulting Laboratory have developed a new speedometer for experimental military vehicles. It is hitched to a bicycle wheel which is connected to whatever vehicle is being tested, and the instrument keeps tabs on the vehicle's speed.

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SYRACUSE — General Electric has sold television audio and video microwave relay equipment to station WLAV-TV, Grand Rapids, Mich. The station is believed to be the first to use equipment which will relay both picture and sound for commercial programming over a privately-owned, microwave, relay system.

The Grand Rapids television station hopes to make arrangements to pick up television programs from four Chicago stations, WBKB, WGN, WENR, and WNBQ.

G-E receivers will be set up at Stevensville, Mich. to pick up the signals from Chicago and from there the signals will be relayed to Cedar Bluff, Mich. and then to the station site at Grand Rapids.



ENGAGED BELIEVE IT OR NOT: It really happened, Loretta Gerardot is wearing one of those great big shinning sparklers which is a forerunner to a life partnership. We can't tell you the exact date of the final knot tieing but we all hope it's soon. We don't want Loretta to get cold feet and change her mind. Congratulations, Loretta, we're keeping our fingers crossed. . . . HAVE YOU SEEN OUR ACROBAT PERFORM: If not watch Paul Black sometime ride those reels of wire around like he was on a one wheel bicycle. Ringling Bros. or someone else is looking for guys like you, Paul. . . . HEARD THIS ONE: The fellow said he must have got out on the wrong side of bed, because he was wearing his wife's shoes. Fatty (Bud) Morris came to work with one week day and one Sunday shoe on. What's the story, Bud? You must have slept in the closet. . . . SIX TON PICKLE WIMPY (Lemper). He was referred to in them thar days, he claims. His enormous profits he goes on to tell us were made possible by the fact that during the years 1932 and 1933 pickles were scarcer in Indiana than free lunches in Scotland, and that he didn't fiddle faddle around with selling just a 100 or 200 at a time. You were obliged to purchase six tons at a crack or you went pickle hungry. That's all there was to it. For this one, Mr. Lemper, there is absolutely no doubt about it. You are the Champion Tall Story Teller for '49. Congratulations and may your stories for 1950 be much bigger and better. . . . GUESSES HE'LL HAVE OPERATION: Ray Kierspe's not been feeling too good lately. He's confided to one of his co-workers that he thinks he will have some operations performed at the "Last Chance Hospital." The first operation to lead to another and so on and so on. Everyone is worried. What will there be left of our little Ray after the last and final cutting. Be calm, folks, why start worrying now already? Wait till it happens then there's nothing you can do about it. It'll be too late. . . . SO BRIGHT CAN'T SEE STRAIGHT: To read those no parking signs. We mean that sparkler of Loretta G's. It's already cost her a buck traffic ticket. Seems like you just can't win. . . . KIDNAPPED. Forrest A. Gill had to kidnap Al Swift in order to get him home early after work so Al would receive his surprise gift. Al kept insisting he had to go to the barber shop. Next time Al promises not to be so contrary. He received a very nice rod and reel with which to catch those red horses, he hopes. . . . Congratulations Robert Firestine, Roy Fields, Carl Hankel and William Miller. . . . HE'S GOT THE FEVER: Harry Perl that is, as of last Friday he wants to buy a brand new black Ford four door sedan. Maybe by this time he has it. Nice Christmas present, Harry. . . . HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE.

Proehl Rounds Out 30 Years



Otto W. Proehl, Bldg. 17-4, has rounded out 30 years of service with General Electric. Mr. Proehl is a jig bore operator in FHP Motor Development Div. 33. This position is considered tops in precision machine work. Attending a ceremony, in which Mr. Proehl received a congratulatory letter on his service, were: (l. to r.) C. A. Hartman, General Foreman; Carl Hattendorf, foreman; Russell Noll, Mr. Proehl, Theodore Seymour, R. L. Spitler, Superintendent; Fred J. Stauffer, Edward Schneider, and Erwin F. Zollinger. All except Mr. Hartman and Mr. Spitler have worked with Mr. Proehl in Bldg. 17-4 for the past quarter century.

DR. FISHER IS AWARDED 1949 ALFRED NOBEL PRIZE

The Alfred Nobel prize for 1949 has been awarded to Dr. John C. Fisher, metallurgist in the G-E Research Laboratory. A joint award of several engineering societies, the presentation was given at the recent annual banquet of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers held in New York.

Dr. Fisher was awarded the distinction for his paper entitled "Anisotropic Plastic Flow", which was published in "ASME Transactions" of May, 1949. He is the second member of the G-E Research Laboratory's Metallurgy division to win the prize in the past three years. Dr. John H. Hollomon, assistant head of the division, received the honor in 1947.

Each year a young member of either the "Founder Societies" or the Western Society of Engineers is given the award. The Founder Societies are the country's four oldest engineering societies, of which the ASME is one. The award is made on the basis of the excellence of a technical paper published in one of the Founder Societies' journals. Dr. Fisher's winning paper dealt with the theory of deformation in metals.

Social Security

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ployees and three per cent to be paid by employers. No increase in benefits was contemplated at the time this tax schedule was established—the full six per cent being considered necessary to take care of payments under the adopted schedule of benefits.

However, at the last session of Congress, the House of Representatives passed a bill increasing the present benefits. Should this bill be passed by the Senate at some later date, and become law, even greater deductions may eventually become necessary to support the plan.

The increased deduction will become effective on all pay checks issued on or after Jan. 1, 1950, and a schedule of deductions covering checks of various amounts is now being compiled by each payroll division, and will be published in a later issue. However, the following table indicates the amount of the increase in the various earnings brackets.

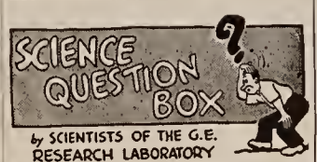
The total tax is, of course, twice the amounts shown, since the Company also contributes an equal amount.

Increase in Social Security Deductions Beginning Jan. 1, 1950

Weekly Earnings	Present Deduction	Deduction After Jan. 1	Increased Deduction In Year	Total Deduction In Year After Jan. 1
$40	40 cents	60 cents	$10.40	$31.20
$45	45 cents	68 cents	$11.70	$35.10
$50	50 cents	75 cents	$13.00	$39.00
$55	55 cents	83 cents	$14.30	$42.90
$60	60 cents	90 cents	$15.00	$45.00

Under the provisions of the Social Security Act, as now amended, the deductions listed in the last column of the table may be increased at some future date (to be determined by Congress) with no increase in benefits. Further increases in the tax rate probably will become necessary if the bill passed at the last session of the House of Representatives, liberalizing the present benefits, becomes law.

As required by law, the Company will deduct the full one and one-half per cent from each pay check until earnings of $3,000 in any one year have been reached. Thus in the case of employees earning over $3,000 a year, a deduction of one and one-half per cent will be made from each pay check until the total of $45 has been deducted. Then no further deductions will be made for the balance of the year.



Q: If a rocket were fired 20 miles straight up into the air, would it return to Earth at the spot from which it took off, or would it land some distance away?

A: A solid body, thrown vertically upwards in a vacuum to a height of 20 miles (at the latitude of New York State) would return to the surface at a point about a quarter of a mile west of the point of departure, because of the eastward rotation of the Earth. A rocket fired straight up would behave similarly, except for such effects as wind, imperfect steering, etc., which would cause an additional shift of the impact point.

BRICKLEY IS APPOINTED ASSISTANT TO SUPERVISOR OF PRODUCTION IN DIV. 1



B. F. Brickley

B. F. Brickley has been appointed Assistant to the Supervisor of Production, Series Motors, Fractional Horsepower Motor Div. 1, it was announced recently.

Mr. Brickley began his General Electric career in 1942, doing production work in FHP Motor Div. 15. In May, 1948, he entered the Company's Advanced Production program, with assignments in West Lynn, Schenectady, and the Chicago district office.

At the termination of his course, Mr. Brickley returned to Fort Wayne and had been working in Specialty FHP Motor Div. 1 prior to his recent appointment.

He is married and has two sons. Mr. Brickley and his family live in Uniondale, Ind.

Tricks In Transformer

—FROM DIVISION 91—

By Bob Bunyan

It was last Thursday afternoon at three o'clock when all through the shop, not a wheel was moving, not even a man. The men were all snuzzled in their chairs assuming that Jim Stauffer was pinch-hitting for old St. Nick and would soon be there. . . . True to tradition he arrived appearing very tired and still jolly and a very good sport to take over the job really intended for Jim. Our thanks to you, Andy Allen, you did a fine job. . . . Such fellows as Noffze, Mullens, Rupright, and Gus Kuhn sure exposed red faces when the girls displayed those dainty gifts. They were proud of them, why weren't you, fellows? . . . Our thanks to Arlo Emick for the 66 pound candy treat. He is another swell fellow with lots of Christmas spirit. . . . Don Huffman and Eddie Dausher finally were rewarded their rubber tired die wagon equipped with a bicycle bell and a new paint job. Now, maybe we can get some dies set up. . . .

Santa Joins Party



Santa Claus paid an early visit Thursday, Dec. 22, to the Specialty Transformer Div. 91 Christmas party. Mary Kieler, Luella Allen, Dorothy Curry, and Mildred Sadler are shown opening their gifts from Santa.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. George (Pop) Horner. They are the proud parents of a new boy. That guy is sure high-hat now. Thanks for the cigars, Pop, hope it won't be long between smokes. . . . Lauren Prince is looking for a sparing partner. Leykauf says he won't work out with Lauren unless someone furnishes him with a football helmet. . . . We wonder why Joe Ort had Rolfing down on his knees. . . . Ragan also has the Christmas spirit when he passed out candy. . . . I hear Bill Halloway had to get pennies from the piggy bank to pay the postage on a greeting signed by Carl Stout. . . . It seems a note in Bill Gefert's Christmas package was overlooked. It entitles you to drive that car, Bill. . . . Clair Wiebke was seen running circles in his bedroom the other morning. It seems Wimpy overslept and while the boys were peeping their horn, Wimpy couldn't find his clothes. . . . Gerald Crum was presented a decorated rooster from our chicken raiser friend, Ed Byers. It turned out all right though, Crum got his picture taken. . . . I wish to thank Tom Woodard, Bob Enz, and Helen Hunt from the fourth floor for that beautiful wrapped Christmas package and 20 cigarettes which helped to make our party more interesting. . . . And to you all I wish a Very Happy New Year.

Supervisors

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place M. N. Brayer for Group One at Taylor St. Hubert Myers is serving his second year as a representative of this group.

P. A. Vance stepped down as an administrator and was replaced by H. K. Pritchard, who was elected from Group Two. W. H. Crouse is the other delegate from this group, which includes Bldgs. 26 and 28.

Group Three, which includes Bldgs. 19, 20, 31 and 21, elected Robert Blomker. F. E. West has completed his term of office and M. M. Ray has another year as an administrator from this group.

Denton Manecke has been elected to replace James Oman as an administrator from Group Four in Bldg. 4. Eric Hoppe will continue in his second year as a representative of this group.

K. W. Michael was elected to succeed Ivan D. Rinehart by Group Five, which includes Bldgs. 2, 6, 8, 10, 16, and 17. H. B. Reynolds will be serving his second term next year.

R. W. Kent has been elected to replace G. R. Lindemuth for Group Six. A. S. Johnson is the other delegate from this group, which includes Bldg. 18.

I. H. Freeman has been appointed by C. H. Matson, Works Manager, to continue as the Management's representative on the Administrative committee.

Review Of Book To Be Presented At Elex Meeting

Kathryn Turney Garten, noted book-reviewer, will be featured at the next Elex Club meeting to be held Thursday, Jan. 12, it was announced today by Mary Leiter, president.

Mrs. Garten will review "My Heart Shall Not Fear," by Josephine Lawrence.

Dinner will be served from 4:45 until 6 p.m. prior to the program. Tickets for the meeting are $1 and can be purchased from contact girls. Reservations must be in by Friday, Jan. 6.

Company Notifies U.E. That Contract Terminates April 1

General Electric advised the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America Wednesday that it did not feel it should let its contract with the U.E. automatically renew itself, and so gave official notice of termination on April 1, 1950, as provided in the contract.

General Electric had earlier, on Dec. 1, suspended an offer made U.E. before the presentation dispute arose saying that the Company was not "legally free to consummate a new agreement with U.E. that would include new benefits or that would extend the existing contract" so long as the representation question raised by the U.E.-I.U.E. controversy was pending witb the N.L.R.B.

The letter to Albert T. Fitzgerald and Joseph Dermody read as follows:

United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America
11 East 51st Street
New York, N. Y.
Att: Albert J. Fitzgerald, President
Joseph Dermody, International Rep.

Gentlemen,

During the past several weeks we have been faced with a series of problems arising out of conflicting claims as to who is, or is to be, the collective bargaining representative of certain of our employees. On November 4, 1949, we had a telegram from the chairman of the administrative committee of the IUE-CIO demanding for that union full and exclusive rights as bargaining representative. On November 17, 1949, we were notified by the National Labor Relations Board that (1) a petition for certification of representatives had been filed by the IUE-CIO and that (2) an investigation of this claim had been commenced by the Board and on November 29, 1949, the Board requested certain detailed information from us in connection with its investigation, which we promptly supplied. In the meantime, we bave been confronted with tbe conflicting claims of different groups purporting to be the exclusive bargaining representatives of certain of our employees at various of our plants. We have tried to remain neutral in the face of these claims, while offering all proper aid to the N.L.R.B. in resolving them, and we intend to continue to do so. The situation has, nevertheless, progressively posed an increasing number of perplexing problems. In addition, it began to appear that a resolution of this question of representation might not occur as promptly as originally expected. In a further effort, therefore, to exhaust any remaining possibilities of offering even any small additional aid in facilitating the prompt resolution of this question and giving our employees the earliest possible chance to choose their representatives by the secret ballot the law provides, we filed petitions with the Board on December 15 for all units where the U.E. had formerly been certified. In these petitions we stated that the Company had received conflicting claims for recognition of bargaining representatives, and we requested the Board to certify to us the representative desired by the majority of our employees at each location. We also suggested that the Board do what was possible to facilitate elections by seeking common consent among the parties concerned with respect to the details involved, including the setting of an early date for any elections it might order.

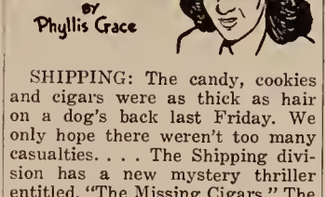
Meanwhile, as a result of the representation question having been brought officially to our attention by N.L.R.B., we informed you by letter on December 1, 1949, that we must suspend the offer we had previously made to you for a new contract with certain new benefits. We explained that the Company was not "legally free to consummate a new agrecment with the U.E. that would include new benefits or would extend the existing contract," so long as a question of representation was pending with the N.L.R.B. to do so, we were advised, would constitute an unfair labor practice on our part. We pointed out, however, that we would be ready and willing to try to come to a final agreement on the matters covered by our offer as soon as the Labor Board finally and clearly determined the bargaining agent with whom we could make such an agreement as of now, of course, this question has not been determined. The matter is in the hands of the N.L·R.B. and we assume that it will be settled at an early date, but there have been indications in the public press that designation of the proper bargaining agents may be delayed past March 31. In view of this we feel it would not be proper for us to run any risk of appearing to be unfairly favoring one side or the other by allowing our present national contract with the U.E. to be extended past its termination date on April 1, 1950. Therefore, in accordance with the provisions of Article XXVII of the National Agreement between General Electric Company and the United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers of America, entered in 1947 and 1948, we hereby notify you of the Company's intention not to let such contract automatically renew itself but to terminate it effective as of April 1, 1950. Once again we express our readiness to sit down with the duly authorized collective bargaining agent of the employees in question—whenever we are instructed by the proper authority as to who that agent is—and to negotiate either for an extension of the old contract, together with such changes and improvements as may be mutually acceptable, or the writing of a new contract—should such be mutually desired. Meanwhile we shall continue to afford our employees all the rights and protections which are rightfully theirs.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE H. PFEIF,
Manager

Ditton Celebrates 30th Anniversary



Ralph W. Ditton, Taylor St., recently celebrated his 30th anniversary of service with General Electric. At that time he received a congratulatory letter on his long service. Attending the presentation were: (l. to r.) R. C. Hanna, Mr. Ditton, A. W. Bartling, Manager of FHP Motor Sales divisions, and G. T. Wright.



SHIPPING: The candy, cookies and cigars were as thick as hair on a dog's back last Friday. We only hope there weren't too many casualties. . . . The Shipping division has a new mystery thriller entitled, "The Missing Cigars." The cast includes Herman Ebel, as the owner of said cigars (seeing as how it was his birthday) and Frank Goetz, the victim. As the story unfolds we find Herman about ready to dash to lunch, telling Frank to help himself to one of his birthday cigars. Frank, being a lover of cigars, trots over to Herman's desk and begins the search, at first calmly, then frantically for the cigars, but to no avail. When Herman returned from lunch Frank approaches him about the cigars, so Herman quickly offers to locate them for him. Back at his desk with Frank close behind, Herman pulls open the drawer, confidently pulls the lid off the box and—yik—no cigars. Herman's new theme song is "Oh where oh where could my little cigars be." . . . Happy birthday to Norma Book, Jan. 2 and Barbara Meyers, Jan. 4. . . . MAILING: The Mail section celebrated their annual Christmas potluck and exchange Thursday, Dec. 22. Everyone stuffed themselves so much that it made working difficult that afternoon. Ella Highlands, Donna Walters, and Barbara Ryder, former co-workers, were guests at the party. Everyone enjoyed themselves, but oh those after effects. . . . Dick Wilson has returned to work after three days of sickness and just in time for the potluck too. . . . TELEGRAPH: Happy birthday to Lee Blake, Dec. 24. The gals of telegraph had a very gay party and exchange last Wednesday, but Friday proved to be very jolly too. . . . The Telegraph gals along with Mailing, Shipping, and Regional Warehouse wish to say—"A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR."

It is interesting to note that the Statue of Liberty is having her backyard cleaned. The vacuum and whisk broom are being applied to Bedloe Island to make it as clean as a lollipop stick at a children's picnic. But that's only part of the job. While the Island is being cleared up, how about the rest of Miss Liberty's land? We all have a stake in the U. S. and in preserving the ideals and beliefs the statue stands for. It's been said the price of liberty is eternal vigilance.

Edison Medal Award Goes To G-E Engineer, Dr. K. B. McEachron

Announcement has just been made of the 1949 Edison Medal award, which is to be presented to Dr. Karl B. McEachron, G-E engineer and internationally recognized authority on lightning.

Dr. McEachron will receive the honor for "his contributions to the advancement of electrical science in the field of lightning and other high-voltage phenomena, and for the application of this knowledge to the design and protection of electrical apparatus and systems."

Awarded At AIEE Meeting

Given annually to outstanding electrical engineers and scientists, the award will be presented to Dr. McEachron at the winter meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers in New York, Jan. 30 to Feb. 3.

Dr. McEachron, Manager of Engineering for the G-E Transformer and Allied Product divisions, Pittsfield, will add his name to a group of other notable recipients, including Dr. William D. Coolidge, retired G-E scientist and father of the modern X-ray tube; Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telepbone; and the late Dr. Frank B. Jewett, engineer and past president of Bell Telephone Laboratories.

Established in 1904, the Edison award was founded by an organization of friends of Thomas A. Edison who wished to commemorate the achievements of a quarter of a century in the field of electric lighting with which Edison is so prominently identified, and to "serve as an honorable incentive to scientists, engineers, and artisans to maintain by their works the high standards of accomplishments" set by Edison.

Directed Study Of Lightning

Among Dr. McEachron's achievements for which he has been cited, was his direction of G-E's lightning strokes study atop the Empire State Building and for the development of the 10,000,000-volt artificial lightning generator used at the New York World's Fair.

For his work as inventor of Thyrite resistance material, used in a variety of lightning protection and other electric applications, Dr. McEachron received the G-E Coffin award in 1931. In 1935 he was presented with the Edward Longstreth Medal from the Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, Pa.

THREE G-E MEN JOIN PURDUE TECH STAFF

Three G-E men have been added to the staff of evening instructors at Purdue University Center's Technical Institute, which started Monday, Dec. 12.

They are: Steven A. Zimmerman, section engineer, Electrical section, Works Lab, who will teach "Electronics;" John Laymon, Jr., time study leader, who will teach "Job Evaluation," and Dick Seely, design engineer in Bldg. 4-6, who will instruct "Physics: Electricity."

Pick-Ups

Bldg. 26-3

By Elvira Romary

I expect everybody is all over Christmas and ready for the New Year, so

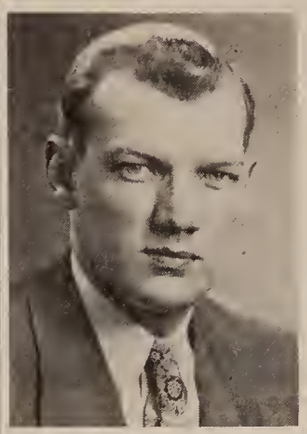
From your last year select the love
And kindly, friendly deeds;
Throw out the disappointments
And the burrs and tangle weeds
And only keep the best that grew
For next year's garden seeds.

I received a very wonderful letter that I would like to quote: "We would like to thank each and every kind and generous person for their thoughtfulness in making this a Merry Christmas for us. Next to being able to return to work this is the nicest thing that could happen to us. We didn't know we had so many sincere and good friends. We would like to thank each one but there are so many, it would be impossible. So we hope all of you will read this and know we mean you when we say you have really made this a Merry Christmas. Thanks again. Jan and Aylene Speice." . . . Helen Studler, captain of her bowling team, is quite proud these days. Her team won the first half of the Ladies' Monday Night Bowling League. Her team members are Vivian Fleckenstein, Mary Wiedman, Ruby LeVon and Avenel Stanton. Congratulations, girls. . . . Rose Onstodt and Peggy Reynolds won turkeys recently. We all think that a turkey dinner would be delicious. . . . Edna DeLeury tells me that while in Indianapolis she was mistaken for a visiting school teacher. How does one acquire that intelligent look? . . . The office gang had a Christmas dinner last Tuesday and a gift exchange Friday. The Winding section had a potluck and gift exchange last Thursday. It's so wonderful to see everyone have the wonderful Christmas spirit of giving to make other people happy. . . . Maxine Hathaway has a very unreasonable husband. Their car wouldn't start one morning so good ole Maxine pushed their car for three blocks. Her husband then told her he couldn't guide the car very well because she wasn't pushing fast enough. Maybe Maxine needs a scooter for such things. . . . Carolyn White celebrated her birthday Dec. 24. Friday morning she brought a large cake in for her co-workers. At that time she was presented with a lovely gift. Happy birthday, Carolyn. . . . Happy New Year, everybody.



The gals and guys in Keller's section had their Christmas exchange last Thursday, and our girl Jackie received a lovely string of pearls from all of the girls and Ralph, a billfold. Most probably the best gift of all was the one which Louise Sinn enjoyed. She was covered with kisses (a one pound sack full) from a secret admirer. Doyle Sheets won't have to buy chewing gum until next year, as he received a sockful, but was kinda disappointed that there wasn't any bubble-gum in it. . . . "Twinkle-Toes" Brockhall got another turkey as his gift. It seems that he not only wins all of them, but gets them as gifts too. . . . Ed Fiedler is always talking about corn, so-o-o he received an ear of corn. . . . Pearl Everly was talking to Keller the other day and Ralph asked her if she believed in Santa. In no uncertain terms, she told him that she did not. Now it so happened that Ralph had drawn her name for the exchange, and now Pearl says that she is sorry and is now a very firm believer in St. Nick. . . . But the thing which is puzzling everyone is how did Lloyd Garrison know what size skirt to buy Becky Weaver. . . . Earl Fredericks got an engine, and after the exchange, he gave a demonstration for the gang. . . . The second shift girls were also in on the party, and from what we hear, a very, very, good time was had by all. . . . Someone mentioned the fact that Janie Adams has bought some new sweaters, and is now known as the "Sweater Gal" of the lead section. . . . Charlie Briggs was busy measuring the conveyor in the packing section the other day and failed to notice the pot of glue which was standing there. It seems that he had been leaning right over this glue and when he straightened up, it started running down his shirt front. Maybe you had better start wearing bow ties like Charlie Gable does. . . . Art Horstman must have had a lot of lost activity lately, as we hear that they have moved in an additional brake for him to work to help raise the pool. . . . It is reported that Brownie has been having trouble with his car heater. Maybe if you would start using gasoline instead of that tractor oil, you would have a little better luck, Kenny. . . . Gladys Pantazin and Clarabelle Castle served a buffet breakfast in the assembly section last Friday morning. They had braunschweiger and cheese sandwiches. . . . We are wondering if Ross Strodel's gift backfired on him at the foremen's exchange the other day, cause he won't tell anyone what he received. . . . Pat Perry's new little calf "Effie" seems to be thriving on lumps of sugar, and think it would make a good "Little Red-nosed Rudolph." . . . A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE.

Three Graduate From Apprentice School



J. N. Kirlin

Jack N. Kirlin graduated today from the Apprentice School, after completing the draftsmen's course. A 1940 graduate of Lima Central high school, he was employed by General Electric the following year. He first enrolled in the Specialist school, and later transferred to Bldg. 19-5, where he worked for one year.

Mr. Kirlin left in 1942 to enlist in the Navy. He served as a Pharmacist Mate First Class, with 21 months of overseas duty. Discharged in October, 1945, he entered the Apprentice School the next May.

He is married and has three children. Mr. Kirlin resides at 3007 Pennsylvania St.



D. F. Hoffman

Donald F. Hoffman graduated Friday, Dec. 16, from the Apprentice School as a machinist-toolmaker. He began working for G-E in 1941 after his graduation from Central Catholic high school the previous year. He first worked as a messenger.

After two years, he enlisted in the Army Air Force as a cadet. Mr. Hoffman served three years, with seven months in the European campaign. He was discharged Dec. 25, 1945, as a lieutenant. He entered the Apprentice School on May, 27, 1946.

Mr. Hoffman is married and has one son. The Hoffmans live at 3511 Lillie St.



E. F. Schmidt

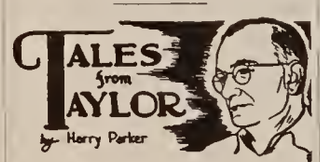
Everett F. Schmidt completed the draftsmen's course of the Apprentice School Friday, Dec. 23. He is a 1940 graduate of Central high school. He joined the Company the following January. Mr. Schmidt worked in Bldg. 26-4 two years before he began his army service.

He served 31 months in the States before going to Europe. He received his discharge in February, 1946. At the time of his release from the Army, Mr. Schmidt was a technical sergeant. He enrolled in the Apprentice School on July 8, 1946.

Mr. Schmidt is married and has one daughter. He lives on the Maple Rd.



Now that Christmas is over and we are on the eve of a new year, we hope it will be a happy and prosperous one for all. . . . Hope too that Frank Phillips will be recovered from his sudden illness by the time this is out. At this writing he is at the St. Joseph Hospital, Room 374, and his condition is improved. . . . We have another new member of the group, none other than John (Red) Braden, who with Louie Watt, Bill Johnson and Ward Staley are enjoying their final vacation period. . . . Henry Guenther is filling shoes for Ward in the No. 1 Tool Crib this week. Nice having you out, Hiney. . . . Everyone is wondering why Forrest Gee made a special trip to Bldg. 6 with his tools and then shipped them on a Decatur-bound truck for Taylor St. Maybe he thought no tools, no work, but they fooled him on that score by fixing him up with some of Ernie Brown's spare tools. . . . Henry Bradfield, formerly of the machinist group, is now working back in the high boy. Nice seeing you back, Henry. . . . Burney Lindley is learning the mechanics of city government through the efforts of the Police Traffic Department and City Councilman Hilbert (Me Too) Nahrwold. From listening to a recent broadcast series, evidently some one is copying the Me-Too-ism. . . . I wish to introduce to you through this column, our new Safety Man, Lyle Claphan and ask you all to give him your cooperation. Even our foreman can help him keep our aisle free from hazardous tripping obstacles. . . . Bob Repine not only has trouble with his shooting average when he only gets one rabbit in 15 shots. But when he can't get the jaws reversed in the small universal chuck on the bench lathe it's exasperating. . . . Ray Bowers has been reporting for work daily with a smooth shaven face. This has begun to cause some speculation as to what the reason for the pick up in the P. A. . . . It's mighty nice to see Justin Heaston back on the job, after the bad luck he had on his vacation. Jess says the others involved in their crash are recovering satisfactorily.



Don LeMaster of our plating section wishes in this manner to announce the arrival at his home on Tuesday, Nov. 29, of an eight pound baby boy, Jackie by name. Mother and son are doing fine, and Mom and Pop are quite proud. We wish to take this opportunity to extend to them our heartiest congratulations. . . . All of the boys on the assembly line are wondering what was on Don Eichorn's mind and what prompted him to ring his clock card while on his way to the locker room in mid-afternoon. Some of the boys ventured a guess that Don was becoming absent-minded but he said that this was not the case and that his wife had an explanation for it, so if any answer please see his wife. . . . Some of the boys in the rotor section say that Kenny Miller has a new theme song, "Slippin' Around." Now just why he has selected this tune is beyond us. Perhaps some of you will kindly explain. . . . During the Elex excursion to Indianapolis to see the Sonja Henie ice show Josephine Eme was threatened with a headache. Her companion gave her some aspirin. Jo offering to pay for it held a dime in her hand offering it to her friend who refused to take pay for the relief tablets. Jo, thinking that she had better take them right away, slipped the dime into her mouth and dropped the aspirin into her purse. . . . Frieda Hildebrandt on a trip to the grocery one day last week purchased several cans of fruit juice and several packages of tissues. On her way home the sack broke spilling cans and tissues all over the street. As it was raining and the wind was blowing poor Frieda had to chase rolling cans and flying tissues all over Taylor St. Being embarrassed would be putting it mildly.

A Brazilian burglar who made a habit of writing apologies to his victims was arrested when he bought some of his favorite writing paper. The warden will furnish the pen.

G-E Vice President M. L. Sloan Retires

Martin L. Sloan, Vice President of the General Electric Company with headquarters at Nela Park, Cleveland, has retired under the Company's pension program after nearly 40 years of service, it was announced in New York by Charles E. Wilson, G-E President.

Sloan was named G-E Vice President and General Manager of the Company's Lamp Department just five years ago. In preparation for his retirement, he relinquished his position as General Manager in 1948 in favor of his assistant, Fred F. Harroff. The Lamp Department has responsibility for the development, manufacture, sale and application of sources of electric light and radiant energy.

CIGARETTE LIGHTERS ARE GIVEN TO 32 SUGGESTORS AS BONUSES

The following employees have been presented G-E monogramed cigarette lighters as bonus awards during the last two weeks for submitting suggestions on which the regular awards were $10 or more:

William Nicholson, William Berg, Fredrick Heinkel, Frederick Kiel, Paul Beauchamp, William Butz, Toivo Rae, Charlotte Allen, Art Macke, Otto Aumiller, Garland Keister, Charles Zollman, Bethel Breeden, Herbert Lemmel, Franklin Bly, Ansel Feighner, Elvie Dafforn, Myron Racine, Donald Kruse, Chester Burgette, Louis Pooler, Norman Jackmeyer, Kenneth Beard, Edward Gehhart, Everett Moring, Donald Carrier, Harold Barrick, Herman Drew, Wilson Halls, Frank Davis, Josephine Matter, and Robert Gardner.

The cigarette lighters have been awarded each week since Sept. 1 as a part of the Suggestion System Contest. Although the contest is over, the lighters will continue to be presented to all those who submitted suggestions during the period from Sept. 1 to Nov. 15, on which the regular awards are $10 or more, as they are processed by the suggestion committees.



Speaking for the Medical section, we wish all our G-E friends and "customers" a safe, healthful and prosperous 1950; but just in case you should have a casualty or two, in the sick or accident field, our entire personnel stand ready to give you the very best at our command in prompt, efficient and courteous attention. If you should receive anything less than that, please tell us. (Dr. H. W. Garton). . . . Now the old year is nearly over, we wish to each and everyone a happy and prosperous New Year. (Mae Mulvane and Mable Wilson). . . . Most New Year resolutions are made only to be broken. However, I believe that if we resolve (and keep the resolution!) to do better by our jobs during 1950, our jobs will certainly do better by us. What do you think? (D. R. Stroud). . . . As the twilight of the day apporaches, so like the end of another year leaving us with memories along the milestones of life. It has been a pleasant year and personally I've appreciated my work with co-workers and my association with the G-E folks. May they all have the Best of Everything in Happiness and Success in the New Year. (Minnie Fryback). . . . I wish for all G-E people and especially my co-workers, all the very best in good fortune and happiness in the year 1950. (Imo Jean Schwartz). . . . I'm not a poet and I know it, but this I would like to say: Hope your Christmas was Merry in every way, And the New Year will be happy every day. (Berneta Welbaum). . . . Best Wishes from Taylor St. Medical section to all of you in this last year of the first half of the 20th century. (Olive Walters and Thelma Harrison). . . . For all I wish much Happiness in the New Year and let us all believe that the sun shines even when we cannot see it. (Alta Mayle). . . . Wouldn't it be fine to try to carry the holiday spirit into the coming New Year? I'm sure we all would be much happier. A very happy and prosperous New Year to everyone. (Bertha Schrader). . . . Mrs. Fryback has become very much interested in pictures. She is getting a viewer and no doubt will put on a show over the holidays for the benefit of her friends. (Dr. Murdock). . . . As the New Year approaches I suggest that each and every one of us add to our resolutions "The Value of a Smile" and pass it on:

The thing that goes the farthest
Towards making life worthwhile,
That costs the least and does the most
Is just a pleasant smile.
It's full of mirth and goodness, too
With heavenly kindness blest;
It's worth a million dollars
And does not cost a cent.

(Lyle Rupert)

"I said to a man who stood at the gate of the year. 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown', and he replied, 'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than a light and safer than a known way.'" (Anonymous). May the coming year be a happy, prosperous, healthy and safe one for all. (Mary Heymann).

TOOL BITS

19-4 & 19-5

By Don Clark

Harmon Westrick is considering installing side mirrors on the family car, but Rosemary suggests putting the fire hydrants underground. . . . We hear that Erwin Wiebke is now singing with the famous bargershop quartets. . . . We welcome Richard Poehler of the lathe section in Bldg. 19-5. . . . Since Roy Paulson moved the Dodge proving grounds to our Lindley parking lot, he has decided to withdraw from all future hill climbing and endurance tests. Roy had his blue cruiser balanced on a safety block and had to call a wrecker to get it on all fours. We can understand Roy's wonderful gas mileage now, but think of the cost to hire a wrecker whenever you want to take a spin. . . . The boys in the jig section are glad to see Reinhold Lepper back to work after a short illness. . . . Christmas is over now but we sincerely hope that everyone all received a spiritual renewal of the real meaning of Christmas that will strengthen and help to guide us throughout the coming year. . . . The boys in Bldg. 19-5 presented Stewart Bohrer a fine pipe and tobacco as a Christmas present Friday before Christmas. . . . John Hensler saw to it that Earl Lenz received at least 15 Christmas presents. See John for details. . . . You should have seen the Christmas tree Walter Greiner's men fixed up for him. It was decorated with shavings, apples, peanuts, a large pickle from someone's lunch, punchings, wire, cough drops, a stick of gum, and some decorated hard boiled eggs. Hope you don't get hungry, Walter. . . . Does it pay to be good just before Christmas? Bill Owen, Jr., claims that it does. He went to his girl's house to help her set up the Christmas tree which they did and then her folks asked him to stay for a little lunch which turned out to be a delicious chicken dinner (at midnight that is). . . . Purl Schoeff's wife came to town to buy Purl a Christmas present, but seems she parked in the wrong spot, and received one of those familiar pink tickets. We haven't heard yet who paid the ticket, but we hope that she didn't deduct the amount from Purl's present. . . . We were pleased to have Christian (Chris) Kaiser visit us before he journeys to California for the winter. Chris looks good and still bowls a good game. He reported that our friend John Littlejohn has been ill. We wish you a speedy recovery, John. . . . That extra big smile on the face of Robert Broderick was due to the fact that he is a father of a new baby girl. Congratulations, Bob. . . . Martin Walsh did his good deed in telling the fellow in the car parked next to him in the Jones St. lot that his lights were on. No one told Mart his lights were also on. He found out that night when he stepped on the starter. . . . We wish you all a Very Happy New Year.

Fractional Facts

TAYLOR ST. OFFICE

By Alice Nichens

Who's excited. For the good of the Company it would be best if Omer Meyers wasn't given any weighty problems to solve, at least for a while. Everyone is a little puzzled over the weight of Marsha Jean. He claims she weighs 7 pounds 11½ inches. Since this is his first child though we will excuse him this time. . . . David Hume at 9½ pounds is enough to make any proud father pound his chest and Larry Hume is no exception. David is also a first child and while we're on the subject of children, if you haven't read the book "Cheaper by the Dozen" do read it. . . .It looks as though Christmas holidays are to be especially happy for Marilyn Wire who became Mrs. Richard Arick Dec. 26. . . . Welcome to James Jellison, Test Engineer, who is working for Fred Smith. Also to Lela Stein who transferred from Broadway. . . . After Jan. 5 Bob Cunningham will be working in the Omaha office. Better watch out for your scalp, Bob, there is still a tribe of Omaha Indians out there. . . . Doc Ditton completed 30 years of service with G-E Dec. 24. Wouldn't it be interesting to go back 30 years and recall that first day in 1919. . . . Arnold Bowers had better close the lower drawer in his file or start saving money to replace torn nylons. . . . . Art Westenfelt just can't seem to get down to the candy wagon at the correct time. Can't you arrange to have those hunger pangs a little earlier, Art? Have you heard about the new service that is now available? If you have any trouble just dial 400. Evelyn Campbell just discovered this by accident too. She picked up the phone to make a call and a voice said "if you have any troubles just phone them to 400, please." Now before I dial 400 we all wish you a Happy New Year and we'll see you bright and early Tuesday—well early anyway.



"Peace on Earth Good Will Toward Man"—what an improvement in life if those words could ring true. All of the "isms", the "wings" and the general dissention throughout the world would be gone and we could settle down to the pleasant task of just living. It is my wish for you—that 1950 will bring us all closer to this goal. May you enjoy the best of health, wealth and happiness during the year. . . . The Specialty Transfomer Accounting division, enjoyed a very pretty Christmas party on Tuesday of last week. About 40 members of the division assembled in the private dining room. The decorations were very pretty and all enjoyed the greetings extended by Mr. Rinne and Mr. Schnieders. . . . The Bldg. 18-1 Payroll group had a dinner and gift exchange in Bldg. 16-2. The Mailing division must have had a lot of food at their potluck last week. For once the boys were not interested in anything to eat. . . . NO SIR! J. E. Estabrook did not run into a door. A tree found its way into his eye while hunting. That was the cause of the bandage last week. . . . Mystery: Robert (Bob) Meyers is carrying a brief case back and forth to work. "Brief Case Robert" he is knowed as! With his Canasta set enclosed or could it have been his Christmas cards or presents. Or is it that he worked with Harry Hire so long that it has just become a habit? . . . Joan Kowalski arrived December 22 to be a lovely Christmas gift to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Kowalski. Things were happening a little fast for Chester. The anticipation of the blessed event caused a nerve rash on his hands, (that's the why of the white gloves—thought any minute he would start singing "Mammy"). Then the climax—parked his car in the Lindley Ave. lot last Friday A.M. and it went overboard. He had to get a wrecker to put him back on the lot. So—with all of that excitement he should now relax and enjoy the New Year. . . . Did you ever see so many gayly wrapped packages, faces happy with anticipation and there must have been tons of candy and cookies —all to help start the holiday season in a festive mood, as there was in evidence last Friday? . . . If anyone is interested in making candles, ask Mary Slater, Bldg. 18-4. She is a most experienced candlemaker. . . . Olive Smith of the Data Bureau enjoyed a week's vacation last week. . . . Raymond J. Hoffman chose the last week of the year for his third week's vacation. . . . We hope that Herman Volmerding, Bldg. 18-4 recovers from his present illness and will enjoy the holidays. . . . Ask Deolres, Bldg. 18-4, about the nice gloves she received under the tree. She said she needed gloves. . . . Dorothy Long of Bldg. 18-5, a polio victim, sent her best wishes to her co-workers in the form of a Christmas box. We all join in wishing everything good for you, Dorothy. . . . Mary Occleston, who recently rctired from Bldg. 18-2 sent in a lovely box of candy. Thank you, Mary. . . . We are sure the holiday season was a most enjoyable one for the members of the Robert Wylie family. They entertained their granddaughter for her first Christmas. . . . Don McIntyre, the new trainee in General Superintendent's office, could not make it back to Oklahoma for Christmas but visited relatives in Cincinnati.

1950 FISCAL CALENDAR 1950

FOR USE OF WORKS

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Candid Camera

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Spellbound... This little girl is getting the thrill of hearing her own voice played back on G-E's "Playtalk", the new electronic toy recarder which records and reproduces music ar voice.



Looking to 1950... Old Man Winter's icy blasts are fargotten momentarily as these lovely lasses of the New Yark Office look forward to a new year with plenty af welcaming smiles. Left to right are June Dolan, Terry Murphy (center), and Patricia Dunfee.



Big Day... President Wilson stops for a chat with youngsters at Bridgeport Bays Club when that city paid tribute to him recently on a day officially designated by Mayar McLevy (at Mr. Wilson's left) as "Charles E. Wilson Day."

Hard-to-Beat Record... Phil Weick, guard at the Taylar Street Plant, Fort Wayne, has been "on time" every day since he began working at G.E. 43 years ago, and usually walks to wark.





Take-Off... The Advertising and Sales Promotion Section af Bloomfield Works had their own version of "White Collar Zoa" at recent party for Jack Mooney, center background in role af animal trainer, wha has been transferred to Syracuse.

Competition is



Construction materials contracts are competitively tough to get. Building contractors consider bid specifications, costs, and promise of delivery, as was done on the $350,000 United Nations Building order for G-E conduit and wiring devices.



Every G-E product undergoes close scrutiny in comparison wi other competitors' makes before the sale is ultimately mad



On most products, the decision as to what make to buy is di cussed by entire family, comparing the features of competin products point by point before the final decision is mad



In this typical home are electrical products made by several different companies with whom we compete. Hour after hour, day after day, the family is unconsciously comparing the quality of its G-E products with those of our competitors, deciding which are better values.



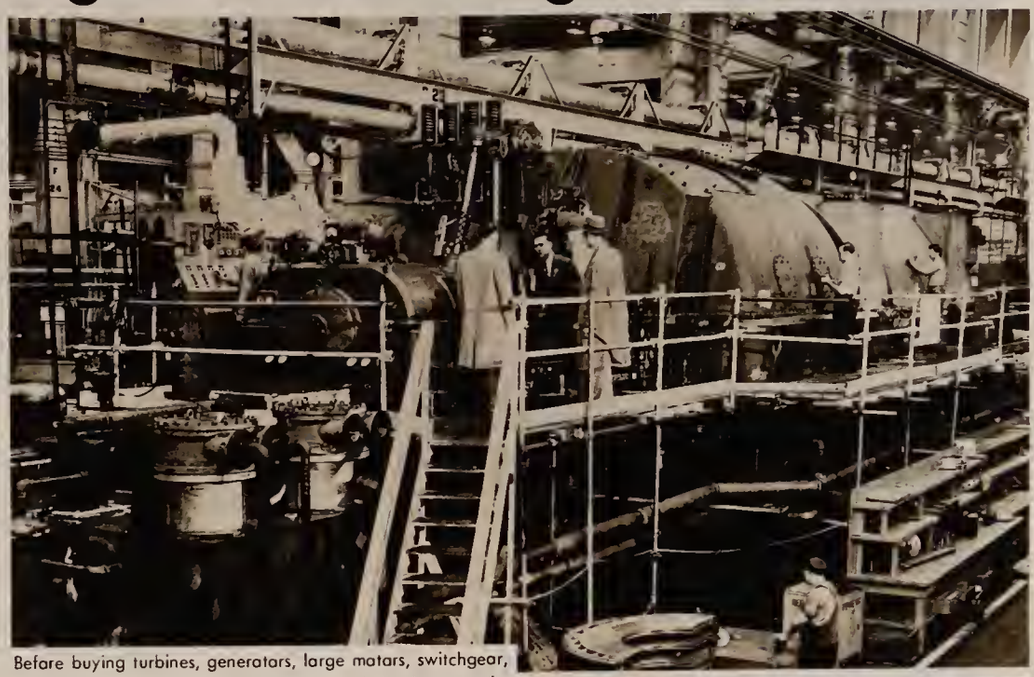
The reputation of a product – whether it's good or bad – travels fast. With friends and neighbors visiting the home, they soon learn what the purchaser thinks of the new device

ough—but it brings better living for all of us

IT has been said that General Electric has more competitors than any other company. Each day, thousands of customers across the country are comparing G-E products with the similor products mode by our competitors—comparing our designs, our workmanship, and our prices with those of other monufacturers. Minute by minute, all day long, one customer ofter another is deciding whether a product we have built is of better value than that offered by some other company, and purchasing—or turning down—the G-E product.

Our jobs, here at General Electric, thus depend from day to day on the decisions of these customers, ond their decisions depend in turn on how good a job we do—on the values we put into the products we build. Thus, competition continually forces each company to find ways to turn out better products ond offer better values to the customer—o principle which has been largely responsible for the steodily increasing standard of living here in America.

Shown on these pages ore a few of the thousands of customers who day by day are comparing our products with those of our competitors.



Before buying turbines, generators, large motors, switchgear, and similar heavy apparatus, the customer's engineers make exhaustive studies of competitive makes. Sale depends on the product's quality, price, and ability to deliver it on time.



In the transportation field, competition between trackless trolleys and other service facilities is keen. All sales depend on the manufacturer's ability to provide fast, trouble-free economical equipment that will readily attract riders.



In the field of commercial air conditioning, General Electric faces severe competition from many well-established competitors, as is obvious to those who frequent restaurants.



Many G-E products face stiff competition in advanced chemical trade shows, where our competitors also display their products for side-by-side comparison of value, appearance design and quality by thousands of customers attending the exhibit.



There is stiff competition in the field of street lighting, where municipal engineers make exhaustive and careful tests of the light output and distribution, first cost, and operating and maintenance expense of all the competing luminaires.



In the automotive industry and the replacement parts field G.E.'s sealed beam headlamp competes with other top-notchers. To beat this competition, headlamps must have maximum light efficiency and provide for flexibility in styling the car.

Candid Camera



Enviable Position... The Patterson School at Philadelphia recently received the first Roy Rogers National Safety Award Trophy. Children af G-E employees at Philadelphia Warks pictured with Roy Rogers are: Charles, Jr., son of Charles Gardner, far left; Robert, son of Rabert Howard, Jr., fourth from right; and Rabert, son of James Taylor, Sr., third from right.



Five O'Clock Shadow... Razors were laid aside tempararily while these beards were being raised far the Centennial Celebratian at Las Cruces, New Mexico by members af the Service Engineering Divisions Outside Installatian Farce on the Hermes Project at White Sands Praving Graund. Left to right, top raw: W. E. Bright, G. S. Emmons, E. H. Bender, F. E. Medlin, H. A. Krieger. Battom Raw: C. F. Meyer, O. L. Antlitz, J. H. Becker, and K. F. Davis.



Half Century Man... W. H. Atherley (right), superintendent af G-E's San Francisco Warehause, receives his fifty-year certificate from A. G. Janes, Manager of the Pacific District.



Sitting This One Out... With the skating seasan nearing the full swing stage, Marge Turpen (left) and Grace Raykouff af Schenectady's General Office watch the ice antics while resting between turns araund the rink.



Tribute... Dr. E. F. W. Alexanderson (left), G-E radio and television pioneer, was hanored at Schenectady recently when a bronze plaque nating his achievements was unveiled by his granddaughter. With them are D. C. Prince (second fram left), Vice President in charge of the General Engineering and Cansulting Labaratory and W. W. Trench, Secretary of the Campany.



Was Santa good to Leo Hackman? He got a brand new Pontiac. Congratulations, Lee, and hope you get many miles of smiles with it. . . . Mickey McDougal got a new Plymouth—toy car. A gift from his right hand bower, Rosemary Miller. I'll bet he will get a lot of pleasure from it. . . . Did you fellows know Anselm Hackman is grandpa again? Yep, his son Patrick and wife are the parents of a baby born recently. Congratulations, grandpa, and luck to the child and parents. . . . She wore a yellow sweater instead of a yellow ribbon. That is I mean Norma Poorman and did she look nice. I guess it was in honor of her 21st birthday last Thursday as she treated all her friends to a swell piece of cake. Thanks, Norma and we hope you live to enjoy many more of them. . . . I just noticed the other day when Barbara Roop goes down through the shop all the boys get neck trouble and start making noises like the proverbial wolf. . . . Dale Cowan, the apple king, passed out the apples to the gang the other eve as a sort of Christmas cheer. Thanks, Dale! Don't forget, fellows, Dale has apples to sell if you should care for some. . . . Dan Zeser celebrated his birthday the day before Christmas. . . . Happy birthday to Howard Gehrig and Mina Lampy. . . . Jason Moser had everything in readiness for Santa. He had Christmas cheer and mistletoe all over the house. Marie Coffelt celebrated her birthday recently and passed out a treat. Marie will also be absent on a sick leave for some time. . . . Merle Snider and Frieda Keller were such good Santas to Margaret Waltke. Somehow Santa knew Margaret likes cherry flips. . . Happy New Year to each and all of you. . . . The Bob Bolinger family sure must have had a delicious Christmas dinner. Boy, can that man cook. He claims he hasn't tried to bake yet. Bob, soon as you master that bring us some samples of lady fingers or just plain cookies. . . . Anyone needing fatherly advice see George Meyer. He claims to have wonderful results. . . . A six pound and eight ounce bundle was left at the Donald Harman residence. Mom used to work here—remember Alice Sheets? Pop works in Plant No. 1. Congratulations, may your daughter grow to be your pride and joy always. . . . Florida here comes the Red Moore family. We hope you'll find the sunshine and surroundings pleasant during your extra week's vacation. . . . It really must be a real bargain—that old Buick of Norb Schneider's. Red Morgan has sure been pricing it eagerly. It's large enough to be converted to a firetruck, or an ambulance. Could even be a bus or, Red, is it just a good implement trailer like the rototiller conveyor? . . . The Legion children had a joyous time when Santa Claus Noonan arrived with his gift bag. They sure snuggled around him. Hope, Eddie, you didn't miss any of the tots even the one that aimed at your nose with his fists. . . . When it comes to gifts—Nellie Schug received the most economical gift. What may it have been, Nellie? Anyone interested see Nellie's most cherished present. He keeps it by his working office at the north conveyor. . . . Sleep stole on as sleep will do but Riley a real he-man battled to fight it off the other day. The sandman would have battled to sprinkle sand in that man's eyes. . . . Mildred Barger is back with us. Also Laura Misercola and Helen Barger. . . . Dorothy Heimann, winding line, has joined the sparkler's club, third finger, left hand. We hear it is a lucky fellow from Celina. Best wishes, Dorothy. . . . The girls in the office had a dinner and Christmas exchange recently. The tables were decorated with evergreen and at each place was a little red boot. The girls found their places by locating their name on their gift which was placed on the table. Those attending were Eloise Noll, Mary Fennig, Barbara Roop, Alice McBride, Mary Miller, Mary Lengerich, Geneive August, Christine Andrews, Florence Schultz, Wanda Bailey, Esther Meyer, Irene Holthouse, Dorothy Schumm, Earleen Steffen, Fern Passwater, Harriett Haines, Ardella Heare, Cathryn Steele. Those unable to attend were Lydia Lehrman, Dorothy Schnepf, and Mary Ann Laurent. Everyone reported a very fine Christmas and Mary Ellen Lengerich is still in the clouds since receiving the third finger left hand item. Congratulations, Mary Ellen. . . . Ask Dort Schnepf about the night she got caught under the mistletoe at home. . . . Mick Odle received some very lovely Christmas gifts at work Dec. 23. Is that right, Mick? . . . Mr. and Mrs. James Staley and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gaunt spent their Christmas holiday in Wisconsin.

Fryback Completes 30 Years



Claude E. Fryback, Bldg. 26-1, completed 30 years of employment with General Electric Saturday, Dec. 17. The previous day, a number of his friends joined in their congratulations on his long service. Left to right in the picture are: Doyle Miller, Fred Mennewisch, William Woebking, Freeman Rohlfing, Otis Holzworth, Luther McConnehey, Mr. Fryback, Glenn Robinette, Ruben Dewart, Malvin Leykauf, John Sowers, and F. N. Banks, Superintendent of Specialty Transformer Liv. 91.

Shaft Shavings

BLDG. 19-3

By Jim Mitchell

As the newest and youngest member of the WORKS NEWS, we shall try to make our debut as brief as possible. From time to time we shall give forth with brief resumes of who we are and what we do. We are very happy to be with you, and are looking forward to the pleasant times we hope to enjoy together. Please be patient with us and we will try to bring you an occasional smile by our anecdotes. So, just for a starter, we wish to say—From all of us to all of you, a very Happy and Prosperous New Year. . . . Thanks for being with us.



Now we know why Myrtle Barfeld is all smiles these days. She is hoping to be in her new home by the first of the year. . . . Harold Blauvelt was one surprised guy when he found a mink in his trap. But it wasn't quite big enough for a coat. . . . Happy birthdays for December go to Earl Strong, William Smith, William Kizer, Evan Aultom, Opal Cuney, Elizabeth Hudson, Mildred Weinman, Alice Rodgers, Marjorie Hahan, and Mae LeBold. . . . Just what was it Ann Johnson and Rosa Schooley were hunting for in an Indianapolis dime store? . . . We hear Bill Kurtis had to stay home the day they brought their baby home. It seems their baby-sitter didn't show up. Anyway congratulations, Mom and Pop. . . . Tom was taking a cow to the locker to have it butchered and on the way, Bossy got away. He chased it a over Waynedale but befo he could catch it a car struck her. Poor Tom is finally convinced he is doing things the hard way. . . . Lottie is still wondering who the party is that swipes her rolls she buys from the candy wagon. . . . The Birthday Club had a dinner and gift exchange at the home of Zella Sheehan. . . . Your reporter was very disappointed when Marie Winkleman failed to sing a song at a certain night spot uptown last Saturday. . . . The two pole girls wish to thank Santa Claus for the funny little greeting they found at their places one day last week. . . . Loretta Runyon was one busy girl getting the toy train in shape for the children for Christmas. . . . Vivian Tricker was in the dog house. It seems while she and her husband were getting their new home ready to move into, a pheasant flew in the house. When bird was finally caught the Trickers gave it away. Viv made the mistake of telling her experience to Bill Lavine, who had just traveled 50 miles on foot (so he claims) for one. . . . We sincerely wish everyone "A Very Happy New Year."

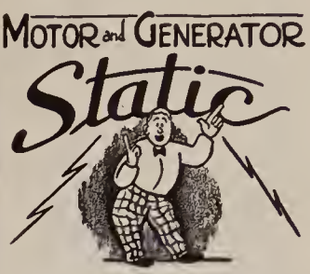
Two Join Q-C Club



Bertha J. Gruber
Bldg. 26-5



Clarence E. Freehill
Bldg. 4-4



A Happy and Prosperous New Year from the Motor-Generator division. . . . A delightful dinner party was held at the Yacht Club Friday noon, Dec. 23, in honor of R. G. (Dick) Saunders and the Christmas Season. Those attending were P. E. Bohn, H. R. Brown, E. C. Foley, F. E. West, W. R. David, M. J. Neal, M. W. Brosius, F. Hutchinson, Jr., and the honor guest, Mr. Saunders. At the conclusion of the dinner Mr. Bohn, in his usual delightful manner, addressed the assemblage stating "Let's go back to work, boys, Mr. Hartigan is looking for us." . . . Our Police Chief, A. R. Vegalues, informed us that we missed a very informative lecture during the noon hour in the main gate house. This lecture was given by A. N. Farrel, General Foreman of this division, and the subject of Mr. Farrel's address was "The Use of False Teeth." . . . Our Editor would like to thank those splendid members of the Motor-Generator division for the delightful Christmas cards which he received during the week of Dec. 23.

Personnel-ities

By Ceal Romary

Lois Miller attended a potluck dinner the other night and was asked to bring a covered dish. Not having any covered dishes, she took a two-crusted pie. Served the purpose, didn't it, Lois? . . . Helen Bilskie celebrated her birthday last week and passed some delicious cookies around. Congratulations, Helen. You may celebrate often as long as you pass the cookies. . . . H. L. Smith, of the Safety division, attended a safety commiittee meeting at Indianapolis last week. We certainly hope he didn't have the misfortune on this trip that he had on the last one. . . . Santa Claus came early this year in the form of Ed Witte, when he dined with several of his co-workers and was stuck with the bill. We hear by the grapevine that the choice was not his, but he had no "out". The recipients asked the WORKS NEWS to print this open vote of thanks. . . . Lois Miller was vacationing last week. We heard that she spent her time looking for a covered dish. . . . Irene Meyers went to DeKalb to attend the girls' Christmas party. From her reports, a good time was had and it was a lovely party. . . . If anyone is interested in seeing what Ruth Shull looks like in a dark raspberry color, Daryl Long of the Cafeteria can tell you. He had her model it alajelly bread. . . . The girls who attended the Christmas party at Veora Habig's would like to thank her for opening her home to them. A second vote of thanks to Helen Bilskie and Veora for the delicious meal. There was nothing left undone. We were all happy to see Iris Knapp, Baby Sherry, and Lorine Peters at the party. Everyone reported a good time was had by all. . . . Hope Santa filled your stocking to the extent that you will want to keep all the new year resolutions you made—even though you know you'll break them. Happy New Year to all.

Thisa and Thata "SPECIALTY MOTOR"

by Helen Engle

Is everyone happy? Did you get from Santa what you wanted? I hope so—sure hope no one was too disappointed! . . . Esther Fagan is really going to town in her carpenter work. She has finished a perfectly lovely chair. Mildred Green finished a pair of beautiful lamps. . . . In case your funds have run out over the holidays and you are still hungry, Henrietta Deck has the perfect plan for getting a good free lunch. She knows because she really tried it the other day. This is how: Board the old familiar bus with the same familiar faces going to work in the morning; pick out a clean, well-fed, familiar man, tell him you will be glad to hold his lunch bucket for him while he reads the paper. Forget to return the lunch and when you arrive at work discover a beautiful lunch and that you don't know his name or where at the G-E he works! . . . Harry Berry, you can have all the dry ice you want, but why don't you break down and put something in my ice box sometime? . . . Congratulations to Gerna Ashcraft who was married to Herb Cook recently. We wish you both lots of good luck and much happiness in the coming year. . . . Edith Harchelrode must have been sleepy the other morning when she got up because she put on a light stocking and a dark one. She even went uptown like that and no one noticed it, if they did they didn't say anything, and she discovered it when she was getting ready to go to bed that night? . . . We wonder how Ted "Skin-head" Bain is making out with his honey business. . . . Alice Claymiller went over to her mother's home the other night and got a quart of cream to make some candy. She had several other items to carry out to the car, so when she got there she set the cream down on the running board of the car and went on home. Imagine her surprise when she got home to discover that she forgot to take it off the running board and she had no cream! . . . Birthday greetings to Lillie Benz and Keith Gruber. . . . Here is something that very few people know—Al Rebber has an interest in a gold mine—no kidding. It's true. But so far NO RETURNS! . . . Sure wish Merl Keesler would tell us what he lost. . . . Irma Huhn will have her third week's vacation now. So does Ray O'Brian. They tell me Golda Duff is on her vacation this week too! Some people have all the luck. . . . Everyone was so busy right before Christmas they couldn't see straight; especially Eva Scott who came to work with two different shoes on the other day. . . . Say those chickens sure must be laying the eggs for Henrietta Deck. It won't be long 'till we all look like an egg. . . . Besides it being Christmas and everything else, Thelma Wyss and family are moving! Which explains why she hasn't been on time every morning. . . . Irma Henny got so excited the other day when she was to attend a safety meeting. They were to have a show or something, anyway it was her day to make coffee for the girls—she had it all ready about 10 o'clock, just one and one half hours ahead of time. . . . We welcome the following people to Div. 1: Victor Jacobs, Bernard Kramer, Donald Carrier, Marcella Schwartz, Virginia Pelz, Deloris Gladbach, and Eva Hoover. . . . We of FHP Div. 1 express our deepest sympathy to the family of Carl Reitdorf, Jr., who died recently. Mr. Reitdorf was assistant to the cost supervisor. He will be greatly missed by his fellow coworkers. . . . Vern Amons was in his height of glory the other day when he was able to drive his car again. . . . Freeman White doesn't know how he is being missed! . . . Garland Roby is happy to be back on his old job again! . . . How many of you knew that Div. 1 had the one person at the Fort Wayne Works who can claim the title of having the most service? It is none other than Ed Boedeker, who works in Test and Inspection, he has 49 years of service. How he can still be so easy-going and so quiet after working with that bunch for as long as he has is something I can't understand! Incidently he is retiring in 1950. . . . Just remember, folks, that if the coming year is to be a success for you—you have to do your share and not leave it all up to God! My wish for you is that you have a very Happy, Happy New Year.

Shipping Group Holds Meeting Here



Members of Shipping Group No. 3 of the Apparatus Department's training course were visitors at the Fort Wayne Works Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 13-14, as a part of their training program. Members of the group are shown, above, during one of their tours: First row—(l. to r.) P. A. Lavelle, Philadelphia; J. R. Crombie, Schenectady; Herman Ebel, Fort Wayne; J. E. Cullen, Pittsfield; F. L. Coakley, West Lynn. Second row—C. R. Crompton, Schenectady; C. D. Uncapher, Fort Wayne; R. J. Little, Philadelphia; H. L. Wakefield, Somersworth, Mass. Back row—J. J. Robleski, and K. J. Gilber, both of the River Works, and H. A. Norr and G. F. Bond, both of Fort Wayne.

Apprentice BROADCAST

by Mildred Ellis

We hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and has recovered sufficiently from overeating to celebrate the New Year. . . . Congratulations to Everett Schmidt who graduated as a draftsman Dec. 23 and to Jack Kirlin who will complete the draftsmen's course today. . . . James Hoppel was heard describing his dream home with the hardwood floors in the basement and the cement roof(?) . . . Accident of the week: Jack Kirlin ran a knife into his wrist while trying to pry loose some hard taffy. . . . Garland Roby gave his friends presmoked pipes for Christmas. By Christmas he really had a case of tongue bite! . . . This Christmas warm spell gave Joe Rowan a bit of trouble. When the ground thawed the legs for the stand on his oil barrel broke through and the barrel went rolling. The next morning his stove refused to burn. Anyway, he had nice weather to make repairs. . . . Gene Werling sold Myron Auer a ball point pen for half-price. Myron gave Gene half-of-a-dollar-bill—and got away with it—for a few minutes. . . . Deepest sympathy goes to B. O. Smith, ardent sportsman and angler who finally admitted to the world there was only one place he could catch fish, after all those nasty things he said about Rome City. . . . Disappointments and surprises came to many as the first half session of bowling ended. The main thing, of course, is that everyone is spending a safe and enjoyable evening with his co-workers. . . . WISHING YOU A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Wade Reed Is Granted U.S. Patent



Wade Reed

The U.S. Patent Office has granted a patent to Wade Reed on his invention of an improved oiling reservoir for outdoor applications.

Mr. Reed is a design engineer in the Fractional Horsepower Motor Development Engineering division. He has been employed by the General Electric Company since 1918 and has been in the FHP Motor divisions since 1934.

Mr. Reed's invention consists of a novel arrangement for sealing an oil reservoir of plastic or glass to a metallic base, which will form an oil-tight seal which will remain tight over a wide range of temperature.

HI-Spots OF BUILDING 4-2

Will anyone possessing a cocoanut or even knows someone that might have one please call Charles Curtis, phone 682, Bldg. 4-2, he wishes to send it to a certain hat company so that they can block his hats to fit. There seems to be some trouble along these lines. . . . We congratulate the following on their birthdays, not because they come on Christmas but because they relieve the ordinary boredom of just having an happening: Floyd Loraine, Florence Offerle, Luella Guy, and Clarence James. . . . Park Schemehorn and Herb Franke had their vacation last week and we wonder, taking the weather into consideration how their ice fishing came out? We imagine that like so many things it turned out—all wet. . . . We shall question True Sheets or Ed Glusenkamp but who is the girl that inadvertently put her sweater on backwards—but what did she do about buttons? . . . Now we come to probably the juiciest item of the current year—Ed Glusenkamp had a birthday. It would appear to an uninterested bystander that he probably received the most useless of all presents: to wit one moth eaten, worn out, badly bedraggled pair of long underwear. Accompanying him was our friend Harry Anderson who was blessed with a two-way stretch which didn't stretch. No fault of the writers, Ralph Reinking was a recipient of something of which he had no use whatsoever, but ask him what they were. Floyd Saylor received a wornout brassiere, all of which of course were modeled by those receiving them under suitable conditions. . . . We regret that our informant in the Tool Room and other sections have fallen down miserably on the job of providing us with any information that is going on among the people that really make Div. 15 function. . . . We have a letter from Mamie Allen which will be available to anyone wishing to read it, just see Delphia Drummond.

We are thankful for all bumper crops—except those caused by reckless drivers.

AD-LETS

FOR SALE WANTED FOR RENT LOST & FOUND

Only one ad per employee may be inserted. Each ad must be limited to 20 words and cannot be repeated. All articles mentioned must be personal property of the employee. Ad will not be accepted unless accompanied by the name, pay number, and division of the employee. No works building or telephone number may appear in ad, only the home telephone number or address.

"Lost" and "Found" articles must be cleared through the Plant Protection office, Bldg. 10-2, or the Plant receptionist, who will place the Ad-let and otherwise advertise the article.

No ad will be received over the telephone. Send all ads to WORKS NEWS office Bldg. 8-2.

CLOSING DATE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Tuesday noon, January 3, 1950

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Silver colored earring, heart shaped with pink rhinestones in it. Lost at General Service Christmas party at the Squares club rooms.

LOST—Silver chain bracelet. Lost around cafeteria.

LOST—Ladies' yellow gold Elgin wristwatch with gold band.

LOST—Black, white, tan female beagle, 6 mo. old, tan collar and chain, child's pet, reward. 3218 Raymond.

LOST—Round yellow gold wrist watch with gold stretch band. Lost at C-E Club's children's Christmas party, Dec. 17.

LOST—$16 all rolled together. Lost between Bldg. 18 and Bldg. 6-2.

FOR SALE

PIANO ACCORDION—Almost new, 120 bass, four shifts, $150. H-40674.

GIRL'S BICYCLE—26", like new, $25. H-79682.

BABIES PLAY PEN—Good condition. 1803 Hale Ave. or H-3457.

1946 CHEVROLET—Aero sedan, one owner, excellent condition. A-68274.

BLACK SKUNK CHUBBIE—Grey opossum ¾ length coat, size 16, very good condition. H-58122.

LADIES' GREY WOOL SUIT—Nearly new, size 14-16. E-28231.

PHOTOGRAPH ENLARGER—Less lens, home made, $4. H-46208.

HOUSE TRAILER—24 ft., 1943 model, make me an offer. E-32225.

LADY DOVER MIXER—Like new. E-32634.

CUB SCOUT UNIFORM—Girl's dresses, skirts, suit, sizes 10-12. H-75382.

GIRL'S WHITE SHOE SKATES—One pair, size 2, $3.50; One pair, size 5, $5. H-60951.

GIRL'S GOLD CABARDINE DRESS—Like new, $5; grey dress with silver buttons, $2, both size 12. H-57431.

1947 KAISER—Good condition, original owner, priced to sell. 2511 Fox Ave.

25 WATT SOUND SYSTEM—Includes five trumpet speakers, two mikes, two-speed turntable, brand new, in original carton. E-36529.

1939 DODGE—New tires, with A1 '46 motor, $225. Robert Johnson, Hamilton, Ind.

RABBITS—Two doe, one buck, with breeding pen, from blue ribbon stock, $20, will deliver; extension ladder, two-wheel trailer, safety chain. H-28418 before 3 p.m. or A-87585 after 4 p.m.

SLIDE RULE—K&E, log-log, duplex, decitig, with case, $12. 1157 Cedar.

HOCKEY ICE SKATES—Size 5, $6. A-96881.

TUXEDO—Size 36, in best of condition. A-68522.

GIRL'S WINTER COAT—Blue, two suits, one plaid, one green; short for chubby girl, good condition, all size 14½, coat, $5, suits, $30 each. A-78755.

LADIES ACCORDION—120 bass, Venturi-Figli. H-19492.

FOR RENT

LARGE ROOM—For one or two gentlemen, use of telephone and garage. H-2976.

THREE SLEEPING ROOMS—Near C-E; newly decorated, in private home, all modern, phone, off street parking, gentlemen preferred. A-40325.

HOUSE—Six rooms, 1½ mi. west of Yoder, ¼ north. Everett Pace, Yoder, Ind.

WANTED

BOTTLED GAS STOVE—And large coffee urn. H-92402 after 4 p.m.

HOME FOR FIVE FOX TERRIER PUPS—Calvin C. Hapner, R. R. 4, Bluffton, Ind.

THANK YOU NOTE

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL G-E EMPLOYEES—for their cooperation in providing more seats for the children at the C-E Club's "Kiddies' Christmas Party." My thanks also go to the committee and all G-E Club officials. Happy New Year to you all. . . . Ralph Hemminger, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee.

MISCELLANEOUS

SHARPENING SERVICE — Lawnmowers, saws, shears, knives, and also paper hanging. H-50681 or 4036 Robinwood Drive.



This week I have the pleasure of reporting on a group of people who probably see more and know less than any other in the Broadway plant. This is the General Service division, which takes care of the maintenance and repair of the Company's vast outlay of buildings. Nothing is too hard or too easy for this group. We shall glance at them from all angles. It has been my privilege to meet nearly all of the second shift electricians who are under the capable leadership of Verl (Pat) Patterson. Pat has charge of nearly all of the General Service people on the second shift. His co-workers with whom he has been associated for a number of years hold him in high esteem. . . . Floyd (Brownie) Brown shoots trouble on the west side. He is a likeable guy who would walk a million miles to do you a favor. . . . The chap who answers the electrical calls is Dave Mumma. Just last summer Dave started swinging at the little white pellet out Brookwood way in the Owl Golf league, and it almost took zero weather to make him stop. He also has a fine knowledge of small arms. . . . The four "Musty Steers" (excuse me, Musketeers) Tom Sparks, David Lantz, Clarence (Pat) Duhamell and Bill Lewis are really four of a kind. Where you see one you are bound to see the other three close by. Having just completed the installation of FLEX-A-POWER in Bldg. 17 we have seen them a great deal. Tom has the ambition of becoming the champion corn producer at Aboite. Dave Lantz is one of Grabill's outstanding small business men. He has earned that moniker by using his spare time to operate a canning factory in his home town. I understand that Pat Duhamell spent a vacation in Arizona quite recently. His ambition now is to reach pension age so he can hot foot it back to the land of sunshine. Bill Lewis, to whom all credit is due for making this missive possible, has quite a safety hobby. That is putting yellow tags on "Cherry Pickers." He has his eye on several decrepit work platforms but has run out of the necessary yellow tags. . . . Structural steel man Jack Smith and welder George Weeks are bosom pals even though Jack in his recent trip to Canada failed to provide George with a luscious venison steak. Howard Conner makes this a trio who have been Owls 10 years each and should know one another by now. George tells me that he has been a welder for 25 years. Howard is a great hunter and fisherman. Jack Smith's wife outdid him up in Canada where she shot a nine point buck. . . . It seems as though the General Service people work in the buddy system, and Mart Keefer and Horace Franklin are no exceptions. They take care of the cranes and elevators all over the plant. Along with the above mentioned that must be included is Walter Bilcer who follows the North Side Redskins because his two children are both enrolled there. Walt is on the fire department. . . . A softball and baseball umpire is Bill Rodocker. His favorite (and he doesn't know why) major league team is them "Bums" from Brooklyn. . . . They tell me that Charlie Barnhouse went hunting and only got wet feet for his trouble so he went home and shot a tame bunny for Sunday's dinner. He likes to follow the Huntertown Wildcats basketball team. . . . George Henschen lives the year around at South Shore on Big Cedar lake in a home that he built himself. He tells us that his better half caught a lot of pan fish this summer but he didn't do so good on bass. The Detroit Tigers are his favorite baseball team. . . . John Lauer, welder, who owns a 37 "Terrible Pain" says that he does all of his fishing in the summer time. He just couldn't go ice fishing. . . . In the moving gang there are some very likeable chaps namely Chester Schwartz, Charlie Woodward, Ernie Yost and Frederick McAfee, very obliging and easy to get along with. . . . We cannot overlook the two fellows who keep test equipment clicking in Bldg. 26. They are William (Bill) Travis and Al Klein, Jr. Bill is from the state of fine horses. Al adds that there are some good looking women in Kentucky, too. . . . The shop foreman on the second shift, Bldg. 20-1 is Ross Sills. He is in charge of machinists, sheet metal workers, welders, structural steel workers, electrical workers, garage men, painters, and quite a collection of the various crafts. Ross has a hobby of raising thoroughbred rabbits. Mrs. Sills helps take care of the bunnies too. . . . The boy who delivers the goods from the stock room is none other than Dewey Kumfer. . . . There are a few more of the General Service personnel that will be included in a column later. On behalf of all of this division I extend a HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL. . . . RANDOM NOTES: It has come to my attention that the Second Shifters do not take advantage of the Information Service of Your Works News. I personally can say that you will get an answer to your satisfaction. . . . The snow man that Mary Heymann, Bldg. 8-1 nurse, made is really cute. You should see it. . . . By the way, there are plans afoot to have a Club night on a Saturday night after the first of the year. We are hoping to put on a show along with a basketball game between the first and second shift Club basketball teams. If you have some musical or dramatic talent or if one of your children does, contact me and we will try to work it up for the show. . . . Come out next Tuesday morning and see this great Owl basketball team that is still undefeated in play.



Paul Traub is on vacation this week and has taken a trip to the southern part of the state. . . . Norma Krall is on the sick list again, and we hope that it will not be too long until she is back. . . . Addie Masbaum is the newest addition to our office. Addie is from Bldg. 17-1 and we are happy to have her with us. . . . Dorothy Medsker has the old technique. She went into one of our better eating places and ordered a steak. After eating half of it she called the waitress and complained that it was too rare whereupon she was served another big juicy steak. Nice going, Dorothy. . . . Clara Theisman doesn't usually look so out of shape. It's just that she has been doing a lot of square dancing lately. . . . The Birthday Club held its Christmas exchange party this week at the Berghoff Gardens with Norma Krall as hostess. Those present were: Joan Bailey, Lucile Werling, Kate Scherrer, Dorothy Askren, Dorothy Mills, Anna Lapadot, Florence Knight, Eileen Hennen, Dorothy Medsker, Clare Theisman, Jean Pappert, Marilyn Roehm and Belle Buchan.



Happy New Year, everybody. From all reports Santa really outdid herself in being good. By the way Ann Kensill got her roller skates. . . . Leona Hollis had her chimney cleaned out for Santa and set a trap for him. We haven't heard the results. . . . We hope that Santa brought Paul Strombeck a record player—doghouse size. He got in the doghouse for buying 200 records at one time. . . . Betty Lupton has a new excuse for being late. The whistle blows before she gets here. . . . Lewie Hoffman has no excuse for losing his toolbox anymore. It was welded to a solid surface. However, that doesn't go for his voice. He lost that too. . . . Last week when the clocks were fast, Helen Huhn and Vera Gennaitte were ready to quit 15 minutes early. . . . Violet Adams had the misfortune of losing her pet cocker spaniel. . . . Eileen Steinacker has dog troubles too. They have a little puppy that wants to cry at night, so someone has to talk to it so the rest of the family can sleep. . . . Marcille Thomas' dog ripped all the lights and decorations off their tree. . . . Deloris Wonderly didn't like the first day of winter, being that it was the shortest day of the year it cut down her talking time. Never mind, you can make it up next June. . . . Nellie Bellamy was Christmas shopping. She put down a package with a tie in it and someone took it. . . . We thought for a little while we were having a Fourth of July celebration. It was just Joe Matter's welding torch acting up. . . . Betty Blackburn wanted to play Santa Claus early. She was handed a gift box and told it was for Margaret Monnot, so she gave it to Margaret. . . . Congratulations on the blue bootied tax deduction at the home of Ralph and Mary Jane Gutman. The mama was a former co-worker. . . . JoAnn Kemery has a watch, but she is always asking the time. She never remembers to wind it. . . . It's "how dee do dee" to our newcomers on the early bird shift. . . . Sorry to hear that George Earl is in the hospital; also that Augusta Hoopengardner had the misfortune of falling and won't be able to work for some time.

Gallmeier Dies

Ernest C. Gallmeier died Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 7:10 a.m. at his home, 2509 Cortland Ave.

Mr. Gallmeier retired from General Electric in 1945 after 39 years' service. During most of his G-E career he worked as a stockkeeper and stock accumulator. In 1939 he was appointed to the Board of Safety and held that office until 1947.

He was a member of the G-E Quarter Century Club, the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, and a member of the board of directors of the Lutheran Old People's Home at Kendallville.

Funeral services were held Friday, Dec. 23, at 1:30 p.m. in the C. M. Sloan Funeral Home, the Rev. H. E. Levihn officiating. Burial was in the Concordia Cemetery.

Inquiring Reporter:

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO IN THE NEW YEAR?



MARY B. REED

Bldg. 26-3

"I am looking forward to more settled labor conditions for everyone in the new year."



ERVIN F. BEILSMITH

Bldg. 19-2

"In the New Year I would like to see a definite start toward permanent world peace. I would also like to see more sound economy in the administration of our federal government, and more security in business."



JOAN FLORSTEDT

Bldg. 20-2

"I am looking forward to enjoying:
(sigh) 365 nights;
(ugh) 365 mornings, and working, 254 days."



VIRGINIA JOHNSON

Taylor St.

"I am looking forward to buying a home with at least six rooms and with a large lawn where I can have lots of flowers. I would like very much to have a few acres of ground to plant vegetables and have fruit trees. I would also like to raise a lot of chickens and perhaps a few other animals."



EDWARD C. GEBHART

Bldg. 4-2

"I am looking forward to a trip to Miami, Fla., and a visit with relatives who moved and are now making their home there."



STORY OF THE WEEK—She has a witness, she says, to this fantastic story. It seems Judy Clark reached the bus stop down town just in time to have the conductor close the door in her face. Judy proceeded to jump up and down in rage. A gasoline bus, heading for the garage, stopped and asked her the trouble. After relating her sad plight, he said, "Jump in and I will get you there in time," and promptly proceeded to take all side streets and shorts cuts to the G-E depositing her at the Fairfield gate house. The guard came rushing out to see what the trouble was. The conductor of the bus told the guard he didn't want to see her be late. . . . CHRISTMAS PARTY—Margaret Taylor entertained the girls of the DC division at a Christmas Party in her home on the Paulding Rd. last Tuesday. A very enjoyable time was had by all. Thank you, Margaret! . . . Jack Kirlin Blows His Top!—A week ago last Tuesday Jack Kirlin, of the AC division, got into a heated argument over the telephone. He said that Jan. 4 was on Sunday, the other person said it was on Wednesday. Who was right? When Mary Smoak passed out the calendars she gave Jack a 1948 one. (So Jack thought). So, Jack goes down and really bawls her out. A few days later the whole story came out. It seems it wasn't Mary's fault after all. Maurice Bennett and the fellows around him switched calendars on Jack. Everything is straightened out and everybody is up to date. . . . WE THE EDITORS would like to take this chance and thank each one of our reporters for their fine work they have done this year. They are Dorothy Brubaker, Billie Frain, Donnabelle Degler, Dorothy Lisius, Lela Omspach, Marge Murphy, Gladys Koehlinger, Irene Whelan, Mary Olson and Forrest Carlson. We also wish to thank Gloria Openlander for typing our column every week. . . . ABSENT MINDED—The other morning Lois Tritch came back from the candy wagon with a roll and a straw. Since she couldn't find any use for the straw she finally gave it to someone else. We were beginning to wonder, Lois, how you could drink a roll. . . . Isabel Bartholomew felt quite proud of her desk after giving it a good cleaning and throwing out everything she didn't really need. Later on she realized her gloves were missing. Perhaps after this, she won't clean so thoroughly. . . . STRUGGLING MILLIE—Anyone wandering by the G-E last Sunday afternoon could have seen Millie Blievernieht struggling with a large Christmas tree. The tree found its home in the Payroll Section and we want to thank Millie, Bertha McCague and Thelma Barbeau for the beautiful decorations. . . . SO SORRY—Vivian Baumgartner usually doesn't get up as soon as she sits down, but the other afternoon was an exception. She accidentally sat on an oil can. . . . CHRISTMAS PARTY—Payroll's Bowling Team had their Christmas Party and exchange last week at the Van Orman Hotel. The food was delicious. . . . CHRISTMAS EXCHANGE—The Production Section had a very beautifully decorated silver Christmas tree. The whole office had a "grab-a-package" exchange Friday afternoon. . . . PEOPLE WE ENVY—We envy Mary Rogers and Ralph Shoaf. They each had a little vacation time left so, they have used their free time for last minute Christmas shopping. . . . SIGN LANGUAGE—If you want to see something cute, watch John Reuille tell Walter Hahn (through sign language) whether to ride the elevator down or walk the stairs. . . . STARKEL GOES LITERARY—I am told that Bob Starkel is going literary. He wants to write a book about "My Friend." I'll bet that book will really be something. . . . EARLY OPENING—Betty Stahl couldn't wait until the Christmas exchange to open one of her packages, so she opened it on Wednesday. Don't you wish you would have waited until Christmas Day, Betty? . . . BEWARE!—Play boy "Joe Gardt" has the balloons out again. . . . CHRISTMAS VACATION—Claude Voss will be enjoying Christmas and New Year's along with his vacation. He and his family are heading for Florida. Lydia Wilkening is on vacation this week; her mother is visiting her from New York. . . . CHRISTMAS IN OHIO—Mary Ellen Duer spent Christmas weekend with her family in Ohio. . . . CHRISTMAS IN IOWA—Forrest Carlson headed toward his relation in Des Moines, Iowa for Christmas. . . . SOME GUY — I wonder why Diek Dochterman received four gifts in the office exchange and everyone else only received just one? . . . Your Editors, Walt Gerke and Gil Baker, would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year.

The best thing to hide slightly worn clothes behind is a nice, pleasant smile.

Bob Bunyan Edits Column For Transformer Div. 91



Bob Bunyan, Bldg. 26-1, is the Division Editor for "Tricks In Transformer Div. 91."

An employee of General Electric for about 15 years, Bob first worked at the Winter St. plant and then in Bldg. 17-1. For the last 10 years he has worked in the Transformer division. At the present time he does die setting.

His spare moments away from G-E are spent "catching the big ones." Bob had two super-sleuths to help him on his reporting job. His assistants are Edward Haas and Rosie McKinney.

INDIANA TECH DROPS G-E ROD, GUN CLUB

The G-E Rod and Gun Club met the Indiana Tech Rifle Club in the first match of the 1949-50 season in the Allen County Rifle League Tuesday night, Dec. 20. Indiana Tech won this match by the score of 1098 to 1079.

The team score was as follows:

G-E		Indiana Tech.	
K. Hart	277	E. Moore	289
O. Emrick	275	A. Christopher	266
L. Bland	264	J. Cummins	261
L. May	263	N. Torzynski	253
		Handicap	29
Total	1079	Total	1098

The G-E Rod and Gun Club defeated the DeKalb G-E Rifle Club Tuesday, Dec. 6, in a postal match by the score of 955 to 915.

This was a four position match.

Some people call it hard times because they can't borrow the price of a new auto.



"By George, I'm sure glad I thought of this!"

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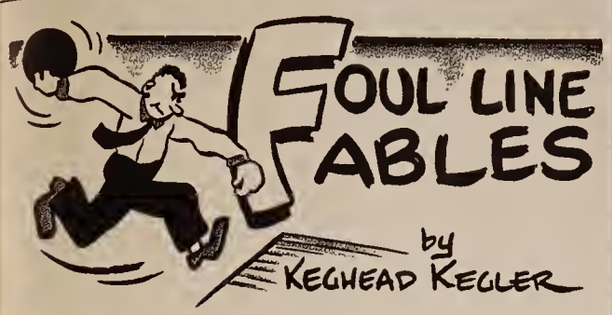
With all the looks of contentment on Tuesday, Christmas was wonderful for everyone. Let's hope the new year will bring understanding, kindness, thoughtfulness and forbearance to each of us that we may make every new day a better one for all. How about it, folks? . . . Tiz said Bob Olson is being economical with his own coffee grinder. That way he is sure of fresh coffee—sounds good. . . . Virginia Harris received a belated Christmas box Tuesday morning but imagine her disappointment when she found it contained only a mouse. . . . Our office, all decked out in its new paint, looks so fresh and bright. Spring cleaning a little early. . . . Ben Kapp stopped in to say "hello" to the gang and looked as chipper as ever. Hurry back, Ben. . . . Let's all send a get well wish and a prayer for a speedy recovery to Ruby Lydy who has been so very ill since the birth of her little girl. We are all hoping for good news soon. . . . Welcome back to the fold, Roger Crabill. . . . Walt Beeth celebrated his birthday recently, but couldn't say how old he is. . . . Fritz Stauffer wants more Swiss cheese with fewer holes, so he won't have to spit them out. . . . Has Ray Greek got something the girls go for? All the girls were holding his hand last Tuesday. It proved that he had a new diamond ring, presented to him by his wife, that the girls were interested in. Happy birthday, Ray, and we won't embarrass you by asking which birthday it was. . . . The fish brought in by Don Thomas were delicious. He does a good job of frying them, but we're still doubtful that he caught them. . . . Dick Nelson has found a good way to have the motor warm in his car these cold mornings. You merely go out at night, start the motor, go in the house and go to bed. Next morning if you've enough gas you car is nice and warm. It really works, Dick tried it. . . . Nothing seems to work for Frank Magers. The boys have been calling him on the phone at 6 a.m. but he still gets to work late. It takes a long time to walk five blocks to work. . . . Farming the new modern way is confusing, Shorty Dafforn just finished building a new chicken coop. Now he is selling all his chickens. . . . Frank Surface is like the song, "Laughing on the Outside, Crying on the Inside." He locked his car with the key in the ignition. . . . The office girls should be applauded for the lovely tree they put up in the hall. It's beautiful, girls. . . . We're glad to see Darrell Dennic back. Darrell was transferred sometime ago and has now returned. Good luck, Dennie. . . . Now we know what chain reaction is. Thursday noon Al Middaugh was eating a very sticky marshmallow candy bar when a third person got Al and Ray Debolt started arguing. When Ray and Al got face to face, a fourth party frightened Al from behind and Ray got the sticky mess right on top of his bald head. It ruined his new scalp Simonize. . . . Don Kruse, Tony Miller and Norb Lose broke with the dawn last Saturday and hit the trail to one of Norb's favorite hunting spots. After a few minutes on the road they reached their destination. (Kruse will contest this statement). After a few hours of successful hunting, they walked back to the car. Miller and Lose put their game and hunting coats in the truck. Kruse put in his hunting coat (no game). On the way to town, Miller with his scouting eye, noticed a farmer's daughter crossing a field. Opening the window to wave he spied a rabbit caught in the vines of fox grapes along the fence row. This was Don's big moment. He stopped the car, loaded his eight gauge and fired rapidly into the brush. When the smoke cleared he found he had taken down 14 fence posts, changed the course of a ditch and practically disintegrated his rabbit—but Don was happy, he got one. . . . If you would like to find some farm in Adams county, see Norb Lose. He is one of the few people who can get lost two miles from his own home, but he sure ought to know the county by now after being on a few hunting trips with his friends whose car had a tankful of gas. . . . We all want a happy and prosperous New Year for all of you.

M. B. A. SICK LIST

Rosmae Tucker, Avanelle Kratzer, Elmer Hatfield, Ward Grim, Mary Berger, Edith McKeon, August Hinrichs, Clarence Russell, Ned Greulach, Charles Day, Norman Griffin, Newton Mechling, Eveline Best, Vadas Putt, Dorothy Weiler, Samuel Rhoads, Royal Parisot, Gaylord Evans, Alta Mayle, Lenna Ferguson, Arietta Denney, Leona Scott, Raymond Quandt, Dora Aughenbaugh, June Richardson, Margaret Fletcher, Anna Minard, Goldie DeLong, Her-Volmerding, Clara Scherer, Russell Maxson, Norma Krall, Waneta Koehlinger, Elmer Hatfield, August Hinrichs, Donna Hayes, Juanita Harris, Agusta Hoopengardner, Norman Griffin, Gaylord Evans, Martha Arnel, Ruth Cutter, Laura Somers, Nelson Furthmiller, and Marion More.

Returned to Work

Ernest Lowe, George Waldschmidt, Edmund De Weese, Henry Mason, Donald Ertle, Gertrude Martin, William Waggoner, Winifred Scheurich, Harold Boles, Richard Templeton, Harrison Van Diver, Clarence Sapp, Perry Jeffries, Dorothy Childrey, Thomas Hildebrand, Ida Williams, Waneta Koehlinger, Joseph Schlotterer, Robert Campbell, Marguerite Dasher, Beulah Briner, Henry Tucker, Mildred Geerken, Aldyth Cotner, Roy Utter, Earl Vachon, Lizetta Worthman, Olga Welch, Morris Siples, Hope Hatfield, Kenneth Frick, Harold Moore, and Mary Berger.



The Apprentice boys snapped out of the doldrums to rack up three 600 series.

Marc Junk led the way with a 641 on scores of 235, 209, and 197. Joe Haas, with games of 210, 205, and 199, got a neat 614. Jack Kirlin came through with his first 600 series, a 606 on games of 224, 211, and 177.

Two hundred games were rolled by Gene Werling, 238; Milo Chasey, 209, and Don Hoffman, 202.

The Compasses are leading the league by seven big games.

Apparatus League

Art Thompson, getting his first 600 series, walked off with a chicken. Art had games of 196, 202, and 204 for a 602 total.

Two hundred scores were kegled by: Fred Schafenacker, 202; Arnold White, 225; R. Smith, 204; R. Wire, 202; W. Saalfrank, 203; H. Sexton, 223, and Bob "Sore Thumb" Blomker, 224 and 203.

Team No. 4 is leading the league in a tight race right down to the wire.

Interdivision League

Frank Matthews led the assault on the pins for the chickens. Frank had games of 195, 212, and 192 for a 599 and a chicken. Other chicken winners were Frank Iannelly, Russ Rose, and Nagel.

Two hundred scores were made by Herb Thiele, 232; Mardo Tobias, 204; Russ Rose, 224; Wayne Wiemer, 200; Paul Billman, 207, and Frank Iannelly, 211 and 202.

Decatur Bowling

G-E Fraternal League: Elks won two from the G-E Club in their battle for the cellar spot. Moose No. 7 took two from Preble.

Teeple Truck Line took two from K of C to increase their lead to six full games. K of C and Preble tied for second with Moose only one game back.

High Series: E. Faulkner, 628.

Two Hundred Scores: Stump, 266; H. Murphy, 214; C. McIntosh, 213; Ladd, 200; Zelt, 222; R. Lord, 202, and Alton, 217.

High Team Game—Teeple Truck Line, 1081.

Monday Night League: Office won three from Flanges to increase their lead to four games over the Flanges who are in second place.

Inspectors took two from Stators to tie for third and fourth place.

Two Hundred Scores: L. Zwick, 205, and G. Laurent, 202.

Dope by Dopey

We would like to take this moment to retract a statement made in the Dec. 9 issue of the WORKS NEWS to the effect that Erv Aumann's 703 series was the first in several years at the G-E Club alleys. Just last year Ed Kraft, in the G-E Annual Tournament, fired a 717 and, in a roll-off, Frank Matthews had a 720 series.

High scores for those trophies are Erv Aumann, 703; Bess Potts, 580; B. Somers, 269, and Ethel Koontz, 232.

Have you noticed the change in Adam Farrell lately? We found out last Wednesday evening that he's still the same old holler boy that we knew way back when. All he needed was Frank Matthews to spur him on.

Keghead rather enjoyed last week's vacation. Now we know where this column stands in the eyes of ye olde editor, Keghead ranks just about as low as a cowboy's spurs. If we need room in the news, just give ole Keghead a rest.

Back in 1931 the G-E Club bowling team won the city major league. Frank Quinn and Ted Schlup were members of the team. That same year the late George Jackson led all bowlers at the club with a 205 average. Seven hundred series were rolled by George Jackson, 709; Milt Bryan, 700, and McAtee, 705. That same year Joe Hambrock failed to carry a stubborn ten pin to post a 299 game (tough luck).

Here's a neat team total for one game rolled by a G-E team back in 1931: Frank Quinn, 191; Ted Schlup, 197; Eddie Schrantz, 199; George Luedeman, 253, and Hal Stewart, 300 for a 1140 total.

G-E Club Downs Salisbury Axle

The G-E Club avenged an early season defeat when they downed Salisbury Axle, 39-37, in a Zollner Piston preliminary game Thursday, Dec. 22.

After trailing 10-9 at the end of the first quarter, the G-E Club took the lead 21-19 at the end of the half and went on to win. Dick Bucher and Jim Walley paced the G-E Club scoring with 13 and nine points, respectively, while Bryson led Salisbury with 12 points.

The G-E Club has a season record of eight wins and seven defeats. They are playing .500 ball in the YMCA Industrial Basketball League, with a three and three record.

They will play Simpson Church tonight at the G-E Club gym. Game time will be 8 p.m. The G-E Club will play two YMCA league games next week. Tokheim will be the opponent Tuesday, Jan. 3, beginning at 8:15 p.m. in the Central high school gym. Their next game will be with Rea Wire at 7:45 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 5, in the YMCA gym.

Box score:

G-E Club	G.	F.	T.	Salisbury	G.	F.	T.
Bucher	6	1	13	Freeman	2	2	6
Trabel	3	1	7	Heintzelman	0	1	1
Walley	3	3	9	Miller	2	3	7
Lahrman	0	0	0	Deck	0	0	0
Lindholm	1	1	3	Hemphill	0	0	0
Goehring	0	2	2	Bryson	4	4	12
Baals	1	0	2	Saylor	0	0	0
Gettys	1	0	2	Lee	2	1	5
Hower	0	0	0	Hile	0	0	0
Zimmerlee	0	1	1	Gaunt	3	0	6
Totals	15	9	39	Totals	13	11	37

G-E CLUB OWLS SCORE VICTORY OVER ECKRICH

The G-E Club Owls won their sixth game in a row from the Eckrich Packers. The score was 47-36. Indiana Rod & Wire beat Zollner in the second game, 30-23.

The Eckrich Packers led the G-E Club until the beginning of the final period, when the Owls turned on the steam and scored 20 points to clinch the game. John Anspach was high point man for G-E with 10 points. Bob McKeeman, of the Packers, who led at half, 24-15; scored 14 toward the losing cause.

The Indiana Rod and Wire team, led by Dick Sowers, got hot in the third quarter to settle the issue against Zollner, who just couldn't get going.

Everybody got quite a kick out of Harry Schrimp, who had the bottom of his shoe come off midway in the first period. Frank Ducheteau and Paul Waltz divided scoring honors with six points each for the Pistons, while Dick Sower was high for the winners with 12.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

	W	L
General Electric	6	0
Zollner	3	3
Ind. Rod & Wire	2	4
Eckrich	1	5

Eckrich	G.	F.	T.	G-E Club	G.	F.	T.
Anders	2	0	4	Greeno	0	0	0
Arend	2	0	4	Baker	3	0	6
Stellhorn	0	0	0	Scherer	4	0	8
McKeeman	5	4	14	Lambroff	0	0	0
Shinbeckler	1	0	2	Blauvelt	1	3	5
Wynn	3	2	8	Schible	3	0	6
Kurtz	2	0	4	Markey	2	0	4
				Crosley	0	0	0
				Wickliffe	3	2	8
				Waikel	0	0	0
				Anspach	5	0	10
Totals	15	6	36	Totals	21	5	47

Half Score—Eckrich 24, G-E 15.
Officials—Wilson, Waldrop.

Zollner	G.	F.	T.	Ind. R & W	G.	F.	T.
Ducheteau	3	0	6	Lortie	2	0	4
Harsch	0	0	0	Leakey	4	0	8
Waltz	1	4	6	Beard	0	1	1
Bradtmiller	1	0	2	Helmke	1	1	3
Schrimp	1	0	2	DeLong	1	0	2
Monteith	0	0	0	Sowers	3	6	12
Clay	1	0	2				
Hockemeyer	1	1	3				
Totals	9	5	23	Totals	11	8	30

Half Score—Zollner 12, Ind. R & W 11.
Officials—Wilson, Waldrop.

Industrials Add Baals To Squad



Bob Baals, above, is one of the new additions to the G-E Industrial Basketball team. Bob is 27 years old, 5 ft. 8½ in. tall, and weighs 165 lbs. He played with the G-E Firemen during the last two years and his speed and experience should greatly help the Industrial squad this season.



Small Motors beat the Apprentice School, 49-26, in an Interdivision Basketball League game Tuesday evening.

The winners took the lead in the first minute of play and held it throughout the game. Voors and Rosswurm were very effective for the winners with 14 and 17 points each.

The Test Engineers dropped one to the Firemen, 36-19, in a game which was fairly close for the first three periods. However, the Firemen turned on the heat in the last quarter and pulled away to a comfortable lead.

App. School	G.	F.	T.	Sm. Motors	G.	F.	T.
Gottschalk	1	0	2	Voors	7	0	14
Braun	0	0	0	Rosswurm	7	3	17
Auer	3	1	7	Neu	2	0	4
Nelson	4	0	8	Wickliffe	1	0	2
Allen	0	1	1	Keister	4	0	8
Hooker	3	0	6	Kochle	2	0	4
Mowery	1	0	2				
Totals	12	2	26	Totals	23	3	49

Test Eng.	G.	F.	T.	Firemen	G.	F.	T.
Bartlemay	2	0	4	Meyers	3	2	8
Killion	0	0	0	Vance	0	0	0
Meyers	1	1	3	Boyce	1	0	2
Amstutz	3	0	6	Morkoetter	3	1	7
Taylor	3	0	6	Etter	3	0	6
				Runnion	3	0	6
				Somers	1	1	3
				Angel	1	0	2
				Buttes	0	0	0
				Penkul	1	0	2
Totals	9	1	19	Totals	16	4	36

STANDINGS

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Small Motors	5	1
Transformer	5	1
Firemen	5	1
Accounting	3	1
Traffic	2	3
Squares	2	3
Winter St.	1	3
Test Engineers	1	5
Apprentice School	0	6

G-E Rod, Gun Club To Hold Election Of Officers Jan. 3

The G-E Rod and Gun Club will hold its annual election of officers at South Side high school, Tuesday evening, Jan. 3.

The following members have been nominated:

President
Kenneth Hart, Bldg. 19-3.
Richard Poehler, Bldg. 19-5.

Vice President
Lester May, Bldg. 4-4.
Austin Harrison, Taylor St.

Secretary-Treasurer
Douglas Heckman, Bldg. 19-2.
John McComb, Taylor St.

Executive Officer
Ernest Allmandinger, Bldg. 19-2.
Amel Beck, Taylor St.

Director
Herbert Scherer, Taylor St.
Cletus Lothamer, Taylor St.

Rietdorf Dies

Carl Rietdorf, Jr., 51, died at 3:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 16, at his home, 922 Illsley Dr. Mr. Rietdorf was employed by General Electric in 1913 as a cost clerk. He became Assistant to the Cost Supervisor, Specialty FHP Motor Div. 1, in 1947.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Dec. 18, at the Klaehn Funeral Home at 2 p.m. The Rev. Clayton Steiner officiated, with burial in Greenlawn Memorial Park.



The Big WIND
DIVISION 17
TAYLOR STREET
by Dorothy Heinzelmann

Ducky Drake's face was really red last week, almost as was Janice's. Now the story that yours truly heard was this way. Ralph Dennison has a habit of pulling on Ducky's suspenders every chance that he gets, and so when he saw Ducky standing in Penn's office he walked up and pulled, but he yanked just a little too hard as the buttons flew off, the two back buttons that is, and Ducky really had to grab in a hurry. They then asked Janice if she would be so kind as to sew them back on. This she did, and in the meantime Ducky had put his suspenders in Don Niles desk drawer to keep some kind individual from hiding them. The buttons are now all sewed back on, and so Ducky steps over to the desk (still keeping a tight grip on those trousers) and stoops over to get the suspenders, and to do so he had to leave loose of his grip on said pants, and down they came around his knees. Charlie says Janice took out of there so fast that he still doesn't know if she went around him or tunneled under him. . . . Frank Beatty started celebrating Christmas a little early this year, as he came into work last Friday a.m. with the wrong shirt on. However it didn't take him long to get home and change. . . . Oscar Schelper was ill the first part of last week, but we are glad that you were able to be back in time to help us celebrate Christmas, Oscar. . . . Bob Sweeney has lately been known as Santa's little helper, you've all heard of "Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer." . . . Wonder what it is that Ruth Leverton has that is so special in Ossian. . . . Vi Minnick really puts her heart into her bowling. As a matter of fact she must put her back into it too, as she couldn't make it in to work last Wednesday. . . . The 51 Frame sound room has added two more reptiles to their collection "Lil Tex" and "Lil Everett." . . . The girls in the winding section had their Christmas party at the Belmont. A little gift exchange and refreshments. were enjoyed by all. : . . Some of the girls in Div. 17 had their party last Thursday night at the Colonial. Those attending were Edith Carder, Eva Webber, Iris Hebble and Willie Palmer. . . . Harold Mosshammer, Bob Boone, and Troy Long are enjoying those lovely third weeks of vacation this week. . . . Noel Boling brought in a cake that his wife baked for the gang in 17x130, and we hear that Howard McVay ended up with the biggest piece. . . . When you go out with Tommy Williams, you can really save your nickels as we hear that she can give as good a rendition of Mule Train as Bing can. . . . Hope the foreman and set up men liked their nylon shirts. . . . HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE.

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